

Dear GNOYO Tour de France Participants,

We hope you and your loved ones are well, in good health and safe.

We are grateful for your continuous words of encouragement and support in light of the difficult period we are all experiencing.

Based on the GNOYO board decision supported by the participant survey, the GNOYO tour has been officially postponed to next year during the same time frame June 29th to July 16th, 2021. We have now received and agreed to the final confirmation from our French host with the basic understanding that we will be eligible for a full refund in 18 months if the tour is unable to happen for some unforeseen circumstances. Therefore, we have decided to proceed with caution purchasing travel insurance for all continuing participants with more details below.

Many thanks for your patience as we had to work carefully through the details of the process we will follow for those who are planning to participate in 2021, for those who are no longer able to participate and for those who would like to now join the tour.

Please follow the process on the GNOYO tour

website

But here are the basic steps:

1. All have to fill out a Tour de France Status Update form by July 23th, 2020.
2. The two options proposed will indicate the steps forward.
3. Option 1, if you choose to participate your tour package will be rolled over and we will automatically purchase the travel insurance for you. Since the packages vary per individuals or families, you will be notified on when to pay the difference to GNOYO due by the end of October at the latest.
4. Option 2, if you choose to no longer participate, you will receive immediately $\frac{1}{2}$ of the funds you have invested into the tour by the beginning of August. The rest of your refund will have to wait until we are able to do so in the next 18th months.

I would like to thank all who participated in the meetings and the survey as we are committed and delighted to collaborate with all of GNOYO parents and supporters in providing a world class music education to all our members in a nurturing, healthy, safe and a supportive environment.

Please take good care of yourselves and your loved ones

Call me at 504-616-1652 if you have questions or email gnoyo@gnoyo.org

Again many thanks for your collaboration, support, patience and understanding,

I am truly grateful to be a member of this great family,

At your service,

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