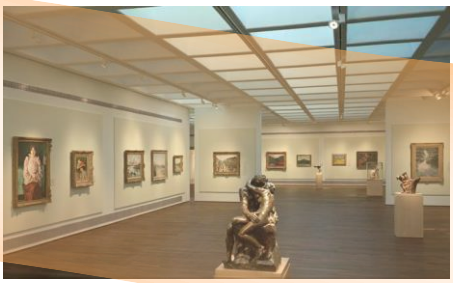
SOUTH BEND
ISRAEL FOOD & ARTS
COMMUNITY TRIP TO ISRAEL

APRIL 23-MAY 1, 2018

Jewish Federation OF ST.JOSEPH VALLEY

Sinai Synagogue

Tentative Itinerary as of March 2017



April 23 – Monday Welcome to Israel

- Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport
- The White City of Tel Aviv—Bauhaus Architecture
- Welcome dinner at Maganda Restaurant in Tel Aviv
- Overnight – Tel Aviv

April 24 – Tuesday Tel Aviv Art & Culture

- Janna Gur, Expert on Israeli and Jewish cuisine
- Explore Southern Tel Aviv's bohemian neighborhood
- Shuk Levinsky - culinary tour with Inbal Baum
- Independence Hall
- Nachlat Binyamin Arts and Crafts market
- Performance at Nalagaat Center
- Overnight – Tel Aviv

April 25 – Wednesday Tel Aviv and the Mediterranean Coast

- Ayalon Institute
- Depart for the Western Galilee (Our Partnership Region)
- Lunch at Breakfast Club restaurant in Moshav Shavei Zion.
- Business development in the Western Galilee.
- International Dance Village
- Crusader Halls of city of Acco
- Home Hospitality Dinner with the Partnership
- Overnight – Upper Galilee

April 26 – Thursday Land of People and Culinary Experiences

- Food & Wine Tour in the Lower Galilee
    - Olive oil press "Jahshan"
    - Arabic coffee roaster
    - Druze cooking workshop
    - Mivshelet Hagalil, micro beer brewery at Kibbutz Moran.
    - Lotem Organic Winery
- Geopolitical overview with Brig. Gen. (Res) Nitzan Nuriel at Mt. Bental.
- Light lunch at Coffee Annan at Mount Bental
- Dinner at the Roberg Restaurant
- Teva Naot Shoe Factory
- Overnight – Upper Galilee

April 27 – Friday From the Galilee to Jerusalem

- Beit Shean
- Tasting the various traditional Ethiopian foods
- Workshop of baking Ethiopian bread
- Mount of Olives
- Shabbat service at Kol Haneshama Synagogue
- Home Hospitality Dinner
- Overnight – Jerusalem

April 28 – Saturday Shabbat in Jerusalem/ Dead Sea

- Optional – attend synagogue service.
- Optional – walking tour in the neighborhoods of Jerusalem
- Tour to Masada and the Dead Sea
- Ein Gedi Reserve
- Lunch ‘N’ Swim
- Havdala service.
- Migdal David: Sound and Light Show
- Overnight – Jerusalem

April 29 – Sunday Jerusalem Past and Present

- Dr. Rachel Korazim: Jews and the World After the Holocaust
- Yad Vashem
- Guided tour along the “seam line” of southern Jerusalem
- Helen Gottstein: Four Faces of Israel
- Dinner at Touro Restaurant.
- Overnight – Jerusalem

April 30 – Monday Layers of the Past

- Supreme Court of Israel
- City of David
- Western Wall - "Kotel"
- Jewish Quarter
- Ben Yehuda Street Shopping
- Dinner at Hachatzer Restaurant at the Tachana Complex
- Overnight – Jerusalem

May 1 – Tuesday Last Day

- Susan’s House
- Guided tour at Hadassah Hospital and the world famous Chagall Windows
- 9/11 memorial
- Jewelry Brand of Yvel Tour
- Brasserie Restaurant, Ein Karem
- Departure to USA

L’hitraot!

LAND COST: $3600.00 Per Person for Double Occupancy

- $825 Supplement for Single Occupancy
- $500 per person deposit
- Flights, unlisted meals & snacks, and tips not included
- Trip is limited to 25 participants on a first come basis

PAYMENT AND REFUND POLICY

- All Payments must be made to: The Jewish Federation of St. Joseph Valley
- Check and Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express Accepted
- $500 Deposit Required Upon Registration
- Monthly/Incremental Payments Plans Available
- Full Payment or Final Payment Plan Installment by February 1, 2018
- All cancellations must be in writing, verbal cancellations will not be accepted
- Until December 31, 2017: 100% Refund
- January 1, 2018 to January 31, 2018: Loss of $500 Deposit
- February 1, 2018 to February 28, 2018: Loss of 50% of Total
- After March 1, 2018, no refunds will be made

PASSPORT INFORMATION

Please check today to make sure that you know where your passport is and that it is not expired or about to expire. Your passport must be valid for at least six months following the date you arrive in Israel. Make sure today that your passport does not expire before October 2018. If your passport expires within six months of your arrival date in Israel, you may not be granted entry. So, please start the renewal process today. Info about ordering a passport is found at **http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html**

ABOUT COVERAGE DURING THE TRIP

Participants are required to come on the trip with their own medical insurance policy which includes coverage for short term travel abroad. Please talk with your insurance provider for details. Some travel policies do not cover any medical conditions for which a participant is already being treated for or for which treatment has been received in the past. This exclusion rule may also apply to any psychological care. In the event that a participant needs to be treated for a pre-existing condition during the program, the participant will be solely responsible for any associated costs.

FLIGHTS:

In late May of 2017 we will have a recommended flight and give participants information and access to a specific travel agent for booking. Participants may pick an alternative flight and provider. If you arrive at a different time than the recommended flight you will be responsible for transportation to connect with the group.