Dear Travelers and Friends,

With its friendly, Old World charm, Bermuda has enticed artists from Georgia O’Keeffe to Winslow Homer onto its pink-sand shores for centuries. Please join us in April for a four-day, behind-the-scenes tour of this British territory. During this extraordinary trip, we’ll delight in an exclusive meeting with the Governor, enjoy special access to the island’s top museums and centuries-old homes, and talk to the exciting local artists and curators who are carrying Bermuda’s rich art legacy into the future.

This tour is specially scheduled for the Peppercorn Ceremony, a lively, once-a-year state parade dating back to 1816 featuring military performances, horse-drawn carriages, and attendees in colorful formal wear. As part of the event, we will also participate in an invitation-only garden party with dignitaries and a private tour of the State House, celebrating its 400th anniversary during our journey. Accommodations are at the luxurious Hamilton Princess & Beach Club, where we will discover the resort’s impressive art collection.

We look forward to welcoming you on this beautiful journey in the congenial company of members from a number of museums and cultural institutions.

Sincerely,

Jim Friedlander
President,
Museum Travel Alliance

HIGHLIGHTS

MEET with the Governor of Bermuda at the memorable Annual Exhibition in the lovely Botanical Gardens, with their vibrant flowers and lush palms

RELAX over a candlelit dinner at Verdmont, an elegant 18th-century, Georgian-style home maintained by the Bermuda National Trust

ENJOY special access to the private vault of the Masterworks Museum of Bermuda Art with the founder

ENGAGE with Bermuda’s vibrant arts scene through meetings with the island’s most intriguing local creators and curators

SIP cocktails during a cruise through beautiful Hamilton Harbor aboard a luxury catamaran

SAVOR a gourmet dinner at the exclusive Royal Bermuda Yacht Club, established in 1844, and mingle with the club’s historian

VISIT the spectacular home of a local Bermudian author and historian for a private reception

ATTEND a garden party at the historical Peppercorn Ceremony by special invitation
TUESDAY, APRIL 21: DEPARTURE / HAMILTON, BERMUDA
Arrive in Bermuda and transfer to the luxurious Hamilton Princess & Beach Club, known for its impressive art collection. In the early evening, make your way to the private 19th-century home of a Bermudian author and historian to view his extensive collection of treasures. After enjoying cocktails, gardens, and the beautiful sunset, sit down for a special candlelit dinner at Verdmont, an early-18th-century house owned and maintained by the Bermuda National Trust. This elegant Georgian-style home is the perfect backdrop for an evening of wonderful Bermudian cuisine and the sounds of island music.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22: BERMUDA
Depart this morning for the UNESCO World Heritage Site of St. George’s, with its well-preserved brick streets and British colonial architecture. Enjoy the pomp and circumstance of the historical Peppercorn Ceremony, the arrival of the Governor, and performances by the Bermuda Regiment and Scottish bagpipers. Following the ceremony, attend an exclusive garden party, where we will meet town dignitaries while enjoying live entertainment and light refreshments. There is also a private tour of the State House, which is celebrating its 400th anniversary during this event. Afterwards, delight in a private tour of St. Peter’s Church. At the World Heritage Centre, a local historian and general manager of the St. George’s Foundation will point out the murals of British-born artist Emile A. Verpilleux, who created several paintings depicting Bermuda’s way of life in the early 19th century. Also view a series of paintings by renowned Bermudian artist Christopher Grimes. Return to the hotel for evening at leisure.

THURSDAY, APRIL 23: BERMUDA
On a private tour with a local curator, peruse the Hamilton Princess’ extensive art collection. Displayed throughout the hotel, it includes works by icons such as Andy Warhol, Banksy, Jeff Koons, KAWS, and Yayoi Kusama. Depart the hotel for the Annual Exhibition in the Botanical Gardens, which includes floral shows and animal exhibits, and meet the Governor of Bermuda. This afternoon, join the founder and curator at the Masterworks Museum of Bermuda Art for lunch and a private tour of the museum, whose collection includes works by Winslow Homer, Georgia O’Keeffe, and Henry Moore. Get a behind-the-scenes look at paintings from the original collection that are now housed in the museum’s private vault. Afterwards, visit family-owned Tucker’s Farm to sample world-class artisanal cheeses, meet the farmer, and mingle with his endearing and friendly tribe of goats. Return to the hotel for an evening at leisure, with an option to visit the Bermuda National Gallery.
FRIDAY, APRIL 24: BERMUDA
This morning, meet a Bermudian artist and view local artwork. We will then visit the Royal Naval Dockyard, built in the 19th century and once Britain’s largest naval base outside the United Kingdom. Today it serves as a hub of the Bermudian arts scene, and we will visit the Bermuda Arts Center there to meet with local artists. Afterwards, on an exclusive tour of the National Museum with one of its board members, experience fine marine artworks and a mural painted by Bermudian artist Graham Foster. Following lunch, board a catamaran for a cocktail cruise back to the Hamilton Princess. Our farewell dinner is at the 175-year-old Royal Bermuda Yacht Club, where we will also meet the club historian. B,L,D

SATURDAY, APRIL 25: BERMUDA / RETURN
Transfer to the airport for flights home. B

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- Airport/hotel/airport group transfers for all participants on suggested flights
- Escort sightseeing by private motor coach; entrance fees for included visits
- Enrichment program of lectures and special events
- Taxes, service, and porterage charges; gratuities to local guides and drivers
- Executive Tour Director from Museum Travel Alliance

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