



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

International travel arrangements provided by LAKING & RHOADES TRAVEL: serving Barrie & area for more than 50 years! Cuban program provided by YAI and the University of Matanzas.

TRAVEL PACKAGE PRICE of \$ _____ INCLUDES:

- Return Airfare (direct flight to Varadero from Toronto)
- 8 day / 7 night all-inclusive stay at Sun Beach Resort in Varadero
- Airport transfer

CUBA INTERCHANGE PRICE of \$ _____ INCLUDES:

- Every excursion listed in itinerary
- Expert lectures from University of Matanzas Professors
- Dedicated Translation
- Air-conditioned motor coach in country transportation

*Based on air fares, land tariffs and currency exchange rates as of June 20, 2018 and a minimum of 20 participants. Please note the possibility of increases or decreases in departure taxes prior to departure. Any increase must be borne by the individual participant.

**Subject to flight schedule

For more information please visit:

YouthAmbassadorsInternational.com

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APPLICATION, PAYMENT & BOOKING CONDITIONS:

1. All aspects related to the 'travel component' – airfare, all-inclusive accommodation at a Varadero resort, etc. – will be paid through Laking & Rhoades Travel.
 2. All 'in-country' tour and tournament costs will be paid via cheques paid to YAI Inc.
 3. Please have passport and credit card ready when you contact John Laking.
- It is the responsibility of all participants to ensure that they have a valid passport and that no additional travel documents are necessary. Laking & Rhoades Travel is not responsible for inadequate travel documents. Both Laking & Rhoades and YAI reserve the right to make changes in the itinerary when necessary for the convenience and safety of tour participants. Any extra cost in the unlikely event of itinerary changes must be borne by the individual participant.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Laking & Rhoades Portion
Non-Refundable Deposit: \$
Final Payment: \$

YAI Portion
One Payment: \$

PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION:

Payment Schedules are indicated in the body of the email(s) provided with your invoice(s). If at any other time you need a reminder of your payment schedule do not hesitate to ask.

RESPONSIBILITY AND JURISDICTION:

Georgia Hardy Tours and their agents act only as agents for the passengers with respect to services supplied to passengers by others, including but not limited to transportation, hotel and restaurant services, on the express condition that they are not liable for any failure in such services, or injury, loss or damage, delay or inconvenience arising out of or in connection with any defect in any vehicle or any act, omission, accident or error in providing such transportation, hotel, restaurant or other services. There is no refund for unused portions of the tour. In case of an accident occurring during the land portion of any tour, the passenger must submit any claim therefore only to the competent judicial authorities of the jurisdiction where such accident occurred, to be determined exclusively in accordance with the laws of such jurisdiction. By accepting the coupons and tickets and utilizing the services, the passenger agrees that Georgia Hardy Tours nor any affiliated or subsidiary companies or representatives shall be liable for any loss, injury or damage to the passenger or belongings or otherwise in connection with any accommodations, transportation or other services or resulting directly from any occurrences beyond its control including breakdown in equipment, strikes, theft, delay or cancellation or changes in itinerary or schedules, etc. Georgia Hardy Tours and its agents reserve the right to refuse to accept or retain any person as a member of this tour. The right is reserved to withdraw any or all of the tour or portions thereof. All tour services including, but not limited to hotel accommodations, restaurants, guide services and transportation are furnished by independent contractors.

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YOUTH AMBASSADORS INTERNATIONAL PRESENTS:



CANADA – CUBA STUDENT LEADERSHIP 2019

Immerse yourself in Cuba's extraordinary culture as you partner with a University of Matanzas student and develop your leadership skills through a wide range of activities. As Canada's Youth Ambassadors you will experience much of what this beautiful island has to offer: history, art, politics, music, economics, dance and, most significantly, rising to the challenge of becoming...

TRAVELERS NOT TOURISTS!

WHAT'S DIFFERENT ABOUT YAI:

- Cuban University Student Partners
- University of Matanzas Professors
- YAI Rep is an educator, program designer & veteran Cuba expert
- Translator & Cuban Leaders on site with group 24/7
- Cuban experiences interpreted & explained by new Cuban friends
- Your Needs + Your Wishes = Your Trip uniquely designed

All travel and accommodation arrangements are provided by Laking & Rhoades Travel – industry leaders in Central Ontario for 50 years

Cuban program designed and provided by YAI. Cuban hosting provided by the University of Matanzas.



BUILDING TRAVELLERS, NOT TOURISTS!

Youth Ambassadors International provides unique, high quality academic programming – experiential and exploratory; meaningful and memorable; challenging and creative; interactive and international – YAI students are travelers, not tourists!

Academic Lectures/Discussions – University of Matanzas Professors present lectures on core academic topics selected by your teacher. Translator will be provided.

Interchange Component – visiting students will be matched with Cuban University students on as close to a 2:1 ratio as is possible. They will build their friendships through a series of activities where they work together – dance, music, tours, trips to markets, etc.

Meaningful Tours – whether it be Havana, Matanzas, Varadero or a small rural plantation, the Canadian students will be guided by real experts – Cubans who will share their life experiences in a way that is both knowledgeable and relevant.

Cultural Immersion – Music, Art, Dance, all that gives Cuba its distinct flavour will be yours to explore and your Cuban partners will lead the way. You truly are Canada’s Youth Ambassadors to these Cubans and you’ll have an opportunity to share our culture with the Cuban students. All of these interactions will lead to our final event... **Canada – Cuba Cultural Festival** – It’s a fantastic final night that will last forever for everyone involved!

Becoming travelers = building friendships

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Tour: Havana’s Revolutionary Square



Cultural: Evening at the Plantation



Cultural: Learning to Dance



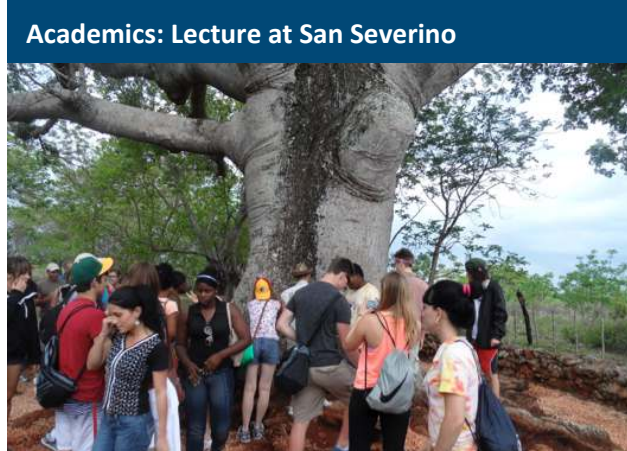
Tour: Bellamar Caves



Academics: Lecture at San Severino



Cultural: Sharing Music



Tour: Coffee Plantation Tree Ceremony



Cuba-Canada Cultural Festival



Varadero Beach



A Traditional Cuban Meal



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DAY 1 – Check into our rooms at the University of Matanzas – right by the beach in Varadero! Our hosts will show us the hotel and area amenities. Perhaps it’s time to explore the beach?! After dinner, a presentation of the delegations.

DAY 2 – A University of Matanzas Professor will present a Lecture/ Discussion about the History of Cuba. Ask questions to understand the Cuban perspective. Then, a Cuban dance lesson! Followed by the official “Welcome Ceremony” after dinner.

DAY 3 - Double Decker Bus Tour of Varadero in the morning, followed by group activities like games, sports, etc. And then finally, some Cuban dance lessons!

DAY 4 – An informative lecture on Cuba’s economy and economic history in the morning. In the afternoon, find your Cuban Partners. The selection process is hilarious then, take time to get to know your ‘Cuban Best Friend’.

Day 5 – An informative lecture on the “Athens of Cuba” Matanzas, followed by art activities, and in the evening, group dance activities.

DAY 6 – Tour the amazing San Severino Fortress in the morning, followed by an in-depth tour of Matanzas, and then conversational Spanish lessons.

DAY 7 – An informative lecture on the electoral system in Cuba, followed by free time, and then Cuba Night!

DAY 8 – Start the day with an Education Professor who will lead a comparative discussion of our two education systems. After lunch, a visit to the Bellamar Caves, and in the evening: Candy Night!

DAY 9 – Start the day with a lecture from Jose Marti, Nationalist Hero! Then, Group dance lessons, and after dinner the Night of “Orichas”!

DAY 10 – A fun-filled day trip to the Varadero markets and beaches. In the evening, present “Canada Night”!

DAY 11 - In the morning, tour Cardenaz. Then, a trip to “Los Dionisias” a coffee plantation. The, return to the University for an evening of dance!

DAY 12 - In the morning, a lecture on the history of the city of Havana. Then, delegation time in the afternoon, and group dance lesson in the evening.

DAY 13 - An early departure for Havana and a full day tour of this historic city.

DAY 14 - Visit local high school “Martin Klein” and meet Cuban students your own age. In the afternoon, prepare for, and in the evening present the Cuba-Canada Cultural Festival!

DAY 15 - It’s time to go home whether we want to or not! Say goodbye to your new friends, and board the motorcoach to the airport for your flight home.