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## ORGANISERS

**PA Tours and Events** is Australia's leading performance touring operator with over 20 years experience in delivering custom and festival performance opportunities to many exceptional Australian and international ensembles.

We are delighted to partner with some of the world's leading performance specialists ensuring you meaningful exchanges, fine performances and the best in country sightseeing.

Whether it be attending one of our renowned festivals featuring some of the world's music luminaries or having your program specifically shaped to your needs, PA pride's itself on collaborating closely with you and will work tirelessly to ensure we deliver an experience to remember.

### Let PA

**Be your source** for hotels, transport, sightseeing, performances, workshops, venues, audiences and much more

**Take the stress** out of organising complex logistics in foreign countries

**Allow you to concentrate** on your performance dream



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## OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

PA views every tour as a series of performance events from which the sightseeing and pacing of the tour will flow. The key is the combining of your great musical talent with inspiring venues, warm audiences, exchange activity and cultural immersion.

This is complemented by safe, secure, entertaining, informative and straightforward touring. Combining these factors results in the wow factor we strive to achieve for every group. We will work closely with you throughout the planning of your tour to ensure all your aspirations are met. To achieve this, we invite you to provide your performance information (sample recordings, repertoire, biography of you and the group, tour repertoire) as early as possible.

We would be delighted to meet to personally visit you to discuss these opportunities further and offer each prospective ensemble a free presentation to parents/and or key stakeholders.



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## ITINERARY HIGHLIGHTS

### Day 1

- Depart Gateway City

### Day 2

- Arrive in Beijing
- Meet PA Tour Manager
- Transfer to the hotel for check in
- Dinner (daily)
- Overnight Beijing

### Day 3

- Breakfast (daily)
- Visit the world's largest plaza, Tian Anmen Square. This square is lined with imposing public buildings, fronting the legendary and once exclusive Forbidden City. The Forbidden City comprises 250 acres of courtyards, gardens, splendid 15th century halls and pavilions graced with imperial treasures which now form the Palace Museum. For almost 500 years, ordinary citizens could not enter the vast courtyard, walk the marble steps, or touch the banisters
- Lunch (daily)
- **Exchange performance**
- Overnight Beijing



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## ITINERARY HIGHLIGHTS

### Day 4

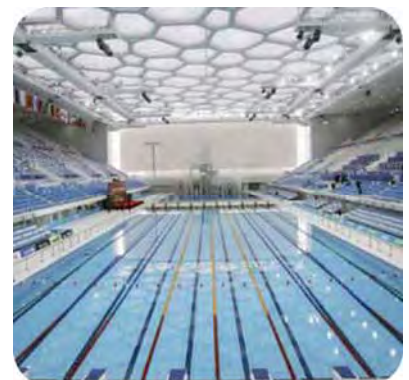
- Today we drive to the 2,600 year old Great Wall
- Upon arrival we have the option to prepare for an informal performance at the square that forms a base of this breathtaking structure
- The Wall extends 3,465 miles across Northern China and this is our chance to climb as much of it as we can
- This evening, we experience a traditional Peking Roast dinner
- Overnight Beijing

### Day 5

- We tour the Temple of Heaven, which is probably one of the most photographed buildings in the world. Built in 1420 and restored in 1890, the Hall of Prayer for Good Harvests is one of several structures that we see on our tour this morning
- This afternoon we have a Hutong tour by rickshaw. We see Chinese people living a traditional lifestyle and we meet local families
- **Performance**
- Overnight Beijing

### Day 6

- Visit the Summer Palace that was built in 1750. It is mainly dominated by Longevity Hill (60 meters high) and the Kunming Lake. It covers an expanse of 2.9 square kilometers, three quarters of which is water. The central Kunming Lake, covering 2.2 square kilometers, was entirely manmade and the excavated soil was used to build Longevity Hill. In its compact 70,000 square meters of building space, one finds a variety of palaces, gardens, and other classical-style architectural structures
- Visit Jade Art Museum
- Visit site of the 2008 Olympic Games (entrance included to Water Cube and Bird Nest)
- Overnight Beijing



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### Day 7

- Transfer to the airport for your flight to Shanghai, China's largest and most cosmopolitan city
- Travel along the Bund and the tree-lined avenue bordering the Huangpu River and from here see the dazzling modernity of new Shanghai on one side of the river while passing historical Shanghai on the other
- See the famous China acrobat show
- Overnight Shanghai

### Day 8

- Visit the famous Yu Garden, a place of peace and comfort in the heart of bustling Shanghai. Dating back to the fabled Ming Dynasty, the Yu Garden began as a private garden created by Pan Yunduan, who spent almost 20 years, and all of his savings, to build a garden in order to please his parents in their old age. "Yu" in Chinese means "peace and health"
- **Performance**
- Overnight Shanghai



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## ITINERARY HIGHLIGHTS

### Day 9

- Visit Shanghai Museum which possesses a collection of 120,000 precious works of art, including ancient Chinese bronze, ceramics, painting and calligraphy
- Experience Nanjing Road
- Farewell dinner
- Overnight Shanghai

### Day 10

- Transfer to the airport to board our flight home, our hearts filled with rich memories of the hospitable Chinese people and of our once-in-a-lifetime musical experience in China

*\*\* Itinerary subject to change.*

*\*\* Confirmation of performances is dependent upon early receipt of performance information: biographies, pictures, recordings and repertoire*



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## EXTENSION TOUROPTION1: HANGZHOU

### Day 1

- Breakfast
- We then travel by coach to Hangzhou, called by Marco Polo "the City of Heaven". The city has become one of the most popular tourist destinations for wealthy Chinese citizens because of its stunning beauty and its situation on the exquisite West Lake (Xi Hu). It also marks the southern terminus of the 1,000 mile long Grand Canal of China
- Check in
- Dinner
- Overnight Hangzhou

### Day 2

- Breakfast
- Today we enjoy touring picturesque Hangzhou. The city boasts beautiful gardens and parks lining the shore and several outstanding temples, including the Yuefei Mu and the Lingyin Si (one of China's largest and most famous)
- This evening we enjoy dinner at a local restaurant before returning to the hotel
- Overnight Hangzhou

### Day 3

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## EXTENSION TOUR OPTION2: XI'AN

### Day 1

- Transfer to the airport and fly to the imperial city of Xi'an
- Tour the ancient old city gate and wall as well as the 15 story Wild Goose Pagoda built in 652 A.D.
- Check in
- Dinner
- Overnight Xi'an

### Day 2

- Visit one of the world's great discoveries; 6,000 life-size terra-cotta soldiers with individual facial expressions. They were recently discovered buried with their horses, guarding the tomb of 3rd century B.C. Emperor Qin Shi Buangdi
- Enjoy a dumpling dinner at a local restaurant prior to witnessing the spectacular and highly entertaining Tang Dynasty Show that Xi'an is famous for
- Overnight Xi'an

### Day 3

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