The Vesalius Trust

Art & Anatomy
Tour of France & Switzerland

OCTOBER 11–21, 2022

Space is limited. Sign up by September 1, 2021.
Hôtel Rochester
PARIS, FRANCE
The elegant 4-star Hôtel Rochester in Paris offers an upscale location near the Champs-Élysées and the Grand Palais. The hotel’s cozy lounge bar is a popular gathering spot in the 8th arrondissement, while the property’s Turkish baths and wellness spa make for relaxation during free time.

Spalentor Hotel
BASEL, SWITZERLAND
Situated in a quiet neighborhood opposite the historical Spalentor Gate, this boutique 4-star hotel offers contemporary comfort with typical Swiss flair. Across from the botanical garden and close to the University of Basel, the hotel’s location is ideal for exploring the city.

Hotel Einstein
ST. GALLEN, SWITZERLAND
Set in the historic heart of St. Gallen, this 4.5-star property features stylish guestrooms enhanced by natural furnishings and high ceilings that give rooms a light, airy feel. The bathrooms are crafted from marble and granite. Set within is Einstein Gourmet, a Michelin 2-star restaurant serving gourmet cuisine exclusively to hotel guests who opt to splurge.
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2022
Depart the United States
Depart the United States on independent flights to Paris.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2022
Welcome to France
Transfer independently from Charles de Gaulle (CDG) to the Hôtel Rochester, your five-night Parisian base. Embark on a guided tour of the Gallery of Comparative Anatomy in the picturesque Jardin des Plantes. Marvel at the remarkable assortment of skeletons, anatomical models, and preserved organs. Enjoy free time for sketching or wandering through the gallery or gardens. Gather for a festive welcome dinner.
Hôtel Rochester, Paris (Dinner)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2022
Rouen
Drive two hours to Rouen, capital of Normandy, and spend most of the day exploring this picturesque city, famed as the inspiration of the impressionists. During a guided walking tour through Rouen's rambling, medieval streets, admire delicate gothic churches and cathedrals, and gaze at the shifting light on the soaring towers of the Notre Dame Cathedral, the inspiration for numerous paintings by Monet. Enjoy a guided tour of collection highlights at the Musée des Beaux Arts, housed in a stunning neoclassical building situated on the edge of one of Rouen’s city parks. This museum's Impressionist collection, much of which was created right in the city of Rouen, is the largest in France outside of Paris. Following a light lunch at a local bistro, continue to the Musée Flaubert, the birthplace of French author Gustave Flaubert and a medical museum. Enjoy a guided tour of the collection that traces the history of medicine. Break up the drive back to Paris with a stop at Musée de l’Écorché d'Anatomie in Le Neubourg, which houses models produced by 19th-century French anatomist Dr. Louis Azoux. Return to Paris for an evening at leisure.
Hôtel Rochester, Paris (Breakfast, Lunch)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2022
Medical Marvels
Begin the day with a private tour of the École des Beaux-Arts, guided by Philippe Comar, Professor of Morphology and Drawing. Then stop by the nearby famed taxidermy shop Maison Deyrolle to marvel at its unique assortment of artifacts and curiosities. Enjoy an afternoon and evening at leisure for individual pursuits.
Hôtel Rochester, Paris (Breakfast)
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2022

Anatomy Conference

Devote today to the conference organized by Joanna Ebenstein, founder of the Morbid Anatomy Museum and author of *The Anatomical Venus*, held at the astounding Musée Fragonard. The conference will include scholarly lectures and a behind-the-scenes tour of the museum. Return to the hotel independently for an afternoon and evening at leisure.

Hôtel Rochester, Paris (Breakfast)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2022

Leonardo da Vinci in Amboise

Drive three hours to the delightful city of Amboise for a visit to Château du Clos Lucé, Leonardo da Vinci’s last home, situated very close to the Château Royal d’Amboise. King François I invited Leonardo to retire to Amboise and gave him unlimited use of the château until his death three years later. Catch a glimpse of Leonardo’s private life during visits to his bedroom, kitchen, and study, as well as the small chapel displaying frescoes by his disciples. Learn about Leonard’s inventions during a visit to the château’s underground rooms, which exhibit models and artefacts that showcase his genius. Examples of his inventiveness carry on out into the gardens where life-sized models have been created. An audio-visual hall also presents his inventions and history on a large screen. Schedule permitting, visit the Château Royal d’Amboise, residence for French kings from the 15th to the 19th centuries. From its balconies and terraced gardens, take in the Loire landscape and enjoy the opulence that the kings enjoyed. Break up your drive back to Paris with a wine tasting and early supper at a vineyard. Return to Paris in the early evening.

Hôtel Rochester, Paris (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2022

To Switzerland

Bid adieu to Paris and head southeast towards Switzerland by high speed train. Arrive in Basel, a picturesque city perched on the Franco-German border. Following lunch, enjoy a city orientation tour of Basel, including a guided tour of the Anatomisches Museum, featuring two skeletons prepared by Andreas Vesalius. Check into your hotel, and enjoy free time for the remainder of the afternoon and evening.

Hotel Spalentor, Basel (Breakfast, Lunch)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2022

Basel

Embark on a guided tour of the Kunstmuseum, the first collection of art accessible to the public in the world (1661) and one of the country’s most important collections of art, with highlights spanning from Medieval to contemporary works by such varied artists as Holbein, Picasso, and Klee. Enjoy free time for lunch and an afternoon at leisure for exploring Basel’s cultural highlights.

Hotel Spalentor, Basel (Breakfast)
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2022

Swiss Treasures

Check out of your hotel and drive approximately 90 minutes to the Oskar Reinhart Collection, the personal museum of Swiss collector Oskar Reinhart, housed in his former villa. The remarkable collection includes works by Renoir, Cézanne, Degas, and Van Gogh. Following an independent lunch in the nearby city of Winterthur, continue 40 minutes to St. Gallen. After checking into your 4.5-star boutique hotel in the historic heart of St. Gallen, enjoy an orientation walking tour of St. Gallen's attractive Old Town, which features quaint narrow streets and lively squares. Exactly 111 oriel windows, a typical feature of St. Gallen's architecture, adorn the façades of houses in the pedestrian zone. See the Market Square that is ringed by 17th- and 18th-century houses and the Waaghaus (weighhouse), a white façade structure built in 1583. Enjoy an evening at leisure or splurge on an independent dinner at the hotel's Einstein Gourmet Restaurant, a renowned Michelin two-star restaurant.

Hotel Einstein, St. Gallen (Breakfast, Lunch)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2022

Along Lake Constance

Spend the morning exploring the idyllic medieval city St. Gallen, beginning with a guided tour of the St. Gallen Abbey complex, a UNESCO World Heritage site. See the Abbey Library, among the oldest and most beautiful libraries in the world, with a collection featuring more than 160,000 volumes including over 2,000 ancient manuscripts, some dating back to the 8th century. Continue with a guided tour of the Vaulted Cellar that traces 1400 years of history and features the Evangelium Longum, a 9th-century book that has been remarkably preserved. Marvel at the abbey's elaborate architecture and enjoy a guided tour of the abbey complex. Drive to nearby Lake Constance for a relaxing lunch cruise. This evening bid adieu to Europe over a festive farewell dinner.

Hotel Einstein, St. Gallen (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2022

Departures

Depart on a group transfer to Zurich airport.

(Breakfast)
ART & ANATOMY TOUR OF FRANCE & SWITZERLAND

DATES: October 11–20, 2022

TOUR COST:
Land Package .............................................................. $5,595
Single Supplement .................................................... $1,495

Tour Price is per person based on double occupancy, with a minimum of 18 paying participants. Land prices are calculated as of June 2021 and are subject to change.

ACTIVITY LEVEL: Moderate, good walking ability

FLIGHTS: Airfare is not included in the tour price. Participants are responsible for their own air arrangements to Paris and from Zurich. Please do not purchase airline tickets until the operation of the tour is confirmed by International Seminar Design, Inc. (ISDI).

DEPOSIT & FINAL PAYMENT: A deposit of $1,000 per paying participant will be required to guarantee participation in the program. This may be paid by Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or by check. Final payment will be invoiced and is due on July 1, 2022. Final payment must be made by check payable to International Seminar Design, Inc. Registrations will be accepted beyond this date on a space-available basis with payment in full by check only.

TOUR INCLUSIONS: Hotel accommodations as listed in the itinerary; breakfast daily, 5 lunches, 3 dinners, water, coffee, and tea with all included meals; 2 glasses of beer or wine with all included dinners; entrance fees to sites; transportation by deluxe private motor coach; train between Paris and Basel; airport transfer from Hotel Einstein, St. Gallen to Zurich Airport (ZRH); expert, local guides for most planned sightseeing; personal listening devices for duration of the tour; handling of 2 pieces of luggage per person at hotels; gratuities for guides and motor coach drivers; bottled water on private motor coach excursions; VAT and city hotel taxes, service fees, and portarage fees.

TOUR EXCLUSIONS: International airfare into Paris and out of Zurich, airline taxes, and fuel surcharges; airport portarage; airport/hotel transfers upon arrival; individual airport transfers for those not using the scheduled group transfer upon departure; excursions, activities, or meals during traveler’s free time; any items or excursions listed as optional; personal services; travel extensions; personal insurance for health, baggage, and tour cancellation; passport fees; visa fees; gratuities for hotel housekeeping; any other items not specifically included in the itinerary.

CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS: Cancellation by participant must be made in writing to ISDI and is effective only upon acknowledged receipt by ISDI. There is a non-refundable registration and planning fee of $500 per person regardless of cancellation date. Written cancellation received by ISDI on or before July 1, 2022: full refund minus $500 per person per person registration and planning fee. Written cancellation received by ISDI between July 2, 2022 and August 26, 2022: full refund of any recoverable land costs, less $2,800 per person cancellation charge (includes registration and planning fee). Written cancellations received by ISDI on or after August 27, 2022: no refund. Tour registration is non-transferable. In the case of cancellation, substitutions are not allowed. After the tour has commenced, no refunds will be issued for any reason including, but not limited to, unused portions of tour. If the tour is cancelled by ISDI or the Vesalius Trust due to low enrollment, active registrants will receive a full refund of all tour payments.

TERMS & CONDITIONS: ISDI requires that all tour participants be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 to participate on the tour. Upon receipt of registration, ISDI will send registrant a Participant Tour Agreement detailing the full terms and conditions for this tour. This document must be signed and returned to ISDI before participant’s registration is considered complete and any arrangements can be confirmed.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Travel Insurance is not included in the tour cost, but participants are strongly encouraged to purchase a travel protection plan in conjunction with this tour, including coverage of trip cancellation, trip interruption, emergency evacuation/repatriation, medical expenses, lost or damaged baggage, and other expenses and/or losses incurred due to unexpected situations. Should a participant cancel at any time after registering for the tour, ISDI must strictly abide by the cancellation policy outlined herein. Travel insurance information will be sent upon tour registration.

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Enclosed is my credit card information or deposit by check made payable to International Seminar Design, Inc. in the amount of $1,000 per person.

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**ROOMING OPTIONS:** *(please select)*
- Double Occupancy; I will share a room with
- Single Supplement ($1,495)
- I would like a roommate but will pay the price of the single supplement if one cannot be found.

**EACH PARTICIPANT MUST SIGN** *(registration invalid without signature)*

By registering and paying the deposit for this tour program, the undersigned acknowledges that he/she has carefully read and understands all information contained in the tour brochure, recognizes and accepts any risks therein, and agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions outlined above.

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