



Fall-Winter 2018

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RESERVE SEATS RIGHT AWAY FOR TRIPS WHICH INCLUDE PERFORMANCES

1. Join us in Hartford, CT for a tour of our magnificent **Connecticut State Capital Building**, designed in 1879 by Richard Upjohn in High Victorian style. In addition to viewing the building's beautiful marble interior walls and floors, we'll visit state assembly rooms where our representatives gather to debate issues. Following lunch at **Peppercorns**, we'll visit the **Wadsworth Atheneum** for a tour of a special exhibition, "**Frederick Church, A Painter's Pilgrimage.**" A major painter of the 19th-century Hudson River School, Church was inspired by the beauty of the American landscape and by historic locations around the globe, especially in the Middle East.



Entrees: a) grilled chicken breast b) ravioli w/ricotta/spinach c) rigatoni w/mushrooms/leeks
Wednesday, August 1 **\$128**
Depart: G 8:30 D 8:45 W 9:00 F 9:15 S 9:30 Return approx. 6:00

2. **Tanglewood** For this afternoon concert in the beautiful Berkshires, world famous cellist **Yo-Yo Ma** will be the featured performer as Conductor **Andris Nelsons** leads the **Boston Symphony Orchestra**. The day's program will include Copland's "An Outdoor Overture," Bernstein's "Three Meditations from Mass for cello and orchestra," the world premier of John Williams's "Highwoods Ghost," and Bartok's "Concerto for Orchestra." As always, our seats are in **The Shed**. We'll lunch at the **Cork 'n Hearth** in Lee.

Entrees: a) chicken parmesan b) grilled Atlantic salmon c) grilled NY sirloin
Sunday, August 19 **DEADLINE JULY 17** **\$197**
Depart: D 9:00 W 9:15 F 9:30 S 9:45 Return approx. 8:00



Picnicers on the lawn before a performance



Conductor Andris Nelsons in action



Cellist Yo-Yo Ma

3. "**Oliver**" Join us at the **Goodspeed Opera House** to watch Charles Dickens's beloved orphan debut on the East Haddam, CT stage. Set in the dark shadows of Victorian England, the story, based on the author's own searing childhood experiences, charts Oliver's descent from the workhouse to forced labor to the sinister streets of London. There he meets Fagin, the Artful Dodger, Bill Sikes, and a band of child pickpockets. Songs include "Where is Love?" "Food, Glorious, Food," "As Long as He Needs Me," and, of course, "Oliver." Lunch at the **Griswold Inn**, in picturesque Essex, CT.

Entrees: a) chicken w/lemon caper sauce b) sliced sirloin w/port reduction sauce
Wednesday, August 22 **\$162**
Depart: G 9:15 D 9:30 W 9:45 F 10:00 S 10:15 Return approx. 6:00

4. Georgia O’Keeffe/NY Botanical Garden After shopping for Italian goodies on Arthur Avenue and lunching at **Mario’s**, we’ll visit this wonderful NYC garden to enjoy the flowers, the tram ride, and a special exhibit **“Georgia O’Keeffe: Visions of Hawaii.”** Though best known for her depictions of New Mexico, O’Keeffe had “an Hawaiian period” in 1939 as an employee of the Hawaiian Pineapple Company (later Dole). Her assignment was to paint images for their advertising campaign. 17 of her paradisaical paintings will be displayed in the **Mertz Library**, and the unique wild flora of the islands will be highlighted in the magnificent **Enid A. Haupt Conservatory**.

Entrees: a) broiled sole b) chicken Francese c) veal Parmesan

Wednesday, August 29

Depart: S 8:45 F 9:00 W 9:15 D 9:45 G 10:00

\$131

Return approx. 6:00



5. “Anything Goes” at Westchester Broadway Theatre Set aboard a trans-Atlantic liner, this delightful Tony Award-winning Cole Porter musical sports a cast of colorful characters: Reno Sweeney, a brassy nightclub singer, Billy Crocker, a starry-eyed stowaway, and Moonface Martin, “Public Enemy Number 13.” The plot rises to musical comedy heaven with Cole Porter’s incomparable songs which include “It’s De-Lovely,” “Let’s Misbehave,” “I Get a Kick Out of You,” “Easy to Love,” “Anything Goes,” and “You’re the Top.” Lunch in the theater.

Thursday, September 6

Depart: S 9:15 F 9:30 W 9:45 D 10:00 G 10:15

\$138

Return approx. 6:00

6. Chinatown Our guide will lead us on a walking tour of this exotic NYC neighborhood with stops at Columbus Park, Doyer Street’s “Bloody Angle,” Mott Street, and food markets that sell live eels, square watermelons, and hairy ramutans—items not usually found at the local Shop-Rite. Following a sumptuous Chinese feast at **Jing Fong**, we’ll visit the Maya Lin-designed **Museum of the Chinese in America**. Photos and artifacts in the museum’s collection document the hardships and successes Chinese immigrants have experienced over 150 years in the U.S.



Canal & Walker Streets, 1870



Chinatown Food Market



Typical Chinatown street

Wednesday, September 12

Depart: S 7:45 F 8:00 W 8:15 D 8:45 G 9:00

\$129

Return approx. 6:00

7. Storm King Art Center Celebrated as one of the world’s leading sculpture parks, Storm King boasts 500 acres of rolling hills, woodlands, and fields of native grasses and wildflowers. This wild landscape is the setting for more than 100 carefully placed enormous sculptures created by acclaimed contemporary artists, who include Alexander Calder, Mark di Suvero, Andy Goldsworthy, Barbara Hepworth, Sol LeWitt, Roy Lichtenstein, Maya Lin, Henry Moore, Louise Nevelson, Isamu Noguchi, Richard Serra, and David Smith. Our day will include a guided tour of some of pieces in the collection, a boxed lunch in the garden, and a leisurely tram ride around the far-flung edges of this beautiful Upper Hudson Valley property.



Museum Building



Sandwiches: a) hummus/carrot/peppers b) chicken/arugula c) ham/cheddar d) mozzarella/tomato/arugula

Wednesday, September 26

Depart: S 8:00 F 8:15 W 8:30 D 9:00 G 9:15

\$149

Return approx. 6:30

8. “Pretty Woman” Join us for this new Broadway “Cinderella-inspired” musical in which a romance unfolds between Vivian, a beautiful street walker, and Edward, a handsome driven entrepreneur. Lunch at **Sardi’s**.

Wednesday, October 3 ONLY A FEW TICKETS LEFT

\$231

Depart: S 8:00 F 8:30 W 8:45 D 9:15 G 9:30

Return approx. 7:00

9. “Once” This enchanting story at the **Ivoryton Theater** captures the touching romance between a Dublin street musician ready to abandon his dreams and a young woman who takes an interest in his haunting love songs. A 2012 Tony Award-winner for Best Musical, the show features an ensemble of actors/musicians who play their own instruments on stage. Lunch at the historic **Copper Beech Inn** in Ivoryton.

Entrees: a) pan-seared salmon b) pan-seared scallops c) crab cakes

Sunday, October 7

\$153

Depart: G 9:15 D 9:30 W 9:45 F 10:00 S 10:15

Return approx. 6:00

10. Ellis Island From January 1892 to November 1954, more than 12 million immigrants passed through the doors of this historic immigration station in NY Harbor. In displays and letters, we can read stories of hardship, and tales of hope for a better life. From audio tapes and recordings, we can hear the history of these travelers. From the National Park Guides, who lead tours through the Registry Room and up the “Stairs of Separation,” we can trace the path the immigrants followed through the building. From the film “**Island of Hope, Island of Tears,**” we can see first-hand the images of immigrants arriving from many lands. If you wish to search for your forebears, you can do so on a computer at the **Family History Center**. We’ll take along a delicious boxed lunch from the **Pantry** in Fairfield.



Sandwiches: a) roast beef b) turkey c) chicken salad d) mozzarella/tomato/basil e) ham/Swiss cheese

Wednesday, October 17

\$132

Depart: S 6:30 F 7:00 W 7:15 D 7:45 G 8:00

Return approx. 6:30

11. “Phantom of the Opera” **Westchester Broadway Theatre** presents Yeston & Kopit’s unforgettable musical version of this passionate tale of murder, intrigue and romance. This rich epic masterpiece, set beneath the Paris Opera House, explores the tortured Phantom’s continuous search for redemption. As the fable unfolds, we come to feel compassion for Eric, the disfigured musical genius, and his love for Christine, the opera’s beautiful ingénue.

Wednesday, November 7

\$137

Depart: S 9:15 F 9:30 W 9:45 D 10:00 G 10:15

Return approx. 5:30

12. “Drowsy Chaperone” A Tony Award-winning musical, this hilarious **Goodspeed** parody of musical comedies from the 1920s is a story within a story. As the show opens, a fan of musical theater plays his favorite cast recording, and, suddenly, his apartment becomes a Broadway set and the story of a bride’s wedding day begins. Like other parodies, the plot incorporates mistaken identities, dream sequences, an unflappable butler, an absent-minded dowager, a Broadway impresario, and comic gangsters. Songs include “Show Off,” “As We Stumble Along,” “Accident Waiting to Happen,” and “Fancy Dress.” Lunch at the **Gelston House**.

Entrees: a) chicken marsala b) bistro steak c) grilled salmon d) pasta primavera

Wednesday, November 14

\$166

Depart: G 9:45 D 10:00 W 10:15 F 10:30 S 10:45

Return approx. 6:30

13. “Nutcracker” Start the holidays by joining us at **Lincoln Center** for the **NYC Ballet**’s magical performance of this annual favorite in which a brave little girl turns the tide in a battle between toy soldiers and mischievous mice. You will be captivated by **Tschaikovsky**’s lovely score, George **Balanchine**’s elegant choreography, the sumptuous costumes, and glorious sets. We’ll lunch at **Il Violino** prior to the performance.

Entrees: a) pasta primavera b) chicken piccata c) grilled salmon

Friday, December 21

\$216

Depart: S 8:00 F 8:30 W 8:45 D 9:15 G 9:30

Return approx. 7:00

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TO:

DEPARTURE INFORMATION: Please arrive at least 5 minutes earlier than stated pick-up time.
 Our **Land/Jet** bus has a red, black, and white exterior with the outline of an airplane on the side.
Stratford: I-95 Exit 33 N., Exit 34 S., Dock Shopping Ctr. between Super Stop & Shop and gas station
Fairfield: I-95 Exit 24 The empty parking lot across Greenfield Street from Kohl's Dept. Store
Westport: I-95 Exit 18 commuter parking lot on connector between I-95 and Post Road
Darien: I-95 Exit 11 At rear of Whole Foods parking lot @ junction of Post Road & Ledge Road
Greenwich: I-95 Exit 6 End of Row E in Shop-Rite parking lot, on Stamford's Commerce Drive/Post Road

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- Telephone reservations will **NOT** be held for more than one week without payment.
- Include home & cell phone numbers, pick-up location, and entrée choice on registration form.
- **NO REFUNDS ON TICKETED TRIPS** such as B'way plays, NYC Ballet, Tanglewood, Goodspeed, etc.
- **REFUND POLICIES on other day trips:** Trip voucher less \$40 if we are notified 2 weeks or more before outings.
- **OVERNIGHTS:** Trip voucher less 20% fee plus non-refundable expenses, if notified 4 weeks or more before trip.
- Itinerary subject to change. If we cancel a trip due to bad weather, you'll receive a voucher for a re-scheduled trip.
- Trips include guided tours, admissions, gratuities, and lunches, except when stated.
- Away for the Day **GIFT CERTIFICATES** make great presents for friends, family, and neighbors.
- If you are interested in a trip, though far in the future, please let me know.

Reservation form for Fall-Winter 2018 Use a separate piece of paper for multiple trips.

Make check payable to Away for the Day and mail to 40 Owenoke Park, Westport, CT 06880

Name/names daytime phone evening phone e-mail address

Street City State & Zip code

Circle Trip Number(s)	Date(s) of trip(s)	<u>PICK-UP LOCATION—IMPT!</u>
1 7 13		Please provide <u>E-MAIL ADDRESS</u>
2 8 14		Traveling companion(s) and phone number(s) _____
3 9 15		<u>ENTRÉE CHOICE(S)</u> _____
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6 12 18		

Please provide names, addresses, phone #s of friends & neighbors for our mailing list _____