



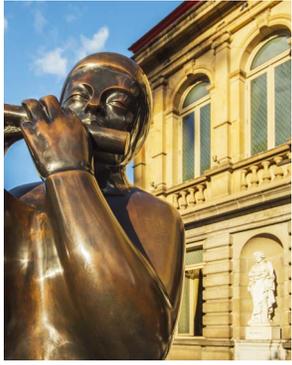
# Building Bridges *and* Transforming Lives *through the* Power of Music

June 8-15, 2023

A Performance Tour of  
Costa Rica

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## Tour Itinerary

### **Day 1 – Thursday, June 8, 2023 - USA to SAN JOSÉ**

Depart for San José, Costa Rica, from the Pensacola Airport. Arrive in San José and meet your tour manager and charter coach before checking into your hotel to relax. The city is distinguished by its Spanish colonial buildings, like the ornate, neoclassical National Theatre of Costa Rica overlooking downtown's Plaza de la Cultura, a popular gathering spot. In the evening you'll have a festive dinner with traditional Costa Rican entertainment, singing and dancing at Mirador Tiquicia, which overlooks the city of San José. Overnight in San José.

### **Day 2 – Friday, June 9, 2023 - SAN JOSÉ**

After breakfast today you'll visit Rainforest Adventures. You'll enjoy the Aerial Tram, a hanging bridge, the Zip Line Canopy Tour (10 cables and 14 platforms), a butterfly garden and the Orchid Garden. Lunch will be served in the park and is included. After lunch, you'll have a possible concert opportunity in Heredia. Return to San José for dinner and overnight.

### **Day 3 – Saturday, June 10, 2023 - SAN JOSÉ**

Breakfast is included this morning before you depart for a tour of the Doka Coffee Plantation. You'll stop en route in the town of Sarchí to learn about the typical Costa Rican oxcart. A key artisan town in Costa Rica, Sarchí is best known for the vibrant and pretty oxcarts that are handcrafted here and sold all over the country. After arriving at Doka Coffee, the largest coffee plantation in Costa Rica, you'll learn everything about the coffee growing process related to cultivation, processing, and good practices, as well as the natural and cultural environment. Discover the step-by-step process of seed germination to the first crop of the plants. You'll also learn about the history of the estate, its owners, the production and varieties of plants, the geography of the area and the traditional ways of cultivating the grain. Lunch is included at the coffee plantation. In the afternoon, you'll go to the Instituto Costarricense Pro Musica Coral, a non-profit organization dedicated to choral music. You'll have the opportunity to share with other members of Concordia Coral and sing songs to each other in a Costa Rican evening full of culture, friends, and music. Dinner and overnight in San José.

### **Day 4 – Sunday, June 11, 2023 - SAN JOSÉ / LA PAZ WATERFALLS EXCURSION**

Today you'll visit the amazing La Paz Waterfall Gardens, the most popular nature tour in the San José area. It features five famous waterfalls and is the largest animal sanctuary in Costa Rica, making it the best place to see wildlife. You'll see the lush tropical rainforest, flowing white rivers, spectacular waterfalls, birds, hummingbirds, felines, snakes, frogs, and more. Lunch will be served here and is included. This evening you'll perform a church concert in San José. Dinner and overnight in San José.

### **Day 5 – Monday, June 12, 2023 - SAN JOSÉ / ARENAL**

After breakfast in the hotel this morning, you'll check out and depart for the magnificent Arenal Volcano area. Often simply referred to as "La Fortuna," the town is the gateway to the magnificent Arenal Volcano. La Fortuna de San Carlos is located in Alajuela province, and connects the volcano area with the cloud forests of Monteverde and Santa Elena and the northern lowlands of the country. Lunch will be included at your hotel. In the afternoon, you'll visit Eco Termales. Enjoy a unique dinner here, including a relaxing time in the natural hot springs. Overnight in Arenal.



## Tour Itinerary (continued)

### Day 6 – Tuesday, June 13, 2023 - ARENAL

Following breakfast at your hotel, you'll perform a concert at a local school. Enjoy sharing music together and getting to know some Costa Rican students of a similar age. Lunch is included today. You'll have free time in the afternoon to relax at the hot springs at your hotel or visit the town for some shopping, all while enjoying the spectacular view of the volcano. Dinner and overnight in Arenal.

### Day 7 – Wednesday, June 14, 2023 - ARENAL / SKY ADVENTURE

Today you'll enjoy a full day at the exciting "Sky Adventure" which features the Sky Walk and the Sky Tram Trek, providing the perfect opportunity to see the gorgeous nature of Costa Rica from up above. Lunch is included. Dinner and overnight in Arenal.

### Day 8 – Thursday, June 15, 2023 - SAN JOSÉ / USA

Transfer to the airport in San José for your return flight to the U.S., taking with you memories of sharing your culture with the people of Costa Rica and exploring the natural beauty of this country.

