



*JUDITH SALMON ART
& CULTURAL TOUR*

PHOENIX TO SANTA FE:

*THE WILD WEST
TO THE SOUTHWEST*

08 – 21 JULY 2018 (14 DAYS)

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Upon arrival at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport, we will be met and transferred to our luxury hotel in Scottsdale. This afternoon is free for you to relax and enjoy our urban oasis in the Arizona desert.

Hotel: Andaz Scottsdale Resort & Spa
6114 N Scottsdale Road
Scottsdale, Arizona, USA, 85253
Tel: +1 480 368 1234

Meals:



Mon 09 July

Phoenix

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Scottsdale

Arizona truly has a diverse and intriguing arts and cultural scene. The Sonoran Desert has long been an inspiration to architects as well as artists. For starters, there are over 125 art galleries within one square mile of downtown Scottsdale alone.

We will start our day by touring Frank Lloyd Wright's winter home and architectural campus, Taliesin West. There are several highly acclaimed museums throughout the state. You will also not want to miss an unbeatable tour of the Heard Museum, the nation's most prestigious private Indian arts centre showcasing over 32,000 artefacts, or the Phoenix Arts Museum which is now the largest visual arts museum between Denver and Los Angeles with over 160,000 square feet of permanent collection space. Then on to a driving tour of Old Town Scottsdale where guests can learn the history and experience the culture and diversity our great city can offer. The possibilities are endless in this extraordinary place to witness Southwest culture.





Frank Lloyd Wright - Taliesin West Tour

Your personalized tour of Taliesin West takes you along the courtyards and terraces, garden paths and reflecting pool area, past a fruit-bearing citrus grove and beside the working drafting studio of the Taliesin Architectural Group.

Often acclaimed as the greatest architect of the twentieth century, Frank Lloyd Wright discovered the Arizona desert in the late 1920s. By 1937 he decided to build a permanent home, studio and architectural campus on 600 acres of beautiful rugged desert in the foothills of the McDowell Mountains in northeast Scottsdale. Wright's design for Taliesin West showcased his brilliant ability to integrate indoor and outdoor spaces. It soon began receiving international media coverage and attracted visitors from throughout the world. From the beginning, this remarkable set of buildings astounded architectural critics with its beauty and unique forms. Frank Lloyd Wright, recognized as the twentieth century's greatest architect, literally created Taliesin West "out of the desert." He and his apprentices gathered rocks from the desert floor and sand from the washes to build this great desert masterpiece. Visiting Taliesin West is particularly meaningful since the buildings are used for the purposes for which they are designed; the site still serves as a living, working, educational facility with an on-site architectural firm. Taliesin West is a National Historic Landmark!

The living quarters and the dramatic Taliesin West "Garden Room" are the highlights of this tour. The living room was the social gathering place for Wright and the many famous guests he entertained. Visitors experience the drama of being a guest in Wright's famous home.



Heard Museum Tour

Since its founding in 1929, the Heard Museum has grown in size and stature to become recognized internationally for the quality of its collections, world-class exhibitions, educational programming and its unmatched festivals. Dedicated to the advancement of American Indian art, the Heard successfully presents the stories of American Indian people from a first-person perspective, as well as exhibitions that showcase the beauty and vitality of traditional and contemporary art.

The Heard Museum sets the standard for collaborating with American Indian artists and tribal communities to provide visitors with a distinctive perspective about the art of Native people, especially those from the Southwest.

For more than 85 years, the Heard Museum has attracted visitors from around the globe who come to learn about the arts and cultures of the Native peoples of the Americas. With more than 40,000 artefacts and fine art in its permanent collection, 12 long-term and changing exhibition galleries, an education centre, an award-winning museum shop, bookstore, and a courtyard café, the private non-profit museum remains committed to being a place of learning, discovery, excellence and unforgettable experiences.

Mon 09 July

Later this afternoon, we then drive through Old Town Scottsdale/Main Street. This landmark shopping area in downtown Scottsdale features Arizona's premier collection of unique specialty shops, boutiques, art galleries, Native American arts and crafts, restaurants and sidewalk cafes. The boutiques and galleries beckon shoppers, especially those interested in Southwest finds and souvenirs. Bishoffs, Shades of the West has the latest in southwestern décor. And don't miss Gilbert Ortega Galleries if Native American artefacts excite you – but these are just the beginning. The speciality shops in Old Town are a must for all Valley Visitors who are intrigued by Southwest culture and want to bring a little piece of it back home with them. Our experienced guide will give guests a brief history of Old Town Scottsdale, and point out landmarks including the city's oldest watering hole, the Rusty Spur Saloon, where true Arizona cowboys used to literally ride their horses up to the bar!

Hotel: Andaz Scottsdale Resort & Spa

Meals: Breakfast, Welcome lunch



Tue 10 July

Scottsdale
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Sedona
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Grand Canyon

After breakfast, we begin our road trip and head north to the quaint bohemian colony of Sedona – home to world-famous rock formations that have often graced the screen in classic western movies and TV shows. This fascinating town was developed by early settlers and cowboys, while contemporary artists and Hollywood celebrities continue to contribute to its allure today.





Shopping at Tlaquepaque

Your unforgettable Sedona experience must include spending time at internationally renowned Tlaquepaque (pronounced Tla-keh-pah-keh), Sedona Arizona's Arts & Crafts Village. Nestled beneath the shade of the sycamores on the banks of beautiful Oak Creek in Sedona, Tlaquepaque is the most distinctive shopping experience to be found in the Southwest. Authentically fashioned after a traditional Mexican village, Tlaquepaque, meaning the "best of everything," has been

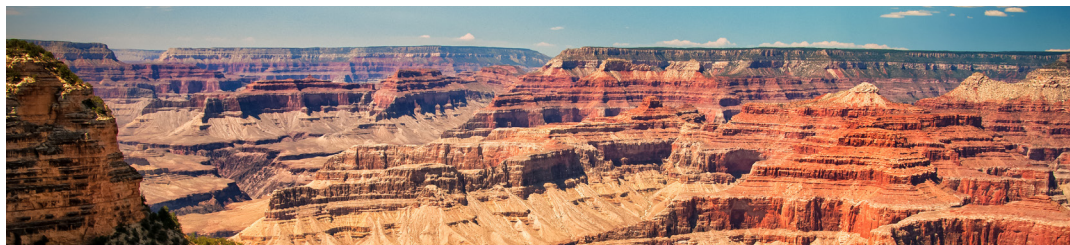
a Sedona landmark since the 1970's. Its vine covered stucco walls, cobble-stoned walkways and magnificent arched entryways give you the feeling that Tlaquepaque has been here for centuries. Tasteful galleries and unique shops live in harmony with its lush natural environment where giant sycamore trees stand in testimony to the care taken in preserving the timeless beauty of the Tlaquepaque grounds. It would be hard to find more beautiful surroundings anywhere to create a shopping experience like no other.

Originally conceived as an artist community, Tlaquepaque is a perfect setting to witness gifted artisans absorbed in their work. It's not uncommon to venture upon a well-known sculptor working on his or her latest piece right in one of the Tlaquepaque galleries. With over 40 specialty shops and exclusive art galleries, shopping becomes a joyful revelation of fabulous art treasures and distinctive gifts around every corner. Tlaquepaque is filled with spectacular one-of-a kind art expressions in every medium from Western and eclectic bronze sculpture, functional and traditional ceramics, breath-taking blown glass creations, contemporary and Southwestern fine art paintings, weavings, decorative arts, architectural décor pieces and stunning large format photography. Fine contemporary jewellery, designer casual wear in silks, and leathers and unusual gift items all await the Tlaquepaque visitor.

After an adventure at Tlaquepaque, we will continue on our journey to Oak Creek Canyon while en route to the most famous of all Arizona sights – Grand Canyon National Park! We spend the night at a comfortable hotel located near the South Rim of the Grand Canyon, one of the best locations to view this UNESCO World Heritage Site. Enjoy the bounty of this natural landscape.

Hotel: Best Western Premier Grand Canyon Squire Inn, Grand Canyon
74 State Route 64 - Grand Canyon, Arizona, 86023
Tel: +1 928 638 2681

Meals: Breakfast



Wed 11 July

Grand Canyon

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Flagstaff

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Santa Fe

Morning guided tour of the Grand Canyon (South Rim).

A must see at Grand Canyon South Rim is the Historic Village District, located approximately two miles from the visitor's centre. The district comprises the historic centre of Grand Canyon Village and includes numerous landmark park structures, many of which are National Historic Landmarks. The Historic District at the South Rim began to take shape as stage coaches loaded with passengers began arriving to view the Grand Canyon. The arrival of the Grand Canyon Railway in 1901 provided a comfortable and affordable alternative to the stage coach, and quickly became the preferred mode of travel to the South Rim. The stagecoach companies were not happy with this development, but the guests arrived rested and ready to explore the newly famous gorge. The Historic District evolved and grew as tourism increased, and remains the centre of activity at the South Rim today. There are many buildings of historical significance that visitors will find interesting during their visit to the South Rim. The canyon views from this area are stunning and offer a different perspective from those at Mather Point.

Our AZA Escort accompanying the group, will be available to point out several of these landmarks as we make our way around the village. Excellent photo opportunities will also be available.

After (lunch) in Flagstaff, we'll travel along historic US Route 66 where you can daydream about all the famous (and infamous) trips that have taken place along this route. We'll have time for a photo stop in Winslow, Arizona, a town made famous by the Eagles and Jackson Browne song "Take it Easy". While there, you'll also get a chance to see the giant mural and life-sized bronze statue, known as the "Man Standin' on the Corner", dedicated in honor of this classic song.

Following our rock-inspired stop in Winslow, we'll continue on to Gallup, Albuquerque, and Santa Fe – our home for the next eight nights.

Optional: Santa Fe Opera |

Puccini's masterpiece Madame Butterfly at 8.30pm

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100 E San Francisco St - Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87501
Tel: +1 505 982 5511

Meals: Breakfast



Thu 12 July

Santa Fe



Today is a fabulous day of art, architecture, and appetite!

This morning after breakfast, we will be greeted by a local guide who will lead us on a leisurely 2-hour leisurely stroll through more than 400 years of history, art, and culture. This walking tour presents an extraordinary introduction to Santa Fe and provides an entertaining, humorous, and accurate portrayal of a city that embraces its natural environment unlike any other in the United States. Guests will see the historic Loretto Chapel, Palace of the Governors, St. Francis Cathedral, and concludes with lunch at the Coyote Cafe.

After (lunch), we will enjoy a private tour of the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum.

Afternoon siesta

Optional: Art Santa Fe Opening Night Party | 5pm – 9pm

Celebrating 18 years, Art Santa Fe features an extraordinary array of contemporary and modern art from local, national, and international artists and galleries, as well as specially curated show programming, live entertainment, and other exclusive events.

Hotel: La Fonda on the Plaza

Meals: Breakfast, Welcome lunch

Fri 13 July

Santa Fe



ArtXcape on Canyon Road - Guests will be met at the hotel by a private art consultant who will guide us to the “best of the best” art galleries and studios, restaurants and shopping on Canyon Road.

Since its early Native American and Spanish roots, Canyon Road has been a trail of abundance – initially as a farming community, later as the site of an art colony, and today as one of the country's top shopping experiences. While gracious adobe architecture gives Canyon Road its Old-World charm, diversity is its claim to fame. Whether you prefer Contemporary, Traditional, or Native American fine art, it's all here, including paintings, indoor and outdoor sculptures, glass, jewellery, clothing, accessories, home furnishings, gifts, antiques, rugs, folk art and crafts. The array of specialty shops, boutiques, and galleries is vast. Our guests, along with an art consultant with insider knowledge will have the opportunity to explore and speak directly with some of Santa Fe's most renowned artists.

Optional: The International Folk Art Market Opening Night

Party, Preview and Private Shopping...a global gathering under the stars.

Guests will enjoy shopping, music and refreshments on preview night of the International Folk Art Market. Beat the crowds and buy your favourite pieces from the over 150 juried artists from around the world. Meet the artists and Santa Fe locals.

Optional: Santa Fe Opera | Honoring what would have been Leonard Bernstein's 100th birthday – Candide @ 8.30pm

Hotel: La Fonda on the Plaza

Meals: Breakfast

Sat 14 July

Santa Fe

Shopping the world!

The International Folk Art Market, named “Best Art Festival” by USA Today, is the largest of its kind in the world. Over 150 master artists from every corner of the globe will bring their work to Santa Fe. Some will arrive as celebrated cultural artists, while others will have never before left their villages, let alone crossed an ocean. Artists from 53 countries will bring jewellery, beadwork, basketry, carvings, ceramics, glasswork, metalwork, paintings, mixed media, sculpture, textiles, musical instruments, and more. Their art ranges from highly affordable to museum-quality masterworks.

While enjoying the International Folk Art Market, we will gather in the food court to enjoy a variety of lunch choices, from Ethiopian to Native New Mexican.



In the developing world, selling crafts is the second-largest income generator, just behind agriculture. Crafting allows women in the developing world, in particular, to become financially independent and gain some control over their lives. The International Folk Art Market is a wonderful way to support these artists' work and their culture that they generously share with visitors. Since the start of the International Folk Art Market, artists have made \$9 million in individual sales, 90% of which goes home with them to aid in their daily lives. Your support and purchases will help these artists, their families, and their communities, as they work (through artistry) toward economic empowerment and a better life.

Learn more. Watch this video <https://vimeo.com/85786813>

Optional: Santa Fe Opera |
John Adams' Doctor Atomic at 8.30pm

Hotel: La Fonda on the Plaza

Meals: Breakfast



Sun 15 July

Santa Fe

Today is a free day at leisure.

You may return... if you so desire to Art Santa Fe, or The International Folk Art Market (ticket included)

Hotel: La Fonda on the Plaza

Meals: Breakfast

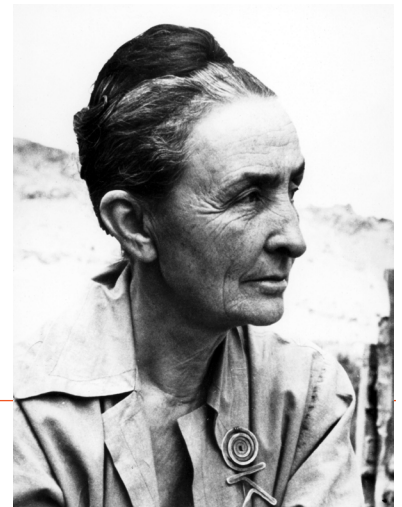
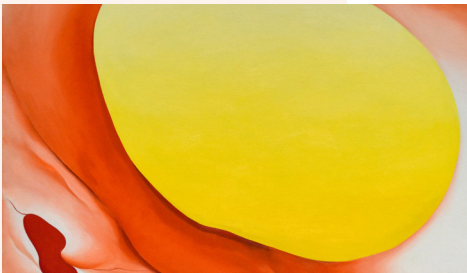
Mon 16 July

Santa Fe

Today is a full day excursion to O'Keeffe Country, Abiquiu, the land ground-breaking artist George O'Keeffe loved, explored, painted and lived in for over 50 years. We will travel to the locations where Georgia painted some of her most renowned paintings. Ghost Ranch is known for its solitude, expansive views. We will then return to the classrooms located on the ranch where a local artist will facilitate guests in their own masterpiece. Lunch will be a gourmet picnic on top of the mesa with 360 degree views.

Hotel: La Fonda on the Plaza

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch



Tue 17 July

Santa Fe

Today, we will take you to the charming village town of Taos, located just 90 miles north of Santa Fe. On the way to Taos, you will see the enchanting San Francisco de Assisi Church in Ranchos de Taos, made famous by many artists including Georgia O'Keeffe, Peter Hurd, Fritz Scholder, and Andrew Wyeth. The first stop will be the Taos Plaza area where we will have ample time to browse and shop before re-joining as a group for lunch. Lunch will be at the historic Lambert's, located on the plaza and known for their southwestern cuisine. After lunch, it is off to the Taos Pueblo, framed by the sacred Taos Mountains. Taos has been designated as a World Heritage Site, indicating its world cultural importance. Taos Pueblo is also on the National Historic Register and remains in its pristine, traditional state. After visiting the Pueblo, other stops can include the Millicent Rogers Museum and the Taos Gorge.

Hotel: La Fonda on the Plaza

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch



Wed 18 July

Santa Fe

Today is a free day at leisure.

Hotel: La Fonda on the Plaza

Meals: Breakfast , Farewell Dinner

Thu 19 July

Santa Fe

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Albuquerque

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Los Angeles

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Sydney

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Arrive home

Saturday, 21 JUL