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Dear Parents/Guardians,

**RE: Waikato Diocesan School for Girls – New York Performing Arts Trip,
April 2026**

We are thrilled to relaunch the New York Performing Arts Trip for April 2026! We are very excited to now be able to offer this wonderful opportunity to students who are planning to take a curriculum performing arts subject (Music/Dance/Drama) in 2026 AND/OR students who show significant participation in co-curricular performing arts groups at Dio. You can find a copy of the proposed itinerary from TourTime, the company arranging this trip for us, [attached](#). Please note that this is simply an idea of activities that we might do; once we have confirmed the group going, we will tailor the activities to their interests.

To confirm your child's commitment and place on the trip, we require a completed application form and initial payment of \$1000 to the school. The deadline for this is the **30th January 2025**. The school will hold this deposit until we can confirm that the trip has sufficient numbers and that it is feasible to proceed. Confirmation of attendance on the trip will be by Friday the 21st Feb 2025.

The school is responsible for managing all risks on the trip, including the accompanying staff members' abilities to deal with situations as they arise while keeping all students and staff safe. **Please note that accepting a student's involvement in the trip is conditional and dependent on successful financial, health, and pastoral checks.*

If the trip does not secure the minimum number required, the deposit will be returned to you in full. We have opened an account at school so that whatever money you deposit will go directly into your individual trip account.

Once all deposits have been submitted and final numbers are established, we will inform all parents, establish a payment plan, and subsequently move forward with TourTime. This will then allow TourTime to commence the trip's organisation. **Please note that the deposits paid become non-refundable once the financial commitment is made to TourTime.*

We will keep you informed of other details via email. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further enquiries.

Please complete the attached [Google form](#) and make the online payment to the account below by **30th January 2025** to confirm your child's place on the trip.

Initial Deposit Payment can be made using Internet Banking using the details below:

Bank Account Name: **Waikato Diocesan School for Girls**

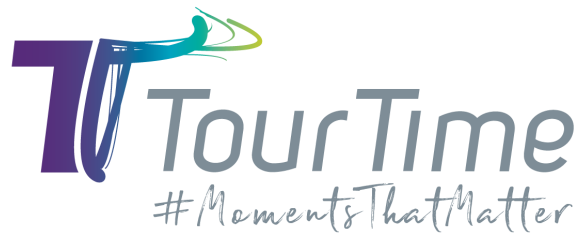
Bank Account Number: **01 0315 0030888 00**

Please include your child's name and reference number - **Student Name +** along with the reference: **p-7513**

Kind regards,

Lee Armitage - HOD Drama (on behalf of the Performing Arts Team)

larmitage@wdschool.nz



Presents:

A 12 Day Performing Arts Tour to:

USA New York

Especially designed for:



WAIKATO DIOCESAN School for Girls

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**WAIKATO DIOCESAN PERFORMING ARTS TOUR TO USA
10 DAYS | 09 NIGHTS (IN-COUNTRY)**

DAY 1: AUCKLAND - NEW YORK

- Meet at Auckland international Airport and check in for flight to New York
- Upon arrival meet your Tour Time Tour Manager and coach driver
- Transfer to hotel and check in
- Welcome Dinner as a group at Bubba Gump's in Time Square

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Day 2: NEW YORK

- Breakfast at accommodation
- **Statue of Liberty Cruise**
- **Central Park Walking tour**
- Lunch and Dinner (own cost)
- **Empire State Building night visit**

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Day 3: NEW YORK

- Breakfast at accommodation
- **Lincoln Centre & Julliard tour** - Q&A with NZ students
- Lunch (own cost)
- **Afternoon School Exchange Opportunity**—TBC
- Dinner (own cost)
- Evening Community Show in NYC (to be confirmed)

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DAY 4: NEW YORK

- Breakfast at accommodation
- **DANCE:** 01 x class at Broadway Dance Centre (more classes available at additional cost)
- **THEATRE:** 01 Broadway Experience - workshop to be selected
- Lunch (own cost)
- **Carnegie Hall Tour**
- **DCINY - Distinguished Concerts International NY** - biggest producer of events at Carnegie Hall Q&A with company directors around production and event management
- Dinner - Buca di Beppo, Times Square

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DAY 5: NEW YORK

- Breakfast at accommodation
- Morning exploring Staten Island /Empire Outlets
- Lunch (own cost)
- **Afternoon School Exchange Opportunity**—TBC
- Dinner (own cost)

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DAY 6: NEW YORK

- Breakfast at accommodation
- **Radio City Music Hall tour**
- Lunch (own cost)
- **DANCE:** 01 x classes at Steps on Broadway (more classes available at additional cost)
- **THEATRE:** NYU Tisch Drama Department tour and Q&A with NZ students
- Dinner (own cost)

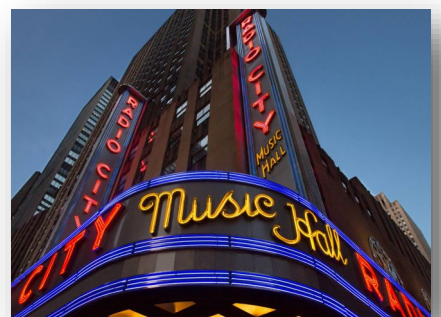
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DAY 7: NEW YORK

- Breakfast at accommodation
- **Broadway Experience** - A Broadway Rehearsal workshop
- **Broadway Drama Bookshop visit** (timing permitting)
- Lunch (own cost)
- **Apollo Theatre tour**
- Dinner - Group Dinner Applebee's Times Square
- **Broadway or Off Broadway Show** (to be confirmed)

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DAY 8: NEW YORK

- Breakfast at accommodation
- **Walk the Highline**
- Explore **Chelsea Markets** for lunch (own cost)
- **Community Service Opportunity**
- Dinner (own cost)

DAY 9: NEW YORK

- Breakfast at accommodation
- **Morning School Exchange Opportunity**
- **Broadway Experience** - Meet the Artist - Rob McClure workshop/Q&A (Subject to availability and scheduling)
- Farewell Dinner
- **Broadway or Off Broadway show** (to be confirmed)

DAY 10: NEW YORK - IN-FLIGHT

- Breakfast at accommodation
- **Museum of Broadway**
- Remainder of day at leisure to explore dependent on flight time
- Transfer to JFK and check in for flight/s to NZ

DAY 11: IN-FLIGHT

- Crossing international date line

DAY 12: IN-FLIGHT - AUCKLAND

- Land at Auckland International Airport
- Collect luggage and Clear Customs
- Meet loved ones
- Welcome Home!

LAND PACKAGE INCLUSIONS

Accommodation | Meals | Transport:

09 Nights' Accommodation (Students Triple/Twin Share and Staff as indicated below)
 Daily breakfasts
 03 Dinners
 NYC - Private Airport Transfers, School Trips & NYC Metro Pass
 Personalised Tour Backpack, Lanyard and App for each touring member
 Audits for ATE (Accommodation, Transport and Excursions) are supplied for you to incorporate into your School RAM's
 COVID-19 Protocols and risk mitigation included

Shows | Workshops:

02 x Broadway Shows
 01 x NYC Community Show
 03 x School Exchanges
 02 x Broadway Experience - Rehearsal workshop
 02 x Broadway Dance Centre lessons

Sightseeing | Moments That Matter:

Circle Line Liberty Cruise
 Empire State Building
 Lincoln Centre & Julliard tour with NZ students
 Broadway Experience - Meet Rob McClure (Subject to availability)
 Apollo Theatre tour
 Radio City Music Hall Tour
 Carnegie Hall Tour
 DCINY meet the directors and Q&A
 Museum of Broadway
 Walk the High Line
 Chelsea Markets
 Outlet Shopping
 1yr subscription to Harmony Helper

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WAIKATO DIOCESAN SCHOOL FOR GIRLS - USA PERFORMING ARTS TOUR LAND PACKAGE DETAILS

Land Package is based on minimum number of paying passengers as indicated and includes staff free of charge:

20 - 24 Paying Students 04 Staff Free of Charge (02 x Twin Share)	25 - 29 Paying Students 04 Staff Free of Charge (02 x Twin Share)	30 - 34 Paying Students 04 Staff Free of Charge (02 x Twin Share)
\$4,750USD per student (approx. \$8,028NZD)	\$4,497USD per student (approx. \$7,600NZD)	\$4,206USD per student (approx. \$7,109NZD)
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Indicative Airfares i.e. land + airfares = total package price	Indicative Airfares i.e. land + airfares = total package price	Indicative Airfares i.e. land + airfares = total package price

EXCLUSIONS | IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Airfares are additional to the above land package and are indicative fares on a per person basis with no Free of Charge for staff
- Visa, Passport, ESTA or entry requirement costs are additional to the package costs
- This is a quote only and no services have been confirmed (this quote is valid for 20 days)
- Land package payments are to be made in USD (if NZD payment is preferred please advise Tour Time)
- Land package prices are based on exchange rates at the **20NOV24** and are subject to changes and fluctuations.
- Any shortfall in payment due to exchange rate fluctuations will be adjusted and calculated on the final invoice of balance owing.
- Land Package/Services and activities will be booked and confirmed on receipt of **\$350USD** non-refundable deposit, per person
- Beverages, meals not listed, laundry, phone calls and items of a personal nature are not included
- Every touring member must be covered by comprehensive Group Travel Insurance inclusive of unlimited medical, inclusive of COVID-19 cover (**Travel insurance is not included**) and is an additional charge.

Tour Time can provide you with a full and comprehensive travel insurance cover inclusive of COVID-19 medical, isolation, cancellation, 3rd part collapse insurance, full cover during all activities, key personal replacement cover if a staff member gets sick whilst overseas it will pay for their replacement. The cost for this is \$14NZD per person per day.

For this tour it would be (13 days at \$14 = \$138 per person)

INDICATIVE GROUP RETURN AIRFARE:

(No free of charge airfares are included)

AirNZ/QANTAS:

Indicative Price **\$2,900-3300NZD** per person

- Confirmed Airfare pricing can only be obtained once travel dates fall within 330 days of return travel date
- The above indicative airfares are GROUP ECONOMY CLASS FARES and are subject to airlines group bookings terms and conditions
- Non-refundable deposits of \$300NZD per person will be required to secure airfares (subject to availability at time of booking)
- **No free of charge (FOC) airfares are included for staff - airfares are on a per person basis**
- Airfares are additional to the land package (i.e. Land package + airfares = total package)

All payments to Tour Time are financially bonded & protected/secured
as we are a **TAANZ Financially Bonded and licenced Tour Company/Travel Agent**
Tour Time are a founding member of the **School Travel Collective Inc**

TOUR TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

Please refer www.tourtime.co.nz/term-conditions

