

# **SOCIAL PROGRAMME**

#### **London International Summer School**

SESSION ONE: 14 JUNE - 5 JULY 2014

#### **SUNDAY 15 JUNE**

#### JUST LANDED LONDON TREASURE HUNT!!

These events provide the perfect opportunity to meet other summer school students and staff whilst getting to know your way around London. The event will start with a London Treasure Hunt, which takes you to the West End, Covent Garden, Leicester Square and Piccadilly Circus, past theatres and neon lights, to the nooks and crannies of a bygone year. Your mission: to find new pubs, greet some new faces and discover the history right on your doorstep.

Time: 4.00pm

**Meeting Point: Embankment Tube Station (Riverside entrance)** 

Sensible shoes and wet weather gear as British weather is unpredictable.

Finish Time: Approximately 6.30pm

#### **TUESDAY 17 JUNE**

#### **ROCK AND ROLL LONDON WALK**

Since the Swinging 60's London has been synonymous with youth culture. From the time of the Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Pink Floyd and Led Zeppelin, Britian has been at the forefront of rock and pop music and the beating heart of London's music scene has always been Soho. So take a walking tour of the last 40 years, from the days of Carnaby Street right up to today and the city's famous club culture. Among the many surprises on the walk is the place where the Rolling Stones first met and where the Beatles "Hey Jude" was recorded.

Time: 7.00pm

Location: Regent's Park Underground Finish Time: Approximately 9.30pm

#### **SATURDAY 21 – SUNDAY 22 JUNE**

#### **WEEKEND TRIP TO WALES**



Wales, the Land of the Red Dragon – full of green hills, country side and sheep! Try some Welsh cakes, go down a coal mine and learn a whole new language. Creoso y Cymru!

We start our tour 2000 years ago at Caerleon Roman Amphitheatre. Next we're off to Caerphilly Castle, one of the greatest medieval castles of Western Europe, where you will find out what it means to be the Prince of Wales. Finally, visit St Fagan's Museum of Welsh Life, on the outskirts of Cardiff, for a glimpse into Welsh life and customs.

Sunday includes a drive through the beautiful Brecon Beacons National

Park on the way to the Rhondda Valleys and Big Pit Mining Museum. With your helmet and flashlight, descent into the pit and see for yourself what it is like to work underground, sometimes from as early as the age of 6! We end the day at Tintern Abbey in the picturesque Wye Valley, a romantic ruin that inspired William Wordsworth and the painter J.M.W. Turner. Absolutely gorgeous!

Time: 7.30am

Meeting Point: Baker Street outside Madame Tussauds

Return to London by: On Sunday approximately 6.00 - 6.30pm depending on traffic

#### **TUESDAY 24 JUNE**

#### THEATRE EVENING: BILLY ELLIOT

Billy Elliot will dance his way into your heart in the award winning musical that takes a boy from a mining town in Yorkshire to the Royal Ballet School. Set in Britain, during the miners' strikes, this musical will make you laugh and make you cry- and you'll be stunned by Billy's dancing as he taps, pounds and flies across the stage.

Time: Collect your tickets between 7.00 and 7.20pm. Show starts at

7:30pm

Location: Victoria Palace Theatre, nearest tube Victoria.

Finish Time: Approximately 10.30pm

### **SATURDAY 28 JUNE**

#### **DAY TRIP TO STONEHENGE & BATH**

Stone circles, magic, mysticism, the legend of King Arthur, are all part of the story at **Stonehenge**, a 5,000 year old World Heritage Site. Your guide will separate fact from fiction, myth from reality as you gaze upon these mysterious stones.

You will then travel on to **Bath**, a beautiful golden hued city that will take your breathe away. Drink the healing waters, visit the Roman Baths and enjoy stories of Jane Austen and Georgian high society.

Time: 8.30am

**Meeting Point: Baker Street outside Madame Tussauds** Please wear sensible shoes and bring a waterproof jacket.

Return to London by: Approximately 6.00 - 6.30pm depending on traffic

#### **TUESDAY 1 JULY**

#### **JACK THE RIPPER WALKING TOUR**

Jack the Ripper was the most infamous serial killer that has ever stalked London's streets. This walk takes you back to 1888, the Autumn of Terror. Retrace the steps of his victims as you traverse the darkened East End. See where the women were last seen alive and hear in the vivid details of their last minutes. Your guide will take you around the alleyways and give you all the evidence. Can you determine the identity of the murderer that baffled Victorian police in a case that has remained unsolved for over 120 years?

Time: 7:00pm

Location: Meet at Liverpool Street Station, Liverpool Street side, where you will see a McDonald's

and a statue of some children.

Finish Time: Approximately 9.00pm

SESSION TWO: 5 JULY - 25 JULY 2014

#### **SUNDAY 6 JULY**

#### **LONDON EYE: MEET & MINGLE**



Welcome to London with a flight on London's 450ft high (150metre) London Eye for spectacular views of Buckingham Palace, Houses of Parliament, and all of London as you soar above London's skyline. Once we land enjoy some time with friends and an opportunity to make some new ones at one of the Southbank's pubs and restaurants for some pub snacks and conversation.

Time: 3.00pm

Location: at the base of London Eye Finish Time: Approximately 6.00pm

#### **TUESDAY 8 JULY**

#### **EAST END ART WALKING TOUR**



On this walk we will see work by Banksy, quite possibly the most famous living street artist in the world, as well as street art by Ben Eine whose piece "Twenty First Century City" was recently presented by Prime Minister David Cameron to Barrack Obama. We will also work see Shepherd Fairey the most celebrated street artist working in the US today. We will get up close and personal with the dynamic east London street art scene and witness the incredible transformation of Spitalfields and Shoreditch from a once seedy and deprived area into one of the most vibrant, fashionable and happening districts in London.

Time: 6.30pm

Location: Liverpool Street Station, Bishopsgate exit, next to Starbucks

Finish Time: Approximately 8.30pm

# SATURDAY 12 – SUNDAY 13 JULY WEEKEND TRIP TO YORK & NORTH OF ENGLAND

This two day starts at York where Romans ruled, Vikings raged and medieval monks meditated. Explore a medieval labyrinth built on foundations of Roman ruins and Viking settlements. Watch the layers of York's dramatic history unfold as you tour York Minster, wend your way through narrow cobbled streets and hear the city's stories, before stopping off for some scones and clotted cream in one of York's many tearooms.

On the second day of our tour we take you to the tranquil Fountains Abbey set in the Yorkshire Dales National Park. Our tour gives you the chance to wander the cloisters and imagine life as a medieval monk within the abbey's tranquil confines. Finally we travel south to Hardwick Hall, the impressive Elizabethan home of Bess of Hardwick. A stunning property, surrounded by acres of green and sheep, see how one of the most powerful women in the history of England (second only to the Queen!) lived and entertained in this lavish country home.



Time: 7.30pm

Meeting Point: Baker Street outside Madame Tussauds.

Return to London by: On Sunday approximately 7.00 - 7.30pm depending on traffic

#### THEATRE EVENING: WICKED



See the show that has won 35 awards since its creation. In this prequel to the Wizard of Oz, Wicked tells the incredible untold story of the Witches of Oz and how one came to be called 'good' and the other 'wicked'. Join Elphaba and Glinda in a story of friendship, love, and good and evil with spellbinding visual effects that defy belief (and gravity!)

Time: Collect your tickets between 7.00 and 7.20pm. Show starts at

7:30pm

Location: Apollo Victoria Theatre, nearest tube station: Victoria

Finish Time: Approximately 10.30pm

#### **SATURDAY 19 JULY**

#### DAY TRIP TO OXFORD AND THE COTSWOLDS

Visit the city of the dreaming spires - England's oldest university town, a place where colleges are named after saints and door knockers. Have the chance to visit Harry Potter's dining hall (when available) and see the river where Lewis Carroll took the real Alice in Wonderland boating. Then explore the Cotswold's; a region of beautiful limestone hills and picturesque villages where you can experience country life and traditions like a cream tea – absolutely delicious!

Time: 8:30am

Meeting Point: Baker Street outside Madame

**Tussauds** 

Return to London by: Approximately 6.00 -

6.30pm depending on traffic



#### TUESDAY 22 JULY HIDDEN PUBS OF THE OLD CITY WALKING TOUR

If you want to really understand what it means to be British, then you have to explore where they spend a lot of their free time; the pub! On this tour we will explore some of London's most charming pubs, walking down hidden little lanes and backstreets along the way. We will see some of London's most iconic sights: the Monument to The Great Fire of London, The Bank of England, The Royal Exchange, and the home of the Lord Mayor at Mansion House. Wonder at some of the most spectacular architecture in London from Lloyds of London to the 'Gherkin'. We stop en route for a drink at Leadenhall Market, a beautiful slice of Victorian splendour.

Time: 7.00pm

Meeting Point: Outside Monument Station, Fish Street Hill exit

Finish time: Approximately 9.30pm

## Get involved and make the most of your time in London!!



# Price of Social Programme per three week session = £390 Price of Social Programme for the *entire six week session* = £450

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#### **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

The Social Programme price is a package price and applies regardless of the number of activities that you participate in. Once payment details have been received, it is considered as confirmation that you want to participate in all activities.

Please note that the Social Programme package is NON-TRANSFERABLE and NON-REFUNDABLE once the withdrawal deadline (15 May 2014) has passed.

#### **DAY / WEEKEND TRIPS**

Insurance

Please note that you will be responsible for ensuring you have adequate travel and health insurance. The International Education Office does not accept liability for any loss or damage caused to you or your property whilst away.

#### Departures

It is your responsibility to leave ample time for your journey to the nominated departure point. We cannot provide refunds for you missing tours, trips or services as a result of delays on other transport services such as traffic, underground, buses and /or railways.

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