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PASSION PLAY
OBERAMMERGAU

CRUISE THE DANUBE RIVER
ABOARD THE DELUXE M.S. AMADEUS SYMPHONY

JULY 27 TO AUGUST 6, 2010

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Dear alumnae, alumni, parents and friends:

Every ten years, amid the storybook landscapes of the Bavarian Alps, the residents of the quaint hamlet of Oberammergau stage one of the world’s greatest dramatic spectacles, an extravagant Passion play with a cast of thousands and a history that encompasses nearly four centuries. Join this momentous journey to experience the pomp and majesty of the 41st production of the Passion Play of Oberammergau, coupled with a delightful cruise aboard the deluxe M.S. AMADEUS ROYAL through the heart of Europe along the fabled Danube River.

Our customized itinerary combines this historic cultural event with the unrivaled legacy of art, architecture and history that recalls the glories of the mighty Holy Roman and Habsburg empires. By exclusive arrangement, special tickets and seating not available to the general public have been procured to ensure your full enjoyment of this magnificent performance, in which some 2,000 citizens of Oberammergau portray the story of Jesus Christ on the large, open-air stage of the Passionsspielhaus (Passion Play Theater). During your cruise, revel in the beauty of the Austrian countryside as you pass pristine storybook villages and medieval castles. There are opportunities to visit the treasures of extraordinary Budapest and the imperial Vienna of Maria Theresa and Franz Josef, with extended time in each city, as well as the impressive Benedictine Melk Abbey and the architectural riches of Bratislava and Passau.

This unique travel opportunity represents exceptional value and, with limited capacity, is certain to sell out quickly, so we urge you to make your reservation before July 10, 2009, while Early Booking Savings are still available. We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Peace and blessings,

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Cover: Visit the quaint hamlet of Oberammergau, where charming chalet-style buildings are nestled between sunny meadows and verdant mountains.
U.S./MUNICH, GERMANY/
OBERAMMERGAU
Day 1 and Day 2
Depart from the U.S. for Munich. Upon arrival in Munich, transfer to Oberammergau. Check into your traditional Bavarian hotel in time for dinner.

OBERAMMERGAU
Day 3
Set off on a walking tour of this charming town, which is synonymous with the great Passion play that is performed here every 10 years. Admire the elaborate murals that adorn the walls and façades of village buildings, many depicting scenes from the Passion story. Visit the Oberammergau Museum and peruse its captivating collection of local arts and crafts, particularly the intricate wood carvings for which the region is so famous.

After lunch, experience one of Europe’s oldest and most venerable dramatic traditions. Enjoy specially reserved seating at the 2010 Passion Play of Oberammergau, featuring a cast of thousands—all local residents—and spectacular sets. The inception of this prestigious performance can be traced back to 1633 at the height of the Black Death plague and the Thirty Years War, when local residents pledged to perform the Passion play every ten years in thanks for their deliverance and survival. During intermission, enjoy a dinner of traditional Bavarian fare.

OBERAMMERGAU/PASSAU
Day 4
This morning, transfer to Passau, scenically located at the confluence of the Danube, Inn and Ilz rivers. Its Baroque architecture was so beautiful that Napoleon spared it from bombardment. Stroll along the picturesque streets leading to the Bishop’s New Residence Museum, an elegant 18th-century structure displaying the Cathedral Treasury. After a guided tour of the museum, continue to the immense St. Stephen’s Cathedral, whose sumptuous interior contains one of the world’s largest church organs.

This afternoon, embark the M.S. AMADEUS ROYAL. Join your traveling companions for the Captain’s welcome toast before dinner.

VIENNA, AUSTRIA
Day 5
Seat of the Habsburg Empire and a virtual open-air museum of Baroque architecture, Vienna owes its present appearance to the Austro-Hungarian Emperor Franz Josef. He demolished the city’s defense walls in order to create the Ringstrasse. You have the opportunity to view some of the city’s finest landmarks—the Austrian National Opera, the Parliament, the Hofburg Palace Imperial Apartments, the Burgtheater and the Town Hall—as you drive along this ring road to the Stephansdom, the great 13th-century cathedral renowned for the dazzling zigzagged tiles that adorn its roof.

The afternoon is at leisure.

Walk through romantic Passau, a city whose picturesque setting and Baroque architecture lend themselves to a leisurely riverside stroll.
Day 6
Dock in Bratislava, capital of Slovakia, located in the foothills of the Carpathian Mountains overlooking the banks of the Danube. Beautifully restored since the end of the Cold War, the city seamlessly blends its 1,000-year-old history with the cutting-edge dynamism of one of the most rapidly changing cities in Europe.

During the optional walking tour of the Old Town, see some of the finest medieval, Renaissance and 19th-century architecture in central Europe. Admire the grand Romanesque 14th-century Cathedral of St. Martin and see the 14th-century St. Michael's Gate, the only remaining portion of the city’s original fortifications. Visit the elaborate Primatial Palace and marvel at the beauty of the magnificent Slovak National Theatre.

Enjoy a relaxing afternoon at leisure before cruising to Budapest.

Day 7
For centuries, the twin cities of Buda and Pest have faced each other across the Danube River. When the Habsburg Archduke Joseph, son of Emperor Leopold II, became Palatine of Budapest in 1796, he undertook a building program on an unprecedented scale. By the time this “most Hungarian Habsburg” died in 1847, Budapest rivaled Vienna as an imperial capital of the first rank.

Enjoy time at leisure in the “Pearl of the Danube,” or join the optional tour beginning on the Pest side, where the elegant limestone Parliament Building rises beside the river. Pass through Heroes’ Square and admire its monuments to the Magyar chiefs who conquered Hungary in A.D. 896. Cross the imposing Chain Bridge linking the low-lying Pest side to the hillier Buda side of the Danube. On Castle Hill, visit the Gothic Matthias Church, built in the 1200s, and the neo-Romanesque Fishermen’s Bastion, which commands a panoramic view of the city.

Remain in Budapest overnight.

Along the Ringstrasse, see the architectural treasures of Vienna’s imperial past, including the Hofburg Palace, official residence of Austria’s president.
BUDAPEST
Day 8
Enjoy a morning at leisure in Budapest. Cruise the Danube River toward Vienna this afternoon.

VIENNA, AUSTRIA
Day 9
Return to Vienna for free time to pursue individual interests, or join the optional excursion to Schönbrunn Palace, the impressive summer estate of the Habsburgs. Admire its priceless collections of art and antiques, and learn more about the Austrian Empire and its distinguished rulers.

This evening, attend the Captain’s farewell toast and dinner.

MELK
Day 10
Melk Abbey glows in golden hues from the top of a high granite bluff above a bend of the Danube River. The original Benedictine monastery dates from 1089.

Join the optional tour of the abbey, noting the intricate Baroque decor of its marble hall, spiral staircase and library, known for its extensive collection of medieval manuscripts and volumes. See the priceless relics and magnificent artwork by the 16th-century “Danube School” masters like Albrecht Dürer and Lucas Cranach.

On your way from Vienna to Melk, cruise through the picturesque Wachau Valley, designated a UNESCO World Heritage site for its harmonious landscape of well-preserved medieval architecture and natural beauty.
M. S. AMADEUS ROYAL

Launched in 2005, the deluxe M.S. AMADEUS ROYAL is one of the newest ships to ply the waterways of Europe. Specifically designed for cruising European waterways while meeting the needs of the most discerning travelers, its deluxe accommodations and personalized service are perfectly complemented by stylish design, impeccable construction and state-of-the-art technology.

Its 68 outside staterooms are tastefully appointed in a classic style and feature 160 square feet, more spacious than those typically found on river ships. Each stateroom is furnished with one double bed (convertible to two twin beds), private bathroom facilities with shower, individually controlled air conditioning, telephone, television and writing desk. The Mozart Deck has floor-to-ceiling glass sliding doors with french balconies. The ship’s four suites are larger and feature a sitting area with a sofa bed and minibar.

All meals are served at a single, open seating in the panoramic restaurant, where skilled chefs prepare Continental cuisine with local flavor, and guests view the passing landscape through floor-to-ceiling windows.

Guest amenities include two bars, a sun deck, hair salon, boutique, fitness center with massage and golf putting green.

The friendly, highly trained international crew provides guests with a high level of personalized, attentive service. The ship also meets the highest international environmental and safety standards.

PASSAU, GERMANY/MUNICH/RETURN TO U.S.

Day 11

Disembark in Passau and transfer to Munich for your return flight to the U.S., arriving later today.

MUNICH PRE-PROGRAM OPTION

Arrive in Bavaria’s vibrant capital of Munich, known for its splendid medieval monuments, grand halls and bustling public squares. Visit Munich’s most famous landmarks and enjoy two nights in deluxe accommodations in the heart of the city. Complete details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.
A Tradition Like No Other: The Passion Play of Oberammergau

One day nearly 400 years ago, as the heartland of Europe was brought to its knees by the twin horrors of the Thirty Years War and the Black Death, the ruling council of Oberammergau made a desperate attempt to safeguard their hamlet against the plague. No one from outside the village boundaries would be allowed to enter, not even residents returning from their day’s work. The decree protected the village for some time, but an exiled day laborer eventually slipped back home—and brought the plague with him. The residents of Oberammergau sought deliverance from the spreading pestilence by performing a modest Passion play on a simple stage built over the graves of plague victims. Spared further ravages of the plague, surviving villagers made a solemn vow to reenact the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ every ten years in perpetuity as an act of thanks and remembrance.

Through the centuries, the play rose in prestige as it drew pilgrims from across Europe and attracted Germany’s greatest poets to compose its scripts. Today, 376 years later, the tradition lives on, respected throughout Europe and across the globe as the world’s most historic and spectacular Passion play. Performed on one of the world’s largest stages, the extravagant Passionsspielhaus, the play now features a cast of nearly 2,000 village residents who transform themselves from Bavarian farmers and townsfolk into a dazzling array of Roman centurions, Jewish villagers and characters from the world’s most famous story of death and rebirth. A spectacle like no other, this stirring dramatic experience draws spectators from around the world and is without peer in the scale of its pomp and pageantry as well as the universal theme of its story.

Included Features

In Oberammergau
♦ Two nights in a charming, conveniently located hotel.
♦ Full buffet breakfast daily.
♦ Dinner each night featuring authentic Bavarian cuisine.
♦ Walking tour of historic Oberammergau.
♦ Visit to the Oberammergau Museum, which displays a fascinating array of local art and handicrafts, including many exquisite woodcarvings that relate to the history of the Passion Play.
♦ Performance of the 2010 Passion Play, including specially reserved seating, dinner and transportation.

Scenic motorcoach transfer from Oberammergau to Passau.

On board the Deluxe Amadeus Royal
♦ Seven-night cruise on the Danube River round trip from Passau, Germany, with port calls at Bratislava, Slovakia; Budapest, Hungary; and Vienna and Melk, Austria.
♦ Comfortable accommodations in a tastefully appointed outside stateroom with private bathroom facilities and air conditioning.
♦ All meals each day, featuring fine Continental cuisine—early risers’ coffee, American breakfast buffet, lunch, afternoon tea, dinner and late-evening snack—served at single, unassigned seatings.
♦ Welcome and farewell toasts aboard ship.
♦ Walking tour through Passau’s historic Old Town, featuring visits to the impressive St. Stephen’s Cathedral and the New Bishop’s Residence Museum.

Enhanced Travel Services
♦ All transfers and luggage handling abroad for all participants who have purchased their air tickets through Gohagan & Company and whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
♦ All excursions and visits, as outlined in the itinerary, led by experienced, English-speaking local guides.
♦ A program of optional shore excursions, led by experienced, English-speaking local guides, will be available.
♦ Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
♦ Experienced Travel Director to accompany you throughout the travel program.
♦ Hospitality desk aboard the ship and in the hotel.
♦ Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information for each participant.
♦ Automatic $250,000 flight insurance for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
EARLY BOOKING SAVINGS - Reserve by July 10, 2009, and save $1000 per couple!

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- Singles are available upon request in category 3 at $3895 and category 2 at $7495 on or before July 10, 2009. Add $500 for reservations made after July 10, 2009.
- Taxes are an additional $295 per person and are subject to change.

PASSION PLAY OBERAMMERGAU RESERVATION FORM

Send to:
2010 Passion Play Oberammergau
Thomas P. Gohagan & Company
Eleven South LaSalle Street, Second Floor
Chicago, IL 60603-1240

For more information, please call Gohagan & Company at (800) 922-3088.

Full name (exactly as it appears on your passport)

Full name (exactly as it appears on your passport)

Address (no P.O. Box number please)

City State ZIP Code

Telephone (Home) (Business)

Email Address (Fax)

Preferred name(s) on name badge(s) Tour No. 065-07/27/10-269

Enclosed is a check for $_________ as deposit ($600 per person, plus $200 per person Budapest Pre-Program and/or $200 per person Munich Post-Program). Make checks payable to Thomas P. Gohagan & Company.

Deposits can also be made by credit card. However, all FINAL payments are required to be made in cash, by check or wire transfer by April 21, 2010.

I/we authorize you to charge my/our deposit to: ❑ Visa ❑ MasterCard

Card No. ___________ Exp. Date ___________

Signature as it appears on credit card

I/we want to make reservations in stateroom category:

1st Choice____ 2nd Choice____

❑ Double occupancy (one double bed).
❑ Double occupancy (two twin beds).
❑ Single accommodations.
❑ I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

BUDAPEST PRE-PROGRAM RESERVATIONS
❑ Double at $695 per person.
❑ Single at $895 per person.
❑ I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

MUNICH POST-PROGRAM RESERVATIONS
❑ Double at $950 per person.
❑ Single at $1250 per person.
❑ I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

Program Air:
❑ Flights Minneapolis/Budapest with return Munich/Minneapolis. Airfare is available at an additional cost to be advised.¹
❑ Flights from

_________ (fill in departure city)
to Budapest, Hungary, with return from Munich, Germany at an additional cost to be advised.¹

Class: ❑ Economy ❑ Business ❑ First

An Air Coordinator will contact you no later than four months prior to departure regarding your selections.

¹Note: Airfare is subject to change and availability and is nonrefundable.

❑ I/we will make my/our own air arrangements.
En route to Oberammergau, call in Vienna, home to the beloved St. Stephen’s Cathedral.

**CONTRACT: TERMS & CONDITIONS**

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Because these cancellation policies are strictly enforced, we strongly recommend that you purchase trip cancellation insurance. Trip cancellation insurance is available through Thomas P. Gohagan & Company for comprehensive coverage of such expenses in connection with our cancelling due to illness or accident, as well as damaged or lost luggage. We will send you an application after you make your reservation.

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