HEMINGWAY’S CUBA
Havana, Matanzas & Varadero

January 30 to February 6, 2016
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 Caribbean country is on the edge of historic changes. Although a specific license to travel to Cuba is no longer required, leisure 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 January 30 to February 6, 2016 on an interactive journey to explore Cuba through the lens of one of its greatest champions and one of America’s most celebrated writers while witnessing 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 Cuban citizens. Interspersed with recollections of Hemingway’s past and his lingering impact, this program offers opportunities for travelers to meet those who can talk about the Cuba of today. Engage with Cuban people from all walks of life who can speak to the transitional nature of today’s environment.

Specially arranged performances of music and dance will enhance our visit, as will lectures on contemporary Cuban realities. In Havana, enjoy a private director’s tour and reception at the Ceramics Museum and an informal morning rehearsal of the Contemporary Dance Company of Cuba. On an overnight excursion to the island’s north coast, explore the rich Afro-Cuban heritage of Matanzas.

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,

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January 30 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.

January 31 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 winning of independence to the present-day regime. 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.

February 1 HAVANA
Monday
Following a morning lecture, 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. There will be an opportunity to talk with the farmers about their practices. In the late afternoon, enjoy a special director’s tour and reception at the Ceramics Museum.
February 2
Tuesday
HAVANA
Attend an informal morning rehearsal of the Contemporary Dance Company of Cuba at the Teatro Nacional, located adjacent to the Plaza de la Revolución. Then, 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, where the group will have a presentation on Cuban Art and 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.

February 3
Wednesday
HAVANA / MATANZAS / VARADERO
Depart by private motorcoach for Matanzas, stopping en route at the Bacunayagua Bridge, the highest in Cuba, with panoramic views of the nearby valley. Upon arrival, visit Ediciones Vigía, where handmade books are created. Continue to Cárdenas to meet local artists and visit their studios. A late lunch is arranged at historic Xanadu, the beautifully restored mansion built in the late 1920s by French- American millionaire Irénée du Pont de Nemours. Dinner and overnight accommodations are at the Meliá Paradisus in Varadero.

February 4
Thursday
VARADERO / MATANZAS / HAVANA
A morning lecture precedes a meeting with local ceramists at their workshop, Taller de Cerámica, in Varadero. After lunch at the hotel, drive to Matanzas for a private concert at the Ermita de Monserrate hilltop chapel, followed by an opportunity to talk with the performers. Continue downtown to the main square, Parque de la Libertad, surrounded by many historical buildings, and visit the perfectly preserved 19th-century Pharmacy Museum. Meet an outstanding local sculptor in his studio before returning to Havana for an evening at leisure.

February 5
Friday
HAVANA
Today begins with a curatorial tour at the National Museum of Fine Arts focusing on their Cuban art collection. Then, as a group, spend the majority of the day speaking with locals about various aspects of contemporary Cuba. Explore 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. Gather this evening for our farewell dinner.

February 6
Saturday
HAVANA / MIAMI
Transfer to the airport for the morning flight to Miami.
**PROGRAM RATE** $5,695 per person, double occupancy

**SINGLE SUPPLEMENT** $795 (limited availability)

**Rate Includes**
- Round trip airfare via regularly scheduled chartered flights: Miami / Havana / Miami
- Seven nights hotel accommodation, double occupancy, as per the itinerary (rooms at the Hotel Saratoga in Havana are kept while group is in Varadero)
- Buffet breakfast daily, five 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 (limited to travelers under age 80)

**Not Included in Rate** Passport fees; domestic airfare; alcoholic beverages other than noted above; personal items; excess baggage; trip insurance

**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 and motion 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.

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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.

**FIRST PARTICIPANT**

NAME IN FULL AS ON PASSPORT

MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME

HOME ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

TELEPHONE (HOME) (BUSINESS)

FAX E-MAIL

PASSPORT NUMBER EXPIRATION DATE (must be valid for six months after entry into Cuba)

CITIZENSHIP OCCUPATION

DATE OF BIRTH GENDER

PLACE OF BIRTH

**SECOND PARTICIPANT**

NAME IN FULL AS ON PASSPORT

MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME

HOME ADDRESS

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**Accommodations**

Hotel Room Preference  □ Double  □ Twin (limited availability)  □ Single (at a supplement of $795 - 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).

NAME AS ON CREDIT CARD

CREDIT CARD NUMBER  3- OR 4-DIGIT SECURITY CODE

EXPIRATION DATE

Each participant must sign below.

I/We agree to the balance due by check, 120 days prior to departure.

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