

One River-One City San Antonio!

TCSS 2008 Tours-On a Mission of Discovery

Friday, October 24, 2008

Reflections of A Spanish City

- *San Fernando Cathedral
- *Spanish Governor's Palace
- *Mission Trail
- *Mission San Jose

*Full day via motor coach, Friday only

Step into 18th century San Antonio! Led by Eric McGrath, this full day tour traces the reflections of San Antonio's rich Spanish heritage, beginning with San Fernando Cathedral and the Spanish Governor's Palace. Tom Castana picks up the program at Mission San Jose where participants will be treated to a first-class tour of the complex and a box luncheon. The day concludes with visits to Espada Dam and Aqueduct and Missions San Juan Capistrano and Espada.

Living History at the Middle School Campus

- *Mill Springs Cabin Complex-Omar Bradley Middle School
- *History Hill-Frank Tejada Middle School
- *Half day, Friday morning only

Omar Bradley Middle School's award-winning Mill Springs Cabin living history program is showcased with student presentations in progress followed by a tour of Frank Tejada Middle School's History Hill.

Bonita San Antonio!

- *Architectural Walking Tour
- *Downtown San Antonio
- *Half day, Friday afternoon only

Spanning four centuries, San Antonio is not only a diverse and unique multicultural city but an eclectic paradise of architectural novelties. Led by a celebrity tour guide, this tour highlights some of the city's most unique structures and the architects who created them.

City of Enchantment-Evening Tour

- *River Walk Dining and Tour
- *Historic Haunted Menger Hotel, 1859
- *3 and 1/2 hours, Friday evening only

This evening tour of enchantment includes dining at Casa Rio Restaurant on the River Walk followed by a stroll along the river, a tour of Alamo Plaza, and a visit to the historic and haunted Menger Hotel. The evening concludes with dessert in the Menger Hotel's Colonial Dining Room.

Saturday, October 25, 2008

Museo Magnifico de San Antonio!

- *A day of visits to first-class museums
- *Institute of Texan Cultures
- *Steves Homestead, King William Historic District
- *Luncheon at Carl Hilmar Guenther House
- *McNay Art Museum
- *Full day via motor coach, Saturday only

Prepare for an experience! This tour showcases the treasures of San Antonio: our first-rate museums located in some of San Antonio's most gorgeous natural settings. *Museo Magnifico* is not only a day of discovery but also a day of reflection and contemplation, San Antonio style!

Mission Impossible-Arches of the Mind

- *Seminar and Interactive Tour of Mission San Jose

Full day, Saturday only

Mission Impossible-Arches of the Mind is a highly interactive session that focuses on San Antonio's historic Spanish mission period from multiple perspectives with an emphasis on dialogue and writing. Participants spend part of their day on location at Mission San Jose for an on-site field experience. The afternoon portion returns indoors for a demonstration of unit activities which compliment the on-site visit. Fourth and Seventh grade TEKS standards are aligned with this program. Teachers will receive copies of the seminar activities for easy classroom implementation.

Discover The National Museum of the Pacific War-Fredericksburg

Full day via motor coach, Saturday only

Step into the Pacific Theater of World War II through the outstanding exhibits at the National Museum of the Pacific War in Fredericksburg. Museum representatives have prepared a magnificent program tailored specifically for TCSS attendees, including a catered luncheon. This tour is a must for teachers of 20th century United States history.

Sunday, October 26, 2008

San Antonio Missions National Historical Park-Bike Tour

- *Mission Trail Bike Tour

Half day, Sunday morning only

No place but San Antonio has a hike and bike trail linking five 18th-century Spanish Missions along a river! Join Diane Singleton for a tour of the San Antonio Missions via bike on the San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Bike Trail. Diane takes a slow meandering course along the trail with historical stops along the way and a refreshment break at Espada Dam. The tour travels along the trail for approximately six miles from Espada Mission to San Jose. Biking ends at San Jose Mission, but a walking tour of San Jose rounds out the morning. Bike rentals and helmets are included in this tour package along with water and refreshment snacks. This tour is a must for cyclists, outdoorsmen and those fascinated with serene tranquility in an historical setting.