

Celebrate the 75th Anniversary of NATS on a

NATS Transatlantic Pedagogy Trip to Germany

June 7-18, 2019

REGISTRATION

SECTION 1

Please Print:

Last name: _____ (as it appears on passport!)

First name: _____ Middle name: _____ (as it appears on passport!)

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Birth date (mm/dd/yyyy) _____ Gender: Female Male

Passport Information: Country of issue: _____ Number: _____

Expiration Date (mm/dd/yyyy): _____

Special meal/dietary requests: _____

Allergies/handicaps/health issues: _____

Emergency Contact: Name: _____

Relationship to traveler: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Type of Room: Single Double (1 double bed) Twin (two single beds, availability is limited)

Roommate: _____

TGAC HELP WITH FLIGHTS: Check the appropriate box below:

I would like help booking flights

I will book my flights myself

I would like help with transportation from Leipzig to the Berlin Airport (additional cost will occur)

NATS CALL FOR PROPOSALS: Check the appropriate box below:

NATS Member submitting a presentation **(Continue to Section 2: Call for Presentations)**

NATS Member not submitting a presentation **(Continue to Section 3: Terms and Conditions)**

Non-NATS member traveling with a NATS Member **(Continue to Section 3: Terms and Conditions)**

SECTION 2: Call for Proposals

**(NATS members are not required to submit a presentation in order to go on this trip)*

NATS members are welcome to submit one short presentation for the NATS Transatlantic Pedagogy Trip to Germany. Joint presentations are welcome. **All** proposals for presentations that fulfill the requirements will be honored on a first-come, first-served basis as registration limits allow and if the proposal is properly submitted, the \$800 deposit is paid, and trip registration is received by TGAC. A letter of invitation will be provided for use if needed to request institutional funds for the trip.

Presenters who meet all criteria will be assured of giving a short presentation, (*similar to TedTalks, as done at ICVT and the Voice Foundation*). Presentations will be strategically scheduled as time and/or the subject matter work best. Additionally, a list of presenters will be provided to travelers to encourage discussion. Presentation experience is not a requirement.

Presenters are responsible for providing their own handouts. We cannot guarantee access to technology. NATS will not provide any financial assistance to presenters.

Call for Proposals: go to www.nats.org/GermanyPedagogyTripCallforProposals

The success of this trip will require all travelers to participate in a spirit of goodwill as a part of a totally new and unique concept toward reciprocity for international learning and active exchange in voice pedagogy.

SECTION 3: Terms and Conditions and Signature Agreement (NATS / TGAC-US)

Price of the ground tour (per person in double occupancy) for 35 – 39 paying travelers is **\$2,934 USD** (check payment) / for 40+ travelers is **\$2,836** (check payment). In ground tour price included: 11 nights in selected group hotels (4-star hotels in Berlin & Leipzig / double occupancy / breakfast & city tax are included); group meals (dinner/lunch) according to tour program at selected restaurants incl. beverages (limited consumption); selected BachFest Leipzig concert tickets; Voice Pedagogy Mini-Conference / Panels / Workshops; tickets for 1 opera or concert in Berlin; Local guided tours by bus & on foot in Berlin / Dresden / Sanssouci Potsdam / Leipzig; Museum admission fees (if applicable and if part of a group activity. Add 3.5 credit card payment processing fee. Itinerary, price and accommodation are subject to change based on availability and seasonal changes. The current USD price is based on an exchange rate 1 EUR = 1.25 USD and subject to change due to currency fluctuation. The final USD price will be calculated based on the currency exchange rate on March 15th, 2019 = date when TGAC sends out the final payment invoices.

This customized tour includes several walks of approx. 1 hour each as well as stairs in town centers and buildings which are under historic preservation (no elevator / no wheel chair access).

The ground tour price does not include: airfare; airport transfers; single room supplements; food/drinks not listed on the itinerary; credit card processing fees, phone calls; baggage charges; travel insurance; individual activities and individual meals, shipping costs for purchased items, passport/visa fees, items and expenses of personal nature; expenses for individual trip extensions / individual arrival at & departure from group hotels.

Deposit: A partly refundable **trip deposit payment of \$800 USD** per person is required to secure a booking and due by **January 15th, 2019**. Reservations will be confirmed upon receipt of registration form and full deposit (mail check or request credit card payment authorization form). If the initial reservations are made within 15 weeks of the date of travel, full payment is due.

Final Payment: Final and **full payment is due on April 15th, 2019** (mail check or request credit card payment authorization form). If payment is not received by due date, the reservation is subject to cancellation and

forfeiture of deposit. Bookings are confirmed upon a receipt of full payment. All travelers' names and information are due at this time.

Returned Checks: A \$50 fee will be charged for all returned checks.

Pricing and Final Payments: TGAC-US reserves the right to re-calculate pricing and/or final payments due to exchange rates and fluctuations in the market between time of initial inquiry/deposit and time of final payment due date. In that case, we will inform you about the specific reasons of changes.

Travel Insurance: The German American Connection (TGAC-US) recommends trip cancellation, emergency medical and personal theft insurance. While we make every effort to ensure proper baggage handling, The German American Connection cannot be held responsible for damage, loss, or theft of luggage or personal belongings. On request TGAC can assist you in purchasing travel insurance.

Refunds: There will be no refunds for any unused portion of the tour.

Cancellations must be received in writing. Cancellation fees will be assessed by The German American Connection (TGAC-US) once the final payment was due, depending on the date of cancellation.

Cancellation dates for ground tour "NATS Transatlantic Pedagogy Trip to Germany" 2019:

Cancellation before March 10th, 2019: A \$150 cancellation fee per person will be retained.

Cancellation before May 15th, 2019: 50 % of full tour price will be retained per person.

Cancellation before June 15th, 2019: 80 % of full tour price will be retained per person.

Cancellation after June 15th, 2019: 100 % of full tour price will be retained per person.

For airfare, individual transfer etc., the cancellation policies of the respective suppliers apply in full.

Cancellations can be covered by travel insurance: General Trip Cancellation Policy (medical reasons, emergencies according the insurer's terms & conditions) or For Any Reason Trip Cancellation Policy. It is the traveler's responsibility to indicate travel insurance requests on the provided registration form. TGAC only provides assistance and suggests certain travel insurance companies and plans. It's the traveler's responsibility to purchase an appropriate travel insurance plan in time.

Travel documents: It is the responsibility of each tour participant to obtain and carry a valid passport and visa (if necessary). Passports must be valid for six (6) months beyond your return travel date.

Photographs: TGAC-US reserves all rights to publish photographs / videos taken by the guide during the tour. Travelers agree to grant permission to TGAC to use photographs in which they may appear.

The German American Connection (TGAC-US) acts only as agent for the suppliers of travel conveyance, transport, accommodation, or other service, and has no responsibility in whole or in part for any delayed departure or arrival, missed carrier connections, loss, death, damage or injury to person or property, accident, mechanical defect, and failure or negligence of any nature howsoever caused in connection with any accommodation, transportation, or other services. The German American Connection (TGAC-US) cannot be held responsible for events beyond its control, such as (without limitation) acts of God, war (whether declared or undeclared), terrorist activities, strikes or government restrictions. We reserve the right to cancel the tour at any time until before the set travel date. In this event, a full refund will be made. We cannot however be held responsible for additional expenses incurred by participants in preparing for the trip. The German American Connection (TGAC-US) reserves the right to make changes in the itinerary, substituting similar or equivalent services, when necessary. The German American Connection (TGAC-US) reserves the right to decline or accept any person as a member of the tour without notice, and to cancel the participation of any client whose behavior is in the opinion of a representative of the company causing excessive distress, damage or annoyance to anyone or to anyone's property. The German American Connection's responsibility for the client will cease immediately and no compensation will be paid for any loss. In the unlikely event of any legal dispute, the courts of the State of Texas will have exclusive jurisdiction, the laws of the State of Texas will govern any dispute.

Jo Ann Wolf & Ute Mehlhorn

THE GERMAN AMERICAN CONNECTION (TGAC-US)

TGAC-US, Jo Ann Wolf, 605 Ross Street, Brenham, TX 77833/ Phone: 713-724-8288 / Email: info@tgac-us.com

_____ (INITIALS) I have read and I agree to the Terms & Conditions of this trip.

- I have been offered Travel Insurance for this trip - I decide not to purchase travel insurance through TGAC.
- I have been offered Travel Insurance for this trip - I request to be provided with travel insurance quotes.
- I want to pay with my credit card - I request the credit card payment authorization form (3.5% fee occurs).
- Enclosed is my deposit check of \$800 per person. **Please make the check payable to JO ANN WOLF.**

Other remarks: _____

Signature: _____ Location: _____ Date: _____

To be assured of a reservation, please complete and mail (or Email) this registration form to:

TGAC-US, Jo Ann Wolf, 605 Ross Street, Brenham, TX 77833, Phone: 281-630-6764, E-mail: info@tgac-us.com