Come and experience a changing Cuba, beyond the resort!

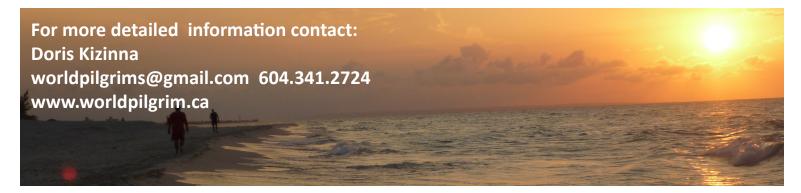
This cultural arts tour will connect you with the music, theatre, dance, visual art, history, people and beauty of life in Cuba today!

This trip is designed to experience and appreciate the Arts of Cuba, learning from Cubans about the realities in their country, and visiting Havana, Matanzas, Cardenas, and Varadero. We'll visit artists, dancers, musicians, actors and more, understanding their realities and appreciating their art. We'll also learn, taking workshops with Cuban Artists in dance, and singing. We'll get to stay with Cubans in their homes in Casa Particulares and at the Ceserce Centre on the Beach in Varadero. We'll also experience time on the beach and great Cuban hospitality. We'll visit the unique city of Cardenas, visit an organic farm, and art centres and collectives. The programme will connect participants with history of this complex country as well as the realities, struggles and hopes that Cubans experience each day. Accommodation will be shared (double) in the Homestays and double or triple to a room at Ceserse Centre and a Casa at the Beach. Single accomodation may be possible at an additional cost, check with us!

Cost for incountry expenses: \$2250 Canadian dollars, including the GST for shared accommodation. Ask us about the single room surcharge. The flight to Cuba is your own responsibility. This fee includes all accommodation, all meals except lunches in Havana and Matanzas, all transportation in country once the group has begun, transfers to and from the Varadero Airport to our accommodation, all workshops and tours, a cuban visa, all leadership, and translation.



This trip will be guided by Dawn Pemberton, Julio Cochoy and Doris Kizinna. Dawn loves to explore and is inspired by strangers who become friends and new places that soon start to feel like home. A touring musician, performer, educator and choral director, Dawn lives her life motivated by curiosity and creativity. She's had the pleasure of going to Cuba four times for musical and choral exchanges and is in awe of the importance and role that the arts have in Cuban culture. When she's not on the road or travelling, Dawn lives in Vancouver, B.C. and enjoys all things tea, perfecting her tambourine playing, knitting, and embroidery. Doris has been coordinating travel groups to Guatemala, Cuba and India for the past 15 years and is the founder of World Pilgrim. She is working on her Spanish and considers accompaning people on global education experiences a great priviledge of her life. Julio is a Maya Quiche from Guatemala and will act as our translator and logistics coordinator for the tour. He has worked in Human Rights in Guatemala and on healing his and his communities trauma from the civil war there. All three are excited to take another group to Cuba! Viva Cuba!



World Pilgrim Cultural Arts Cuba Tour

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Saturday Dec. 28/20	Travel from Canada to Varadero, Cuba. Settle into our Beach House and Casa Particulares. Meals and welcome.
Sunday Dec. 29/20	Breakfast on the Beach House veranda Time at the Beach. Visit to the Peninsula, Nature Reserve and Caves. Explore Vardero, markets, freetime, relax. Lunch and Dinner at the Centre. Dance Class on the Verando in the evening.
Monday Dec. 30/20	Breakfast on the Beach House veranda. Travel to Cardenas by van. Visit Orphanage and the Presbyterian Church in Cardenas. Lunch and tour at the Organic Garden, whole group. Visit Clinic/Neurological Rehab Centre in Cardenas. Beach time and Dinner at the Beach House.
Tuesday Dec. 31/20	Breakfast on the Beach House Verando. Travel by van/bus to Havana. Walking tour and vintage car drive around old Havana. Celebrate New Year in Old Havana. Overnight in Havana.
Wednesday Jan. 1/20	Breakfast and sleep in. Explore Theatre exchange with Yenly. Lunch at Yenly's home and afternoon freetime. Cocktails at Hotel Nacional, dinner out. Overnight Havana
Thursday Jan. 2/20	Breakfast Go to Coralina rehearsal and Performance with one of the best Choir's in Cuba. Lunch and afternoon visit to the Museum of the Revolution. Overnight Havana.
Friday Jan. 3/20	Breakfast Visit to Museo Bella Artes. Lunch. Visit the Yaruba Centre for a talk and dance performance, Afro-Cuban Dance. Dinner and evening free. Overnight: Havana
Saturday Jan. 4/20	Breakfast Free day in Old Havana with some guided options. Visit the Martin Luther King Centre, visit a Rumba Centre, other projects. Lunch and Dinner. Overnight in Havana.
Sunday Jan. 5/20	Breakfast Depart Havana with a stop at the Fuster House (Mosaic Art House) Lunch stop in Matazas and time to explore Matazas. Continue travel to Varadero and settle back into the Beach House and Casas. Dinner and at Beach House. Overnight Varadero.
Monday Jan. 6/20	Breakfast on the Beach House Veranda Beach & chill day in Varadero. Time to explore. Optional Snorkling Trip (extra fee) Lunch on the Beach House Veranda. Late afternoon Group Closing Dinner & Party with Nacyra and friends
Tuesday Jan. 7/20	Departures to Canada, US or beyond from Varadero Airport.

Cost of tour: \$2250 CAD for shared accommodation, includes the GST. Ask about the single accommodation surcharge. \$500 deposit due when you submit this registration form. 15 people minimum for the tour.

Remainder of the trip fee due by November 10/2019. Along with this form please send a \$500 deposit to hold your space on the tour. The deposit is fully refundable if the tour does not run. If you need to cancel out before Nov. 10/2019 the deposit is refundable minus a \$100 fee for administration. If you need to cancel out after Nov. 10/2019 then the deposit cannot be returned.