The Trip of a Lifetime... is No Dream

JMI Performing Arts Trip
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PROGRAM ITINERARY
Subject to change
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Staff:
TBD – tour guide
TBD- American counselor
TBD – counselor and medic/armed chaperone

Day 1: Departure
• Fly to Israel on flight __________
  Overnight: Over the Atlantic

Day 2: Arrival and Orientation
• Arrival in Israel in the morning
• Welcome ceremony - “Shehecheyanu” at Jaffa, the ancient gate to Israel and greeting by JCC Association representative and packed lunch
• Jaffa - Guided tour of the Old City of Jaffa, an ancient port city and home today to Jews, Christians and Muslims.
• Visit the Arab-Hebrew Jaffa theatre (show or tour - tentative)
• Free time at the Jaffa Flee Market and lunch
• Continue to hotel for check in and shower
• Group orientation, ice breakers and introduction to the program at the hotel
• Dinner at the hotel
• Evening activity: show at Pyromania or Mayumana
• Return to hotel
  Overnight: Tel Aviv

Day 3: Tel Aviv - The First Hebrew City
• Breakfast
• Streetwise Hebrew – language and culture in the streets of Tel Aviv
• Visit Rabin Square and the Hall of Independence
• Free time at Nahalat Binyamin craft market and the Carmel Market
• Pizur lunch
• Afternoon workshop: Habama (Stage-Center)workshop; Visit performing Arts Major track at Seminar Hakibutzim college or workshop at Yidishpiel theatre (one of the three)
• Return to hotel for dinner and shower
• Workshop at hotel: Improv session with Inbal Lori
  Overnight: Tel Aviv
Day 4: Jerusalem

- Breakfast and check out
- Drive to Jerusalem
- Visit and tour the Old City finishing at the Kotel (Western Wall)
- Lunch
- Walk the underground Kotel tunnels
- Visit the School of Visual Theatre and learn about stage design
- Drive to hotel and check in
- Dinner
- Evening workshop: preparation for Yad Vashem

Overnight: Jerusalem

Day 5: Remembrance

- Breakfast
- Yad Vashem - Visit and tour the National Holocaust memorial museum. Meet with a holocaust survivor and hear their story.
- Lunch
- Short walking tour of Har Hertzl - Israel's national and military cemetery
- Visit Beit Mazia Theatre house and have a workshop with artists from the Incubator Theatre or Psik Theatre (Dell'arte comedy)
- Return to hotel for dinner and shower
- Unpacking activity: Yad Vashem and our trip so far...
- Evening Activity: Musicals fun with Zrakor Spotlight Theatre actors (pending)

Overnight: Jerusalem

Day 6: Masada and the Dead Sea

- Early breakfast and check out
- Drive to Masada - ascend using the cable car, look over the mountains of Jordan and tour the main sites of the mountain that tell the story of the table top mountain. Descend by cable car or walk down the snake path
- Swim in the Dead Sea and eat lunch
- Drive north through the Jordan Valley towards Beit Shean - Cleveland's Partnership City
- Arrive in Beit Shean and meet teens from the Emek Hamayanot (Valley of the springs) Partnership Together region
- Icebreakers and activities with the teens
- Meet your host families and head towards your weekend home

Overnight: Partnership@Home

Day 7: Shabbat with host families

- Shabbat with your host families
- Shabbat evening activity: organized by P2G

Overnight: Partnership@Home
**Day 8: P2G**
- Breakfast with host families and say goodbye
- Meet in Beit Shean and tour the area (possible volunteer activity)
- Lunch
- Performing arts activities in the region with Beit Shean teens.
- Chocolate workshop at Galita Chocolate Factory
- Drive to Chan El Al for outdoor sleeping, dinner and drummer circle party with Israeli teens
  **Overnight:** Under the Stars

**Day 9: Northern Adventures**
- Breakfast and say goodbye to Israeli teens
- Visit to Tzfat: tour the city, synagogues, galleries and meet local artists.
- Minorities in Israel: Tour at the old village of Peki’in, and learn about this special community that holds its religion a secret.
- Enjoy an authentic Druze lunch
- Continue towards central Israel and check into hotel
- Evaluation session at the hotel with JCC Association representative
- Festive dinner and Na Laga’at performance in Jaffa
  **Overnight:** Tel Aviv Area

**Day 10: Heading Back Home**
- Early breakfast and check out of hotel
- Depart towards Ben Gurion airport for morning flight home

Lehitra’ot - see you again!
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