PRINCETON JOURNEYS

Mapping BLACK AMERICAN CULTURE in Paris

Travel with Rhae Lynn Barnes
Assistant Professor of American Cultural History

June 17-22, 2020
Dear Princetonian,

I am delighted to invite you on a special seminar–style journey to Paris next summer. Travel with Dr. Rhae Lynn Barnes in an exploration of the representations of the forced and elective migration of African American life, freedom fighters, artists and intellectuals in Paris from slavery to Barack Obama. To many African American historical subjects, Paris provided the unparalleled freedom to work and the invaluable opportunity to learn in a way that was not accessible in the United States.

On this exploration, participants will not only learn the history of African American life in Paris, they will also trace its path. Walking lectures and on-site inspections will occur every day covering topics such as “Black Culture in the Age of Enslavement,” “The Dark Side of the Enlightenment,” and “Racialized Architecture in Paris.”

We encourage you to save your space by contacting the Princeton Journeys team at 609.258.8686 or journeys@princeton.edu.

With kind regards,

Bridget St. Clair
Executive Manager, Princeton Journeys

Our Study Leader

Rhae Lynn Barnes is assistant professor of American cultural history at Princeton University and president of the Andrew W. Mellon Society of Fellows in Critical Bibliography at the Rare Book School (University of Virginia) specializing in global American culture with expertise in the history of racism, gender and sexuality. She is the foremost expert on the history of amateur blackface minstrelsy. Her three op-ed pieces in The Washington Post, exposing the history of amateur blackface minstrelsy as a pathway to political power during Jim Crow, have been cited by over 500 news outlets. Her forthcoming book, “Darkology: When the American Dream Wore Blackface,” which maps the political, economic and cultural geography of amateur blackface by laying bare its unstudied bibliographic history, received funding from the Library of Congress, the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Society for American Music. She is the editor and co-founder of U.S. History Scene (ushistoryscene.com), a digital humanities project that provides open-access teaching resources to public schools in the United States; and executive advisor, with Henry Louis Gates Jr., to the PBS documentary series “Reconstruction: America After the Civil War.” She worked on developing this Princeton Journey while, she was the summer fellow and writer-in-residence at the American Library in Paris. Barnes earned her Ph.D. from Harvard University and B.A. from the University of California, Berkeley.

alumni.princeton.edu/journeys
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17
DEPART U.S. / PARIS
Passengers depart the U.S. on independent flights. (No group flight)

THURSDAY, JUNE 18
ARRIVE PARIS
Group transfer from airport.
Check-in to the Pullman Paris Eiffel Tower at 3 p.m. Gather this evening for a group reception and introductory lecture. Enjoy a three-course welcome dinner with choice of wine or beer.
Pullman Paris Eiffel Tower (R, D)
FRIDAY, JUNE 19
After breakfast, head out on a morning walking lecture to discover the legacy of African American life in Paris. Start with the Arc de Triomphe, examining its façade and its hidden symbols, then walk to Thomas Jefferson’s Parisian home to discuss Sally and James Hemings. Continue with a stroll down the Champs-Elysées and reach the Place de la Concorde where you will examine the Egyptian obelisk. After the walking lecture, transfer by coach to the Parc Monceau and enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. This afternoon, the group will tour the Louvre and discuss black bodies in paintings of the 19th and 20th centuries. Enjoy dinner at leisure in the City of Light.
Pullman Paris Eiffel Tower (B, L)

SATURDAY, JUNE 20
After breakfast, the group will walk to the Eiffel Tower for a private tour and climb to its top. Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant with conversation about W. E. B. Du Bois’ work as it relates to World’s Fair architecture. This afternoon, explore Montmartre with a local guide and learn about the influence of the Harlem Renaissance and jazz on Paris. Discover the lasting impact of African American artists with a private visit to a local gallery. Next learn about the importance of African textiles with the founder of Nothing But the Wax, a media start-up celebrating African fashion and culture in the Chateau Rouge district of Paris. Dinner this evening is at leisure. An optional late-night jazz show will be available.
Pullman Paris Eiffel Tower (B, L)
SUNDAY, JUNE 21

This morning enjoy a leisurely breakfast at the hotel and then transfer to the French Museum of Natural History. Participate in an on-site analysis of the Grand Gallery of Evolution followed by free time to explore the museum on your own. Next, tour the Great Mosque of Paris, the oldest mosque in mainland France and learn about its societal significance. Transfer to the hotel for time to refresh before a celebratory four-course dinner cruise on the River Seine.

Pullman Paris Eiffel Tower (B, D)

MONDAY, JUNE 22

DEPART PARIS / U.S.

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for independent flights home.

Pullman Paris Eiffel Tower (B)

Register today!
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(B) Breakfast / (L) Lunch / (D) Dinner / (R) Reception
Program Rates Include
- 4-night accommodation at the hotel Pullman Paris Eiffel Tower
- Four breakfasts, two lunches and two multi-course dinners with wine
- Full program of briefings, lectures and presentations
- Group arrival and departure transfers on arrival and departure dates
- Baggage handling
- Gratuities to porters, waitstaff and drivers
- Entrance fees
- Welcome and farewell receptions
- Bottled water on motorcoaches
- Professional tour manager throughout the program
- Basic group medical insurance

Program Rates Do Not Include
- U.S. domestic and international airfare
- Passport/visa expenses
- Medical expenses and immunizations
- Airport transfers outside of group arrival and departure day
- Optional excursions or deviations from the scheduled tour
- Airline baggage charges
- Meals not specified in the itinerary; dishes and beverages not part of the included meals; liquor or soft drinks except as noted
- Laundry or dry cleaning
- Telephone, fax, Internet and email charges
- Room service
- Other items of a personal nature
- Gratuities to local guide (~$40 per person)

Activity Level
Moderate. This program involves a considerable amount of walking in Paris, sometimes over uneven surfaces. Daily temperatures in June generally range between mid 70s F and low 80s F. Rain showers are likely. All participants should be reasonably fit and in good health. By forwarding the deposit, the participant certifies that she/he does not have any physical or other limitation that would create a hazard for her/himself or other travelers.

Air Arrangements
U.S. domestic and international airfare is not included in the program rates. AirTreks can help with airline arrangements for this trip and can be reached at 800.350.0646. You are also welcome to book your air transportation through your local travel agent, an online travel site or the airline of your choice.

A Note About Costs
Tour costs are based upon current fuel prices, taxes, tariffs and a minimum number of participants. While we will do everything possible to maintain the listed prices, they are subject to change. If there are significant changes, details and costs will be advised prior to departure.

Insurance
As a service to our travelers, Princeton Journeys automatically provides all participants with basic evacuation coverage under our group emergency travel protection plan. Travel insurance for trip cancellation, medical problems, baggage loss and delay, etc., is highly recommended. Information about travel insurance will be sent to confirmed participants.

TERMS and CONDITIONS
Reservations and Payments
To reserve space, return the completed reservation form with your $1,000 per person deposit to: Princeton Journeys, 100 Overlook Center, Suite 300, Princeton, NJ 08540-0291 or fax to 609.258.5561. Balance of payment is due Monday, February 18, 2020. For this program we only accept personal checks, payable to Princeton Journeys.

Disclaimer
This trip requires a minimum of 10 travelers in order to operate. Please do not book any nonrefundable flights until Princeton Journeys has informed you that your departure is confirmed.

Cancellations and Refunds
Upon payment of a deposit, all reservations are subject to the cancellation provisions set forth below and by which the passenger agrees to be bound. All payments are 100% nonrefundable, regardless of booking date. For this reason, we strongly urge participants to purchase trip cancellation insurance. If the program is canceled by Princeton Journeys you will receive a full refund, without further obligation on your part. No refunds will be made for any part of this program in which you choose not to participate. NOTE: Princeton Journeys does not accept liability for any airline cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a nonrefundable ticket in conjunction with this tour.

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ACCOMMODATIONS:

☐ Double Room

☐ I am a single traveler willing to share a room with another traveler of the same gender. I understand that if a roommate is not found by the final payment deadline, I am responsible for paying a single supplement of $600.

PAYMENT:

☐ Enclosed is my check for $ _________________ ($1,000 per person, payable to Princeton Journeys).

SIGNATURES:

☐ I/We have read the terms and conditions on the following page and understand and agree with them as stated herein. We also understand that final payment is due February 18, 2020.

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TOUR the Louvre and discuss black bodies in paintings of the 19th and 20th centuries
SEE the Eiffel Tower and discuss W. E. B. Du Bois’ work as it relates to World’s Fair architecture
EXPLORE Montmartre, where African Americans created a world-renowned culture of jazz in the 1920s that still exists today
DISCUSS representations of race on view in the Grand Gallery of Evolution in the French National Museum of Natural History
LEARN with an introduction to African textiles in Paris and discussion with the founder of Nothing But the Wax, a media start-up celebrating African fashion and culture
SAIL the River Seine on a celebratory dinner cruise

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