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Salzburg, Vienna and Prague

Barrington Children's Choir

Individual & Festival Concerts

JUNE 21 - 29, 2020

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Dear Choir Directors

One of my favorite places to have gone with my choirs on tour has been Austria. I love the musical heritage and tradition. The scenery, the food, the people, the music... so great! So it is with extreme pleasure that we announce a KI Festival in 2020 in Vienna with possible extensions to other European destinations.

To make this even more exciting, I get to co-conduct with my buddy Elena Sharkova!! If any of you have worked with her, you know she is not only a consummate musician, but she also is a bundle of passion, energy, and has a great love of life!!

We would like to invite you to bring your choir to Austria with us in June of 2020. We are so excited to collaborate, knowing that this mix of singing, culture and historical experience will offer your singers a rich and diverse festival.

There will be options for you to perform in your own right in Salzburg and Vienna as well as in Budapest or Prague if you take up one of the extensions offerings. In Vienna we will combine as a festival choir to rehearse literature which will include American choral music and the music of Vienna, presented in one of Vienna's grand venues in front of an enthusiastic audience.

We both know that touring is something special for your community of singers. The intensity of being on tour changes the way a choir sings and enriches their perspective of the world. But perhaps best of all, touring builds camaraderie, support for the program and a life changing experience.

KIconcerts will ensure that they create a tour that reflects your specific interests and pacing. We join together for the rehearsals and the gala concert, and then you travel on your own tour and concert itinerary.

We hope you will join us in Austria to create a truly magical experience for your choristers, accompanying travelers and audiences alike.

With a passion for singing,

Elena Sharkova & Henry Leck

Co-conductors

SALZBURG, VIENNA AND PRAGUE

SUNDAY, JUNE 21: DEPART

- Depart U.S.A.
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MONDAY, JUNE 22: SALZBURG

- Arrive in Munich
 - Meet Klconcerts tour manager
 - Transfer to Salzburg
 - Introduction to Salzburg
 - Check into hotel
 - Dinner nightly
 - Overnight Salzburg
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TUESDAY, JUNE 23: SALZBURG

- Breakfast daily
 - Sightseeing tour of Salzburg including a visit to Mozart's Birthplace and seeing some of the 'Sound of Music' sites
 - **Individual concert**
 - Overnight Salzburg
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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24: VIENNA

- Transfer to Vienna
 - Rehearsal
 - Check in
 - Festival welcome dinner
 - Overnight Vienna
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THURSDAY, JUNE 25: VIENNA

- Rehearsal
 - Guided city tour of Vienna passing Ring Avenue, the Hofburg Palace, the Opera House, St. Stephen's Cathedral, Mozart's "Figaro House", City Hall and the Central Cemetery (housing honorary tombs of famous composers including Beethoven, Gluck, Schubert, Johann Strauss - father and son, Lanner and Brahms)
 - **Individual concert**
 - Overnight Vienna
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Sound of Music



St. Stephen's Cathedral



Hofburg Palace

FRIDAY, JUNE 26: VIENNA

- Dress rehearsal
 - Time to explore Vienna
 - **Festival Gala Concert - individual and combined performances**
 - Overnight Vienna
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SATURDAY, JUNE 27: PRAGUE

- Transfer to Prague
 - Check in
 - Enjoy a tour of Prague including the Old Town Square with Prague's Astronomical Clock and Charles Bridge
 - Overnight Prague
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SUNDAY, JUNE 28: PRAGUE

- Visit St. Vitus Cathedral and see the Prague Castle
 - Time to explore Prague for individual sightseeing and shopping
 - **Individual concert**
 - Overnight Prague
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MONDAY, JUNE 29: DEPART

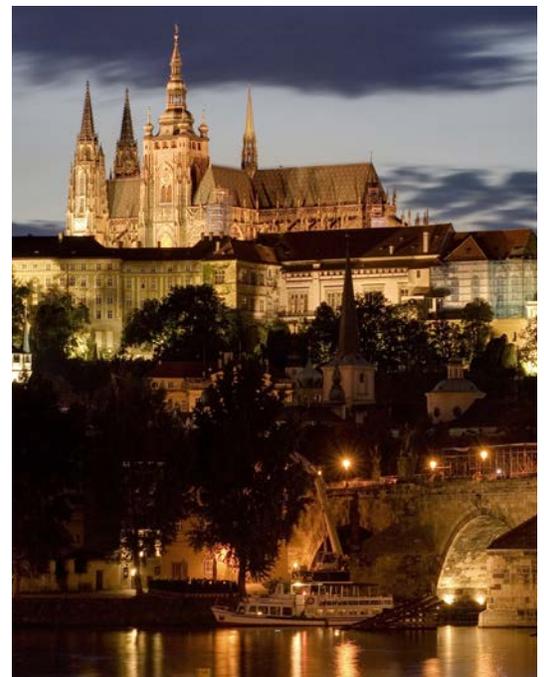
- Transfer to airport and travel back home



Opera House



Prague



St Vitus Cathedral & Prague Castle



Old Town Square

Itinerary subject to change.

Confirmation of performances is dependent upon early receipt of performance information: biographies, pictures, recordings and repertoire

PACKAGE DETAILS

PRICE PER PERSON

Full Price for Salzburg, Vienna and Prague	\$4,090
If paid by check or direct debit	\$3,895
Land Only for Salzburg, Vienna and Prague	\$2,620
If paid by check or direct debit	\$2,495

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip airfare from Chicago, economy class (n/a for land only)
- Air taxes and fuel surcharges at time of booking (n/a for land only)
- Bus transport for activities listed in the itinerary
- 3.5 star accommodations, based on twin/double occupancy
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Tour manager throughout tour
- All scheduled sightseeing and entrance fees
- Concert organization and promotion listed in itineraries
- Basic travel protection benefits

PRICE NOTES

- All prices are in USD, projected for 2020 and are subject to change
- They are based on an exchange rate of \$1USD = 0.85EUR and a minimum of 40 paying travelers

EXCLUSIONS (optional)

- Any increases in air taxes and surcharges (n/a for land only)
- Single room supplements by check or direct debit - \$575
- Travel protection upgrades
- Any additional luggage charges imposed by airlines (n/a for land only)
- Meals other than specified in the itinerary
- Personal expenses, eg. drinks, laundry, phone calls
- Any other items not mentioned in inclusions above
- Tips

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

The following payment schedule will apply per person. Payments are to be made according to this schedule, irrespective of whether KI issues an invoice or statement.

<u>Payment per person</u>	<u>To be received by</u>
\$500.....	June 1, 2019
\$800.....	September 1, 2019
\$800.....	November 1, 2019
\$800.....	January 1, 2020
Full and final payment	March 1, 2020

TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN

PROVIDED BY KICONCERTS

Klconcerts has purchased the following benefits for you which come into effect once your trip has commenced:

- Trip Interruption- contribution to return air fare of up to \$500
- Trip Delay – up to \$150/day when you are delayed for 6 hours or more
- Missed Connection of 3 hours or more – up to \$500
- Baggage/Personal Effects – loss, theft or delay - \$1,500 (\$250 per article)
- Baggage Delay – 24 hours or more - \$300
- Accident & Sickness Medical Expense up to \$25,000
- Emergency Evacuation & Repatriation up to \$100,000
- Worldwide Emergency Assistance Services

UPGRADING YOUR PROTECTION

Two upgrade options are offered that extend the provisions already included:

Option One (A) \$108

- Trip cancellation for the reasons outlined in the insurance certificate
- Trip interruption for the reasons outlined in the insurance certificate

Option Two (B) \$162

In addition to the benefits in Option A, you may cancel your trip for any reason up to 48 hours prior to the scheduled departure and receive 75% of nonrefundable trip costs. ***This coverage must be purchased with your first payment.***

*****Please note these premiums may increase if you purchase additional services***

*****Travelers residing in the state of New York are not able to purchase upgraded travel insurance Option Two (B)***

This document contains highlights of the plan. See the Klconcerts travel insurance flyer and review the Certificate of Insurance for complete terms, including benefits, conditions, limitations and exclusions that apply. The certificate is available from Klconcerts: Klparticipants@Klconcerts.com.

Those purchasing travel insurance will enter into a relationship with Travel Insured International the insurance provider whose coverage KI offers. Plans are underwritten by the United States Fire Insurance Company. Fairmont Specialty and Crum & Forster are registered trademarks of United State Fire Insurance Company. The Crum & Forster group of companies is rated A (Excellent) by AM Best Company 2013.

Travel Assistance Services are provided by an independent organization and not by United States Fire Insurance Company or Travel Insured International.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Klconcerts, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company, (hereinafter referred to as “**KI**”), accepts reservations subject to the details outlined in this brochure and these additional conditions. The first payment constitutes acceptance of all conditions set out in this brochure.

PAYMENT CONDITIONS

No order will be processed without a first payment and reservation is not guaranteed if payments are not made by the due date. Should any payment be in arrears more than one payment period and no payment arrangement entered into, KI reserves the right to cancel a passenger’s participation in the tour and to hold all payments made to date. Should a final payment not be received on time, KI reserves the right to not issue an airline ticket, to cancel a passenger’s participation in the tour and to hold all payments made to date.

LATE APPLICATIONS

Applications may be submitted after the due date for the first payment and, subject to flight, coach and hotel availability, will be accepted. Such applications must be accompanied by a payment equal to the amount due by the date of the applica-

tion. Should that amount not be received, the passenger will be deemed to be in arrears and the above conditions will apply.

ITINERARY VARIATION

KI is committed to continually improving itinerary features whenever realistic improvements are possible. If unforeseen circumstances beyond our control necessitate, we reserve the right to vary itineraries and/or destinations and to substitute hotels if circumstances warrant. Venues, repertoire and performances may be adjusted or modified, with final arrangements contingent upon the number of performance participants.

AIR TRANSPORTATION

Air Transportation is in Economy Class on airlines determined by KI that are IATA (International Air Transportation Association) and ARC (Airlines Reporting Corporation) member carriers.

AIR DEVIATION

Those wishing to deviate from the air arrangements made for the group have two options:

1. To make their own flight arrangements ('Land Only'): those wishing to take this option will need to make all their own flight arrangements, including sectors by air within the tour. Any person choosing the 'land only' option must arrange their own ground transportation to and from the airports. They are able to utilize the group transport from and to the airport provided there is no delay or change required to the group arrangements. KI is not in a position to offer assistance regarding ground or air transport to land only travelers. If the 'land only' option is selected after the initial full tour reservation has been made, a \$175 change fee up to 120 days prior to departure will apply. Anyone changing to a 'land only' option less than 120 days prior to departure will be subject to a \$1,000 change fee. Those choosing a 'land only' package will not count towards the group's complimentary positions.
2. To start the tour earlier than or return later than the group. Most airlines will permit some members of the group to deviate from the group's schedule. You need to fly into the group's arrival city or depart from the same city. Only the date can change. The specific conditions applicable to the group's tour will be advised once the flights are confirmed. A deviation fee of \$350 per identical booking plus any applicable additional airfare will be charged. No applications will be received after 120 days prior to departure.

CANCELLATIONS

The following cancellation charges will apply if any passenger cancels their tour (the travel protection premium, whether included in the tour price or paid separately, is not refundable).

50% of funds paid by the passenger will be refunded from receipt of the first payment until the date prior to the due date for the final payment

No funds will be refunded to the passenger after the due date for the final payment or if any payments are in arrears at the date of cancellation

Should world conditions affect the staging of the tour, the U.S. State Department bans travel to the countries included in the itinerary or should KI determine that the safety of its clients is otherwise better served, KI reserves the right to offer a comparable program at an alternate destination. Should this offer not be accepted by each passenger within 10 days of the offering, the cancellation penalties outlined above will apply. All cancellations must be made in writing and sent by mail, fax or e-mail to KI.

SUBSTITUTIONS

KI recognizes that circumstances occur where it may be necessary to cancel participation in this program. Substitutions are encouraged so that cancellation fees can be avoided. The only additional cost for a substitute is the insurance premium, where

an insurance package has been purchased, as these payments cannot be transferred. KI must be notified of substitution at the time of cancellation. Substitution deposits/payments must be received by KI before a refund to the original passenger is made. Substitutions must be made no later than 90 days prior to travel or charges will apply. This clause does not apply if KI has canceled a person's participation in accordance with the provisions of these terms and conditions.

PASSPORTS

Every tour member must have a valid passport that will be in effect for at least six (6) months after the date of conclusion of the tour. KI must receive a copy of the passport no later than 120 days prior to departure.

VISAS: U.S. CITIZENS

U.S. citizens do not require a visa to enter Austria and most countries in Europe provided their stay is no longer than 90 days. **It is your responsibility to consult with the Embassy or Consulate of each country to be visited to determine what form of visa is needed. It is your responsibility to obtain the visa if needed.**

VISAS: NON-U.S. CITIZENS

Citizens of all other countries must consult with the Embassy or Consulate of each country to be visited to determine what form of visa is needed. **It is your responsibility to obtain the visa if needed.** A minimum of six (6) weeks should be allowed for this process.

U.S. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

KI refers you to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (the "CDC") in Atlanta for the latest health and vaccination requirements. The Travelers Health Hotline is 800-CDC-INFO (800-232-4636) and the website is: www.cdc.gov/travel.

FREQUENT FLYER PROGRAM MEMBERS

KI will pass frequent flyer program information to the airlines if such information is received no later than 60 days prior to travel. It is the individual traveler's responsibility to ensure the airline inserts this information into their booking. Many airlines do not provide mileage accrual for group travel. Travelers should check with their frequent flyer carrier to determine if they qualify for any mileage accrual. KI is unable to provide ticket copies after departure.

ARBITRATION

Any disputes shall be resolved by binding arbitration in the County of El Paso, Colorado through the American Arbitration Association.

RESPONSIBILITY

The responsibility of KI is strictly limited. KI acts only as agents for transportation companies, hotels, and other public services and it is the express condition that we shall not become liable

for delays, losses, or accidents incurred by said persons or operators to passengers and baggage from whatsoever cause. KI also reserves the right to change the routing, hotels, and/or sightseeing and any service offered, should local conditions in our opinion warrant; the extra cost, if any, must be paid by the passengers. The right is reserved to refuse any person on this tour. The airlines and other transportation companies concerned are not to be held responsible for any act or omission or event during the time passengers are not on board their planes or conveyances. This passage contract in use by the carriers concerned when issued shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines or other carriers and the purchasers of the tour and/or passengers. All additional expenses caused by war,

landslides, strikes, weather delays, illness or accidents are the responsibility of the passengers. By utilizing the services of KI, the tour member agrees that the maximum liability for KI is the price of the tour and that the exclusive venue for all claims, actions or proceedings against KI of whatsoever nature arising out of this contract shall be the County of El Paso, Colorado, and such claims, actions, or proceedings shall be determined according to laws and jurisdiction of the State of Colorado.

VARIATIONS TO TOUR CONDITIONS

Any variations or additions to the conditions governing this tour will only be valid if provided in writing by an Officer of KI.

HENRY LECK

Founder and Conductor Laureate – Indianapolis Children’s Choir

Professor Emeritus – Choral Music Butler University



An internationally recognized choral director, Henry Leck is a professor emeritus in choral music at Butler University, where he served on the faculty for 27 years. He is the Founder and

Conductor Laureate of the Indianapolis Children’s Choir and Indianapolis Youth Chorale. His choirs have performed regularly for national ACDA, MENC, OAKE and AOSA Conferences. Mr. Leck has conducted Mixed, Men’s, Women’s, Junior High and Children’s All-State choirs and festival choirs in nearly every state. He is a frequent conductor of regional and national honor choirs, including the ACDA Southern, Southwest, North Central, Central, Western and Northwest Honors Choirs. In the spring of 2003, he conducted the ACDA National Junior High/Middle School Honor Choir in New York City and in 2011, the ACDA National Children’s Honor Choir in Chicago. On three occasions he has conducted National Honor Choirs for OAKE. Mr. Leck recently arranged and conducted the national anthem for Kelly Clarkson and the Indianapolis Children’s Choir at the Super Bowl XLVI. Mr. Leck has conducted annually at Carnegie Hall for nearly 30 years and conducts internationally every year. He teaches and conducts regularly in China, Brazil, and throughout Europe. He is a member of the World Choir Council and often is on the international jury of choral events.

Mr. Leck has received many honors including the Sagamore of the Wabash and the State of Indiana Distinguished Hoosier Award from the Governor of the state of Indiana. He has received the Indiana Governor’s Arts Award which is the highest honor one can receive in the arts in Indiana. Recently Mr. Leck was named a recipient of the “Lowell Mason Fellows Award” which is the highest award given by the NAfME. He also recently received the “Indiana Living Legend” award from the Indiana Historical Society.

Mr. Leck is widely known as a specialist in choral techniques at all levels, Dalcroze Eurhythmics, Laban, the child’s voice and the boy’s changing voice. He has produced four teaching DVDs titled *Vocal Techniques for the Young Singer*, *The Boy’s Expanding Voice: Take the High Road*, *Creating Artistry through Movement*, *Dalcroze Eurhythmics* and *Creating Artistry with the Male Maturing Voice*. He was a lead author for the choral textbook series published by McGraw Hill/Glencoe titled *Experiencing Choral Music* and is the lead author of a new series of textbooks entitled *Voices in Concert*. He is also the editor of two nationally known choral series published by Hal Leonard Corporation and Colla Voce, Inc. He has written a textbook titled, *Creating Artistry through Choral Excellence*. Mr. Leck received his training from the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point, the University of Colorado and Indiana University.

ELENA SHARKOVA

Russian-American conductor Elena Sharkova was born and raised in St. Petersburg and received her training at the famed Rimsky-Korsakov Conservatoire, alma mater to Tchaikovsky, Prokofiev, Schostakovich, and Balanchin, and holds a graduate degree in conducting. In 1993 Ms. Sharkova moved to the United States where she continues her varied career as a conductor, music educator, lecturer, workshop leader, and editor.

Most recent engagements have been with Britain's foremost professional choir the BBC Singers, Grammy-winning male ensemble *Chanticleer*, Miami-based Grammy-nominated *Seraphic Fire*, and Houston Chamber Choir. Upcoming programs include a return conducting appearance with the BBC Singers and BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra in Glasgow in 2018.

A frequent guest conductor, Elena Sharkova has had the privilege of inspiring youth and adult singers in eighteen countries across three continents. She has conducted honor choirs and festivals in NYC's Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center, Chicago's Orchestra Hall, San Francisco's Davies Symphony Hall and the Grace Cathedral. In 2014 and 2016 Ms. Sharkova had the privilege of leading Klconcerts' international music festivals, conducting concerts in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican and at the Notre-Dame Cathedral in Paris.

Ms. Sharkova is in her nineteenth year as the chorus master for Symphony Silicon Valley (previously San Jose Symphony) and has prepared the singers for performances of over fifty major works for distinguished conductors such as George Cleve, Carlos View, Jane Glover, John Nelson and many others. Each season she leads the orchestra and chorus in a concert of choral masterpieces as well as in the annual Christmas celebration.



Elena Sharkova has been Artistic Director of the award-winning Cantabile Youth Singers of Silicon Valley since 2004. Today the organization serves over 300 youth ages 4-18 and provides unique and comprehensive choral music education curriculum that fosters deep mind-body-heart engagement, independent thinking, and community.

She has served as editor of "Elena Sharkova Choral Series" for Carl Fischer Publishing since 2011. Her series with the National Music Publishing promotes music for treble voices.







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For over 40 years, **Klconcerts** has provided ensembles with affordable and unforgettable custom concert tours and festivals internationally and in North America. Klconcerts combines unique destinations and awe-inspiring venues with warm audiences as well as renowned composers, educators and conductors in festival settings. Together with partners on six continents, KI provides a deep sharing of culture...the essence of performance travel.

Great concert tours require a multitude of details to combine in order for life changing magical musical moments to occur. Our mission is to facilitate your performance dreams throughout Your World of Music!

Our recent clients share their views on our tours – have a look at Klconcerts.com/testimonials.



www.youtube.com/KlconcertsVideos