



## International Jazz Festival: December 14 to 21, 2014

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**Following are the estimated costs for the program, based on 12 to 14 participants:**

<b>Program in Cuba</b>	<b>2064.32</b>
<b>Airfare &amp; Visa</b>	<b>584.00</b>
<b>Program Fee</b>	<b>350.00</b>
<b>Service &amp; Mailing Fees</b>	<b>175.00</b>
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**Included in the estimated costs are:**

- RT Air from Miami to Havana
- Accommodations for 7 nights at the Hotel Nacional (jazz festival main venue)
- Breakfast daily at the hotel, plus welcome dinner, farewell lunch, 2 additional lunches, 1 additional dinner
- Program of visits, excursions and encounters emphasizing direct contact and dialogue with the Cuban people
- Credentials for entry to all jazz festival activities, performances and workshops
- English speaking guide
- Transportation by air conditioned bus for transfers in/out and daily for 6 hours
- Medical insurance while in Cuba
- Entry visa for Cuba
- Program and service fees

**Not included:** Havana airport tax of 25CUC payable at time of departure; tips and gratuities; meals or beverages not listed in the program as included or listed as “direct payment”; personal expenses.

**Paperwork required to enroll**

- Travel application & visa form
- Travel affidavit, completed and signed, as described above
- Flight reservation form, completed and signed
- Copy of U.S. passport valid 4-6 months beyond the date of the trip’s return. If renewing, do not supply old passport but inform us of the renewal.
- Non-U.S. citizens, valid passport of that country plus U.S. residency permit or visa with re-entry permitted, If Cuban born, advise us and we will assist with any additional paperwork required

**Deposit**

A nonrefundable deposit of \$300 is required to reserve space on the trip. Deposit may be by check, money order or by credit card. An authorization form for payment by credit card is included in the trip application. Checks should be made out to Common Ground Education & Travel. Late applications will be considered as space is available.

**Final payment and forms of payment**

Final payment is due 45 days prior to departure. Individual invoices will be forwarded to each participant and will include an authorization form for credit card payment.

**Guarantee of Services:** Charter companies reserve the right to change schedule and/or price at any time, to set limits on weight, acceptance of overweight, and fees for overweight at their discretion. Tour operators in Cuba also reserve the right to substitute hotels of equal ranking and to substitute equivalent activities when necessary due to local conditions.

## The Havana International Festival of Jazz/ NY Jazz Academy - December 14 through 21

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### Meeting the Cuban People through their Music

(Activities subject to change with final schedule of the African American Artists & Abstraction exhibition.)

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>December 14</b>
9:00 am	Meet Common Ground staff person in the Miami International Airport. Check in for flight
Afternoon	Arrive Havana. Transfers to hotel. En route from the airport to the hotel, a brief tour of the Plaza of the Revolution, the Malecón sea drive and other important landmarks. Check in on arrival at the hotel.
8:00 pm	Orientation and welcome dinner in Old Havana
<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 15</b>
7-8:00 am	Breakfast at the hotel.
9:30 am	Visit to ICAP (the Cuban Institute of Friendship with the People) for a discussion of the origins, progress and challenges of contemporary Cuba.
11:30	Discussion and Jam Session with Alberto Faya other Cuban musicians.
Mid day	Lunch at a well known paladar (private restaurant) in Old Havana.
3:00 pm	Walking tour of Old Havana. Visit to the Museum of the Revolution.
5:00 pm	Return to the hotel.
8:30 pm	Following dinner on your own, visit to a jazz club.
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 16</b>
7-8:00 am	Breakfast at the hotel.
9:30 am	Visit to the Amadeo Roldan School of Music or another training center for young musicians. Discussion and Jam Session with the students and faculty.
11:30 am	Visit to Jaimanitas and the neighborhood projects of artist José Fuster. Stay for lunch (direct payment)
2:00 pm	Visit to a Casa de Orientación de la Mujer y la Familia, or to the National Center for Sexual Education.
4:00 pm	Visit to a farmers' market.
Evening	Visit with a neighborhood organization of the Committees for Defense of the Revolution.
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>December 17</b>
7-8:00 am	Breakfast at the hotel.
10:00 am	Distribute credentials for the Jazz Festival.
11:30 am	Visit to the Museum of Music.
12:30 pm	Lunch at El Aljibe restaurant (included).
2:00 pm	Visit to Regla, to the Church of the Black Virgin, and the Municipal Museum for a performance by the Afro-Cuban Group Nsila Cheche.
5:00 pm	Return to Havana by ferry.
6:30 pm	Dinner at the hotel (included).
8:00 pm	Inauguration Gala for the Jazz Festival.
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>December 18</b>
7-8:00 am	Breakfast at the hotel.
Morning	Visit the Literacy Museum at Ciudad Libertad and tour School City. Visit school as possible.
Afternoon	Festival activities
Evening	Festival activities

**Friday December 19**  
7-8:00 am Breakfast at the hotel.  
Morning Visit a community health center and to neighborhood doctor's clinic.  
Afternoon Festival activities  
Evening Festival activities

**Saturday December 20**  
7-8:00 am Breakfast at the hotel.  
Morning Visit to the Museum of Fine arts, Cuban collection. Visit to a nearby art gallery and talk with artists.  
Mid day Farewell lunch.  
Afternoon Festival activities  
Evening Closing Gala of the Festival

**Sunday December 21**  
7-8:00 am Breakfast at the hotel.  
12:00 pm Check out of hotel and transfer to airport.

**Travel services provided by Common Ground Education & Travel Services**  
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