



**GNOYO Parent Meeting Agenda
January 18, 2020**

25th Anniversary Tour de France
In collaboration with Massive Music Festival
<http://massivemusicfestival.com>
(June 29th to July 16th 2020)

1. Welcome, Introductions & Thanks to all Participants!

2. 25th Anniversary Tour Committee Members

Dr. Jean Montès, Music Director; Ms. Elizabeth Moore, Board President
Mr. Mike Perry, Board Member; Ms. Pamela Farrar, Office Manager
Ms. Susan Silbernagel, Finance Manager, Ms. Sarah Montès, Parent Liaison & Social Media

3. GNOYO tour philosophy (Educational, Life changing and Community building)

4. 25th Anniversary Tour Fundraising Committee members

Ms. Sabrina Bartholomew, Mr. Jeffrey Coit, Mr. Clayton Clark, Ms. Chris Elbualy, Mr. Innocent
Ituah, Ms. Rameisha Johnson, Ms. Melva Land, Ms. Jerri Lynn McGehee, Ms. Juliana Persaud.

5. The audition process is over for non-Symphony members. Alumni invitation process and some particular instrumentation needs are still being filled.

6. Reminder: The Tour Package will include all transportation, lodging, meals and activities. Activities will include rehearsals, master classes and sectionals, guided tours at historic and national monuments, educational outings, cultural explorations, community building and service, workshops in various speciality of the region such as painting, perfume making, macaron making, initiation to archery, artistic fencing, initiation to composition, sightseeing and at least 12 tour performances in various castles including and several festival performances. Additional spending money estimate is \$15-\$30 per day for incidentals.

7. Lodging Reservations are set. Room assignments will be done in a combination of quads and large families at Cap Esterel https://www.pierreetvacances.com/fr-fr/fp_CEL_location-village-cap-esterel

8. Fundraising efforts have been ongoing by individual and groups. It is time now to change gears that we are half way through. We are grateful to the Fundraising committee volunteers who have been planning and came up some ideas and activities. Please contact Ms. Johnson if you have ideas or question for the fundraising committee. We are still accepting donations for the tour please contact the office if you have any ideas. Quick individual fundraising tip from our GNOYO development committee "Have students write 5 to 10 letters to family members and close friends of the family explaining to

them the meaning of music in their lives and how they feel about have the opportunity of a lifetime to go on the tour to the South of France requesting \$50 of support and inviting them to join us for one of the upcoming concerts. You may also use the fundraising brochure by visiting:
<http://gnoyo.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/GNOYO-Fundraising-Brochure.pdf>

9. Please fill out all Travel Forms needed for Tour (Participant Conduct: Policies and regulations form; Travel Waiver form; Emergency/Medical form) return them all by February 15th, 2020.

10. Parts and rehearsal schedule for Tour Orchestra Members have been distributed, we will continue to add parts as we move forward and as they become available. Please remind your children to practice slowly, carefully with their private teachers and attend all rehearsals. (First Rehearsal for all tour Orchestra members will be on Saturday February 15, 2020)

11. Communication Process for the tour GNOYO Please Sign Up

- a) GNOYO Facebook group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/315049405838400/?ref=share>
- b) Weekly News letter through gnoyo@gnoyo.org
- c) Tour website at <http://gnoyo.org/gnoyo-tours/>
- d) Payments at <http://gnoyo.org/custom-payments/>
- e) Questions, Comments, Ideas? email gnoyo@gnoyo.org and musicdirector@gnoyo.org

12. Press Release update

13. Itinerary Updates tour dates are from June 29th to July 16th, 2020.

Airlines: British Airways

Group 1 Departure (72)

June 29th 2020 Departure from New Orleans, LA with one stop in London, UK

June 30th 2020 Arrival in Nice, France

Group 2 Departure (29)

June 30th 2020 Departure from New Orleans, LA with one stop in London, UK

July 1st 2020 Arrival in Nice, France

July 16th 2020 Departure from in Nice, France with one stop in London, UK

July 16th 2020 Arrival in New Orleans, LA

14. Important deadlines in preparation for the Tour

January

18th Tour Parent Meeting 3

18th Passport Information due

18th Tour Packets/Travel Documents distributed

Individual deposit of \$500.00 per person due by Friday, January 31, 2020

February

15th Tour Parent Meeting 4 from 1:00-1:30pm

15th Tour Travel Documents Due

15th Tour Orchestra Reading Rehearsal

Individual deposit of \$500.00 per person due by Saturday, February 29, 2020

March

14th Tour Orchestra Reading Rehearsal

28th Tour Orchestra Reading Rehearsal

Individual deposit of \$500.00 per person due by Saturday, March 28, 2020

April

25th Tour Parent Meeting 5 1:00-1:30pm

Individual deposit of \$500.00 per person due by Saturday, April 25, 2020

May

23rd Tour Parent Meeting 6 1:00-2:00pm

(Orientation)

23rd Tour Orchestra Rehearsal

30th Tour Orchestra Rehearsal

June

10th Tour Orchestra Rehearsal

12th Tour Orchestra Rehearsal

16th Tour Parent Meeting 7

(Travel Documents released)

16th Tour Orchestra Rehearsal

17th Tour Orchestra Rehearsal

18th Tour Orchestra Rehearsal

19th Tour Orchestra Rehearsal

22nd Tour Orchestra Rehearsal

24th Tour Orchestra Rehearsal

26th Tour Orchestra Rehearsal

27th Tour Orchestra Rehearsal/Performance

28th Tour Orchestra Rehearsal/Performance

29th Departure to France! Group 1

30th Departure to France! Group 2

July

16th Return to New Orleans!

15. Updated Tentative Itinerary: Please visit tour website for updates <http://gnoyo.org/gnoyo-tours/>

16. Please turn in your passport picture page today or via email at gnoyo@gnoyo.org

17. Q & A

18. Next tour meeting February 15th, 2020 Loyola Room 204G 1:00-1:30pm mark your calendars...

19. Fundraising Committee meeting

General fundraising ideas

1. Efforts will be On Going
2. Through identifying sponsors email gnoyo@gnoyo.org with any potential sponsors info...
3. Through Individual donors (**Donate Now**)
4. Through Students Performances (Solo, Chamber groups and Large ensemble available for hire at various events) email gnoyo@gnoyo.org with any request
5. Using the Tour Fundraising Brochure to download visit <http://gnoyo.org/gnoyo-tours/>

We are Delighted to Collaborate with You!

Let's Have a Great 25th Anniversary Tour!