

SPOLETO FESTIVAL USA

June 6 – 9, 2012

Charleston, South Carolina

This spectacular ARTour features an impressive lineup of events for all art lovers, set against the backdrop of historic Charleston, with its sophisticated shops, restaurants, and uniquely preserved historic downtown.



MUSIC: Chamber Music Series, Dock Street Theater

Enjoy three concerts in this series which is the heart and soul of Spoleto and features a changing roster of artists in the historic Dock Street Theatre. Led by violinist **Geoff Nuttal**, the series will see the return of esteemed musicians who have played Spoleto over the years, as well as notable newcomers.



JAZZ/GOSPEL: Mavis Staples, Gaillard Auditorium

Mavis Staples' (photo left) career is one of the most remarkable in all of music, not only for its relentless spirit and longevity, but also for the period of history that spans the epicenter of the civil rights movement to collaborations with such major artists as Bob Dylan, Prince, and Ry Cooder.

MUSIC: Tchaikovsky/Stravinsky, Gaillard Municipal Auditorium

Hear a different side of pianist **Stephen Prutsman** as he takes to the stage with the **Spoleto Festival USA Orchestra** for a performance of Tchaikovsky's *Piano Concerto No. 1* and Stravinsky's *Petrushka*, conducted by **Anne Manson**.

Please select your choice of one of the following at registration:

OPERA: Feng Yi Ting, Dock Street Theater

Feng Yi Ting is not only a profoundly operatic story, it is the historically true account of Diao Chan, a woman of legendary beauty and the central figure in a dangerous rivalry between aristocrat, Dong Zhuo, and his godson, General Lu Bu. Composed by Guo Wenjing, this American premiere is directed by internationally acclaimed film director **Aton Egoyan** and performed by two revered Chinese opera performers. Sung in Chinese with English subtitles.

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CIRCUS THEATRE: Traces, Sottile Theatre

Montreal-based **Les 7 Doigts de la Main**'s characters appear to be nothing more than a group of friends, just as easy going, affable and potentially clumsy as the guy next door—until they unleash 90 minutes of heart-stopping acrobatics and unbridled energy that will leave you breathless and exhilarated.

FREE TIME: Explore historic Charleston, visit the **Gibbs Gallery of Art**, or enjoy some of the many events of the **Piccolo Spoleto Festival**, which transforms Charleston into an exhilarating celebration of performing, literary, and visual arts. The final itinerary will list Piccolo Spoleto events taking place during our tour.

COST: ACMC Members: Double: \$1,250 Single: \$1,550 Nonmembers: Add 15%
(per person) Register with \$500 deposit by February 3, 2012. Final payment due March 22, 2012.

Costs Include: Round trip bus transport, 3 nights at **The Mills House** in Charleston's historic district, 3 breakfasts, 1 picnic lunch, dinner at one of Charleston's renowned Lowcountry restaurants, tickets & entry fees, and portage. **Not included:** Alcoholic beverages, bus driver gratuity, taxis as required, and meals not listed.

NOTE FOR ALL ARTours: You should be in good physical condition to fully enjoy our ARTours. The Arts Council cannot provide individual assistance during the tours and therefore reserves the right to decline to accept anyone on a tour who has a physical condition that could create a hazard to him or herself or could impact the enjoyment of other travelers on the trip.

CANCELLATION POLICY: 35% of the total cost will be withheld for cancellation after registration date on **ALL ARTours**. **NO** refunds are made after advertised full payment deadline unless substitute traveler is found—at which time transfer fees, if applicable, will be withheld. Trip cancellation insurance is available upon request.

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“The world is a book and those who do not travel read only one page.” – *Saint Augustine*

MASTERWORKS OF THE HUDSON RIVER SCHOOL PAINTERS

March 16 – 17, 2012 • Columbia, South Carolina

Highlights of this short overnight ARTtour include the exhibit, *Painting America the Beautiful*, for its debut at the **Columbia Museum of Art**. The exhibition, organized by the New York Historical Society, includes 45 magnificent paintings by artists such as Thomas Cole, Albert Bierstadt, Frederic Church, and more. This exhibit was hailed by *The New York Times*: “Every now and then, an exhibition comes along that is so perfectly lovely that you want to shout its merits from the closest roof top, or in this case mountain.”



Catskill Creek, NY, 1845 by Thomas Cole

You will also attend a production of Tennessee Williams’ *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* by the **Workshop Theatre of South Carolina**, and tour **Vista Studios Gallery 80808**, with space for 13 artists and special exhibitions.

COST: **ACMC Members:** **Double: \$285** **Single: \$340** [Nonmembers add 15%]
(per person) **Register with \$55 deposit by January 27, 2012. Final payment due February 16, 2012.**

Cost includes: Roundtrip transportation, 1 night at Columbia Marriott Hotel, 1 breakfast, 1 dinner, 1 lunch and entry fees.

Not included: Meals not listed and alcoholic beverages.

ALERT: \$200 PRICE REDUCTION WITH REGISTRATION BY FEBRUARY 10!

NOVA SCOTIA: Coasts & Villages • July 7 – 13, 2012



PICTURE YOURSELF...exploring historic seaports, coastal paths and fishing villages, enjoying unsurpassed birding and whale watching, relishing a lobster bake on a remote island and spending nights in the most interesting and memorable lodging the region offers. This adventure includes leisurely paced walks over gently rolling countryside on good trails, always with minivan support, lead by **Classic Journeys**—Named one of World’s Best Tour Operators by *National Geographic Magazine*.

COST: **ACMC Members:** **Double: \$3,995** **Single: \$4,500** [Nonmembers add 15%]
(per person) **Register with \$800 deposit by March 23, 2012. Final payment due April 10, 2012.**

Cost includes: Overnight in Raleigh, round-trip coach airfare on Continental Airlines, airport transfers, 5 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 4 dinners, 1st class accommodations, full-time guide, transportation during tour, admissions fees, gratuities for hotels, meals & baggage.

Not included: Gratuity for guide, alcoholic beverages, & meals not listed.

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