CUBA INTERACTIONS
Havana, Cienfuegos & Trinidad

October 31 to November 7, 2015
Dear Princetonian:

Princeton Journeys is pleased to announce another opportunity to travel to Cuba, a country long off-limits to American travelers, at a time when the island nation is on the edge of historic changes. Although a specific license to travel to Cuba is no longer required, general travel is still prohibited. This tour, like our very popular past trips, is focused on people-to-people exchange. Please join your fellow Princetonians from October 31 to November 7, 2015 on an interactive journey to witness the economic, social, and political transformations that are taking place in Cuba.

The Office of the Alumni Affairs has certified that each traveler on our program will have a full-time schedule of educational exchange activities that will result in meaningful interaction between the travelers and individuals in Cuba. So, expect daily opportunities to converse and engage with Cuban people from all walks of life who embody the richness of unique and proud traditions in music, art, culture, and history. Engage with leading intellectuals, on-the-ground change-makers, and up-and-coming artists from acclaimed galleries. Share ideas with representatives from various sectors of Cuban society to gain a deeper understanding of the transitions the Cuban people are experiencing today.

This particular itinerary, with the combination of Havana and a look outside the city to colonial Trinidad, has been very popular with our travelers in the past. We suggest that you contact the Princeton Journeys team by submitting your signed application as soon as possible. Applications can be received by fax at (609) 258-5561 or by mail to the address on the form; reservations will be processed in the order of receipt.

With kind regards,

Leslie Rowley
Executive Manager
Princeton Journeys

Margaret Miller
Assistant Vice President for Alumni Affairs
Princeton University
October 31 MIAMI / HAVANA
Saturday
Meet at Miami International Airport in the early morning to check in for a regularly scheduled chartered flight to Havana. Upon arrival at the José Martí Airport, transfer to the Hotel Saratoga for lunch and check-in. Later in the afternoon, attend an introductory lecture on Cuba's current reality by a former deputy minister for foreign affairs. The welcome dinner this evening is at a lively local restaurant.

November 1 HAVANA
Sunday
Join an architectural historian for a morning lecture followed by a walking tour of Old Havana focusing on the four main squares: the Plaza de Armas, Plaza de San Francisco de Asís, Plaza Vieja and Plaza de la Catedral. Conclude with lunch near the cathedral. Then visit the Museo de la Revolución, which vividly describes Cuba's history from colonial times through the Triumph of the Revolution. The evening is at leisure. Travelers may wish to have dinner at a paladar, a privately owned restaurant often located in the owner’s home.

November 2 HAVANA
Monday
Drive to the hilltop village of San Francisco de Paula to visit Finca La Vigía, the house where Ernest Hemingway lived for 20 years. View the rooms through open windows and hear about the Princeton connections to the site. Lunch will be at paladar Divino, located in Finca La Yoandra, a private attempt at urban sustainable agriculture in Cuba. We will have an opportunity to talk with the farmers about their practices. In the late afternoon, enjoy a private director’s tour and reception at the Ceramics Museum.
November 3  
**Havana**  
**Tuesday**  
Attend an informal morning rehearsal of the Contemporary Dance Company of Cuba at the Teatro Nacional, located adjacent to the Plaza de la Revolución. The arts have long presented Cubans with an opportunity to cautiously express their views on society. This morning visits are arranged in the homes and studios of some of Havana's leading artists, where there may be an opportunity to purchase paintings and drawings. Lunch is at leisure. During the early afternoon, travelers may wish to see the storied Hotel Nacional, speak with vendors at the Feria de Artesanía (the crafts market) or stroll past the Colonial-style buildings on Calle Obispo, Havana's main shopping street. This evening drive to the Ludwig Foundation for the Arts for a presentation on Cuban Art. The group will also have a chance to discuss the arts and other aspects of contemporary life with invited local guests. The Foundation President will host a cocktail reception and buffet dinner on the penthouse terrace.

November 4  
**Havana**  
**Wednesday**  
Today begins with a curatorial tour at the National Museum of Fine Arts focusing on the Cuban art collection. Then, as a group, spend the majority of the day speaking with locals about various aspects of Cuba today. Experience local markets and neighborhoods, and share stories about daily life. In the late afternoon, attend a private concert at the Church of San Francisco de Paula, with an opportunity to chat with the performers. The balance of the evening is at leisure.

November 5  
**Havana / Cienfuegos**  
**Thursday**  
Depart for Playa Girón, the landing sites for seaborne forces of armed Cuban exiles in the Bay of Pigs Invasion, and visit the museum dedicated to the invasion. Continue to Cienfuegos, founded by settlers from Bordeaux, France. After lunch, depart on a walking tour of the main square after lunch, pass the 19th-century Tomás Terry Theater, with its magnificent wooden décor, and visit an artist’s studio. In the late afternoon check into the Hotel Jagua. The group has been invited to meet with the world-renowned choir Cantores de Cienfuegos and enjoy a performance before dinner.

November 6  
**Cienfuegos / Trinidad / Havana**  
**Friday**  
Drive this morning to Trinidad de Cuba, one of Cuba's many UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Visit Trinidad’s main plaza and museums, and pass beautifully decorated colonial homes. There will be leisure time to explore this historic city and meet local artists and craftsmen before lunch. Return to Havana in the late afternoon. Later, gather for our farewell dinner.

November 7  
**Havana / Miami**  
**Saturday**  
Transfer to the airport for the morning flight to Miami.
PROGRAM RATE $5,495 per person, double occupancy  
SINGLE SUPPLEMENT $595 (limited availability) 

Rate Includes  
- Round-trip flight Miami / Havana /Miami via regularly scheduled charter flight  
- Seven nights hotel accommodation, double occupancy, as per the itinerary  
- Buffet breakfast daily, six lunches and four dinners. Bottled water, local soft drinks, beer, and coffee / tea with all meals. Wine at welcome and farewell dinners  
- Escorted sightseeing via private motorcoach as per itinerary, including services of bilingual national guide throughout the trip  
- Airport / hotel / airport transfers for all participants  
- Taxes, service and porterage charges  
- Basic gratuities to local guides, drivers, hotel and restaurant staff  
- Cuban visa fee (only for non-Cuban born travelers), Cuban Departure tax, and limited Cuban health insurance policy  
- Pre-departure material, including reading list  

Not Included in Rate  
- Passport fees; domestic airfare; alcoholic beverages other than noted above; personal items; excess baggage; trip insurance  
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AIRFARE  
Roundtrip airfare to Havana is via regularly scheduled charter flights. Business Class is not available. Frequent flyer mileage can not be accepted in conjunction with this program. 

PAYMENT  
A deposit of $1,500 per person, payable by check to Academic Arrangements Abroad, of which $500 is non-refundable for administrative fees, is required with the reservation application. Balance due by check, 120 days prior to departure. 

HEALTH  
This is an active program and all participants must be in good health. This program involves extensive walking over uneven surfaces, climbing stairs without handrails at locations that are not handicapped accessible. Any condition that may require assistance or special medical attention must be reported at the time of your reservation. 

INSURANCE  
TRIP CANCELLATION / EMERGENCY MEDICAL EVACUATION / BAGGAGE / ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE PROTECTION IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED. CANCELLATION PENALTIES ARE STRICTLY ENFORCED. As a service to its travelers, the Office of Alumni Affairs of Princeton University automatically provides all participants at their own expense when such an action is determined by AAA or AAPU to be in the best interest of the participant’s health and safety, or the general welfare of the other participants. 

CANCELLATION POLICY  
AAA must strictly adhere to its cancellation policy to offset costs incurred prior to the commencement of The Program, which may include but are not limited to: advance payments to land operators; communication expenses; development and the loss of time that might have permitted resale of reserved space. All cancellations must be in writing to the offices of AAA and are subject to a $500 non-refundable administrative fee. All refunds are limited to amounts actually received by AAA and are the sole responsibility of AAA; AAPU shall have no liability for refunds. At the time AAA receives written notification of cancellation, the following cancellation charges will apply: no refunds will be given for cancellations received within 60 days of departure. No refunds are given for cancellation on or after the day of departure, or for unused portions of the tour, for any reason. Air cancellation charges, if any, will be assessed in accordance with airline regulations. All group fare tickets must be issued no less than 30 days prior to departure. NOTE: Neither AAA nor AAPU shall be liable for any airline cancellation penalties incurred by the purchase of a non-refundable ticket. In the case of a cancellation due to shortage of participants, AAA will attempt to notify all participants at least 45 days prior to departure. However, AAA reserves the right to cancel The Program prior to departure for any reason and, in such case, reimbursement of refundable costs of the trip by AAA shall constitute full settlement with the participant. In the unlikely event that a dispute arises between a participant and AAA or AAPU, the following conditions will apply: (a) the dispute will be settled by binding arbitration administered by the American Arbitration Association in New York, NY; (b) the dispute will be governed by New York Law; (c) the maximum amount of recovery to which a participant shall be entitled under any and all circumstances will be the sum of all monies actually received from the participant by AAA. The participant agrees that this is a fair and reasonable limitation on the damages, of any sort whatsoever, that a participant may suffer. Upon payment of the deposit to AAA, the participant agrees to be bound by the above terms and conditions. 

RESPONSIBILITY CLAUSE  
The participation of AAPU is limited to educational sponsorship of the program described in this brochure (The Program), AAA acts only as an agent for the participant with respect to transportation, accommodations and all other services, relating to The Program. AAA, AAPU and/or their agents assume no responsibility or liability for any act, error or omission, or for any injury, loss, accident, delay or irregularity that may be occasioned by reason of any defect in any aircraft, ship, train, bus or other carrier, or through neglect or default of any subcontractor or other third party, which may be used wholly or in part in the performance of their duty to the participants of The Program. The passage ticket issued by the carrier is the sole contract between the participant and the carrier. Nor will AAA or AAPU and/or their agents be responsible for loss, injury, damages or expenses to persons or property, due to illness, weather, strikes, local laws, hostilities, wars, terrorist acts, acts of nature or other such causes in connection with The Program or anything beyond their reasonable control. AAA is not responsible for transportation or other program delays and changes, nor additional expenses or loss of time that may be incurred. In the event it becomes necessary or advisable for the comfort or well-being of the participants, or for any reason whatsoever, to alter the itinerary at any time, without notice to the participants, such alterations will be made without penalty to AAA or AAPU. Additional expenses, if any, shall be borne by the participants. Baggage and personal effects are the sole responsibility of the participant at all times. AAA and AAPU reserve the right to accept or decline any person as a participant at any time, or to require any participant to withdraw from The Program at their own expense when such an action is determined by AAA or AAPU to be in the best interest of the participant’s health and safety, or the general welfare of the other participants. 

Cover photo: Havana. Photo by Josef Willems
To reserve a place, please complete and return this form with your deposit of $1,500 per person (of which $500 is non-refundable for administrative fees) payable to Academic Arrangements Abroad. Mail to: Princeton Journeys, John Maclean House, P.O. Box 291, Princeton, New Jersey 08542-0291, or fax (609) 258-5561.

Please note: Princeton Journeys will be traveling to Cuba under a General license as defined by the Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC). These regulations, which have been recently updated, require that program participants a) travel to and from Cuba with the group; b) participate fully in all program activities; and c) abide by the terms of the U.S. Embargo. Participants will receive a full explanation of these requirements upon registration, and will be asked to read and sign a form explaining in detail travel regulations under the new guidelines.

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**Accommodations**

- Hotel Room Preference:  
  - Double
  - Twin (limited availability)
  - Single (at a supplement of $595 - limited availability)

I wish to share a room with ____________________________

**Form of Payment**

- Enclosed is my check (payable to Academic Arrangements Abroad).
- Credit card (for deposit only; final payment must be made by check).

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Each participant must sign below:

I/We confirm that I/We will fully participate in the licensed cultural exchange activities of this People-to-People program.

I/We confirm that I/We have fully read and agree to the Terms & Conditions of this program, including the page on Cuba Travel Restrictions.

I/We agree to full payment by check 120 days prior to departure.

Signature required: ____________________________ Date: ________________

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