Main Line School Night presents

Undiscovered Northern France & Belgium
Cultural Treasures, Iconic Battlefields, Historic Cities
April 24 - May 1, 2016
This cultural excursion through largely undiscovered corners of Northern France hinges on two revolutionary museums: the sleek, new Louvre Museum (2013) is reinvigorating the old mining hub of Lens, while the dynamic Centre Pompidou (2010) has drawn millions of cultural visitors to the post-industrial city of Metz. Visit both museums and learn about the remarkable transformations taking place. In Brussels, we will also have the chance to visit the Horta House Museum, a beautiful Art Nouveau masterpiece.

Gems such as Lille, Reims, Metz, and Nancy – often overlooked by casual travelers – offer many charms on this artistic and historic tour; from champagne tasting, to a visit of a historical villa, to a tour of a WWI American cemetery near Thiaucourt. Delicious regional cuisine complements the touring, as do quality four-star hotels, each located in the heart of these elegant European cities.

Enjoy the leadership, camaraderie and insights of long-time French Instructor and passionate Francophile Nancy Gabel.

Join us on this Main Line School Night-exclusive exploration for an unparalleled view of Northern France and Belgium. Space is limited, so sign up early!

Travel with a Main Line School Night Study Leader

Nancy Gabel

Nancy has been decorated by the French government, having received Les Palmes Académiques, in recognition of her efforts to promote French culture and language in the United States. Nancy is President of the Alliance Française de Philadelphie and gives tours in English and French at the Barnes Foundation.
Sun. 4/24: Departures for Brussels
Take independent flights to Brussels, Belgium.

Mon. 4/25: Arrivals in Brussels & Introduction to Lille
Upon arrival at the Brussels Airport (BRU), take a group transfer across the border to the Northern French city of Lille. Upon arrival in Lille, enjoy a welcome drink and snack before embarking on a walking tour of the historic district. Highlights include the Old Stock Exchange, the spacious and elegant Grande Place, and the upscale shops of the Rue de Bethune. This evening, gather for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant within walking distance from the hotel.

Hotel Bellevue, Lille (R, D)

Tue. 4/26: Louvre-Lens Museum
Travel to the former industrial center of Lens, passing the remarkable landscapes of the Nord-Pas-de-Calais mining basin, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Spend much of the day at the Louvre-Lens museum for an in-depth tour with a museum docent and view pieces from the Louvre’s collection spanning 75,000 square feet of galleries and storage areas. After lunch at the museum’s restaurant run by chef Marc Meurin, continue to the town of Croix. Take a guided tour of the Villa Cavrois, recently reopened as a National Monument following a 12-year €23m restoration and considered a rare masterpiece of architectural modernity. The villa was designed by Parisian architect Robert Mallet-Stevens between 1929 and 1932 for the northern textile industrialist Paul Cavrois and his classical bourgeois family. Return to Lille for an evening at your leisure.

Hotel Bellevue, Lille (B, L)

Wed. 4/27: Reims & Metz
Depart Lille and drive east to Reims, France’s historic center for royal coronations and home to the world’s most famous sparkling wines and champagne. Visit the city’s towering cathedral, a gothic masterpiece where the Kings of France were crowned, and walk through the beautiful streets to admire the city’s various Art Deco buildings. Enjoy lunch at a traditional brasserie in Metz, then indulge in a guided tour and tasting at one of the city’s most
prestigious champagne houses. Continue to Metz and check-in at our centrally located hotel.

*Hotel La Citadelle, Metz (B, L)*

**Thu. 4/28: Metz & Saint Mihiel Battlefield**

In the morning, discover the “Garden City” of Metz on a guided walking tour. Stop at the Gothic cathedral of Saint Etienne, which contains the world’s largest expanse of stained glass windows, designed by Marc Chagall and other prominent artists. After time for an independent lunch, drive to the outskirts of Thiaucourt to visit the World War I cemetery containing the graves of 4,153 American soldiers who died in the 1918 Battle of Saint Mihiel. Gain insight into the attack at the Saint Mihiel Salient, which was one of the first U.S. solo offensives in World War I and helped turn the tide of The Great War. Visit sights around the battlefield including the American Monument at Montsec. Return to Metz and spend the remainder of the day at your leisure.

*Hotel La Citadelle, Metz (B)*

**Fri. 4/29: Centre Pompidou Metz & Nancy**

The entire morning is dedicated to visiting the stunning Centre Pompidou-Metz, designed by Shigeru Ban and Jean de Gastines and opened in 2010. Admire the fine modern and contemporary art works on display. After lunch at a local restaurant, drive to Nancy, the cosmopolitan capital of the Lorraine region. Famous for its urban elegance, the city features unexpectedly lavish monuments from the stately 18th century as well as the Art Nouveau period. Begin at the Place Stanislas, one of the prettiest town squares in France, laid out in the 1700’s. Enter the Museum of Fine Arts, one of the oldest museums in France created in 1793, and view its permanent collections of the highest caliber. Continue to the École de Nancy Museum, the only museum in France dedicated to the Art Nouveau movement founded in 1901 by several notable artists including Émile Gallé, Victor Prouvé and Eugène Vallin. Take a guided tour through the garden-townhouse built by Eugene Corbin, an early patron of the School of Nancy, and admire the original works of art by local Art Nouveau glass makers and artisans. Return to Metz for an evening at your leisure.

*Hotel La Citadelle, Metz (B, L)*
Sat. 4/30: Departures from Metz to Brussels
Depart Metz and drive to Brussels. Upon arrival in Brussels enjoy time for an independent lunch at a typical Belgian restaurant of your choice by the elegant Grand Place. Continue with a guided walking tour of the elegant Grand Place followed by a tour of the city’s most famous Art Nouveau masterpiece, the Horta House Museum. Later, check in at the centrally located Hotel Dominican and gather for a farewell dinner at a nearby local restaurant to celebrate the end of our journey.

Hotel Dominican, Brussels (B, D)

Sun. 5/1: Departures for United States
Following breakfast at the hotel, take independent transfers to the Brussels airport for independent flights returning to the United States.

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Optional Post-Tour Extension to Paris
May 1 - 4, 2016
Take the opportunity to spend three-days exploring the art, history, fashion and gastronomy of Paris with the leadership of Nancy Gabel. This package includes the essentials for your sojourn in the City of Lights: a transfer Brussels to Paris and to the CDG airport upon departure, three-star deluxe accommodations at the Hotel Saint Germain located within walking distance to a host of museums, as well as a three-day city transport pass. Discover the hidden treasures and notable venues of the city with the company and guidance of Main Line School Night Study Leader Nancy Gabel.

REGISTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AS SPACE IS LIMITED!
For questions or more information:
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TRIP INFORMATION

Main Tour Dates
April 24 - May 1, 2016

Paris Post Tour Extension Dates
May 1 - 4, 2016

Activity Level
Easy to moderate; standing and walking for up to two hours at a time.

Main Tour Price
Land only package: ........................................ $3,995
Single supplement: ........................................... $595

*Tour price is per person based on double occupancy, with a minimum of 15 paying participants. Land prices are calculated as of June 2015 and are subject to change.

Paris Post Tour Extension Price
Land only package: ........................................  $1,295
Single supplement: ............................................ $495

*Tour price is per person based on double occupancy, with a minimum of 15 paying participants for the main tour and 8 paying participants for the post tour extension to Paris. Land prices are calculated as of June 2015 and are subject to change.

Payment
A deposit of $1,000 per paying participant will be required to guarantee participation in the program. This may be paid by check, or by Visa or Master Card. Final Payment will be invoiced and is due by Monday, January 18, 2016 by check only. Registrations will be accepted beyond this date on a space available basis with payment in full by check only.

Air Arrangements
International and U.S. domestic airfare are not included in the package cost. Participants are responsible for all aspects of their air arrangements, round-trip into and out of Brussels, Belgium.

Terms & Conditions
International Seminar Design, Inc. (ISDI) acts only as an agent for the participant with respect to transportation, accommodations, and all other services relating to this tour. ISDI, Main Line School Night, and/or their agents assume no responsibility or liability for any act, error or omission, or for any injury, loss, accident, delay or irregularity, which may be caused by any defect in any aircraft, ship, train, bus, or other carrier, or through neglect or default of any subcontractor or other third party, which may be used wholly or in part in the performance of their duty to the participants of the tour. ISDI and Main Line School Night reserve the right to cancel any tour prior to departure for any reason including insufficient numbers of participants, as well as the right to decline to accept or retain any person as a member of the tour at any time. If bookings fall below the minimum required, passengers will be advised of additional costs or itinerary alterations before departure date. If ISDI or Main Line School Night cancel the tour, active registrants will receive a full refund of all tour payments.

Cancellations and Refunds
All cancellations must be received in writing by ISDI, and are subject to a non-refundable administrative fee of $500 per person. Written cancellation received by ISDI on or before January 18, 2016: full refund minus $500 per person administrative fee. Written cancellation received by ISDI on or between January 19 and March 11, 2016: 50% of tour cost per person. Cancellations received on or after March 12: no refund. After the tour has commenced, it is not possible to issue any refunds. No refunds can be issued for occasional missed meals or sightseeing tours. No refunds for any unused portion of the tour. If due to weather, flight schedules, or other uncontrollable factors you are required to spend an additional night, you will be responsible for your own hotel, transfers, and meal costs. Tour cancellation-interruption insurance is strongly recommended. ISDI will provide a confirmation letter and travel insurance application which will be mailed upon receipt of your deposit. In the case of cancellation, substitutions are not accepted. The tour cost is non-transferable. A package of cancellation, baggage, and medical insurance is strongly recommended.

Travel Insurance
Main Line School Night and ISDI strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation insurance. Travel insurance information will be sent by ISDI upon tour registration. In the event that you must cancel your participation in a travel program, trip cancellation insurance may be the only source of reimbursement.

Main Tour Price Inclusions
6 nights accommodations as outlined in the itinerary; breakfast daily, 3 lunches, 2 dinners, 1 reception: water, soft drinks, coffee and tea included with each lunch and dinner, 2 glasses of wine per person at the welcome and farewell meals; one group airport transfer on arrival in Brussels; land transportation by private motor coach as outlined; bottled water on private motor coach; entrance fees to all sites listed in the itinerary; expert local English speaking guides to accompany sightseeing tours; services of an ISDI Tour Manager; gratuities to local guides and drivers; taxes, services and porterage fees.
Paris Post Tour Extension Inclusions
1 group transfer from the Hotel Dominican in Brussels to Hotel Saint Germain in Paris, 1 group transfer from the Hotel Saint Germain in Paris to the CDG Airport upon departure, 1 three-day Paris transport pass, 3 nights accommodations in Superior rooms at the Hotel Saint Germain in Paris, breakfast daily, gratuities to motor coach drivers for transfers, porterage fees, bottled water on motor coach transfers.

Main Tour Prices Exclude
Airfare, airline taxes, and fuel surcharges; airport transfer upon departure from Brussels; airport porterage; excursions, activities, or meals during traveler’s free time; personal items; personal services; travel extensions; personal insurance for health, baggage and tour cancellation; passport fees; gratuities for chambermaids.

Paris Post Tour Extension Price Excludes
Airfare, airline taxes, and fuel surcharges; airport porterage; entrance fees to museums and other sites, local guide services, meals (except daily breakfast), personal items; personal services; travel extensions; personal insurance for health, baggage and tour cancellation; passport fees; gratuities for chambermaids.
Enclosed is my credit card info or deposit by check made payable to International Seminar Design, Inc. in the amount of $1,000 per person.

Complete and return registration form by mail, fax or email to:
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PARTICIPANT 1 FULL NAME: ____________________________  PARTICIPANT 2 FULL NAME: ____________________________

ADDRESS (Billing if using credit card for payment):

CITY: ____________________  STATE: ___________  ZIP: ___________

DAYTIME TELEPHONE: _________________________  E-MAIL ADDRESS: ___________________________

# OF PERSONS / AMOUNT ENCLOSED / PAYMENT METHOD: ____________________________

NAME AS IT APPEARS ON CARD / CREDIT CARD NUMBER / EXPIRATION DATE (MM/YYYY)

☐ Sign me/us up for the Paris Post-Tour Extension ($1,295 per person / $495 single supplement)

☐ Double Occupancy; I will share a room with __________________________

☐ Single Supplement ($595)

☐ I would like a roommate but will pay the Single Supplement of $595 if one cannot be found.

EACH PARTICIPANT MUST SIGN:
The undersigned has read the tour itinerary and recognizes and accepts any risks therein. 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 this brochure and to release and hold harmless Main Line School Night and International Seminar Design, Inc (ISDI) and any of their officers, trustees, agents, licenses, or representatives, from any and all liability for delays, injuries, or death or for the loss of and/or damage to his/her property however occurring during any portion of, or in relation to, this tour.

SIGNATURE PARTICIPANT 1 / DATE: ____________________  SIGNATURE PARTICIPANT 2 / DATE: ____________________

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