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featuring

# A PROFESSIONAL ICELANDIC ORCHESTRA & DISTINGUISHED SOLOISTS



# HALLGRÍMSKIRKJA, REYKJAVÍK

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2027

The main gala concert featuring guest conductors and their 80+ voice choirs with members of an professional Icelandic orchestra and distinguished soloists in the largest church in Iceland.

# SKÁLHOLTSDÓMKIRKJA, SKÁLHOLT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2027

Optional spotlight concert opportunity for choirs to perform with limited accompaniment (piano available).





# 2027 Iceland Residency Land **Package Inclusions**

8 days &



# **PERFORMANCE & ARTISTIC ADMINISTRATION**

- Two public performances:
  - The main gala concert is at Hallgrímskirkja on October 14 featuring visiting guest conductors and their 80+ voice choirs with a professional Icelandic orchestra.
  - The optional spotlight concert is at Skálholtsdómkirkja on October 16. This concert will feature participating choirs led by their own conductors. Accompaniment is limited to piano for the spotlight concert.
- Professional concert photographs and a complimentary YouTube video of main gala concert sent to each director.
- National and international press coverage.
- Publicity, management, and audience development of your concerts.
- · Complimentary concert poster given to each participant.

\*A minimum of three groups must agree to do the spotlight performance before it can go forward.

# **THREE CULTURAL TOURS**









Revkiavík Tour

Blue Lagoon Tour

Museums & Exhibits Tour

Golden Circle Tour

- Entrance fee, bus transportation (if necessary), a professional guide, personal broadcast microphones, and hearing devices are all included.
- Three tours:

First Tour: Reykjavík City Tour

Second Tour: Blue Lagoon OR Museums & Exhibits Tour

Third Tour: Golden Circle (includes lunch)

\*Descriptions of each tour on page 7.

<sup>\*</sup>All prices listed are in U.S. Dollars (USD).

<sup>\*</sup>Subject to revision

# 2027 Iceland Residency Land Package Inclusions (continued)

8 days & 7 nights

\$3,950

per person (based on double occupancy)

\*airfare not include:

# **LODGING & BOARD:**

• Five nights at \*Berjaya Hotel Natura and 2 nights at \*Hótel Grímsborgir at double occupancy. Click the underlined caption to learn more about the hotel.



Berjaya Hotel Natura

Hótel Grímsborgir

#### **Occupancy options:**

*Triple	Two beds & three people	\$3,950 (no additional cost) per person
Twin	Two beds & two people	\$3,950 (no additional cost) per person
Double	One bed & two people	\$3,950 per person
Single	One bed & one person	\$4,950 (\$1,000 additional) per person

<sup>\*</sup>Triple occupancy rooms are in limited supply.

- All local taxes, gratuities (including tips for guides and bus drivers), and Value Added Tax (VAT).
- MidAm International personnel are on site in the hotel during your residency.
- Seven breakfasts, one lunch (part of cultural tour three), and one gala dinner.
- A decision regarding your hotel assignments will be made by March 1, 2027.

\*Or a hotel of similar quality.

# **GROUND TRANSPORTATION:**

- Bus transfers for all tours, rehearsals, and concerts as needed. Airport transfers will be available on October 10 for arrivals and on October 17 for departures, connecting round trip from the Keflavík International Airport (KEF).
- An escort will accompany every bus journey.
- Assistance with purchasing round-trip international flight tickets is available upon request.

# **EXCLUSIONS:**

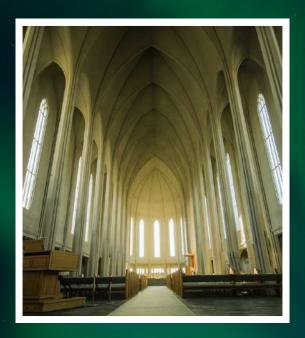
- Round-trip airfare to Iceland (see more on airfare on page 12).
- All lunches and dinners (except the gala dinner).
- Purchase of choral music.
- MidAm arranged optional tours, if applicable.



<sup>\*</sup>If accommodation other than double occupancy is required due to the rooming configuration of your group (i.e. if your total number of occupancy participants is not divisible by two), additional room costs are to be borne by your organization or participants.



# TWO PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES



Main gala concert on October 14 includes guest conductors leading their 80-voice choirs at Hallgrímskirkja alongside a professional Icelandic orchestra.

Optional spotlight concert on October 16 led by their own conductors at Skálholtsdómkirkja. Accompaniment is limited to piano for the spotlight concerts.



\*If any musical program does not achieve the pre-arranged target number in registrations, MidAm International reserves the right to substitute a spotlight piano-accompanied concert at a residency location, allowing for 25 minutes of stage time, which is 20 minutes of music time.



2027 CHORAL SERIES:

# ICELAND SAMPL ITINERARY

Arrive at the Keflavík International Airport (KEF) by 3:30 pm. Our staff will meet you at the airport for bus transfer to hotel. Rest of day is free.

**Evening:** Meeting with our Iceland team.

DAY

Morning: Chorus rehearsal for main gala

Afternoon: Cultural tour one.

**Evening:** Optional spotlight concert rehearsal

Morning: Chorus rehearsal for main gala concert at residency hotel.

**Afternoon:** Cultural tour two. There are two options to chose from.

**Evening:** Optional spotlight concert rehearsal at hotel otherwise free to explore.

DAY

Morning: Chorus rehearsal for main gala

Afternoon & Evening: Free to explore.

Morning: Depart to Hallgrímskirkja.

Afternoon: Dress rehearsal for main gala concert at Hallgrímskirkja.

**Evening:** Main gala concert at Hallgrímskirkja.

DAY

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# 2027 CHORAL SERIES:

# ICELAND SAMPLE ITINERARY

(CONTINUED)

DAY 6 Morning: Check out of Reykjavík hotel

**Afternoon:** Cultural tour three while transferring via bus to Golden Circle region.

**Evening:** Check into Golden Circle region hotel. Rehearsal for optional spotlight concert at hotel or nearby location.

**Morning:** Depart to Skálholtsdómkirkja for dress rehearsal for optional spotlight concert.

**Afternoon:** Optional spotlight concert at Skálholtsdómkirkja.

**Evening:** Gala dinner after concert.

DAY 7

DAY 8

Check-out and depart by coach to airport to return home.





# Iceland Cultural Tours



### Tour 1: Reykjavík City Tour

A tour to introduce you to Reykjavik and all its charm. You will travel by bus to see Hallgrímskirkja Church, Perla viewing platform, and Parlament/lake.

### Tour 2: Blue Lagoon OR Museums & Exhibits

#### **Choice One: Blue Lagoon**

One of the must-do attractions when in Iceland and the warm and silica mud in the lagoon is known for its healing effect on skin problems. The geothermal water at the Blue Lagoon originates 2,000 meters below the surface, where freshwater and seawater combine at extreme temperatures. The Blue Lagoon is also named one of National Geographic's "25 Wonders of the World."

\*Blue Lagoon Tour involves entering the Lagoon/swimming. Bathing suits are required for this experience. Showers, towels, shampoo/conditioner, a mud mask, and a complimentary drink is included.

#### **Choice Two: Museums and Exhibits**

Discover Iceland's story of fire, ice, and heritage on this immersive Reykjavík tour. Begin at Orka náttúrunnar's geothermal exhibit, where you'll learn how Iceland harnesses its volcanic energy for a sustainable future. Continue to Wonders of Iceland at Perlan, where cutting-edge displays and a real ice cave bring glaciers, volcanoes, and the Northern Lights to life. Conclude at the National Museum of Iceland, where centuries of culture, art, and everyday life reveal the nation's rich history.

# Tour 3: Golden Circle Tour (includes lunch)

This is a tour one cannot skip when coming to Iceland. Highlights of the day include geysers, waterfalls and lava fields. We set out from your hotel and head towards the national park of Pingvellir. You visit the largest lake in Iceland, Lake Thingvallavatn. Lunch that is included will be at the Friðheimar tomato farm, a unique lunch location where you dine inside a greenhouse. Nestled in the heart of Iceland's stunning countryside, Friðheimar. After lunch we continue towards the other sights on your tour. The waterfall Gullfoss is famous for its two cascades, perpendicular to each other. The glacier river Hvítá runs from Langjökull glacier, which we can see from the waterfall on days with good visibility. And on sunny days, a shimmering rainbow can be seen over the waterfall. In the Geysir area, you can experience the mighty Strokkur, a geyser that erupts every few minutes. The best view of the geysers is from the nearby hill with new walking trails, from which you can also see the surrounding landscape.



# Initial Payment Deadlines & Complimentary Packages for 2027 International Residencies

### 2027 Concerts

Early Registration Deadline: **June 1, 2026** 

Standard Registration Deadline:

November 15, 2026

\*All payments must be received in office by the due date.

# **Package Credits:**

Total number of paid registered participants:	Deposit received by  early registration  deadline:	Deposit received by standard registration deadline:
30	2 Package Credits	1 Package Credit
60	4 Package Credits	2 Package Credits
90	6 Package Credits	3 Package Credits

<sup>\*</sup>All credits will be applied on the group's final invoice.

#### **Terms and Conditions:**

MidAm International only registers groups of 10 participants or more (any combination of performers and non-performers-family, friends, colleagues). Group directors must indicate at the time of registration whether they will be participating as a performer, non-performer, or guest conductor. Directors who are also guest conductors are not included in a group's tally as their accommodations are handled separately. Credits only apply to group registrations.

Complimentary packages may be used for an individual (director, accompanist, etc.), or the value may be applied toward the group's balance to reduce each participant's cost. All credits will be applied to the group's final invoice.

Please read the full terms and conditions on page 12.

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<sup>\*</sup>Bonus packages will be awarded at double occupancy.



# **2027 International Residency**

# Deposit and Document Schedules:

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\*All payments must be received in office by the due date.

Payment Schedule						
November 15, 2026 (June 1, 2026 for Early Deadline)	January 15, 2027	February 15, 2027	March 15, 2027	May 1, 2027		
1st Deposit Due \$400 per person (non-refundable)	2nd Deposit Due \$800 per person (non-refundable) Room Grid Due	Rooming List Due (more info on page 10)	3rd Deposit Due \$800 per person (non-refundable) Flight List Due	Final Payment Due (non-refundable)		

Deposit/document schedules are firm and all payments and all required MidAm International documents must be received by MidAm by the deposit/document deadline (NOT postmarked). MidAm retains the right to cancel groups for non-payment, without refund, if the deposit schedule is not met. Therefore, if any delay in payment or required MidAm document is anticipated, the group director must contact MidAm prior to the payment deadline. Additionally, if a group's deposit is not received by the deposit deadline (and MidAm does not cancel their registration immediately), an additional \$25 per person late fee will be added to their past due deposit. An additional \$25 per person late fee will be added for each additional week that passes following the original deposit deadline if the deposit remains unpaid.

As noted on pages 2 and 3, the total cost is \$3950 per person for a double occupancy room. This includes events, accommodations, transfers, and all local taxes, gratuities (excluding tips for guides and bus drivers), and Value Added Taxes (VAT) described in the day-to-day itinerary and specifically itemized on the "inclusions" page. This price does not include airfare. Single supplement occupancy is \$4950 (\$1000 additional per person).

Please note that single rooms are limited. Triple rooms are only **occasionally available** and the cost per person is \$3950, the same as a double room occupancy. Note that all rooms are "double" size and if a third bed is put in, it may be a cot or convertible/pull-out sofa; furthermore, the room is not larger than a standard double room. Spouses, friends, and families are welcome to be part of the residency. The same package described here applies to them as well.

Your online concert registration form must be completed prior to sending your first deposit. Make checks payable in US Dollars to MidAm International, Inc. and send via Federal Express/Express Mail (regular mail is not recommended) to:

MidAm International, Inc. Joyce Howard-Brazel 265 Sunrise Highway, Suite 1-183 Rockville Centre, NY 11570

Your ensemble must be paid in full prior to your arrival to the destination country. Please send one combined check per registration. Do not send individual checks. Should a check payment be returned by bank as unpaid, a \$35 returned check fee will be added to your final invoice.

\*For information on wire transfers, ACH payments and/or credit card payments, please contact Joyce Howard-Brazel, Chief of Client Services at jhoward@midamerica-music.com.

Once received, all payments made to MidAm International are non-refundable. This applies to any individual or group who has made any payments. In addition, should an individual cancel participation, all deposits/payments are forfeited and non-transferrable to the remaining group balance. Forfeited deposits may only be used for substitutions on a one-to-one basis.

\*If your residency should be cancelled by MidAm International (with exception of cancellations made due to late or non-payment), all monies are completely and immediately refundable.

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# 2027 International Residency Documents Information

# **Room Grid and Room List:**

Room Grid: Indicates how many rooms are required for your group divisible by triple, double, or single occupancy.

Room List: Includes participant's full legal name, date of birth, passport number, passport expiration date, nationality, passport origin country, director/group name, and cell phone number all organized by room. \*Usually sent by the group director

# **Flight List:**

Indicates participant's full legal names exactly as they appear on passports and the choir director's name. You need to provide the **arrival** airline, date, time, and flight number. You will also need to provide the **departure** airline, date, time, and flight number.

\*A valid passport is required, and it must remain valid for at least six months beyond the final day of the residency. All travelers (U.S. citizen or non-U.S. citizen) should inquire with the appropriate embassy or consulate regarding entry requirements.

# **Final Invoice:**

The invoice for the balance due will be based on the rooming list, costs for extra nights, and optional tours, if applicable.

\*Use the documents that you will receive from MidAm International.
\*Be sure to complete all documents online by the requested due dates outlined on page 9.



# **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)**



# How are ensembles selected for and invited to participate in this concert series?

Each ensemble has been specifically recommended or referred to us by music directors in the profession, or by one of the more than 850 guest conductors who have appeared on our series since 1984.



# For choral concerts, is it required that music be prepared prior to arrival?

Yes. Choruses or chorus members who are not thoroughly prepared will not be allowed to rehearse or perform in the concert.



### When will we know the schedule for our residency?

Schedules (and rehearsal locations) are published 45 days in advance of your arrival. Please refer to the general residency schedule contained in this document for approximate rehearsal and tour times.



### When can we purchase air tickets and other reservations?

It is essential and critical that all groups wait until they receive written confirmation and a "go-ahead" from Joyce Howard-Brazel, Chief of Client Services, before making any flight arrangements. This will occur after registrations have been received and the concert is confirmed.



# How can we request ADA accommodations?

You can request accommodations by contacting midam@midamerica-music.com.



# What size audience can we expect at our concert?

Audiences are large and enthusiastic. MidAm International has a comprehensive public relations and audience development division that typically sees the vast majority of our international concerts sold out by concert time.



# How are the concerts promoted and advertised?

Concerts are promoted extensively through local press and social media, along with hundreds of public and private business sources in each location. This coverage, as well as efforts for press coverage in ensembles' home locations are led by Andrea Niederman, our Director of Public Relations, Publications, and Audience Development and her team.

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# 2027 International Residency Terms & Conditions (page 1/1):

#### **Deposits, Package Credits, and Refunds**

If your residency should be cancelled by MidAm International (with exception of cancellations made due to late or non-payment), all monies are completely and immediately refundable. This applies to any individual or group who has made any payments. Group directors must indicate at the time of registration whether they will be participating as a performer, non-performer, or guest conductor. Directors that are guest conductors are not included in a group's tally, as their accommodations are handled separately. Credits only apply to group registrations. Complimentary packages may be used for an individual (director, accompanist, etc.) or may be applied toward the group's balance to reduce each participant's cost. All credits will be applied on the group's final invoice. Deposit/Document schedules are firm and all payments and all required MidAm documents must be received by MidAm International by the deposit/document deadline (NOT postmarked). MidAm International retains the right to cancel groups for non-payment, without refund, if the deposit schedule is not met. Therefore, if any delay in payment or required MidAm document is anticipated, the group director must contact MidAm prior to the payment deadline. Additionally, if a group's deposit is not received by the deposit deadline (and MidAm International does not cancel their registration immediately), an additional \$25 per person late fee will be added to their past-due deposit. An additional \$25 per person late fee will be returned by bank as unpaid, a \$35 returned check fee will be added to your final invoice. All prices listed are in U.S. Dollars (USD).

#### **Substitutions and Travel Insurance**

Your ensemble must be paid in full prior to your arrival to the destination country. Once received, all payments made to MidAm International are non-refundable. This applies to any individual or group who has made any payments. In addition, should an individual cancel participation, all deposits/payments are forfeited and non-transferrable to the remaining group balance. Forfeited deposits may only be used for substitutions on a one-to-one basis. Therefore, cancellation insurance is strongly recommended. MidAm International does not endorse or recommend any travel insurance company who might provide such insurance to the ensemble. Please investigate thoroughly through your preferred insurance carrier prior to your initial deposit.

#### **Airfare**

Airfare to and from your international residency destination are the responsibility of the participating ensembles and individuals. If your air arrival is at an alternate airport, you need to arrange transport to the residency city at your own cost. Please consult with your personal travel agent and do your own research on the internet for the best possible price. Also, MidAm International has a travel relationship with Chai Travel Advisors. It is recommended that any groups (10 or more) looking to purchase tickets collectively contact Nanette, their representative, at MAP@chaitravel.com or 973-200-4786, and have her investigate an airfare on your behalf. You are under no obligation to take the airfare she proposes. Please **do not** purchase anything without getting a "go ahead" from MidAm International. **A valid passport is required, and it must remain valid for at least six months beyond the final day of the residency. All travelers (U.S. citizen or non-U.S. citizen) should inquire with the appropriate embassy or consulate regarding entry requirements.** 

#### **Participant Responsibility**

MidAm International shall not be liable to any individual registrant or group for any injuries, losses, or expenses suffered or incurred by any individual registrant or group arising out of or relating to your purchase of this package. All registrants and groups shall maintain appropriate and adequate general liability insurance coverage and any workmen's compensation insurance required by applicable state law. Group Directors/Leaders shall be responsible for the well-being and safety of the registrants in their ensembles. If not already covered by medical insurance, registrants and their Group Directors are strongly advised to obtain adequate travel medical insurance for all registrants in the ensemble covering the duration of their travel. It is the responsibility of all persons participating as performers to arrive on time and be fully prepared for all rehearsals as well as the performance. All participants in the package must undertake at their own expense to comply with all dress and health requirements of governmental entities as well as the venues where the performance and other events are being held. Should these parameters not be met, MidAm retains the right to disallow those individuals from participating in the rehearsal and/or performance. All performers and non-performers as well as their concert guests give MidAm International permission to take their photo and video within the confines of this package, and to use their performance for marketing purposes indefinitely.

#### Force Majeure

If the specified venue is unavailable for your performance due to "acts of God" (force majeure), MidAm International reserves the right to move this performance to another concert location within the residency city, or if such move is not practicable for reasons beyond the control of MidAm International then MidAm International shall be relieved from such obligation. Acts of God (force majeure) shall include any unexpected act or circumstance that prevents or impedes MidAm from performing one or more of its contractual obligations if such impediment to MidAm's performance is beyond MidAm's reasonable control and the effects of such impediment cannot reasonably have been avoided or overcome by MidAm. For purposes of this provision, Acts of God shall include, but are not limited to: a) war (whether declared or not), hostilities, act of foreign enemies, b) civil war, riot, rebellion and revolution, act of terrorism, sabotage or piracy; c) currency and trade restriction, embargo, sanction; d) act of authority whether lawful or unlawful, compliance with any law or governmental order, expropriation, seizure of works, requisition, nationalization; e) plague, epidemic (including a recurrence of COVID-19 pandemic), natural disaster or extreme natural event; f) explosion, fire, destruction of equipment, prolonged break-down of transport, telecommunication, information system or energy; g) and general labor disturbance. In the event that "force majeure" causes the cancellation of this tour prior to departure or at any time after arrival in residency destination monies sent to MidAm International are nonrefundable.