



THE MUSEUM OF LATIN AMERICAN ART ANNOUNCES TRAVEL TO CUBA - THE EASTERN PROVINCES With MOLAA'S President and CEO, Stuart Ashman

November 4-11, 2016

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS – CUBA'S UNDISCOVERED ORIENTE - THE EASTERN PROVINCES

-three nights in Santiago de Cuba, a city rich in history: from its founder, Diego Velazquez; to its first mayor, Hernan Cortez; Teddy Roosevelt and the Rough Riders; Cuba's national hero, Jose Marti; and where the seeds of the Revolution were sown.

-three nights in the charming seaside town of Baracoa, where Columbus landed in 1492 and proclaimed it to be "the most beautiful place eyes have ever seen". This picturesque town, surrounded by mountains, rivers and the ocean, is known for its coffee and chocolate production as well as being home to the descendants of Cuba's indigenous population, Los Tainos.

-we will drive from Baracoa to the Province of Holguin where we will spend our last night at the five star Paradisus Rio de Oro. From here we will explore the town of Holguin and surrounding areas.

TO REGISTER

Space is limited to 20 participants. A non-refundable deposit of \$1000 to MOLAA is required to reserve your place.

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TRIP COST

\$4870 per person, double occupancy - 7 nights, 8 days

\$ 650 single supplement

We will be traveling under an authorized People to People General License as specified in 31 CFR § 515.561(b) of the United States Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC).

PRICE INCLUDES

- Airfare from Miami to Santiago de Cuba and return air from Holguin to Miami.
- All accommodations in Cuba, 7 nights, 8 days.
- All meals, gratuities at meals.
- All transfers, excursions and transportation by modern, air conditioned bus. **(continued on next page)**

- Entrance fees to museums and historical sites, music and dance performances as per itinerary.
- Full time escort and local guides.
- \$1000 deposit to MOLAA.
- Cuban visa and health insurance while in Cuba.

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- **Domestic airfare to/from Miami and overnight in Miami (Nov. 3rd) prior to departure.**
- Trip cancelation insurance, strongly recommended.
- Airline baggage fees, Miami to Havana.
- Tips for local Cuban bus driver and guide.
- Personal expenses such as laundry, phone, internet service, mini bar, additional drinks, or after hours entertainment not on itinerary.

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The trip will include 3 nights at the Hotel Melia Santiago de Cuba, 3 nights at the Hotel Porto Santo in Baracoa and 1 night at the Paradisus de Oro Hotel in Holguin Province. This trip will focus on the art and culture of Cuba with a particular emphasis on music, dance, popular art, and the exciting and ever expanding contemporary art scene. We will be flying directly from Miami to historically rich Santiago de Cuba to begin our 8 day journey. It was here that Hernan Cortez was mayor before he went on to discover Mexico. It was also here that the seeds of both the War of Independence from Spain and the Cuban Revolution were sown.

From Santiago we travel to Baracoa on the breathtaking La Farola highway, built in 1964, connecting Baracoa to the rest of Cuba for the first time. This lovely town is the oldest colonial city in the Americas and is known for its coffee and cacao production. Surrounded by mountains, rivers and the sea, Baracoa has remained relatively isolated where one of the main modes of transportation is still the horse drawn wagon. Our hotel is perched over the sea in precisely the spot where Columbus landed in 1492.

From Baracoa we will drive up the coast to the Province of Holguin, passing by the Alexander Humboldt Preserve. In Holguin, the City of Parks, we will visit the Centro Provincial de Artes Plasticas and a handmade book publisher. We will return to Miami from Holguin on an early evening flight.

Your trip leaders for this excursion will be Stuart Ashman and his wife, Peggy Gaustad. Stuart grew up in Cuba and brings his very personal perspective to the trip. Both Peggy and Stuart have been traveling to Cuba since 1997, leading trips and sharing their vast knowledge of, and affection for, Cuba and its people.

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