GREAT LIBRARIES OF ENGLAND
THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE AGES IN RARE COLLECTIONS
LONDON – CANTERBURY – OXFORD - CAMBRIDGE
SEPTEMBER 15 -24, 2011

A NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SIGNATURE TOUR
DESIGNED EXCLUSIVELY FOR NEW YORK UNIVERSITY ALUMNI
BY RENAISSANCE JOURNEYS

◊ INDIVIDUALLY TAILORED ITINERARIES ◊
◊ EXCLUSIVE EXPERIENCES ◊
◊ ULTRA-LUXURY TRAVEL ◊

Delve into the timeless rare collections of the most esteemed libraries in England...
The British Library, London
Canterbury Cathedral Library, Canterbury
Bodleian Library, Oxford University, Oxford
The Old Library, Trinity Hall. Cambridge

Your tour will include:
Exclusive insider’s access to the extraordinary treasures of these esteemed libraries;
Intimate encounters with the conservators and experts who oversee these rare collections;
Unstructured free time to tailor your itinerary to your ideal tour experience;
Personal consultation services and onsite staff to help fulfill your ideal, fully customized tour.

Reservations accepted through June 15, 2011. For more information and to guarantee your place, call 203-569-6359, or email info@renaissancejourneys.com.
Itinerary Highlights

Your tour is designed to offer access to the most treasured libraries in England, with plenty of free, unstructured time so that your fully customized tour can be tailored to your ideal experience...

Day 1: Thursday, September 15th
Departure from the U.S.

Day 2: Friday, September 16th
Your Canterbury Tale
Your first day in Canterbury is unstructured to enjoy however you’d like: explore the cobbled lanes and storied buildings of Canterbury’s historic center; or venture further into the Kent countryside, affectionately known as the Garden of England, famed for its noble estates and rolling hills. Let Renaissance Journeys help you write your own Canterbury tale.

Day 3: Saturday, September 17th
The Canterbury Cathedral Library
Your exclusive visit to England’s beloved Canterbury Cathedral will begin with a privately-guided tour of the ancient setting with conservators and artisans who will share their specialized knowledge of the structure; followed by exclusive access to the treasured library for an intimate glimpse of its rare collections, including an up-close view of the historic agreement signed by William the Conqueror. Afterwards, enjoy a private cocktail on the grounds of this revered setting.

Day 4: Sunday, September 18th
An Open Book in London
After your luxury transfer to London, your day is unwritten to enjoy the city’s charms: explore its great collections in the vast array of museums; take in some shopping with a fitting on Savile Row; consider an award-winning performance on one of the great London stages. Let Renaissance Journeys help pen your perfect day.

Day 5: Monday, September 19th
The British Library, London
Your library experience continues at the pinnacle of rare collections housed at the British Library, with private access to some of the earliest writings in history: manuscripts; religious texts; royal decrees and the notes and letters of some of the most renowned figures in history. Afterwards, your table awaits at Rules, London’s oldest and most historic restaurant, with a storied clientele ranging from Dickens to Greene, featuring traditional fare in a decidedly British atmosphere.

Day 6: Tuesday, September 20th
On Collecting, London
Enjoy your private appointment for a cocktail at Peter Harrington, one of the leading antiquarian booksellers in London, where you will learn of the expertise involved in appraising rare books. Afterwards, savor an epic meal at Dinner, the newest creation of Master Chef and Michelin Star winner, Heston Blumenthal, featuring a menu inspired by British dishes dating to the 14th century.

Day 7: Wednesday, September 21st
Old Library, Wren Library, Cambridge
Venture to England’s historic seat of higher learning to explore the esteemed libraries of Cambridge University, with private access to two of the university’s rarest collections: the Old Library, Trinity Hall; and the Wren Library, Trinity College; containing some of the earliest manuscripts in the world. Afterwards, enjoy dinner at Midsummer House, winner of 2 Michelin stars, for a classically-inspired meal in an idyllic Victorian setting.

Day 8: Thursday, September 22nd
Your Story Continued, Oxfordshire
The day is yours to create: lavish on the grounds of Le Manoir; dine in its Michelin-starred restaurant; or learn its gastronomic secrets at its famed cookery school. Explore Oxford’s charms, with museums, theatres, and antiquarian shops on the famous High Street; or venture further to World Heritage Site, Blenheim Palace, birthplace of Winston Churchill. Let Renaissance Journeys help you plot the perfect day.

Day 9: Friday, September 23rd
The Bodleian Library, Oxford
Your library experience culminates with a visit to the University of Oxford, where you will be granted private access to the treasured Bodleian Library for an intimate glimpse of its priceless texts, including the largest university collection of printed books dating from before the 15th century. Afterwards, revel in the architectural splendor of the Bodleian’s Convocation House for a private dinner in this magnificent 16th century setting.

Day 10: Saturday, September 24th
Departure
ITINERARY DETAILS

Tailor your Tour with Renaissance Journeys Customized Consultation Services…

- We’ll work with you before your trip to plan your free time, making sure to fulfill your ideal tour;
- Onsite staff will be at your disposal throughout the trip to ensure your day-to-day enjoyment.

Accommodations
Renaissance Journeys offers accommodations in the world’s finest luxury hotels, considered destinations in themselves…

- **Abode Hotel, Canterbury** – a boutique hotel that maintains the structural elements of its historic structure, the inspiration of Michelin-starred Chef, Michael Cain.
- **The Dorchester, London** – one of London’s most renowned hotels, 5-star luxury in the heart of the city.
- **Le Manoir Aux Quat’Saisons, Oxfordshire** – a 5-star luxury manor house set in the English countryside, the creation of Michelin-starred Chef, Raymond Blanc.

Your luxury accommodations will include deluxe rooms, with suite upgrades upon request.

Meals
A full breakfast is included each day of your trip. Meals in conjunction with signature events are also included, as noted in your itinerary. And as in all Renaissance Journeys exclusively tailored itineraries, some meals are left unstructured, so that you are free to explore the gastronomic pleasures of your destination. Your Renaissance Journeys representative will make suggestions and arrange reservations to please your individual palate.

Transfers
Private, luxury transfers, including airport transfer, are provided for in your itinerary.

**Rates:** $16,750 per person  (Prices based on double occupancy; supplement for singles).

**Attendance:** This tour is designed for a minimum of 12 and a maximum of 20 guests.

**Reservation Closing Date:** Tour reservations will be accepted through June 15, 2011.

**Extending Your Tour:** You may also take advantage of Renaissance Journeys’ customized design services to extend your travel experience. Venture beyond to explore more of England’s rare collections and rich countryside.

Renaissance Journeys offers a full range of services from tour design to hotel & transport bookings, based on your interests and travel preferences. Please let us know if you’d like our help in designing the ideal extension to your stay.

**To Reserve Your Place:** e-mail info@renaissancejourneys.com or call 203-569-6359.

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Terms & Conditions

Pricing: Rates are per person in U.S. dollars and based on double occupancy. Rates include: all hotels, airport transfer, local transport, costs for all organized group events & tours as specified in the itinerary, meals as specified in the itinerary, and services of the on-site Renaissance Journeys escort. Any additional expenses including changes in international tariffs or fluctuating exchange rates or other cost increases beyond the control of Renaissance Journeys are the responsibility of each traveler.

Incidentals: Personal Expenses such as phone calls, room service, in-room or bar beverages, laundry, airlines excess luggage charges and other optional incidental extras are the responsibility of each traveler and are not included in the rate per person charge.

Flights: Airfare is not included in the rate per person charge but can be arranged by Renaissance Journeys at your request. In some instances, itineraries require on-tour flights as an integral part of the travel experience. These flights must be purchased through Renaissance Journeys as part of the tour package. For additional information, please inquire when you book your tour.

Airline Security Measures: Travelers must provide identification in the form of a valid passport at the time of airpot check-in. Your passport name must match the name on your airline ticket, or you may be denied boarding.

Passports/Visa: Each passenger must be in possession of a passport valid for 6 months from date of departure from the last city visited and any applicable visas. Passengers must check visa requirements for the countries they plan to visit directly with the consulates of those countries and obtain necessary visas prior to departure from the USA. Renaissance Journeys is not responsible for any delays, damages, losses, missed portions of tours or other missed services incurred by passengers who fail to obtain necessary travel documents.

Travelers Needing Special Assistance: You must advise Renaissance Journeys at the time you book your tour if you require special assistance due to any physical disability requiring accommodation.

Responsibility: Renaissance Journeys, Ltd. acts only as your agent for transport, accommodations and other services. Renaissance Journeys and the sponsoring institution or association, including its and their employees, shareholders, subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors or trustees, successors, agents, and assigns (collectively Renaissance Journeys), do not own or operate any entity which provides goods or services for your trip including, for example, lodging facilities, airline, or other transportation companies, etc. All such persons and entities are independent contractors. As a result, Renaissance Journeys is not liable for any negligent or willful act or failure to act of any such person or entity of any third party and is not responsible for transportation delays, if any, missed connections, loss of luggage, and similar incidents that occur during travel. In addition, when events beyond the control of Renaissance Journeys require there may be substitution of hotel accommodations or of common carriers with or without notice, any additional costs occasioned by these changes that are beyond the control of Renaissance Journeys are the responsibility of the traveler. Any changes that are beyond the control of Renaissance Journeys resulting in savings of $250 or more per person will be refunded to the traveler.

In addition, and without limitation, Renaissance Journeys is not responsible for any injury, loss, death, inconvenience, delay, or damage to person or property in connection with the provision of any goods or services whether resulting from, but not limited to, acts of God or force majeure, acts of war or civil unrest, strikes or other labor activities, criminal or terrorist activities of any kind, sickness, or illness.

Baggage and personal effects are the sole responsibility of each traveler. Although Renaissance Journeys makes every effort to encourage the proper handling of travelers’ luggage it is not responsible for loss or damage to luggage and personal effects. Renaissance Journeys strongly recommends adequate insurance to cover these risks.

Although Renaissance Journeys will make every effort to operate all tours as advertised, changes to the itinerary may become necessary due to unforeseen events beyond the control of Renaissance Journeys. In these cases, Renaissance Journeys reserves the right to alter the itinerary or cancel the program; and any increase in cost is the responsibility of the traveler. If the tour is cancelled, a full refund is made.

Renaissance Journeys reserves the sole and absolute right to decline to accept or to retain any person as a member of a trip who, in the opinion of Renaissance Journeys is unfit for travel or whose physical and/or mental condition may constitute a danger to themselves or to others on the trip, subject only to the requirement that the portion of the total amount paid which corresponds to the unused services and accommodations be refunded to that individual.

General Provisions: This Agreement is governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut and by entering into this Agreement, all parties consent to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the courts located in Stamford, Connecticut, for all disputes related to travel with Renaissance Journeys. The parties to this Agreement further agree and by payment of a deposit certify that each waives any right it or he/she has to a JURY TRIAL and further agrees that any action brought by Renaissance Journeys solely on the basis of nonpayment of fees charged for services rendered shall entitle Renaissance Journeys to claim and collect reasonable counsel fees and costs as awarded by the court in the event Renaissance Journeys is caused to perfect its rights to payment by filing a lawsuit.

Booking: A 30% deposit on the total price of the tour is due at the time of booking. The remaining balance is due 60 days prior to departure. Any bookings without full payment at the time set forth herein is subject to cancellation and payment of the fees set forth in this Agreement.

Airline reservations made by Renaissance Journeys require payment in full prior to the time a reservation is made. Payment for same may be made by check, VISA, MasterCard, or American Express.

All sums due Renaissance Journeys may be made by check, Visa, Mastercard, or American Express.

Cancellation Policy: In the event you cancel your trip with Renaissance Journeys you are responsible for any and all cancellation expenses/penalties imposed by parties other than Renaissance Journeys. In addition all cancellations for any reason are subject to a $250 per person cancellation fee to Renaissance Journeys, Ltd. If you cancel your trip 91 or more days prior to departure the cancellation fee is $250; if you cancel your trip 61 to 90 days prior to departure the cancellation fee is 10% of the cost of the trip per person; if you cancel your trip 31 to 60 days prior to departure the cancellation fee is 50% of the entire cost of the trip per person; and, if you cancel your trip 15 to 30 days prior to your departure the cancellation fee is 50% of the entire cost of the trip per person. Any cancellation subsequent to the times set forth herein will result in the entire cost of the trip being nonrefundable. The cancellation fees set forth herein will be waived by Renaissance Journeys if the person canceling the tour secures an acceptable substitute traveler. If the minimum number of persons required for the trip is not reached and the trip is subsequently cancelled, travelers are entitled to a full refund.

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