# LONDON THEATRE

January 04-14, 2024

Our 27th Annual Theatre Tour is designed to reveal the richness and glory of England and the British theatre scene, all in the spirit of adventure. We connect you with the stars of the English stage, by giving you a "backstage pass" to the productions you see. Our hope is that you will return home exhilarated and inspired by all you have seen and done in Europe's most vital city.

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#### DAY 01, THU JAN 04: FLIGHT FROM THE US TO LONDON

Arrange your own flight from your home town to London.

#### DAY 02, FRI JAN 05: LONDON

Arrive in London and proceed to your 5-star deluxe hotel. Check into your room. This evening, meet your fellow travelers and your host for a Welcome Drink at the bar ROYAL HORSE GUARD HOTEL

#### DAY 03, SAT JAN 06: LONDON

Breakfast at your hotel. At 09:30am meet iconic London Theatre critic Matt Wolf at the Thames Suite meeting room, to hear the latest trends at the London Theatre scene. Afterwards enjoy a half day, guided city tour of London's highlights, including a visit of Westminster Abbey.

Tonight enjoy a theatre performance # 1: TBA

#### DAY 04, SUN JAN 07: LONDON

Breakfast at your hotel. At 09:30 attend a lecture with a guest speaker (TBA) at the Thames Suites meeting room. Full day at leisure – perhaps visit the famous Peter Pan Statue at Kensington Gardens or the Wellington Arch at Hyde Park corner. Tonight we dine at the spectacular 34 Mayfair Restaurant (includes wine and and beverages).

## DAY 05, MON JAN 08: LONDON

Breakfast at your hotel. At 09:30 attend a lecture with a guest speaker (TBA) at the Thames Suites meeting room. Full day at leisure — why not shop at the iconic Selfridges on Oxford Street or Harrods' Chocolate Hall in Knightsbridge? Evening theatre performance #2: TBA

#### DAY 06, TUE JAN 09: LONDON

Breakfast at your hotel. At 09:30 attend a lecture with a guest speaker (TBA) at the Thames Suites meeting room. Full day at leisure – why not exploring the Victoria & Albert Museum's famous Jewelry Gallery or Virginia Woolf's Bloomsbury.

Evening theatre performance #3: TBA

#### DAY 07, WED JAN 10: LONDON

Breakfast at your hotel. At 09:30 attend a lecture with a guest speaker (TBA) at the Thames Suites meeting room. Full day at leisure - perhaps enjoy high tea at Fortnum & Mason or Claridge's.

Evening theatre performance #4: TBA









#### DAY 08, THU JAN 11: LONDON

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Breakfast at your hotel. At 09:30 attend a lecture with a guest speaker (TBA) at the Thames Suites meeting room. Full day at leisure – why not take in the Tate Gallery or view Richard III at the National Portrait Gallery.

Evening theatre performance #5: TBA

#### DAY 09, FRI JAN 12: LONDON

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Breakfast at your hotel. After breakfast leave for a full day excursion to Oxford. Visit Christ Church College and nearby "Downton Abbey" filming locations such as Baton village (parish church where Lady Mary married Matthew Crawley) and the Swan Inn in Swinbrook where Lady Sybil and Branson stayed before trying to elope.

#### DAY 10, SAT JAN 13: LONDON

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Breakfast at your hotel. At 09:30 attend a lecture with a guest speaker (TBA) at the Thames Suites meeting room. Full day at leisure – perhaps make your way to Harry Potter filming locations - the Millennium Bridge ("destroyed" in the opening of The Halfblood Prince) or Great Scotland Yard off Trafalgar Square (external shots of the Ministry of Magic).

Evening theatre performance #6: TBA

#### DAY 11, SUN JAN 14: RETURN FLIGHT

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After breakfast, transfer to Heathrow airport for your flight back home







## Your price of \$ 4,795 per person includes:

- 9 nights accommodation at the <u>Royal Horseguards Hotel</u> in a deluxe room (double occupancy) with full English breakfast daily. The hotel is situated on the Thames, with easy walking to Trafalgar Square, Big Ben, the South Bank, and more.
- Tickets to six shows (to be announced when available), and several appearances from guest speakers
  associated with the shows. (Previous speakers include Mark Rylance, Bryan Cranston, James McAvoy,
  Judi Dench, London theatre critic Matt Wolf and more!)
- Morning meetings to discuss the plays and London's theatrical landscape with Theatreworks Artistic Director and special guests.
- Half day London guided city tour including a visit to Westminster Abbey Full day excursion to Oxford, a visit to Christ Church College and Downton Abbey filming locations
- One 3-course dinner with drinks in a private dining room at the restaurant 34 Mayfair.
- Departure airport transfer from hotel to Heathrow airport (your international flight is not included)

# **Optional Room upgrades:**

- Supplement for a deluxe Single Room is US \$ 1,380
- Supplement for deluxe King Bed Room is US \$ 480 per room
- Supplement for deluxe Double or Twin Room with river view is US \$ 1,100 per room
- Supplement for deluxe King Bed Room with River view is US \$ 1,460 per room
- Extra pre-program and/or post-program nights can be arranged upon request

### In Your Free Time...

Our program offers plenty of free time to pursue your individual interest exploring this vibrant, history loaded city. Some suggestions are:

**British Museum**, unrivalled in the world for the variety and richness of its contents.

<u>The Tower of London</u>, a fortress of surpassing interest from its intimate connection with English history. <u>St Paul's Cathedral</u>, the most famous church in the city, is the masterpiece of Sir Christopher Wren.

<u>Tate Gallery</u>, overlooking the Thames, houses the National Collection of British paintings and of modern foreign and British paintings.

<u>Victoria and Albert Museum</u> with its spacious galleries and courts contains the largest and finest collection of applied art in the world.

<u>Harrods</u> is London's most famous and iconic luxury department store, known for its designer retail, famous clientele, and beautiful exterior. It has been attracting locals and travelers for over 150 years.

<u>Portobello Road Market</u> is one of the most famous street markets in the world and is home to one of the UK's most diverse communities. It has a rich history dating back to the 19th century with millions of visitors visiting the market each year.

## Ready to join us?

Please click and fill in a reservation form and submit. We will hold a space for you and contact you for a deposit of \$ 850 per person to confirm your space. Full payment is due by 15 October 2023. For questions please contact us at <a href="mailto:travel@uet.com">travel@uet.com</a>

