



Society for Asian Art

Four Treasures: Taiwan, Shanghai, Suzhou and Hangzhou

April 7 - 21, 2019



Travel with the SAA for a two-week exploration of four iconic areas famous for Chinese art, culture, history and diverse cuisines. Accompanying us on this memorable trip is Dr. Jeffrey Riegel, the former UC Berkeley professor who led the terrific SAA 2013 China trip. Our planned itinerary starts in vibrant Taipei, continues to the beautiful mountainous northern area and then heads to the central part of the island. We then fly from Taipei to Shanghai where we experience what makes this city so special. Our journey continues with two nights each in Suzhou, “the Venice of the East”, and Hangzhou with its beautiful West Lake. We then return to Shanghai for a visit to a noted artist's studio and culminate our journey with a very special farewell dinner.

*****Tour Highlights*****

Taipei – 5 nights

- Visit the National Palace Museum Taipei and Southern Branch in Chiayi
- Drive to the mountain studio of celebrated ceramic artist, Ah Leon
- Explore the excitement filled Keelung Night Market
- Visit the Juming Sculpture Museum and the Yingge Ceramics Museum
- Walking tour of DaDaoCheng
- Visit the Museum of the Institute of History and Philology famed for its archeological collection

Shanghai – 4 nights

- Tour the world renowned Shanghai Museum
- See the French Concession, the Bund and Pudong area
- View the Shanghai Power Station of Art and the Glass Museum
- Visit the studio of Liu Jianhua, who created the Asian Art Museum's Collected Letters ceramic installation

Suzhou – 2 nights

- Tour the I.M. Pei designed Suzhou Museum
- See the Wuzhen Water Village and the “floating” Mu Xin Art Museum
- Explore two classical Chinese Gardens
- Visit the Confucius Temple
- Enjoy a night tour of the Master of Nets Garden

Hangzhou – 2 nights

- Tour the vast collections of the Zhejiang Provincial Museum
- Enjoy the West Lake and surrounding area
- Explore the Lingyin Temple known for its Buddhist grottos and rock carvings
- Visit the Liangzhu Museum which highlights the ancient jade culture
- Tour the China Academy of Art Xiangshan campus designed by Pritzker prize winning architect, Wang Shu

The Details:

\$6,000 (double occupancy, based on minimum group size of 20), Single Room Supplement \$1600

The tour cost includes

Not Included are:

Fourteen nights lodging

Airfare from the Bay Area to Taipei, Taiwan and return from Shanghai

Meals as specified in the itinerary

Transportation from and to airport

Travel to all planned sightseeing events

Any meals or items not listed on the itinerary

Museum entrance fees

Drinks other than water with meals

Curator and docent tour fees

Visa fees for China

Airfare from Taipei to Shanghai

Laundry, gratuities, and communication charges (phone, fax, wifi, internet)

Personal insurance for health, baggage, and trip cancellation

For more information, please call **Society for Asian Art: 415-581-3701**

Difficulty Level: CHALLENGING/DIFFICULT

This trip will involve walking for extended periods over uneven surfaces, climbing stairs without handrails and touring sites that are not handicap accessible. The trip itinerary is fast paced with long touring days and many full day excursions. Leisure time may be limited (sometimes only in the later evenings).

Health Requirements:

Travelers must be in very good health. Travelers must not have any physical or other limitations that would create a hazard for themselves or other participants or would require adjustments to the tour for other travelers. It is strongly suggested that you consult with your personal physician to see if you have any health concerns that might prevent you from active participation during this trip.

RESERVATION FORM

I would like to reserve _____ space(s) for the **Society for Asian Art's Four Treasures: Taiwan, Shanghai, Suzhou, Hangzhou tour.** (Please note you must be a member of the Society for Asian Art to go on this trip. If you are not currently a member, you may join or renew at the SAA website www.societyforasianart.org/membership.)

Enclosed is the deposit of \$500 per person, a total of \$_____. Please make checks payable to the Society for Asian Art and mail to Society for Asian Art, 200 Larkin Street, San Francisco, CA 94102.

Applications will be accepted by mail only and inclusion will be based on postmark date.

Your payment is refundable up to 60 days prior to departure less a \$250.00 per person cancellation fee.

Do NOT make any airline reservations until your trip participation is confirmed.

Proof of travel medical insurance is required for all trip participants.

Further details will be included in your registration confirmation email.

Personal Information:

Name (Participant 1): _____

Name (Participant 2): _____

Address: _____

Phone (1) Cell _____ Land Line _____

Phone (2) Cell _____ Land Line _____

Email (1) _____

Email (2) _____

Room Arrangements:

___ Single Supplement

___ Double Occupancy, I will be sharing a room with: _____

___ I would prefer a roommate, but will pay the single supplement if one is not available.

___ I/we would like additional nights to be booked at the hotel. Please specify dates: _____