



BAND TOUR 2009

DESTINATION: NEW YORK CITY

DATES: APRIL 13-18, 2009

MONDAY, APRIL 13

8:00 PM Two 47 pax. Motor coaches arrive at **Providence Catholic High School**

9:00 PM Depart for New York City (800 miles; 13 ½ driving hours)

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

AM Breakfast en route (student cost)

12:00 PM Arrive at **Rockefeller Center**
West 49th Street & 5th Ave.

PM Lunch in food court (student cost)

PM Walk to **Radio City Music Hall**

Reopened after an extensive restoration on October 4, 1999, the Music Hall now reflects its original grandeur of opening night, 1932, sporting behind-the-scenes upgrades and refurbishment. Following the lead of Radio City's experienced tour guides, Explore the beautiful art-deco interiors, learn the secrets of the Great Stage, one of the largest indoor performance stages in the world; the stage's hydraulic system, still in operation since the '30s; And as an exciting climax to the Stage Door Tour, guests will meet one of the world-famous Radio City Rockettes!

2:00 PM Guided tour (30 people)

2:15 PM Guided tour (30 people)

- 2:30 PM Guided tour (15 people)
- PM Enjoy free time along **5th Ave.**
Don't Miss
St. Patrick's Cathedral, located a block off 5th Avenue
FAO Schwarz Toy Store
Our flagship store has been a landmark on Fifth Avenue since 1931. The most famous name in toys and collectibles, FAO Schwarz is the ultimate toy store for toy lovers from all over the world. It's located just off of Central Park at 59th Street and 5th Avenue.
The Apple Store
Open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, and featuring a distinctive 32-foot glass cube.
- 6:00 PM Load motor coaches; depart for the **Sheraton Newark Airport** (128 Frontage Road ~ Newark, NJ 07114 ~ 973-690-5500)
- PM Check-in to hotel
- PM Enjoy a pizza party at the hotel
- PM Relax and enjoy hotel amenities

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15

- 8:00 AM Load motor coaches; depart for breakfast at Sbarro's or similar (\$5 meal money provided)
- 8:30 AM Depart for **Liberty State Park – New Jersey side**

<p><i>Note: Everyone passes through security; carry as little as possible making check-in faster</i></p>

- 10:00 AM Board the ferry
*You will pass by the **Statue of Liberty** (great picture opportunity as you approach the **Statue of Liberty**)*
- Note: You will get off the ferry at Ellis Island**
Ellis Island: the famous immigrant gateway to America (1892-1954) for ancestors of 1 in 4 present-day Americans.
- PM Lunch on Ellis Island (student cost)
- 1:00 PM Group boards ferry returning to **Battery Park – New York side**
 PM Load motor coaches; depart for **South Street Seaport**

<p>2:00 PM Providence Catholic High School Band performs at South Street Seaport</p>

- PM Load coaches; depart for St. Paul's Chapel

- 4:00 PM Tour St. Paul's Chapel
Located directly across from the World Trade Center site, St. Paul's Chapel, an Episcopal church, was home to an extraordinary eight-month volunteer relief effort after the terrorist attacks of September 11th, 2001. Unwavering Spirit, a new interactive exhibit, honors that ministry and its legacy of love and compassion.
- PM Depart for dinner
- PM Enjoy group dinner at **Puglia**
This Little Italy landmark has been feeding the masses with hearty Italian fare at this same location since 1919. Lunch will begin with garlic bread and a mixed salad with a variety of homemade dressings. For the main course, choose between chicken parmigiana with spaghetti, baked ziti, spaghetti and meatballs, lasagna, or eggplant parmigiana.
- PM Free time to visit shops in Chinatown and Little Italy

**Grab desert at a local bakery/café
- PM Depart for Rockefeller Center
- PM Tour **Top of the Rock**
TOP OF THE ROCK™ is the ultimate New York experience for groups of any generation and background. The entire TOP OF THE ROCK™ experience is entertaining, exciting and educational.
- Afterwards* Board motor coaches; return to hotel

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

- 7:30 AM Load motor coaches; depart for breakfast at McDonald's or similar (\$5 meal money provided)
- AM Load motor coach; depart for Manhattan
- 9:00 AM **New York City Uptown Sightseeing Tour**
*Enjoy this trip as it takes you to some of the most romantic sights in **New York** and to a world of cultural diversity - from famous museums and churches to the vibrant neighborhoods of **Harlem***
- 11:30 AM Load motor coaches; depart for atrium
- AM Group meets at the **Madison Ave. Sculpture Garden Atrium** by Trump Towers (590 Madison Ave. at 57th Street)

12:30	PM	Set up for band performance
1:00	PM	Providence Catholic High School Concert Band Performance
	PM	Pack up motor coaches
1:30	PM	Lunch in atrium (student cost)
	PM	Load motor coaches; depart for Carnegie Hall
	PM	Enjoy guided tour of Carnegie Hall
		<i>(Learn about the love story of Andrew and Louise Carnegie...hear how the famed Hall was saved from destruction in 1960...and discover a century-plus performance tradition that has showcased the finest of the world's artists -- including Tchaikovsky, Mahler, Horowitz, Bernstein, and even the Beatles)</i>
	PM	Load motor coaches; depart for Times Square
	PM	Enjoy free time in Times Square
	PM	Group dinner at Planet Hollywood Times Square
6:30	PM	Load motor coaches; depart for Lincoln Center
7:30	PM	Enjoy New York Philharmonic Performance <i>(80 seats reserved)</i> <i>Muti, Uchida, Ravel and Schubert</i>
10:00	PM	Load motor coaches; return to the hotel
11:00	PM	Arrive back at the hotel

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

	AM	Check out of hotel
8:00	AM	Load motor coaches; depart for breakfast at McDonald's or similar (\$5 meal money provided)
2:00	PM	Load buses and depart for Central Park <i>Extending south to north from 59th St. to 110th St., and east to west from Fifth Ave. to Central Park West, you will find over 840 acres of land-scaped & recreational areas: zoo, theater, sports facilities, lakes & more</i>
	PM	Enjoy some free time in the park
	PM	Lunch in area (student cost)
	PM	Load motor coaches; depart for Lincoln Center

1:30 PM Enjoy a **guided tour of Lincoln Center**

Includes visits to 3 theaters and glimpses at rehearsals in progress at the Metropolitan Opera House, Avery Fisher Hall & the NY State Theater (rehearsals based on scheduling, no guarantee)

2:30 PM Meet Busses in front of the Samuel B and David Rose Building near FILM Banner close to the corner of 65th St. and Amsterdam Ave. to pick up instruments and set up in the Kaplan Penthouse

3:00 – 4:30 PM

Providence Catholic HS Concert Band participates in a **Lincoln Center Master Class** in the Kaplan Penthouse

4:30 PM Load motor coaches; depart for Times Square

5:00 PM Enjoy a group dinner at **Dallas BBQ – Times Square**
Included: chicken and ribs combo with French fries, corn bread, coleslaw, ice cream sandwich, and unlimited soda

PM Walk over to the Majestic Theatre

8:00 PM Enjoy a **PHANTOM**
**75 Rear Mezz tickets received
*Winner of 7 1988 Tony Awards® including Best Musical, and now the longest-running show in Broadway history, **THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA** is based on the novel by Gaston Leroux. It tells the story of the hideously deformed Phantom who lurks beneath the stage of the Paris Opera, exercising a reign of terror over its occupants. The phantom falls in love with the young Soprano devoting himself to creating a new star for the Opera by nurturing her extraordinary talents and employing all the skills at his disposal.*

10:30 PM Load motor coaches; depart for home! (800 miles; 13 ½ driving hours)

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

AM Breakfast en route (student cost) -

AM Arrive at high school