

Kimbell
ART MUSEUM

Exclusive Travel Opportunity
for Circle Members



**Mexico City:
Art and Architectural Treasures
February 19-23, 2025**

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Dear Friends,

You are invited to join the Kimbell Art Museum on a special tour of Mexico City. Over the last several years, the enormous capital city has become one of the hottest art destinations, with collectors arriving from around the world to sample rising art fairs, a burgeoning arts scene, and a growing cultural sophistication with fine restaurants and new museums.

Our art adventure will unfold over five days and four nights in what is arguably the world's most dynamic capital city. From an architectural standpoint, Mexico City rivals the best of the best with its abundance of great buildings, from the soaring temples of Teotihuacán to the modernist creations of Juan O'Gorman to the city's sparkling new museums. Nestled amidst the hubbub of this bustling metropolis are hidden oases of beauty, such as the colorful ceramic tiles that adorn dozens of public buildings in the historic center, and the artistic domestic aura of the homes of Frida Kahlo and Luis Barragán.

The Kimbell Art Museum tour will feature special visits to the city's most important museums, galleries, and neighborhoods. An architectural walking tour of the historic center will include famous murals by Diego Rivera and other Mexican muralists, other impressive landmarks, such as the expansive zócalo (main square), the city's great cathedral, and the Art Deco Museum of Fine Arts, as well as off-the-beaten-track surprises. An excursion to southern Mexico City will allow access to Frida Kahlo's renowned Blue House, an encounter with a notable and charismatic contemporary artist, plus special visits to the city's most innovative contemporary art galleries will also give us a great view on the city's contemporary style.

Of course, no trip to Mexico City would be complete without the opportunity to see the Pyramids of the Sun and the Moon at the ancient site of Teotihuacán or the incomparable cultural treasures on exhibit at the National Museum of Anthropology and the Temple Mayor Museum.

Meals will be provided at specially selected restaurants featuring a rich bounty of delicious and creative Mexican cuisine in unforgettable spaces. Sumptuous hotel accommodations in upgraded luxury, executive-level rooms have been arranged at the Sofitel Mexico City Reforma, offering top-class service and amenities.

Accompanying the group will be Jennifer Casler Price, senior curator of Asian, African, and Ancient American Art at the Kimbell. Support staff will include Robert McAn, head of donor relations, membership and special events, in-country cultural tour guides, and an expert tour director from International Seminar, Design, Inc. (our tour agent in Washington, D.C.). Travelers will be responsible for round-trip international flights from DFW to Mexico City's International Airport (Mex).

The tour price per-person based on double occupancy is \$4,995 per person. A single supplement is available for \$1,195. A deposit of \$1,500 is due immediately to reserve your space on the tour. Space is limited, so please reserve early.

Selected travel opportunities are available to Museum members at the Circle membership level and above. If you have any questions, please call 817-332-8451, ext 276, or email mromano@kimbellmuseum.org.

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Hotel Information

Sofitel Mexico City Reforma Mexico City 297 Avenue Paseo De La Reforma



Suggested Flight Itinerary

Due to personal preferences, international airfare from the United States to Mexico City is the responsibility of the individual travelers. Travelers wishing to take advantage of group airport transfers should arrive in Mexico City on AA 389 at 11:05 am or AA 2350 at 3:09 pm on February 19, 2025, and depart from Mexico City on AA 2351 at 4:30 pm on February 23, 2025. Travelers who would like to arrive a day early in order to rest can get assistance booking extra nights from ISDI.

American citizens visiting Mexico do not need a visa if they are traveling as a tourist with a valid U.S. passport.

Robin Sanders at Sanders Travel in Fort Worth has researched available flights and itineraries and can assist with airline arrangements to Mexico City. Please call Robin at 817-213-7048 or Kristin Shelley at 817-731-3335 for more information.

Please note: Passports must be valid for at least six months past dates of travel.

Itinerary Highlights

Please note: subject to slight changes prior to departure

Wednesday, February 19 USA / Mexico City

Depart the United States on independent flights and arrive in Mexico City in the afternoon. Check into spacious luxury-class rooms on the executive floor of the luxurious, five-star Sofitel Mexico City Reforma, one of Mexico City's top hotels, with access to the Club Millésime, its beautiful sunset view lounge, and rooms on the highest floors. Following free time to relax and get settled in, meet fellow travelers at an orientation reception before continuing to a remarkable city restaurant for a welcome dinner.

Sofitel Mexico City Reforma (R, D)

Thursday, February 20 Artists and Galleries

Meet one of Mexico City's most dynamic couples in their remarkable home and discuss Mexico City's contemporary art and fashion scenes. Then drive to the Frida Kahlo's Blue House museum in Coyoacán, birthplace of the artist and the home where she was raised, lived with husband Diego Rivera for a number of years, and ultimately passed away. The Blue House contains a collection of artworks by Frida Kahlo, Diego Rivera, and other artists along with the couple's collections of Mexican folk art, pre-Hispanic artifacts, photographs, memorabilia, and personal items displayed throughout the home, which remains much as it was in the 1950s. Be treated to a relaxing lunch at the famed San Angel Inn, an elegant restaurant in a former monastery. Then visit the modernist House-Studio of Diego Rivera and Frida Kahlo, designed by Juan O'Gorman. Return to the hotel and feast on outstanding dishes at dinner near the hotel.

Sofitel Mexico City Reforma (B, L, D)

Friday, February 21 Art Through the Ages

Begin at the National Museum of Anthropology, one of the world's most spectacular museums, and see extraordinary works of art from Mexico's many ancient cultures. The museum is widely considered among the world's most stunning collections of ancient artifacts, with rare paintings, murals, sculptures, and refined crafts, and architectural details. Another highlight today will be the Casa Luis Barragán, the colorful home of Mexico's most famous architect, now a house museum and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Following lunch at one of Mexico's best restaurants, our afternoon offers special invitations to visit two of the city's finest art galleries: Galería de Arte Mexicana and Kurimanazutto. The evening is at leisure.

Sofitel Mexico City Reforma (B, L)

Saturday, February 22 Mexico City's Murals

Meet your expert local guide and drive to Mexico City's historic center, passing numerous grand fountains and elegant buildings. Set out on an architectural walking tour of Mexico City's astonishing zócalo and the surrounding colonial architecture, including its majestic cathedral and the Templo Mayor Museum, exhibiting amazing Aztec artifacts. See outstanding colonial architecture and wonderful murals by Diego Rivera. Following a luncheon of Mexican specialties, walk through the iconic Palacio de Correos, a dramatic building completed in 1907 in predominantly the Spanish Renaissance Revival style. Pop into the Museum of Fine Arts, a phenomenal Art Deco building, with outstanding murals by David Siqueiros, José Clemente Orozco, Diego Rivera, and Rufino Tamayo. Stop at the unforgettable Museum of Popular Arts, located in a spectacular Art Deco firehouse. The museum promotes and preserves Mexican crafts and folk art and offers a wonderful insight into Mexican culture. Explore the vibrant exhibitions or enjoy free time in the museum's remarkable gift shop. Return to the hotel for relaxation or enjoy a shopping excursion to La Ciudadela, Mexico City's most beloved craft market. After time for relaxation, bid adiós to Mexico during an unforgettable farewell dinner at Filigrana, the city's most innovative restaurant run by renowned chef Martha Ortiz.

Sunday, February 23 Teotihuacán/ United States

Sofitel Mexico City Reforma (B, L, D)

Drive an hour to Teotihuacán and spend the morning exploring this remarkable UNESCO World Heritage Site. The Aztecs believed that the gods created the universe in this ancient city, which flourished as the epicenter of culture and commerce during Mesoamerica's Classic period. Thought to have had a population of about 200,000 inhabitants at its peak, the site was inhabited from around 200 B.C. until its collapse almost one thousand years later. Following an al fresco lunch at a restaurant near the ruins, proceed to Mexico City's airport to catch an evening flight back to the United States.

(B, L)

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Land Package Includes

Hotel: a total of four (4) hotel nights in luxury accommodations at the Sofitel Mexico City Reforma

Meals: a total of twelve (12) meals including:

- Four (4) buffet breakfasts at the hotel
- Four (4) lunches
- Three (3) dinners
- One (1) welcome reception
- Water, soft drinks, tea, coffee, and wine or beer at each lunch and dinner

Transportation:

- One (1) group airport transfer upon arrival from Mexico City Airport (MEX) to the Sofitel Mexico City Reforma on February 19.
- One (1) group airport transfer upon departure from the Sofitel Mexico City Reforma to the Mexico City Airport (MEX) via Teotihuacán on February 23.
- Private air-conditioned motorcoach for all land transportation as outlined in the itinerary.

Guides/Manager:

- Services of expert English-speaking guides to accompany the group for the duration of the tour
- Services of an ISDI Tour Manager for the duration of the tour

Miscellaneous:

- Entrance fees to all sites listed in the itinerary
- Bottled water on the motorcoach
- Handling of two (2) pieces of luggage per person upon arrival and departure at the Sofitel Mexico City Reforma
- Gratuities for guides, motorcoach drivers, porters, chambermaids, and restaurant staff at included meals
- Complete pre-departure documentation and materials, including a recommended reading list, destination information, and luggage tags

NOT INCLUDED: Airfare to and from Mexico City; airport transfers for those not taking the group transfers; activities marked as “optional” in the itinerary; travel extensions and transportation not included in the itinerary; personal items and services such as laundry, wines and liquors; gratuities to housekeeping staff at the hotels; excess airline baggage fees; any item of a personal nature and any item not specifically listed as included. Personal insurance for health, baggage, and tour cancellation also not included, but strongly recommended. ISDI will make tour-cancellation insurance easily available to all registrants.

Terms and Conditions / General Information

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TRAVELER HEALTH ADVISORY

Be advised that in some locations there will be days filled with strolling and walking on uneven streets or paths. Additionally, we will be traveling at high altitude. Consider this carefully before registering. This is an active tour. Please note, however, that the itinerary is carefully planned to minimize the effects of high altitude.

PAYMENT TERMS

An initial deposit of \$1,500 per participant is required to confirm registration to the tour, payable by credit card (Visa, MasterCard, or American Express) or by check payable to International Seminar Design, Inc. Final balance payment will be due on October 22, 2024 and must be paid by check only, payable to International Seminar Design, Inc. If final payments are received more than 14 days after due date, a 5% late fee will be applied to overdue balances.

INDIVIDUAL CANCELLATION TERMS

All cancellations must be received in writing by International Seminar Design, Inc. either directly from the traveler or via the Kimbell Art Museum. Any individual cancellation by October 22, 2024, will result in the deduction of a \$500 administrative fee from any refund (due in part to advance non-refundable hotel bookings which are required). Individual cancellations received between October 22 and December 26, 2024 will result in the deduction of \$2,500 from any refund. Cancellations on or after December 27, 2024 will result in no refund whatsoever. Partial refunds are not available for individual visits or meals. Once the tour has commenced, it is not possible to receive any refund of payment. Tour registrations are 100% nontransferable. ISDI will make tour-cancellation insurance easily available to all registrants.

RESPONSIBILITY

International Seminar Design, Inc. (“ISDI”) acts as the agent for the suppliers of services (including, but not limited to, air and ground transportation, meals, and lodging) provided in conjunction with the tour. ISDI is not liable for the negligent acts, omissions, defaults, or failure to perform of such suppliers. The Participant releases ISDI and the Kimbell Art Museum from any and all liability resulting from acts or omissions of the suppliers of services, including, but not limited to, loss, damage, delay or injury, or damage to Participant (including death) or Participant’s personal property. Nor do ISDI and the Kimbell Art Museum accept responsibility for losses or delays arising from sickness, quarantine, government restraints, war, acts of terrorism, weather conditions, earthquakes, or acts of God. In no event shall ISDI nor the Kimbell Art Museum’s liability exceed the amount received by ISDI from Participant.

ISDI has no special knowledge of problems or hazards regarding health or safety in the destinations visited by Participant. Participant agrees to assume full responsibility for his/ her safety during this tour and is advised that some destinations visited may involve risks of political instability, terrorism, social unrest, disease, and climatic extremes, as well as geographical and atmospheric extremes such as altitude and/or pollution, earthquakes, etc. Participant assumes all risks of damage or injury in connection with such risks and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless ISDI and the Kimbell Art Museum against any and all claims arising from Participant’s travel to such destinations. For additional information regarding hazards in specific destinations, Participant may consult the U.S. State Department and the Center for Disease Control.

Dates, schedules, program details, and costs stated by ISDI’s itinerary and brochure are given on good faith and based on information available at the time of publication of the brochure and are subject to change and revision at any time by ISDI. ISDI does not guarantee the rates of any suppliers and reserves the right to substitute alternate suppliers if deemed necessary by ISDI. ISDI and the Kimbell Art Museum reserve the right to change Participant’s itinerary if, in ISDI’s sole discretion, such change is advisable to protect Participant’s safety. No refund shall be due from ISDI nor the Kimbell Art Museum in conjunction with changes in rates or itineraries, substitution of suppliers, or Participant’s decision not to complete a tour itinerary. ISDI and the Kimbell Art Museum reserve the right to refuse to accept any Participant, cancel any tour at any time, or request a Participant to withdraw from a tour if, in ISDI’s sole discretion, such refusal, cancellation, and/or withdrawal are in the best interest of Participant or other tour Participants. Participants are encouraged not to purchase airline tickets until after receiving a letter stating that they are confirmed on the tour, and neither ISDI nor the Kimbell Art Museum accepts liability for any airline cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a nonrefundable domestic ticket to the tour departure cities and return. Baggage and personal effects are the sole responsibility of the owners at all times.

NOTE: A separate waiver/disclaimer for the Kimbell Art Museum/Kimbell Art Foundation will be submitted to each traveler and must be signed prior to tour commencement.

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Tour Cost/Reservation Form

Land Package \$4,995
Single Supplement \$1,195

Tour price is per person based on double occupancy with a minimum of 18 paying participants. Prices are based on quotes of April 2024 and are subject to slight increases. Participants are responsible for all aspects of their air arrangements to and from Mexico.
To reserve space, a deposit of \$1,500 per person is due immediately.

Final payment is due on or before October 22, 2024, and must be paid by check to International Seminar Design, Inc. Registrations will be prioritized based on first-received, and on a space-available basis. Note: This form may be copied.

Name(s):

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Telephone: (Home):

(Cell):

E-mail:

Number of people:

Occupancy:

Single Supplement

Double Occupancy

I will be sharing a room with: _____

Bed Preference:

King Bed Two Beds

I would like a roommate but am willing to pay the single supplement if one cannot be found.

Deposit Payment by:

- Check made payable to International Seminar Design, Inc. CK#_____
- Credit Card (please note that we accept only Visa and MasterCard for deposits. Final balance payments must be made by check.)

Credit Card Type: Visa Mastercard

Name as it appears on Card:

Credit Card Number:

Expiration Date:

The undersigned has read the tour itinerary and recognizes and accepts any risks thereof. The undersigned also understands and hereby agrees for and on behalf of his/her dependents, heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns to abide by the conditions set forth in the terms and conditions listed in the travel program packet and to release and hold harmless the Kimbell Art Museum and International Seminar Design, Inc. (ISDI) and any of their officers, trustees, agents, licensees, or representatives, from any and all liability for delays, injuries, or death or for the loss of or damage to his/her property occurring during any portion of, or in relation to, the tour. A separate waiver/disclaimer from the Kimbell Art Museum/Kimbell Art Foundation will be mailed to travelers prior to tour departure and must be signed prior to commencement of tour.

EACH PARTICIPANT MUST SIGN.

Signature:

Signature:

**Mail registration form and deposit payment (make all checks payable to
International Seminar Design, Inc) to:**

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Mexico Tour
3333 Camp Bowie Boulevard
Fort Worth, Texas 76107