



Cuba: Heart & Soul Experience with guest artist/photographer, Deadra Bryant
Havana/Old Havana, Cienfuegos/Trinidad de Cuba, Santa Clara/Cayo Santa Maria
December 1-9, 2018



Peace thru Culture (PtC) Global Travel “for a cause” is a fundraiser for our youth scholarship fund. Our travel experience is an in depth look of Cuba, its culture and some of the most breath taking sites. We have organized this experience since 2012 and have perfected every detail! **Guest artist and photographer, Deadra Bryant** will work with everyone including photographers and novice picture takers to “get the shot” and to understand the nuances of art through the lens, while experiencing the rich culture of Cuba.

Starting in Havana with all its grandeur, history of raw culture you immediately sense the heart of Cuba. Engage with people, fascinating artist and experts that bring the culture of Cuba to life! Viva la Cuba! We take a break from the city with a day trip to Vinales to experience the, farm culture, prehistoric views and people of the countryside.

The next three cities Cienfuegos, Trinidad, and Santa Clara will enlighten you of the history, afro Cubans and traditions through various music, dance and art styles. Our final stop, Cayo Santa Maria allows you to experience cultures and sustainable practices of local conservation organizations and efforts of the Cuban people to protect precious resources of the Caribbean Sea. This experience is an opportunity to visit many of Cuba’s UNESCO World Heritage Sites, historical and culture of the African diaspora.



Havana Culture Experience @ A Glance

- Roundtrip Air Transportation to Cuba from Miami or Fort Lauderdale
- 9 Days/8 Nights @ 4 Star Accommodations (Double Occupancy – **Up Charge for Single \$900**)
- Deluxe Private Ground Transportation in Cuba
- Meal Plan – Fine Dining (Breakfast Daily, 8 Lunches, 4 Dinners)
- Mandatory Medical Insurance, Entry Taxes & Visa Fees
- Cultural Experiences, Excursions and Adventures (Art, Music, Dance & Culinary Arts)
- Gratuities for Services Provided by Tour Guides, Transportation Company and Meals Only
- PtC Experience Leader (Personal Assistant) & Cuban Experience Guides (Culture and History)
- Tax Deductible Contribution to PtC Youth Program –“travel for a cause”

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9 Days – 8 Nights



Day 1: Havana & Old Havana

Travelers will check into their accommodations and meet up for lunch and overview with our Cuba Experience team to set the stage for our Cuba experience. Deadra Bryant will host an art/photography briefing. The next stop is the exploration of the community re-designed by artist Jose Fuester “aka” Fuesterlandia. Following, we will enjoy a walking tour of the UNESCO world heritage site “Old Havana”. Travelers will visit architecture, famous haunts of Hemingway, and learn about the rich culture of Cuba’s past. Our evening will conclude with dinner at a “paladar” with culinary temptations prepared by skilled chefs. **(lunch and dinner)**

Day 2: Havana & Guanabacoa

Our day starts with a ride in vintage classic cars with local professor of the University of Habana and an original tour based on her upbringing in the community of Guanabacoa. Professora Adriana leads us into her community to experience the history and modern day practice of Santaria. After lunch, *photographers and enthusiast will convene with Deadra for photos beyond the tour.* This afternoon is on your own and a great time to explore the Artisan Market and Old Havana. **(breakfast and lunch)**

Day 3: Havana & Vinales

Discover the scenic beauty of the Viñales Valley National Park on a guided tour from Havana. We will visit a local tobacco factory, marvel at plantations, cruise the Cueva del Indio by boat, stop for lunch in a local restaurant, and more. *Deadra will assist photographers and enthusiast with style and technique with the lens.* The evening activities are *optional and we are available to assist with the many decisions! **(breakfast and lunch)**

Day 4: Havana

Our final day in Havana is a day to discover and re-visit places we have visited along our travels. The Museum of Art or the Museum of the Revolution, Callejon de Hamel, a walk on the Malecon, and/or a stroll through Old Havana. Later this evening we will meet up to see the famed Buena Vista Social Club cultural show and night salsa dancing. **(breakfast and lunch)**

Day 5: Havana – Cienfuegos/Trinidad de Cuba

The time has come to depart from Havana. We will make a few stops along the way to Trinidad to explore historical sites such as the “Bay of Pigs” and a museum of the most recent battles of Cuba. Following we will have lunch and an opportunity to see the architecture of Cienfuegos and Castillo de Nuestra Señora de los Angeles de Jagua. Our next hotel is located in Trinidad, where we will have time to explore local culinary and music for a relaxing evening on your own. **(breakfast and lunch)**

Day 6: Trinidad de Cuba

We will visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Trinidad located in the Province of Sancti Spíritus Cuba. The day includes a cultural show that highlights the music and dance of the African diaspora, nearby historic sites and shopping. Lunch will be served at a sugar cane plantation or rum factory to connect with an important history of Cuba. The evening is on your own to explore local culture and dance. *Deadra will host a special session for photographers and enthusiasts with a local artist in the afternoon.* **(breakfast & lunch)**

Day 7: Trinidad & Santa Clara/Cayo Santa Maria

Our departure after breakfast will take us to our next destination, the town of Santa Clara. We will visit the Che Guever Mausoleum and Monument, followed by lunch at a local “paladar” in the town of Santa Clara. We will depart for the UNESCO World Biosphere Cayo Santa Maria and our new resort hotel for another prospective of Cuba. **(breakfast, lunch and dinner)**

Day 8: Cayo Santa Maria

This day is on your own to reflect on the numerous experiences, rest and enjoy the UNESCO World Biosphere. A special photography session will be hosted by Deadra Bryant. The resort also offers additional tours, cultural shows and more. Many activities are complimentary at the resort, and others are optional with a fee.

(breakfast, lunch and dinner)

Day 9: Cayo Santa Maria- Santa Clara – United States

Our Cuba Heart and Soul Experience ends on this day and we will depart from Santa Clara airport for return flights to the United States. **(breakfast)**

Our Expertise & Connections

... unique cultural travel experiences

Peace thru Culture (PtC) Global Travel team has over 15 years of experience in tourism, event planning and university study abroad. PtC Global Travel’s unique program design and offerings are well planned, engaging and flexible. A perfect balance of relaxation, adventure and education to allow the authentic culture of each destination to become an integral part of the travel experience. Peace thru Culture has organized several US Government approved Cuba experiences to meet current laws with several unique “people to people” exchanges.

Travel for a Cause

... up to 25% tax deduction

By selecting PtC Global Travel “For a Cause” as your travel experience provider, you are also supporting Peace thru Culture, a 501(c) 3 organization that provides global education programs to youth from under resourced communities.

Payment Options

... priceless travel experiences, affordable payment options

Experience Costs: Double - \$3,500 or \$2,975 (15% Discount if You Pay Deposit by July 30th)

Single - \$ 3,500 + \$900 Surcharge/\$4,400 or \$3,740 (15% Discount-Pay Deposit by July 30th)

Payment Options:

A deposit of \$500 is required to reserve your space and is non-refundable unless the organizer cancels the trip.

- Installment payments are accepted. 50% of the trip total is due 90 days in advance of trip and the balance or final payments are due within 45 days of the trip.

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