

Let All The World in Every Corner Sing

# May 23 - June 1, 2025

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# Voices of Faith

Join singers from around the globe in Austria for "Voices of Faith," an unforgettable choral experience. Imagine the thrill of performing in two of the world's most iconic cathedrals—St. Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna and Salzburg Cathedral—accompanied by a full professional orchestra. Choir members will unite in sharing their faith through the inspiring music of acclaimed American composer and conductor Dan Goeller, including the European Premiere of *In His Own Words*, alongside internationally renowned pianist and composer Jan Mulder.

This epic, once-in-a-lifetime opportunity will elevate both performers and audiences alike with powerful, uplifting music. The repertoire includes Ralph Vaughan Williams' rousing "Let All the World in Every Corner Sing," followed by Dan Goeller's sacred collection In His Own Words, which thematically draws on the words of Christ through "I am" phrases such as "I am the Way" and "I am the Light." Jan Mulder's inspirational artistry will fill these sacred spaces with masterpieces like Schubert's Sanctus, Sibelius' Be Still My Soul, and Beethoven's Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee, lifting hearts and souls heavenward in a transcendent musical celebration.

This "Voices of Faith" choral festival is produced and managed by Music Celebrations International, internationally renowned for organizing hundreds of music festivals, music events and concert tours in spectacular venues around the world with packed house audiences.



#### St. Stephen's Cathedral

St. Stephen's Cathedral is a massive Romanesque-Gothic style cathedral built in 1147 and is home of the Archdiocese of Vienna. A distinct feature of the cathedral is its unique mosaic tile roof and prominant 136 meter tall tower that attracts visitors worldwide. Its resonant interior space is ideal for choirs performing for visitors in a concert setting. It is home of the largest church bell in AUstria weighing 23,500 kg. Beethoven discovered his deafness here after seeing, but not hearing the tolling bells.



#### Salzburg Dom

The Salzburg Cathedral – in German, the Salzburger Dom – is a 17th century baroque cathedral dedicated to Saint Rupert of Salzburg. Among the precious objects to be found in Salzburg's Cathedral are the baptismal font in which Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart was baptized, the majestic main organ, surrounded by angels playing instruments and crowned by Rupert and Virgil, as well as the magnificent Cathedral portals made by Scheider-Manzell, Mataré and Manzú.

### Itinerary vienna / melk / salzburg

#### Day One: Friday, May 23, 2025

• Depart via scheduled air service to Vienna, Austria

#### Day Two: Saturday, May 24

- Arrive in Vienna
- Meet your MCI Tour Manager, who will assist the group to awaiting chartered motorcoach
- Stop at Vienna's Central Cemetery to visit the grave sites of Beethoven, Brahms, Schubert, Strau
  ß, and to see the Mozart Memorial
- Enjoy a panoramic tour of Vienna. Begin in the heart of the city, where the iconic Ringstrasse boulevard showcases a parade of architectural masterpieces. Marvel at the grandeur of the Vienna State Opera, a symbol of artistic excellence that has hosted some of the world's most celebrated performances. Travel by the monumental Rathaus (City Hall), a Gothic masterpiece that dominates the cityscape with its towering spires and intricate detailing. Continuing along the Ringstrasse, relish the panoramic views of the Austrian Parliament Building and the Burgtheater, institutions steeped in history and political significance. Finally, journey beneath the shadow of the majestic Hofburg Imperial Palace, where the Habsburg dynasty wielded its power for centuries
- Late afternoon hotel check-in
- Welcome Dinner included, and overnight

#### Day Three: Sunday, May 25

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Half-day guided tour of *Historical Vienna* includes the Ringstráße, Imperial Palace, State Opera, Town Hall, Burgkapelle (home of the Vienna Boys Choir), Palace Stables, Strauß Monument, and entrance to Schönbrunn Palace, built by the Hapsburgs in imitation of Versailles
- · Lunch, on own
- Afternoon time at leisure for shopping and sightseeing
- Dinner on own, and overnight

#### Day Four: Monday, May 26

- · Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning Rehearsal
- · Lunch, on own
- Visit to Kahlenberg to see the scenic Vienna Woods. This is a location that Beethoven often visited for musical inspiration
- Heuriger Dinner included, and overnight

#### Day Five: Tuesday, May 27

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning Rehearsal
- Lunch, on own
- Afternoon time the Vienna Museum Quarter
- Dinner on own, and overnight









#### Day Six: Wednesday, May 28

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning time at leisure
- · Lunch, on own
- Afternoon dress rehearsal with orchestra in St. Stephen's Cathedral
- Early dinner included
- Evening Formal Concert in St. Stephen's Cathedral
- Return to the hotel for overnight

#### Day Seven: Thursday, May 29

- · Breakfast at the hotel, followed by check-out
- Transfer to Salzburg via Melk
- Enjoy a visit to Melk to visit the world-famous Abbey. The Abbey of Melk which crowns a rocky bluff overlooking the Danube more than 150 ft. above the river, is the apogee of Baroque architecture in Austria
- Lunch, on own
- Continue to Salzburg
- Afternoon cruise on the Danube River
- Dinner included, and overnight

#### Day Eight: Friday, May 30

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Enjoy a morning guided tour of Salzburg including Mirabell Palace and Gardens, Mozart Square, the Dom (cathedral), University Church, entrance to the Mozarthaus (Mozart's birthplace) and a cable car ride up to the Fortress (for an unparalleled view of the city below)
- Lunch, on own
- Early afternoon time at leisure
- Early evening dinner on own
- Afternoon dress rehearsal in Salzburg Dom
- Evening Formal Concert in Salzburg Dom
- Return to the hotel for overnight

#### Day Nine: Saturday, May 31

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning sightseeing includes entrance to Schloß Hellbrunn with its famous "Sound of Music" gazebo and trick fountains
- Lunch, on own
- Afternoon time at leisure in Salzburg
- Farewell Dinner included, and overnight

#### Day Ten: Sunday, June 1

- Breakfast at the hotel, followed by check-out
- Transfer to the Munich Airport for return flight home or transfer to Lucerne, Switzerland for extension tour



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