# Schola Cantorum of Sacred Heart Church

# American Celebration of Music in the Baltics

Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania

Dr. Donald Kendrick, Director June 17-26, 2025

# **Flight Information**

**Group Flight: 30 Seats** 

| <u>Depart</u>                  | <u>Return</u>                      |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Tuesday, June 17, 2025         | Thursday, June 26, 2025            |
| Lufthansa Flight #455          | Lufthansa Flight #899              |
| Depart: San Francisco (SFO)    | Depart: Vilnius (VNO)6:00am        |
|                                | Arrive: Frankfurt (FRA)7:15am      |
| Wednesday, June 18, 2025       |                                    |
| Arrive: Frankfurt (FRA)10:25am | Lufthansa Flight #454              |
| Lufthansa Flight #882          | Depart: Frankfurt (FRA)10:25am     |
| Depart: Frankfurt (FRA) 2:35pm | Arrive: San Francisco (SFO)12:40pm |
| Arrive: Tallinn (TLL)          |                                    |

# **Baggage Fee Information**

Please note that baggage fees are **not** included in your tour cost and are subject to change.

Lufthansa
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(2<sup>nd</sup> bag is limited to instrument or musical equipment only to properly accommodate luggage for both air **and** onboard the motorcoach)

# **Hotel Information**

#### **Tallinn**

Check-in: June 18 Check-out: June 21

# **Tallink City Hotel**

A. Laikmaa 5 10145 Tallinn Phone: 011 372 630 0800

Website: Click Here

#### Riga

Check-in: June 21 Check-out: June 23

# Tallink Hotel Riga

Elizabetes 24 Riga, LV-1050 Phone: 011 371 67 099 760 Website: Click Here

# Vilnius

Check-in: June 23 Check-out: June 26

#### **Conti Hotel**

Raugyklos G. 7 Vilnius LT-01140 Phone: 011 370 5 206 0681 Website: Click Here

# **Group Operating Itinerary**

# Day 1 Tuesday, June 17

Depart via scheduled air service to Tallinn, Estonia

# Day 2 Wednesday, June 18

**Tallinn** 

**(D)** 

Arrive in Tallinn

Meet your MCI Tour Manager, who will assist the group to awaiting chartered motorcoach Late afternoon check-in to the Tallink City Hotel

Evening Welcome Dinner and overnight

### Day 3 Thursday, June 19

**Tallinn** 

(B,D)

Breakfast included at the hotel

Morning walking tour through Tallinn visiting the upper (Toompea fortress and Parliament,

Orthodox and Lutheran cathedrals, panoramic viewpoint) and lower (Town Hall square,

Merchant Guild Houses) parts of the old town

Lunch, on own

Performance in Tallinn as part of the American Celebration of Music in the Baltics\*

Evening dinner included, and overnight

# Day 4 Friday, June 20

**Tallinn** 

(B,L)

Breakfast included at the hotel

Morning tour of Kadriorg Palace and the Estonian Song Festival Grounds

Lunch, included

Return to Tallinn for time at leisure

Evening dinner, on own, and overnight

### Day 5 Saturday, June 21

Parnu / Gauja National Park / Riga

 $(\mathbf{B},\mathbf{L})$ 

Breakfast included at the hotel, followed by check-out

Transfer to Riga. On the way stop in Parnu, the summer capital of Estonia. Walk at the white sandy beach

Lunch, included

Continuation to Gauja National Park, surrounded by hilly river banks and sandy caves. Visit the 13th century Turaida castle, built under the order of Teutonic knight and Riga's bishop

Continue to Riga

Check-in to the Tallink Hotel Riga

Evening dinner, on own, and overnight

### Day 6 Sunday, June 22

Riga

 $(\mathbf{B},\mathbf{D})$ 

Breakfast included at the hotel

Morning excursion through Riga visiting the old town, surrounded by a water channel, with the famous Dome Cathedral, St. John and St. Peter Churches, the Freedom Monument, National Opera, Parliament, Castle, the cozy spacious squares and the remarkable Art Nouveau district Lunch, on own

Performance in Riga as part of the American Celebration of Music in the Baltics\*

Evening dinner included, and overnight

 $(\mathbf{B},\mathbf{L})$ 

Breakfast included at the hotel, followed by check-out

Transfer to Vilnius. Stop in Rundale for a short excursion to Rundale Palace, a baroque jewel designed by Italian architect F.B. Rastrelli, who is known for his world famous Hermitage Palace in St. Petersburg

Lunch, included

Continue to Vilnius. On the way through the natural countryside of Lithuania, with its wide open views, you will visit the famous Hill of Crosses, with over 50,000 crosses built from different materials

Check-in to the Conti Hotel

Evening dinner, on own, and overnight

### Day 8 Tuesday, June 24

**Vilnius** 

 $(\mathbf{B},\mathbf{D})$ 

Breakfast included at the hotel

Enjoy a morning city tour including Cathedral Square, Presidential Palace Square, Vilnius University, the gothic corner with the churches of St. Anne and St. Bernardine, the old Jewish ghetto, Town Hall Square the and Gates of Dawn

Lunch, on own

Exchange Performance in Vilnius as part of the American Celebration of Music in the Baltics\*

Evening dinner included, and overnight

#### Day 9 Wednesday, June 25

Trakai / Vilnius

 $(\mathbf{B},\mathbf{D})$ 

Breakfast included at the hotel

Half-day guided excursion to Trakai, former capital of the Grand Duke of Lithuania, surrounded by three lakes, known as the biggest Karaite minority town. Visit the 15th century insular castle Lunch, on own

Return to Vilnius

Performance in Vilnius as part of the American Celebration of Music in the Baltics\*

Evening Farewell Dinner included, and overnight

# Day 10 Thursday, June 26

**Depart for home** 

**(B)** 

Breakfast included at the hotel, followed by check-out Transfer to the Vilnius Airport for return flight home

This is a very flexible itinerary. Except for confirmed appointments and performances, the places of interest and the sequence of sightseeing might be changed if necessary or desirable. In the event of an unavoidable conflict in the performance and the sightseeing schedule, the concert schedule will prevail, and it may be necessary to exclude some sightseeing activities.

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<sup>\*</sup>Subject to confirmation