



**SUMMER CIRCUS IN FRANCE?**

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**CHÂTELLERAULT**

**JUNE 28 - JULY 6, 2019**

**Recommended Flight Departs June 27, 2019**

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## CHÈRE FAMILLE DE CIRQUE,

WE ARE GRATEFUL TO HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO TRAVEL ABROAD TO EXPERIENCE WHAT WE LOVE MOST THROUGH AN INTERNATIONAL LENS! THIS SUMMER CIRCUS PROGRAM WITH THE ÉCOLE NATIONALE DE CIRQUE DE CHÂTELLERAULT HAS BEEN IN THE WORKS SINCE LATE SEPTEMBER 2018 AND WE ARE READY TO OPEN ENROLLMENT TO A LIMITED NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS (14) FOR THIS UNIQUE EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE.

WHILE THERE ARE SOME PIECES THAT ARE STILL IN MOTION, WE ENDEAVOR TO PROVIDE YOU WITH ENOUGH INFORMATION TO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT THIS SUMMER PROGRAM IS THE RIGHT FIT FOR YOU. SOME OF YOU HAVE SENT QUESTIONS AND YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO FIND ANSWERS IN THE FOLLOWING PAGES. PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO EMAIL MICHELLE POST (MICHELLE@KINETICARTSCENTER.COM) WITH ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS.

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## GENERAL PROGRAM OVERVIEW

SUNDAY, JUNE 28 - SATURDAY, JULY 6, 2019

TRAINING AT ENC CHÂTELLERAULT JULY 1 - JULY 5, 2019

\$2250 / \$750 DEPOSIT DUE TO SECURE YOUR RESERVATION

THE PHYSICAL SPACE IS AT ÉCOLE NATIONALE DE CIRQUE DE CHÂTELLERAULT IS SIMILAR IN MANY WAYS TO THAT OF KINETIC ARTS CENTER. IT IS ON THE SITE OF WHAT WAS A LARGE FORGE COMPLEX AND FEATURES MANY OF THE SAME HEAVY METAL BEAMS - PERFECT FOR AERIAL RIGGING! THE FACILITY HAS SOARING WINDOWS ALLOWING NATURAL LIGHT TO FLOOD THE TRAINING AREA WHILE PROVIDING A GORGEOUS VIEW OF THE VIENNE RIVER THAT FLOWS THROUGH CHÂTELLERAULT.

KINETIC ARTS CENTER'S CIRCUS STUDENTS WILL TRAIN MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY WITH A MORNING AND AN AFTERNOON SESSION. THE MORNING SESSION WILL RUN FROM 9H - 12H AND THE AFTERNOON SESSION WILL RUN FROM 14H - 16H30 (MWF) AND UNTIL 16H (TR). THERE WILL BE BETWEEN 5 - 5.5 HOURS OF ACTIVE INSTRUCTIONAL TIME DAILY...AND A TWO HOUR LUNCH BREAK - HOW CIVILIZED!

THE CURRICULUM PROPOSED INCLUDES INSTRUCTION IN ACROBATICS, HAND-TO-HAND, CHINESE POLE, WIRE, ACROBATIC/ARTISTIC BIKE, AERIAL, TEETERBOARD, AND CONTEMPORARY DANCE. SELECTED DISCIPLINES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

GRADUATING STUDENTS OF THE ÉCOLE NATIONALE DE CIRQUE DE CHÂTELLERAULT WILL HAVE THEIR CLOSING PERFORMANCE ON THE EVENING OF FRIDAY, JULY 5 AND WE WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE. CIRCUS STUDIES IS A BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM IN FRANCE AND STUDENTS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY TRAVEL TO CHÂTELLERAULT FOR THIS SPECIALIZED EDUCATION.



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## WHO? WHERE? WHAT? WHEN? HOW?

AS MANY OF YOU HAVE EXISTING TRAVEL PLANS THAT PUT YOU IN EUROPE AROUND THE DATES OF THIS PROGRAM, WE HAVE DECIDED IT IS BEST TO HAVE INDIVIDUAL FAMILIES ORGANIZE AIR TRAVEL TO AND FROM FRANCE. FOR THOSE WITH MORE FLEXIBLE SCHEDULES, PLEASE SEE THE TRAVEL RECOMMENDATIONS AT THE END OF THIS INFORMATION PACKET. IF YOU BOOK YOUR STUDENT ON THE RECOMMENDED FLIGHTS, GROUND TRANSFERS WILL BE ARRANGED FOR YOU FOR AN ADDITIONAL FEE (TO BE INVOICED SEPARATELY TO REFLECT REAL COSTS).

### WHERE (AND WHAT) IS CHÂTELLERAULT?

CHÂTELLERAULT IS LOCATED IN THE NOUVELLE AQUITAINE REGION IN FRANCE (JUST SOUTH OF THE UNESCO LOIRE VALLEY). IF YOU ARE HAULING DOWN THE SUPER SPEEDY TOLL ROADS, YOU CAN GET TO CHÂTELLERAULT FROM PARIS IN THREE HOURS. THERE IS ALSO A TRAIN STATION SERVICED BY HIGH SPEED RAIL.

CHÂTELLERAULT IS A QUIET RIVER CITY THAT IS HOME TO AROUND 33K RESIDENTS AND THE SURROUNDING COUNTRY SIDE IS LITERALLY LITTERED WITH CHÂTEAUX. THERE IS AGRICULTURE ALL AROUND THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CITY AND DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS ONE IS ABLE TO WALK DOWN THE ROAD TO PICK UP FRESHLY GROWN FRUITS AND VEGGIES DIRECTLY FROM THE FARMER. THE FRENCH LIFESTYLE IS SUPER LAID BACK AND THE PEOPLE IN THIS REGION ARE KNOWN FOR BEING ESPECIALLY HELPFUL AND KIND.



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## WHO? WHERE? WHAT? WHEN? HOW? CONT'D

### WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE PRICING?

TUITION DUE TO THE ÉCOLE NATIONALE DE CIRQUE DE CHÂTELLERAULT, LODGING IN CHÂTELLERAULT AT AN AIRBNB WITH A POOL THAT IS LOCATED WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF THE TRAINING FACILITY, DELICIOUS AND NUTRITIOUS MEALS THAT FEATURE FRESH REGIONAL INGREDIENTS, A MULTI-OCCUPANCY HOTEL STAY FOR TWO NIGHTS IN PARIS (FRIDAY, JUNE 28 & SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 2019), A DAY OF SIGHTSEEING IN PARIS (EIFFEL TOWER? OUI!), AND ENTERTAINMENT ON OFFER IN CHÂTELLERAULT WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE PRICING FOR THIS PROGRAM. INDIVIDUAL TRAVEL MEDICAL INSURANCE IS NOT INCLUDED AND WILL BE MANDATORY FOR ALL PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS.

### WHAT IS THE APPLICATION PROCESS?

IF YOU ARE AN INTERMEDIATE TO ADVANCED LEVEL STUDENT AGED 13 - 18 YEARS, YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US! IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ON WHETHER OR NOT YOU OR YOUR STUDENT IS ELIGIBLE, PLEASE EMAIL MICHELLE (MICHELLE@KINETICARTSCENTER.COM) FOR MORE INFORMATION. RESERVATIONS ARE ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS AND ARE ONLY SECURED WITH PAYMENT OF DEPOSIT.

### WILL THE KIDS BE ON THEIR OWN?

NON! THERE ARE SPOTS AVAILABLE FOR UP TO TWO CHAPERONES (TRAVEL TO BE PAID SEPARATELY). KINETIC ARTS CENTER STAFF WILL ALSO BE ON SITE. PART OF THE CHARM OF FRANCE IS THAT THERE IS A MORE RELAXED PACE OF LIFE. THERE WILL BE A NICE MIXTURE OF DOWN TIME AND GUIDED RECREATION.

MENUS WILL BE PLANNED AHEAD OF TIME, AND KIDS WILL BE SCHEDULED A ROTATION IN THE KITCHEN TO HELP WITH PREPARATION AND CLEAN UP OF ONE DINNER. THIS WILL BE SUPERVISED BY AN ADULT.



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### WHAT DO I NEED TO DO TO PREPARE FOR THIS TRIP?

1. EMAIL MICHELLE POST (MICHELLE@KINETICARTSCENTER.COM) AND ARRANGE TO PAY THE \$750 DEPOSIT TO RESERVE A SPOT! SECOND PAYMENT OF \$750 DUE BY APRIL 1, 2019. FINAL INSTALLMENT OF \$750 DUE BY MAY 15, 2019.
2. CHECK PASSPORT TO MAKE CERTAIN IT WILL BE VALID FOR TRAVEL DATES!
3. PURCHASE AIRLINE TICKETS FOR YOUR STUDENT (IDEALLY ON THE RECOMMENDED FLIGHTS LISTED ON THE NEXT PAGE).
4. PURCHASE TRAVEL MEDICAL INSURANCE - IT IS POSSIBLE TO PURCHASE THIS ONLINE.
5. THERE ARE REQUIRED FORMS THAT WILL BE SENT TO YOU AT A FUTURE DATE. THESE INCLUDE FORMS FOR EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION, MEDICAL RELEASE, CODE OF CONDUCT, RECOMMENDED PACKING LIST, ETC.



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## RECOMMENDED TRAVEL

IT'S A BIG DEAL TO TRAVEL INTERNATIONALLY! IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOUR CHILD TRAVEL WITH A GROUP AND TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF KINETIC ARTS CENTER (STAFF OR PARENT CHAPERONE), PLEASE BOOK A SEAT ON THE FOLLOWING FLIGHTS. MICHELLE POST WILL BE AT CHARLES DE GAULLE AIRPORT TO RECEIVE THE GROUP AND TO GET THEM TO CHÂTELLERAULT (AFTER A COUPLE OF NIGHTS IN PARIS!) AND WILL PROVIDE GROUND ESCORT ON THE RETURN TRIP, TOO!

Flights - to be booked by you!						
Carrier	Dep. Date	Dep. Time	Dep. Location	Arr. Destination	Arr. Date	Arr. Time
Norwegian	27 June 2019	20h20	OAK	Paris - CDG	28 June 2019	15h35
Norwegian	06 July 2019	13h25	Paris - CDG	OAK	06 July 2019	15h30

THERE ARE LOTS OF SEATS AVAILABLE TOWARD THE BACK OF THE PLANE. IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP THE GROUP TOGETHER, I WOULD RECOMMEND RESERVING A SEAT IN ROWS 35-37. ONCE YOU HAVE BOOKED YOUR FLIGHTS, PLEASE EMAIL MICHELLE TO CONFIRM SO THAT SHE MAY HAVE A HEAD COUNT FOR THE PURPOSES OF COORDINATING GROUND TRANSPORTATION. YOU WILL RECEIVE AN INVOICE FOR GROUND TRANSPORT CLOSER TO THE TRAVEL DATE THAT REFLECTS REAL COSTS.



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