

*This holiday vacation is  
perfect for all ages and  
will fulfill the dreams of  
your entire family!*

The Statue of Liberty is the central focus, holding her torch. Perched on her chest is Snoopy, and on his head is Woodstock. The background shows the New York City skyline with the Empire State Building and Radio City Music Hall.

# THANKSGIVING

## IN NEW YORK CITY

**NOVEMBER 23-27, 2016**

Deposit by **May 18, 2016** to guarantee brochure rates!

## Dear Auburn Alumni,

We are thrilled to offer once again this program to New York City! Thanksgiving is the perfect time to experience our nation's largest city, its famous Thanksgiving Day Parade and the brilliance of Broadway. As a signature destination with our friends at Beyond Group Travel, Inc., discover why the War Eagle Travelers Tour Program is thrilled to offer this family-oriented itinerary.

I hope to join you to view firsthand the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade!

Contact us at (334) 844-1443 for questions about this bucket list trip.

War Eagle!

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## People Are Talking

"My wife and I spent the Thanksgiving holidays in New York City. All travel arrangements were handled by Beyond Group Travel. Everything from airline reservations to baggage handling to hotel reservations to Broadway shows to restaurant reservations to sightseeing tours were done in a professional outstanding manner. I would recommend them to anyone who is planning a group travel event."

### **Rod Summers '57**

"New York was a magical place - we loved every minute. The shows we saw were outstanding. Radio City is always perfect. Everything on my list of things to do, we did. The people I met in NY were super - from the hotel folks to the tour guides."

### **Suzanne Jones**

"Worth it! The travel staff takes care of you. "Top of the line!"

### **Debbie Garcia**

# Tour Highlights

**Wednesday Evening** Join your fellow travelers for a welcome cocktail reception at the well-known **Redeye Grill**.

★ **Optional Broadway show at an additional cost.** Choose from:



## **The Lion King (+\$195 per person)**

The Serengeti uniquely comes to life in this Tony Award winning production for Best Musical following the journey of young royal heir Simba. Millions have been thrilled by the stunning visual artistry, unforgettable music and exhilarating choreography of one of the most awe-inspiring productions ever brought to life on stage.



## **Wicked (+\$195 per person)**

The untold musical story of The Wizard of Oz's Wicked Witch of the West and Glinda the Good Witch... before Dorothy dropped in. Visually stunning, with Tony Award-winning sets and costumes, Wicked is the definition of a family-friendly musical, reminding all ages that there are two sides to every story.



## **Jersey Boys (+\$195 per person)**

Winner of the 2006 Tony Award for Best Musical, Jersey Boys tells the story of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons evolving from unknown New Jersey kids to international pop superstars. Over 30 hits, including "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry" and "Can't Take My Eyes Off You" will have you tapping your toes!

## **Thursday: Thanksgiving Day**

Enjoy the famed, annual **Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade** from the exclusively reserved second floor of **The Wayfarer** restaurant. Located less than a block from our hotel and directly on the parade route, The Wayfarer offers close-up views of the parade just after it turns south from Central Park to continue down 6th Avenue. There is no better way to experience the parade! We have included a lavish brunch and specialty bar beverages for travelers to enjoy during the parade.

**Radio City Christmas Spectacular** at **Radio City Music Hall**, the world's largest indoor theater and the showplace of the nation. Enjoy the flawless precision of the Radio City Rockettes in numbers like the legendary "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers," and watch as Santa takes you on a magical ride to his workshop at the North Pole, where playful ragdolls come to life. Everyone marvels at the stunning re-enactment of the first Christmas in the "Living Nativity."

**Thanksgiving Dinner** - Celebrate the holiday with a cocktail reception and dinner in a private room at **Maloney and Porcelli**, a classic New York restaurant.



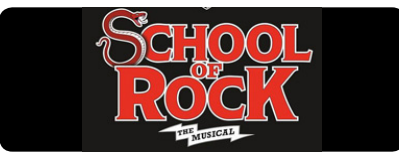
**Friday** Choose optional tour today or enjoy a day at leisure.

**Included Broadway show this evening.** Choose one of the following:



## **Aladdin**

The beloved story of Aladdin is brought to thrilling theatrical life with just one rub of a magic lamp! Aladdin's journey sweeps you into an exotic world full of daring adventure, classic comedy and timeless romance. In classic Disney style, this magical production captures the hearts of the entire family.



## **School of Rock**

Andrew Lloyd Webber wows audiences yet again with this high energy rock and roll musical based on the movie of the same name. A rock star wannabe, substitute teacher Dewey uses his love of music to help his 5th grade students find the self-confidence they need to be heard and recognized by their parents and peers.



## **Cats**

This Andrew Lloyd Webber classic returns to Broadway! Based on T.S. Eliot's *Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats*, watch the Jellicle cats frolic in their junkyard playground seeking the attention of their leader, Old Deuteronomy, hoping to ascend to "The Heaviside Layer" for rebirth into a whole new Jellicle life.

**Saturday** Choose optional tour today or enjoy a day at leisure.

# Accommodations

Four-nights accommodations at the Le Parker Meridien, well-located on 56th Street between 6th and 7th Avenues, and steps from Central Park, Carnegie Hall and Fifth Avenue shopping. Relax in a well-sized and fashionable guest room, each appointed with modern décor and amenities. Experience hotel services including round the clock room services, Norma's, named "Best Breakfast in NY" by Zagat or try the Burger Joint located off the lobby. Relax with the family in the rooftop glass-enclosed pool while taking in gorgeous views of the city and Central Park or unwind with a trip to the impressive fitness center, spa or other grooming services located on site.

## PACKAGE INCLUDES

- Four-nights accommodations at the modernized mid-town hotel, Le Parker Meridien
- Complimentary high-speed Internet in room and public areas
- Use of newly renovated, expansive Gravity fitness center
- Use of indoor penthouse pool; family friendly and glass-enclosed with sweeping views
- Welcome cocktail reception Wednesday evening at the Redeye Grill ½ block from hotel
- Private indoor Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade viewing with exclusive use of the second floor of The Wayfarer with sumptuous brunch and bar beverages
- Tickets to the Radio City Christmas Spectacular on Thanksgiving afternoon
- Cocktail reception and dinner at Maloney and Porcelli Thursday evening
- Tickets to one Broadway show on Friday evening
- Baggage handling at Le Parker Meridien (one bag per person)
- Gratuities on included package features
- Trip managed and accompanied by professionals from Beyond Group Travel, Inc.

This is a moderate to active program requiring participants be able to walk during tours, to parade viewing and to performances. We request you be in good health with good mobility to best enjoy the experience of New York City.



## Add-On Optional Excursions

### Macy's Parade Giant Balloon

#### Inflation Viewing Wednesday

(1:00PM-5:00PM) - \$30 per person

Watching the oversized balloons begin to take shape as they are slowly inflated to their larger than life state has become a family favorite activity. Navigate the exhibition with the expert guidance of our personal professional tour guide who will enlighten you with stories and facts surrounding this holiday tradition. Transportation to the viewing area provided as a group via subway. *\*Please note that your travel plans will determine your ability to join this excursion. This optional tour is limited to 25 guests.*

### Downtown Manhattan Tour Friday

(9:00AM-1:00PM) - \$55 per person

This tour will be conducted by one of New York's finest licensed tour guides. Journey via private bus to the World Trade Center site in Lower Manhattan. Visit the 9/11 Memorial which consists of two reflecting pools set in the footprints of the original Twin Towers surrounded by a plaza of trees, around which the names of the victims are inscribed in bronze. You will also have the opportunity to visit the National September 11 Memorial Museum and delve into the day that made American History.

### Circle Line Cruise Saturday

(9:00AM-11:45AM) - Adults \$29, Seniors (Ages 65+) \$26, Children (Ages 3-12) \$20

The fastest and best way to see the Statue of Liberty! Sail down the Hudson River to the Statue of Liberty and back, viewing such sights as Ellis Island, the historic immigration center, the rising Freedom Tower, and the World Financial Center, along the way. Take in the skyline and historic sights while listening to interesting narration and history given by the boat's captain. The ship has covered areas and operates rain or shine.

## Land Only Package Price All rates per person

<b>Double Occupancy</b> King Bed or *Two Twins	\$2,999.00
<b>Double Occupancy</b> Tower Park View, King Bed or *Two Twins	\$3,119.00
<b>Double Occupancy</b> +Junior Suite	\$3,229.00
<b>Single Occupancy</b> King Bed	\$3,759.00
<b>Single Occupancy</b> Tower Park View, King Bed	\$3,959.00

<b>Child (Age 1-12)</b> Sharing 2 adults, King Bed w/ rollaway or +Junior Suite	\$1,999.00
<b>Child (Age 13-20)</b> Sharing 2 adults, King Bed w/ rollaway or +Junior Suite	\$2,099.00
<b>Triple—3 adults (Age 21+)</b> King Bed w/ rollaway	\$2,899.00
<b>Triple—3 adults (Age 21+)</b> +Junior Suite	\$2,999.00
<b>Quad—4 adults (Age 21+)</b> +Junior Suite	\$2,899.00

**\*Two Twins** – maximum occupancy 2 people. May request Two Twins connecting to a room with King Bed.

**+Junior Suite** – offers a larger space, featuring a King Bed plus sofa with Queen pull-out bed.

An invoice will be mailed for your **final payment**, which is due **September 7, 2016**.

Trip highlights subject to change based upon hotel and theater availability. Optional air package available from Atlanta, GA at an additional cost. Other cities available upon request at time of initial reservation. Minimum of 10 passengers required per departure city.

To confirm your reservation for Thanksgiving in New York, November 23-27, 2016, please mail this form and your deposit of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (\$750 per person) to: Beyond Group Travel, Inc., 2909 Hillcroft Suite 403, Houston, TX 77057. Make check payable to **Beyond Group Travel, Inc.** or enter your VISA, MasterCard or American Express information below. For more information and reservations, contact **Beyond Group Travel** – (713) 954-4825 or (877) 648-1973. Form may be faxed to (713) 360-0793. For general information, call the Auburn Alumni Association War Eagle Travelers Program at (334) 844-1443.

Legal Name (as it appears on your driver's license)

(1) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title First Middle Last

(1) Food Allergies or Intolerances: \_\_\_\_\_

(2) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title First Middle Last

(2) Food Allergies or Intolerances: \_\_\_\_\_

Name Tag/s to read as: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Email 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Information:

(1) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please enter for Traveler (1) above.

(2) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please enter for Traveler (2) above.

CIRCLE BASED ON # OF Adults 21+ sharing one room: Double / Single / Triple / Quad

# of Children Ages 1-12 \_\_\_\_\_ Children Ages 13-20 \_\_\_\_\_

I/We are interested in OPTIONAL air package: ☐ Yes ☐ No Departure City: \_\_\_\_\_

Room Type Preference: King Bed / Two Twins / King Bed-Park View / Two Twins-Park View / Junior Suite  
(all rooms are non-smoking)

\*Optional Show Wednesday Evening (\$195 pp): The Lion King / Wicked / Jersey Boys

Included Show Friday Evening: Aladdin / School of Rock / Cats

\*Optional Add-On Excursions:

Wednesday Balloon Inflation Viewing / Friday Downtown Manhattan Tour / Saturday Circle Line Cruise

\*Available at an additional cost and will be invoiced with final payment

Payment Information if using VISA, MasterCard, or American Express (Deposit is \$750 per person)



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
(as it appears on credit card)

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(if different than above)

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(for acceptance of Terms and Conditions & Credit Card charge)

## CANCELLATION DATES

If cancellation is  
received between:

Non-refundable  
amount per person:

3/01/16 and 6/16/16

\$350

6/17/16 and 9/7/16

\$750

**9/8/16 and 11/23/16**

**NO REFUND**

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

Please read the following information and conditions carefully. Please sign and return via mail, fax or email with your initial reservation or directly to Beyond Group Travel, Inc.

**NOT INCLUDED:** Airfare, and/or add-on air fare from connecting cities, meals, sightseeing, and transportation not mentioned under included features, personal and baggage insurance, checked baggage fees, and any items of a personal nature.

**OPTIONAL AIR TRANSPORTATION:** This package is based on a Group Air Fare. After tickets are issued, penalties of up to 100% may be levied if your reservations are changed or canceled. If connecting flights are requested, special promotional fares may be used, in which case penalties of as much as 100% may be assessed by the airlines if reservations are changed or canceled after ticketing. After departure, if the reservations are changed, you will be charged a revision fee and/or a higher fare. **VARIATIONS TO THE GROUP ITINERARY MUST BE REQUESTED NO LATER THAN 90 DAYS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE. NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN FOR UNUSED HOTEL ROOMS, MEALS, SIGHTSEEING TRIPS, AND OTHER SERVICES NOT USED ONCE THE TOUR HAS BEGUN.**

**TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE:** Beyond Group Travel, Inc. and Auburn Alumni Association strongly recommend "Trip Cancellation" insurance to protect you against non-refundable monies should you have to cancel for accident or medical reasons prior to or while on your trip. Auburn Alumni Association will provide the registrant with insurance information upon receipt of the registration form and deposit. The receipt of the insurance application by the traveler will constitute the traveler's acceptance or waiver of insurance coverage.

**ACCIDENT & BAGGAGE INSURANCE:** We recommend that you have adequate accident and baggage insurance. Beyond Group Travel, Inc. and Auburn Alumni Association are not responsible for personal injury, accident or illness, or for loss, damage or theft of luggage or personal belongings. Additionally, airlines may impose checked baggage fees which are the responsibility of the traveler, and Beyond Group Travel, Inc. assumes no responsibility. These fees change regularly, and we recommend checking with your airline carrier prior to travel.

**RESPONSIBILITY:** Beyond Group Travel, Inc. and Auburn Alumni Association act only as agents for the suppliers of travel conveyance, transport, accommodation or other service and has no responsibility in whole or in part for any delays, delayed departure or arrival, missed carrier connections, loss, death, damage or injury to person or property or accident, mechanical defect, failure or negligence of any nature howsoever caused in connection with any accommodations, transportation or other services or for any substitution of hotels or of common carrier equipment, with or without notice, or for any additional expenses occasioned thereby. Further, the passenger participates in this tour at his/her own risk. Hiking, walking, use of various transportation and recreational vehicles, and other physical activity involve greater risk of physical injury than the activities which the passenger may participate in during daily life, and by taking part in those activities, the passenger incurs and assumes all risk that these activities present. **RATES QUOTED ARE BASED ON TARIFFS AND EXCHANGE CURRENT AT THE TIME OF PRINTING AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGES THEREIN AT OR BEFORE THE TIME OF DEPARTURE.** No revisions of the printed itinerary or its included features are anticipated; however, the right is reserved to make any changes, with or without notice, which might become necessary, with the mutual understanding that any additional expenses will be paid by the individual passenger. Package pricing is based on a minimum number of participants for trip to operate. Beyond Group Travel, Inc. reserves the right to cancel program with a full refund of deposit when the number of participants is below the critical level. You will be informed of trip cancellation at least 2-3 months in advance. Baggage is at the owner's risk throughout the trip, unless insured by the passenger. The right is retained to decline to accept or to retain any person as a member of this trip at any time, subject only to the requirement that the portion of the total amount paid which corresponds to the unused services and accommodations be refunded. If the entire program is canceled for any reason, participants shall have no claim other than for a full refund. By forwarding the deposit, the passenger certifies that he/she has no physical, mental or other condition or disability that would create a hazard for himself/herself or other passengers and accepts the terms of this contract. The airlines and other transportation companies concerned are not to be held responsible for any act, omission, or event; during the time passengers are not on board their conveyances. If Beyond Group Travel, Inc. is the merchant on your credit card transaction, you agree to the following: Beyond Group Travel, Inc.'s services consist of facilitating the sale and paying the Suppliers, and once Beyond Group Travel, Inc. provides said services, you agree not to dispute the credit card charge. **The tour staff is responsible for the group as a whole and will not be able to assist individuals extensively, either on a regular basis or in the case of serious illness or injury.**

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions outlined above and also listed and specified in the tour brochure, under which this tour is offered - especially noting the policy regarding cancellations and refunds.

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_ Date:\_\_\_\_\_