

2019 Itinerary

Day 1 ● Cienfuegos

After clearing customs, the delegation will transfer to the hotel.

This evening, the lovely Cienfuegos Choir will treat you to a special performance. Afterwards, you will meet with classically trained musicians to discuss education and training in Cuban performing arts. Our welcome dinner will be held at the private restaurant, Finca del Mar.



Day 2 ● Trinidad

Today we travel to the historic city of Trinidad. The city of Trinidad was founded in 1514 by Diego Velázquez de Cuéllar under the name Villa De la Santísima Trinidad. We then visit the Plaza Mayor in Trinidad, Cuba, the historic center of the town that UNESCO declared a World Heritage site in 1988.

Upon our return to Cienfuegos we will attend a performance by the children of La Colmenita. Performances but in their daily lives. After the performance we will interact with the children and teachers. Dinner is at the private restaurant El Lagarto.

Day 3 ● Havana

The delegation will interact with local citizens while visiting the Paseo del Prado, a pedestrian-only boulevard lined with various stores. Later, we will visit the Imaginando Unidos Proyecto, a community center that produces graphic arts and supports young adults with Down Syndrome.

The delegation will take a mid-afternoon drive to Havana and check in at the Melia Cohiba Hotel. Dinner will be at the private restaurant, Atelier. Tonight, you will meet owner Niurys Higuera. Niurys will share her experience at running a private restaurant on the island.

Day 4 ● Havana

Today our delegation will visit the Las Terrazas sustainable community. Delegates will visit the local school to talk with the children, visit an artist's home and workshop, and meet with residents to learn about their daily lives and respective roles within their community. A special lunch will be held at a local family restaurant.

Upon returning to Havana, we will meet with young entrepreneurs and designers to support the emerging private sector. Dinner is at your leisure.

Day 5 ● Havana

This morning, delegates will visit a daycare center run by the Catholic Order Sisters of the Love of God. The delegates will have the opportunity to meet with the Center's founder, Sister Teresa Vaz, to discuss her ongoing programs and to provide vitamins and other needed items for the children. PTPI will provide the delegation in advance with a list of donatable items they may bring. Delegates will then have the opportunity to meet with the Sisters, staff, and the children cared for by the Center.

Next, we will tour Old Havana, stopping for lunch at a private restaurant. Afterwards, the delegation will visit the Carlos Acosta Dance Academy. Dinner is at your leisure.

Day 6 ● Las Terrazas

This morning we will visit artist Kelvin López, one of Cuba's leading painters and sculptors. We will discuss his unique insight into the culture, history, and people of Cuba as he shares his art at his private home studio.

We will next travel to Arte Corte. Arte Corte is an example of the Cuban economic miracle created by the small business initiative.

We will complete our day with an interactive visit to Hemingway's home, Finca Vigia. Delegates will receive an overview of the current restoration projects. We will then return to the hotel with dinner at your leisure.



Day 7 ● Havana

We will start our day with a guided tour of the stunning National Museum of Fine Arts. The museum hosts the best collection of Cuban Art in the world, which dates back to the 17th century. Lunch will be at a private restaurant.

In the evening, there will be an opportunity to visit the National Ballet to view one of the world's most renowned ballet styles. We will hold our farewell dinner at the private restaurant Le Chansonnier.

Day 8 ● Havana

This morning delegates will check out of the hotel and transfer to the International Airport Jose Marti for the 10:00am flight to Miami.