

The NEW YORK WIND BAND & ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL

NEW YORK CITY

ACALANES SCHOOL DISTRICT BAND & ORCHESTRA EDWIN CORDOBA & PATRICIA HURTADO, DIRECTORS 2027 NEW YORK WIND BAND & ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL MARCH 5 – 10, 2027

Current as of August 18, 2026 – itinerary details subject to change

DAY ONE: Friday, March 5, 2027 – CALIFORNIA DEPARTURE

FLIGHT GROUP ALPHA (Up to 74 seats)

~4:30pm Arrive at San Francisco International airport (SFO) Terminal 1. Meet your World Projects representative, who will assist you with checking in to your flight. Check in with Alaska Airlines, pass through security, and proceed to your departure gate.

7:01pm Depart SFO for Portland International Airport (PDX) via Alaska #525.

8:48pm Arrive to PDX. Continue onto your next departure gate.

9:35pm Depart PDX for Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR) via Alaska #32. Overnight en route.



FLIGHT GROUP BRAVO (Up to 75 seats)

~4:20pm Arrive at San Francisco International airport (SFO) Terminal 1. Meet your World Projects representative, who will assist you with checking in to your flight. Check in with Alaska Airlines, pass through security, and proceed to your departure gate.

6:50pm Depart SFO for Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) via Alaska #743.

8:25pm Arrive to LAX. Continue onto your next departure gate.

10:00pm Depart LAX for Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR) via Alaska #1558. Overnight en route.



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DAY TWO: Saturday, March 6, 2027 – NEW YORK CITY ARRIVAL (D)

FLIGHT GROUP ALPHA (Up to 74 seats)

5:58am Arrive into EWR Terminal B! You will have time at the airport while awaiting the arrival of the Bravo Group.

FLIGHT GROUP BRAVO (Up to 75 seats)

6:35am Arrive into EWR Terminal B and meet with Alpha Group.

ALL TRAVELERS

Proceed to baggage claim to collect your luggage.
Meet a World Projects Festival Staff Member, load the coaches, and depart for a New York City area restaurant.

~8:30am (TBC) Enjoy breakfast as a group at Applebee's.

9:30am (TBC) Following breakfast, load coaches and transfer to the 9/11 Memorial & Museum.

10:00am (TBC) Upon arrival, enjoy time to explore the 9/11 Memorial and Museum.

Afternoon Lunch on your own in the area.

~1:00pm Following lunch, enjoy a sightseeing activity (*possibly the One World Observatory or Lower Manhattan Walking Tour-TBC – additional costs apply – see supplemental costs for more information*).

~3:00pm Later, meet back as a group, load the coaches, and depart for the Park Central Hotel.

Situated in the Midtown area of Manhattan, the festival hotel is within easy walking distance to Times Square, Central Park, Rockefeller Center, and some of the most amazing restaurants and shopping known on the planet! The Midtown area includes the Theatre District, the Diamond District, the Garment District, and major television studios.

After 4:00pm Arrive at the hotel and unload the coaches. A World Projects staff member will assist with checking into your rooms. Festival materials will be distributed to the group leader.

Evening Later, meet back as a group and walk to a nearby restaurant. Enjoy dinner as a group (*possibly at Ellen's Stardust Diner – TBC*).

After dinner, you will be escorted to Wu Tsai Theater at David Geffen Hall (~0.7 mile / 16-min walk).

7:30pm Enjoy the New York Philharmonic concert, featuring the World Premiere Commission piece, *El Payador Perseguido* (subject to availability, tickets to the value of \$115 – TBC).

~8:45pm Following the concert, a World Projects staff member will escort you back to the hotel for the evening.

Park Central Hotel

*870 7th Avenue at 56th Street, New York, NY 10019
(212) 247-8000*



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DAY THREE: Sunday, March 7, 2027 – NEW YORK CITY (B, D) – Workshop & Rehearsal Exchange

- Morning** Enjoy breakfast near the hotel with a \$20 cash handout.
Later, assemble in the lobby as a group. You will be escorted to the Rockefeller Center (~0.5 mile / 10-min walk).
- Perched 70 stories above Rockefeller Center, the Top of the Rock observation deck offers breathtaking, unobstructed 360-degree views of the iconic Manhattan skyline.*
- Afternoon** Enjoy entry to Top of the Rock Observation Deck (TBC).
Following your visit, enjoy lunch on your own nearby.
Return to the hotel to gather your instruments.
Meet in the lobby, load coaches, and transfer to a NY-area venue or school (*location and time – TBD*).
Upon arrival, enjoy a 60-minute **workshop** per ensemble with a Festival clinician.
Following your workshop, enjoy a 90-minute combined **rehearsal exchange** with another ensemble (*playing each other's music – location and time TBD*).
- Afternoon** Later, load the coaches and return to the hotel to drop instruments off in your rooms.
Meet in the lobby as a group. You will be escorted to a nearby restaurant.
- Evening** Enjoy dinner as a group (*possibly John's Pizza or similar – TBC*).
Following dinner, return to the hotel at leisure.



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DAY FOUR: Monday, March 8, 2027 – NEW YORK CITY (B, D) – Dinner Cruise

- Morning** Enjoy breakfast near the hotel with a \$20 cash handout.
- 8:15am (TBC)** Meet as a group in the lobby, load the coaches, and depart for Liberty State Park.
Upon arrival, enjoy a group photo along the Hudson River, with the Manhattan skyline as your backdrop.
- ~9:00am (TBC)** After, line up for the mandatory, airport-grade security screening prior to boarding the vessel.
This experience is both indoor and outdoor – please dress accordingly. Sandals and open toe shoes are not recommended. Please note that all persons and property are subject to search prior to boarding ferries (large bags are not allowed and lockers are not available). More information can be found at <https://www.cityexperiences.com/new-york/city-cruises/statue/plan-your-trip/security-process/>
- ~9:30am** After screening, board the Statue Cruises ferry and depart for Ellis Island.
- ~9:40am (TBC)** Arrive to Ellis Island. Pick up your audio guide and explore Ellis Island, a former immigration station.
- 10:55am (TBC)** Meet back as a group and board the ferry for the next departure.
- 11:05am (TBC)** Depart for Liberty Island.
- ~11:15am (TBC)** Arrive to Liberty Island. Enjoy exploring the home to the Statue of Liberty.
- 11:55am (TBC)** Meet back as a group and board the ferry for the next departure.
- ~12:05pm (TBC)** Depart for Liberty State Park.
- ~12:20pm (TBC)** Arrive to Liberty State Park, load the coaches, and depart for the Park Central Hotel.
Enjoy lunch on own near the hotel.
Later, return to the hotel and freshen up for this evening's activity.
- 4:30pm (TBC)** Assemble in the lobby dressed for the evening, load coaches and depart for Chelsea Piers for the Festival Dinner Cruise.
- 5:30pm (TBC)** Upon arrival, board the Cruise.
- 6:00pm (TBC)** Enjoy the Festival Dinner / DJ Dance Cruise! Eat, dance to DJ music, and enjoy the sights on the Festival Dinner Cruise (including a stunning view of the Statue of Liberty) as you cruise along the Hudson River with other Festival participants.
- ~8:30pm (TBC)** Following the cruise, load the coaches and return to the hotel.



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DAY FIVE: Tuesday, March 9, 2027 – NEW YORK CITY (B) – Carnegie Hall Performance

Morning	Enjoy breakfast near the hotel with a \$20 cash handout. After breakfast, meet your local guides and depart on a walking tour of Central Park!
	<i>Spanning over 800 acres in the heart of Manhattan, Central Park serves as a lush, iconic oasis of scenic lawns, winding paths, and historic landmarks. From boating on the lake to exploring the Ramble, this sprawling urban sanctuary offers a peaceful escape from the fast-paced energy of New York City.</i>
Afternoon	Say goodbye to your guides and enjoy lunch on your own before returning to the hotel to prepare for your performance.
Time TBD	Later, assemble in the lobby of the hotel in performance attire with instruments. You will be escorted to Carnegie Hall by a World Projects staff member.
Time TBD	Arrive at Carnegie Hall for your Sound Check (one 40-minute slot to include stage change and group photo, pending final confirmation from Carnegie Hall – TBC). Following your sound check, store instruments in your warm-up room. You will then have time for dinner on your own nearby.
6:30pm	After dinner, return to Carnegie Hall and prepare for the concert.
7:00pm	Evening Adjudicated & Showcase Concert begins.
Time TBD	Adjudicated Performance (one 40-minute slot to include stage change) in the Isaac Stern Auditorium / Ronald O. Perelman Stage at Carnegie Hall!
~10:35pm	Following the concert is the Awards Ceremony. All directors will be asked to join the Master of Ceremonies on stage for a short Awards Ceremony.
~10:40pm	After the Awards Ceremony, return to the hotel.



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DAY SIX: Wednesday, March 10, 2027 – NEW YORK CITY → HOME (B)

Morning Enjoy breakfast near the hotel with a \$20 cash handout.
This morning is free for last minute shopping, sightseeing, and dining on own.

FLIGHT GROUP ALPHA (Up to 74 seats)

12:00pm Meet in the lobby with all belongings and load the coaches.
Transfer to Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR).
~1:30pm Arrival to EWR Terminal B.
Check-in to your flight with Alaska, and say goodbye to your
World Projects festival staff member. Proceed through
security to your departure gate.
Lunch on your own near your departure gate.
4:00pm Depart EWR for Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA)
on Alaska #1536.
7:17pm Arrive into SEA. Continue onto your next departure gate.
9:40pm Depart SEA for San Francisco International Airport (SFO) via
Alaska #417.
11:59pm Arrive into SFO Terminal 1 and proceed to baggage claim.
Collect your luggage and return home via your own
transportation.



FLIGHT GROUP BRAVO (Up to 75 seats)

By 12:00pm Check-out of your rooms and store luggage at the hotel.
2:00pm Meet in the hotel lobby, collect luggage, and load the coaches.
Transfer to Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR).
~3:30pm Arrival to EWR Terminal B.
Check-in to your flight with Alaska, and say goodbye to your
World Projects festival staff member. Proceed through
security to your departure gate.
Dinner on your own near your departure gate or grab
something to take on the plane with you.
6:05pm Depart EWR for Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) on
Alaska #1555.
9:13pm Arrive into LAX. Continue onto your next departure gate.
10:20pm Depart LAX for San Francisco International Airport (SFO) via
Alaska #623.
11:49pm Arrive into SFO Terminal 1 and proceed to baggage claim.
Collect your luggage and return home via your own
transportation.



Thank you for participating in the New York Wind Band & Orchestra Festival!

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