

THE MID EUROPE FESTIVAL

SCHLADMING, AUSTRIA :: JULY 13-22, 2015

You are invited to bring your band to the 2015 Mid Europe Festival for Wind Music in Austria. More than 40 ensembles, with about 2,500 musicians from all over the world, will attend and perform in the Austrian alpine resort town of Schladming.



THE FESTIVAL

The Mid Europe Festival for Wind Music was created in 1998 by Dr. Wolfgang Suppan, past-President of WASBE (World Association of Symphonic Bands and Ensembles). It is considered to be the largest wind music festival in all of Europe. Besides the breathtaking views of Austria's Planai and Hochwurzen mountains as seen from the Alpine village of Schladming, the festival will provide your band with the opportunity to hear wind music performed by musicians from around the world. Your band's own concert performances will be attended by audiences who expect outstanding musicianship and enjoy inspiring music. The festival is a blend of performances and educational opportunities and also gives your musicians the chance to interact and connect socially with musicians from around the world.

The groups attending the festival will have opportunities for formal, open-air, late night, and church performances. A highlight of the Festival is Lange Nacht der Musik (Long Night of Music). This night features a marching band show, a candle lit parade and then a night full of concerts from five different stages.



THE CITY :: Schladming, Austria

Schladming is a small Austrian town that is situated at the base of the Planai and Hochwurzen mountains. It was formerly a mining town but now is a favorite town for tourists. For more than 100 years Schladming has been a popular destination for alpine sports during the winter and for mountain hiking in the summer months. In the summer months the town is also a cultural center because of its music, both classical and popular, and for its literature and fine art. For nearly 20 years Schladming has been the host of the Mid Europe Festival for Wind Music.

Austria has a rich musical history with composers like Mozart, Beethoven, Strauss, Brahms, Haydn and Schubert having lived and worked in Austria. Because so many of their great compositions were for instruments, orchestras and bands has always been loved by the Austrian people. Your musicians will enjoy stepping into the history of this country where so many great classical compositions have been created and performed.



THE ORGANIZERS :: Perform International

Perform International maintains an International Music & Dance Touring Company with corporate headquarters and Operations Center based in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Perform International is dedicated to providing exceptional educational tours for performing groups, with itineraries that feature beautiful venues throughout the world. Our company enjoys an enviable history with its Performance Tours Division, one that specializes in assisting music and dance ensembles who wish to tour Europe, Asia, Australia, and the Middle East.



FESTIVAL ITINERARY & OPTIONS



8 Nights – Schladming & Vienna

MONDAY, JULY 13, 2015 - DEPARTURE USA

Fly from USA to Munich.

TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2015- ARRIVAL MUNICH

Upon arrival in Munich, travel to Dachau Concentration Camp and then proceed on to Schladming for the Mid-Europe Festival evening opening ceremony. Dinner and overnight in Schladming.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2015 - SCHLADMING & SALZBURG

Excursion to Salzburg with a guided tour to Mozart's birthplace and the Hohensalzburg Fortress. Mid-afternoon or evening concert performance as part of the Mid-Europe Festival. Overnight in Schladming.

THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2015 - SCHLADMING

Morning excursion to the Werfen Ice Caves. Afternoon or evening performance as part of the Mid-Europe Festival. Overnight in Schladming.

FRIDAY, JULY 17, 2015 - SCHLADMING

Morning excursion to the Salt Mines in Hallein. In the evening, concert performance in the "Late Night in Schladming" concert as part of the Mid-Europe Festival. Overnight in Schladming.

SATURDAY, JULY 18, 2015 - SCHLADMING

Morning at leisure. To conclude the Mid-Europe Festival, your group will have an afternoon performance and then a farewell party. Overnight in Schladming.

SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2015 - SCHLADMING / VIENNA

Travel in morning to Vienna, the City of Music. En route visit the St. Florian Monastery where Anton Bruckner is buried. Overnight in Vienna.

MONDAY, JULY 20, 2015 - VIENNA

Half-day city tour which will include the Schönbrunn Palace. Also known as Schloss Schönbrunn, this massive, 1,441-room imperial palace was designed to rival Versailles by Queen Maria Theresa's architect Nicholas Pacassi. Afternoon concert performance then overnight in Vienna.

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2015 - VIENNA

Half-day city tour which will include the House of Music, the first museum of sound and music in Austria which is located in the Palace of Archduke Charles. Afternoon at leisure with farewell dinner and overnight in Vienna.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2015- VIENNA TO USA

Return flight to USA or extension to tour.

Options

If your group would like to spend more time exploring Europe they might enjoy an alternative tour extension before or after the Mid-Europe Festival in Schladming. Exciting destinations include Munich, Prague, Salzburg and many others.

