

AUTUMN IRISH CATHEDRAL TOUR

SINGING THE CATHEDRALS OF IRELAND

For Directors and Friends

13 DAYS/12 NIGHTS: OCTOBER 9-21, 2023

DAY 1—MONDAY DEPARTURE

Begin traveling to Dublin, Ireland
Dublin Airport (DUB)



DAY 2—TUESDAY ARRIVAL/SIGHTSEEING

Arrive at DUB Airport before 12:00 Noon to be greeted at baggage claim by a member of CUE Staff. Drop our luggage at our deluxe hotel before having a quick lunch, then head to St. Patrick's Cathedral for rehearsal. By mid-afternoon, it will be time to check into our hotel in the center of the city. Nice dinners will be enjoyed on our own in small groups before heading to bed early. The bed will feel great, and no one will have trouble sleeping tonight.

DAYS 3 & 4—WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY DUBLIN

The next 2 days in Dublin will be filled with more rehearsals and mini concerts at St. Patrick's Cathedral and Christ Church as well as visiting the many museums, Dublin Castle, shopping, and taking in the quaint historical Temple Bar District.

DAYS 5 & 6—FRIDAY & SATURDAY BELFAST

Want to sing in a castle? You will have this opportunity as we travel to Belfast to sing in Belfast Castle and Belfast Cathedral. Sites to see include: Titanic Belfast, The Peace Wall, George's Market, Botanical Gardens, C. S. Lewis Square, and the Grand Opera House. You might even want to take in a show while there.



DAY 7—SUNDAY DERRY

An early ride in the countryside to Dunluce Castle will start our day with beauty. This medieval castle in Northern Ireland sits on the edge of a cliff overlooking the North Atlantic Ocean. Our travel continues today by way of the Giant's Causeway, The 5th Wonder of The World. Our final stop is Derry. Here we will sing at St. Columb's Cathedral, located inside the ancient, historical city walls. Wonderful cuisine and shopping await us before we end our day.



DAY 8—MONDAY ATHLONE

Today begins with another magnificent journey through the countryside as we head for Athlone. This quaint, historic town is located on the River Shannon, and its cafes and pubs are among the best in Ireland. A concert in Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral is on the schedule, as well as plenty of free time to tour Athlone Castle, or walk the banks of the Shannon River.



DAYS 9 & 10—TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY LIMERICK

A stop at the Cliffs of Mohr on our way to Limerick will begin our day. These well known cliffs are truly a site to behold as they sit 390 feet above the Atlantic Ocean. A concert at St. Mary's Cathedral which is one of the oldest buildings in Limerick, will be one to remember. The Cathedral was originally the Royal Palace for the Kings of Thomond and was gifted to the church in 1168 A.D. The exquisite stained glass windows, the beautiful wooden roof and the 12th century arcaded arches are just some of what makes this Cathedral magnificent.

DAY 11—THURSDAY WATERFORD/WEXFORD

Today, as we travel to Wexford, a stop along the way at Rock of Cashel Castle as well as the House of Waterford Crystal to tour the factory is a must. This 1.5 hour tour takes us through the factory where we will see Master Blowers and Master Cutters making the stunning Waterford masterpieces. From there we will make our way to the town of Wexford, which was founded by the Vikings in about 800 AD. Live music, shopping, The National Opera House, as well as singing a mini concert in St. Iberius Church, with its superb acoustics will delight us while we are here.



DAY 12—FRIDAY WEXFORD/DUBLIN

As we enter the final phase of our journey together, we travel back to Dublin to spend our last night in the capital and largest city on the island. Our final concert at St. Patrick's Cathedral will be one to remember.

DAY 13—SATURDAY DUBLIN/US

Early morning our luggage is loaded as we say goodbye to the beautiful Emerald Isle and catch our flights back home. Safe travels!



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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT TINA MCCARTNEY
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Registration Deadline is Friday, June 9, 2023

TOUR PRICING

- All prices are per person staying in double occupancy (2 beds per room, 2 people per room)
- 13 day/12 night Ireland Tour - Land only\$3,750.00

ADD-ON OPTIONS

- *Anthem packet\$35.00
(Repertoire list will be announced in June)
- *Single supplement for lodging..... \$900.00
- *We can help arrange additional tours for you during your time in each location. Prices will vary depending on the tour.



TOUR INCLUDES

- Randy Edwards as your tour guide and choral director
- All lodging in Ireland at 4-star hotels
- All breakfasts
- All group ground transportation in Ireland
- Travel Insurance
- 6+ concerts in some of Ireland's most beautiful Cathedrals, castles, as well as other historical venues
- Entry Fees to many tour group activities.



PAYMENT SCHEDULE

- \$1,500 per person.....DUE: At time of registration
(includes your \$500 registration deposit which is applied to your balance)
- \$1,000 per person.....DUE: July 31, 2023
- Final Payment (remaining balance).....DUE: September 1, 2023

++Additional payments along with the ones mentioned above are accepted.



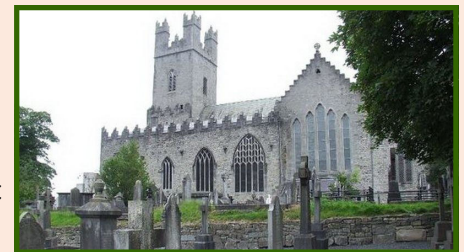
CANCELLATION POLICY

- \$500 Registration Deposit Non-refundable
- Beginning May 31, 2023 Refund 75% of what has been paid
- Beginning July 31, 2023 Refund 50% of what has been paid
- Beginning September 1, 2023 No refunds available



3 EASY STEPS TO REGISTER!

1. **Let us know of your interest.** If you are interested, it is important you let us know sooner rather than later. Please email Tina McCartney at tmccartney@youthcue.org to let her know of your interest and to ask any questions you might have regarding the trip. In order for this trip to make, we must have at least 18 participants.
2. **Registration is easy!** When you are ready to register, go to www.youthcue.org/programs and click on the 2023 Ireland Tour. You will then be able to register online and choose to pay your deposit with a credit card at that time, or mail in a check to YouthCUE, PO Box 781663, San Antonio, TX 78278.
3. **Pay your deposit.** A non-refundable deposit of \$500 per participant is required in order to complete your registration. This can be paid by credit card online or mailed to the above address.



Important note: What you see presented in the brochure will be the "land package." In other words, the trip we are planning begins upon our arrival in Dublin and ends in Dublin. We are not including any airfare in this package, because we have discovered that, in today's market, participants will do much better financially by booking their own airfare online rather than paying the group airfare rate. By shopping online, you will be able to secure your airfares for significantly less money than we would have to charge you as part of the package. If you are not comfortable booking your own airfare online, YouthCUE staff will make an appointment with you and assist you in this process. You may begin "shopping" for airfare now, but please note:

Do NOT book your airfare for Ireland until we give the go-ahead to do so.