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### KITCHENER WATERLOO COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA 2024 PERFORMANCE TOUR TO ITALY: June/July 2024

Proposed Itinerary: updated. 29 April, 2024

Subject to revision as itinerary develops

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Rehearsals in KW			
Sun June 9	2:30 pm - 5:00 pm	The Pavilion, Waterloo Memorial Recreation Complex, 101 Father David Bauer Dr, Entrance C <sub>1</sub>	
Sun June 9	6:30 pm - 9:00 pm	The Pavilion, Waterloo Memorial Recreation Complex, 101 Father David Bauer Dr, Entrance C	
Sat June 15	10:30 am - 1:00 pm	Venue TBA	
Sat June 15	2:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Venue TBA	
Group 1 (Early Arrival)			
Thur June 20	Afternoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• AC 420 / AC 818, 5:00 pm June 20 departure<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ 1h 32m layover in Montreal</li></ul></li><li>• <i>Or other private transportation to Cremona</i></li></ul>	
Fri June 21	10:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Arrive at Venice (VCE) airport on Air Canada flight AC 420/ AC 818 (from Toronto)</li><li>• Clear Immigration &amp; Customs</li><li>• Meet tour managers &amp; private coaches</li><li>• Transfer by coach to Bassano del Grappa (50 miles)</li></ul>	<a href="#">Bassano del Grappa Restaurants</a>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Or other private transportation to Cremona</i></li> </ul>	
	Afternoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Independent sight-seeing and lunch</li> <li>• Continue by coach to Cremona (130 miles)</li> <li>• Check in to the hotel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <a href="#">Hotel Continental</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<a href="#">Cremona Hotel Continental</a>
	Evening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dinner independent</li> </ul>	
Sat June 22	Morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast in the hotel</li> <li>• Time at leisure in Cremona for independent sight-seeing and shopping</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Cremona Things to do</a>
	Afternoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lunch independent</li> <li>• At leisure</li> </ul>	
	Evening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dinner independent</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Restaurants</a>
<b>Group 2</b>			
Fri June 21	Afternoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AC 816, 6:55 pm June 21 departure</li> <li>• <i>Or other private transportation to Cremona</i></li> </ul>	
Sat June 22	9:40 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arrive at Venice (VCE) airport on Air Canada flight AC 816 (from Toronto)</li> <li>• Clear Immigration &amp; Customs</li> <li>• Meet tour managers &amp; private coaches</li> <li>• Transfer by coach to Bassano del Grappa (50 miles)</li> <li>• <i>Or other private transportation to Cremona</i></li> </ul>	<a href="#">Bassano del Grappa Restaurants</a>
	Afternoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Independent sight-seeing and lunch</li> <li>• Continue by coach to Cremona (130 miles)</li> <li>• Check in to the hotel</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Cremona Hotel Continental</a>
	Evening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dinner independent</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Restaurants</a>
<b>Core Trip, both Group 1 and Group 2</b>			
Sun June 23	Morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast in the hotel</li> <li>• Walk from hotel to Museo del Violino (c. 20 minutes through pedestrianised town centre)</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Museo del Violino</a>
	10:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Private recital in museum's Auditorium for whole group</li> </ul>	
	10:40 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group 1: guided tour of the museum</li> </ul>	
	10:45 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group 2: guided tour of the museum</li> </ul>	
	10:50 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group 3: guided tour of the museum</li> </ul>	
	noonish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• End of tour and walk to restaurant</li> </ul>	
	12:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Group Meal 1</b> in a restaurant in central Cremona</li> </ul>	

	2:00 pm 3:15 pm 3.45-5.45 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Return to hotel to collect instruments</li> <li>Meet instrument truck of hired items at rehearsal location and set up</li> <li>2 h Rehearsal in Cortile Federico II</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Cortile Federico II</a>
	6:00 pm 8:30 pm 9:00 pm 10:15 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instruments may be left in nearby locked room</li> <li>Independent dinner and time to return to hotel to change</li> <li>Meet back at concert location</li> <li><b>Concert in Cortile Federico II</b>, as part of the Cremona Summer Festival</li> <li>After concert walk back to hotel</li> </ul>	
Mon June 24	Morning 10:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Breakfast in the hotel</li> <li>Check out of hotel &amp; load coaches</li> <li>Depart by coach for Sirmione (c.70 miles/1 hour)</li> <li>Time to explore Sirmione and walk by the lake</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Sirmione</a> <a href="#">Things to do</a>
	2:30 pm 3:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lunch independent in Sirmione</li> <li>Meet by city gates and walk to coaches</li> <li>Transfer by coach to hotel</li> <li>Check in to hotel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Desenzano Palace Hotel</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>At leisure. Time to relax and enjoy the hotel pool</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Desenzano</a>
	8:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Group Meal 2:</b> La Tavernetta del Pescatore <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>short walk from hotel</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Tue June 25	Morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Breakfast in the hotel</li> <li>At leisure in Desenzano to enjoy the town on the banks of Lake Garda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tuesday is market day</li> <li>Option to take public boat on lake (e.g. to Salò)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<a href="#">Things to do</a> <a href="#">Lake Garda</a> <a href="#">Salo</a>
	5:00 pm 6:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lunch independent</li> <li>At leisure in Desenzano</li> <li>Transfer by coach from hotel to Cavriana (12 miles/30 mins)</li> <li>Meet concert organisers and set up</li> <li>Rehearsal</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Cavriana</a>
	9:00 pm ~12:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dinner independent</li> <li><b>Concert in Giardino di Villa Mirra</b>, Cavriana</li> <li>After concert return to hotel by coach</li> <li>Arrive back at hotel</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Giardino di Villa Mirra</a>
Wed June 26	Morning 9:45 am 11:30 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Breakfast in the hotel</li> <li>Check out of hotel &amp; load coaches</li> <li>Transfer by coach to Mantova/Mantua (c.50 miles/1 hr 20)</li> <li>Meet local guides for walking tour of Mantova. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Piazza Sordello, Duomo, Cattedrale di Sant'Andrea and entrance to Teatro Bibiena</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<a href="#">Mantua</a> <a href="#">Piazza Sordello</a> <a href="#">Duomo (Cathedral)</a> <a href="#">Cattedrale di Sant'Andrea</a> <a href="#">Teatro Bibiena</a>

		(closes 1-3pm)	
	Afternoon 4:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lunch independent</li> <li>• Continue by coach to Verona (c.40 miles/1 hour)</li> <li>• Check into the Hotel Leon D'Oro</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Verona</a> <a href="#">Hotel Leon D'Oro</a>
	7:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Walk into historic centre</li> <li>• Dinner independent</li> <li>• Walk back to hotel</li> </ul>	
Thu June 27	10:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast in the hotel</li> <li>• Walk to Piazza Bra with tour managers</li> <li>• Meet local guides for walking tour of Verona, including entrance to the arena</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Verona Arena</a>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lunch independent</li> <li>• At leisure in Verona</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Things to do</a>
	9:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dinner independent</li> <li>• Optional: Opera in the Arena: Rossini's Il Barbiere di Siviglia - booked independently) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 20 m walk from hotel to arena</li> <li>○ Arena open 2h before start of opera</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<a href="#">Barber of Seville</a> <a href="#">Opera tickets</a>
Fri June 28	9:15 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast in the hotel</li> <li>• Optional; independent train into Venice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Approximately 1.5 h by train</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Depart hotel by coach for Vicenza (40 miles/c.1 hour)</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Venice</a> <a href="#">Vicenza</a>
	10:30 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meet local guides for walking tour with local guides, including entrance to Teatro Olimpico</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Teatro Olimpico</a>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lunch independent</li> <li>• At leisure in Vicenza</li> <li>• Return by coach to hotel in Verona</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Things to do</a>
	9:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dinner independent</li> <li>• Optional: Opera in the Arena: Verdi's Aida - booked independently) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 20 m walk from hotel to arena</li> <li>○ Arena open 2h before start of opera</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<a href="#">Aida</a> <a href="#">Opera tickets</a>
Sat June 29	10:30 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast in the hotel</li> <li>• Check out &amp; load coaches (<b>Bus 1 = Airport Hotel Quid; Bus 2 = Hotel Giorgione, Venice</b>)</li> <li>• Transfer by coach to Dolo (70 miles/c.1hr 25)</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Dolo</a>
	12:15 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Group Meal 3:</b> Farewell lunch in Ristorante Villa Ducale, Dolo</li> <li>• Walk from restaurant to meet private boat</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Ristorante Villa Ducale</a>
	5:30 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boat tour of Palladian Villas on Riviera Brenta</li> <li>• Meet coaches at Villa La Malcontenta (Villa Foscari)</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Riviera Brenta</a> <a href="#">Villa La Malcontenta</a>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bus 1: Continue by coach to Hotel Quid, near Venice airport</b></li> </ul>	

	c.6.00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Arrive at Hotel Quid and check in</li> <li>● Dinner independent</li> </ul>	
	c.6.00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Bus 2 (VE):</b> Continue by coach to Venice (Tronchetto)</li> <li>● Boat transfer from Tronchetto coach park to Venice island</li> <li>● Check in to Hotel Giorgione</li> <li>● Dinner independent</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Hotel Giorgione</a>
Sun June 30 <b>Group 1</b>	9:15 am 9:30 am  12:40 pm 4:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Breakfast in the hotel and check out</li> <li>● Transfer by coach to Venice airport (VCE) (8 miles)</li> <li>● Check in at Venice airport (VCE) for Air Canada flight AC 817 to Toronto (YYZ)</li> <li>● Departure of flight</li> <li>● Arrive Toronto (YYZ)</li> </ul>	
Sun June 30 <b>Group 2 (VE)</b>	10:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Breakfast in the hotel</li> <li>● Meet 2 local guides at the hotel.</li> <li>● TOUR MANAGER DEPARTS</li> <li>● Guided walking tour of Venice (no entrances included)</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Venice</a>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Lunch independent</li> <li>● At leisure to explore Venice</li> </ul>	<a href="#">Things to do</a>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Dinner independent</li> </ul>	
Mon July 1 <b>Group 2 (VE)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Breakfast in the hotel</li> <li>● Full day at leisure to explore Venice</li> <li>● Lunch and dinner independent</li> </ul>	
Tue July 2 <b>Group 2 (VE)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Breakfast in the hotel</li> <li>● Full day at leisure to explore Venice</li> <li>● Lunch and dinner independent</li> </ul>	
Wed July 3 Group 2 (VE)	12:40 pm departure, 4:05 pm arrival	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Breakfast in the hotel</li> <li>● Check out of the hotel</li> <li>● Independent transfers to Venice airport <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ by water taxi</li> <li>○ or Alilaguna public boat,</li> <li>○ or your continued travels elsewhere. (Please make your own arrangements for this. Hotel and tour manager should be able to assist with this when you arrive in Venice)</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Majority of Venice extension group are travelling on Air Canada flight 817, Venice to Toronto, direct flight</li> </ul>	

## Accommodation

June (21), 22, 23 Cremona	Hotel Continental Piazza della Libertà 26 26100 Cremona Tel. 0372 434141	<a href="http://www.hotelcontinentalcremona.it/">http://www.hotelcontinentalcremona.it/</a>
June 24, 25 Desenzano	Palace Hotel Viale F. Agello 114A 25015 Desenzano del Garda Tel. +39 030 553999	<a href="http://www.palacehoteldesenzano.it/">http://www.palacehoteldesenzano.it/</a>
June 26, 27, 28 Verona	Hotel Leon d'Oro Viale Piave 5 37135 Verona Tel: +39 045 844 5140	<a href="http://www.hotelleondoroverona.com/">http://www.hotelleondoroverona.com/</a>
Group 1 June 29 Mestre	Hotel The Quid Via Terraglio, 15 30174 - Mestre (VE) Tel: +39 041 239 5611	<a href="http://www.quidhotelvenice.com/">http://www.quidhotelvenice.com/</a>
Group 2 (VE) June 29, 30 July 1,2	Hotel Giorgione Calle Larga dei Proverbi Cannaregio 4587 30121 Venice Tel: +39 041 522 5810	<a href="http://www.hotelgiorgione.com/">http://www.hotelgiorgione.com/</a>

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