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Introduction

*At the invitation of the Shanghai Workers' Center for International Exchange (SWCIE) in Shanghai, Pacific Northwest artists **Carol Gouthro** and **Micaela Willis**, will lead a VIP networking program for ceramics artists supported by the Chinese Government.*

Carol and Miki will bring together Chinese contemporary artists and their North American counterparts to exchange ideas and information. This is a unique opportunity to make personal connections with arts educators and contemporary artists in China.

The program will include visits to the cities of Beijing, Xi'an, Jingdezhen and Shanghai. Build unforgettable memories and valuable alliances while exploring the art and cultural heritage of China.

Connect to China's contemporary ceramic art scene through:

- Exchanges with artists, designers & curators
- Visits to museums, galleries & design studio workshops
- Presentations at art residencies, universities & institutes
- Experience cultural events, historical sites and more!

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Following is a preliminary schedule of this exchange program.

*Professional forums will be **customized** to reflect the goals and composition of the exchange team, and may include but are not limited to: meetings and interaction with Chinese artists in classrooms, art studios, galleries, and in scenic locations.*

Friday, May 7, 2010 – Depart for Beijing

- Flight from the US to Beijing

Saturday, May 8, 2010 – Arrive in Beijing

- Late afternoon arrival in Beijing
- Check-in at the hotel
- Dinner

Sunday, May 9, 2010 – Beijing

- Breakfast
- **Explore:** Visit to the **Panjiayuan Antique Market**.
Founded in 1995 on 50 acres, it is the largest antique and crafts market in China. There are about 3,000 booths and stores, which sell paintings, furniture, ceramics, jades, jewels, etc., including many cultural relics from Chinese minorities and western countries.
- Lunch
- **Explore:** Visit to the **Summer Palace**
The Summer Palace: Constructed in 1888 by the erratic and Machiavellian Empress Dowager Ci Xi, with funds originally intended for the Imperial Navy. Visit Kunming Lake, Marble Boat, Longevity Hill, Painted Gallery and much more.
- **Explore:** Visit the **Beijing Hutongs**.
A hutong is an ancient city alley or lane typical in Beijing. You will love these charming alleyways crisscrossing east-west across the city.
- Dinner

Monday, May 10, 2010 – Beijing

- Breakfast
- **Explore:** Visit the **Great Wall of China**
The wall remains one of man's most remarkable accomplishments. The wall's construction began during the Warring States Period (403-221 BC), when separate sections were built in scattered

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strategic areas. Following China's unification under the first Qin emperor, Qin Shi Huangdi (221-206 BC), 300,000 men, many who were political prisoners whose bodies are buried in the wall, were put to work connecting the segments into one huge rampart of stone and earth.

- Lunch
- **Explore:** Visit to the **Tiananmen Square**, the **Forbidden City** (also known as the Imperial Palace or Palace Museum) and its breathtaking **Ceramic Museum**.
The Forbidden City is an abiding symbol of the traditional China, and formerly housed the emperor. Located in the heart of the city, the 9999-room complex covers 250 acres. Many governmental artworks are on display at the National Palace Museum.
- Dinner
- **Cultural Exchange:** Peking Opera performance with backstage visit

Tuesday, May 11, 2010 – Beijing to Xi'an

- Breakfast
- **Professional Forum:** Visit to the **Central Academy of Fine Arts** to meet with professors and students, details TBA
- Lunch
- **Professional Forum:** Visit to the **798 Contemporary Art District** to meet with artists and galleries, details TBA
- Dinner
- Depart for Xi'an

Wednesday, May 12, 2010 – Xi'an

- Breakfast
- **Cultural Exchange:** Visit the **Terra-Cotta Warriors Museum**, with a lecture about the site, TBD. If possible, visit to a workshop where warriors are made will be arranged.
Since 1979 visitors can admire over 10,000 life-size terra-cotta warriors, horses and many other metal weapons and objects that were excavated from three pits.
- Lunch
- **Explore:** Visit the **Shaanxi History Museum**
- **Explore:** Visit to the **Muslim Quarter**
- Dinner
- **Cultural Exchange:** Chinese traditional music and dance show with the performers in the costumes of Tang Dynasty

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Thursday, May 13, 2010 – Xi'an to Jingdezhen

- Breakfast
- **Professional Forum: Fuping Ceramic Art Village**
The village is a cultural center that combines ceramic art studios, restaurants, and entertainment. There are 15 Banpo-style ceramic studio buildings with many pottery wheels and a 60 meters long gas kiln.
- Lunch
- Afternoon flight to Jingdezhen
- Dinner

Friday, May 14, 2010 – Jingdezhen

- Breakfast at the hotel.
- **Professional Forum:** Visit the **Jingdezhen Ceramic Institute**, details TBA
- Lunch
- **Explore:** Visit to the old town
- Free afternoon for activities of your choice
- Dinner

Saturday, May 15, 2010 – Jingdezhen

- Breakfast
- **Professional Forum:** Visit to the **Pottery Workshop**, details TBA
- Lunch
- **Professional Forum:** Visit to a large pot factory with blue & white painting process, and other local factories, details TBA
- Dinner

Sunday, May 16, 2010 – Jingdezhen

- Breakfast
- **Explore:** Visit to the Yaoli Village
- Lunch
- **Explore:** Continued visit to the Yaoli Village
- Dinner

Monday, May 17, 2010 – Jingdezhen to Shanghai

- Breakfast
- **Explore:** Visit to the Sanbao Village, details TBA
- Lunch
- **Professional Forums:** Visit to local factories and artisan studios
- Depart for Shanghai
- Dinner

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Tuesday, May 18, 2010 – Shanghai

- Breakfast
- **Explore:** Visit the **Shanghai Art Museum**
The three- story Shanghai Art Museum houses the finest art collections in all of China, including bronzes, ceramics, seals, pottery, calligraphy scrolls, stone sculptures, ancient furniture, and minority costumes.
- Lunch
- **Professional Forum:** Visit to **M50**, a textile factory transformed into a **contemporary art district**
- Dinner
- **Explore:** Visit to the Bund

Wednesday, May 19, 2010 – Shanghai

- Breakfast
- **Professional Forum:** Visit the **Pottery Workshop**, details TBA
- Lunch
- **Professional Forum:** Meet Guang Hui Chen at **Shanghai University**, details TBA
- Dinner

Thursday, May 20, 2010 – Shanghai (day trip to Suzhou)

Suzhou is famous for its gardens, which are looked upon as works of art, as well as for its silk production.

- Breakfast
- Depart to Suzhou
- **Explore:** Visit Suzhou's Silk Museum
- Lunch
- **Explore:** Visit the **Garden of the Master of the Nets** (Wangshi Yuan), the **Tiger Hill** and the **Lingering Garden**
- Dinner
- Depart to Shanghai

Friday, May 21, 2010 – Return to the US

- Breakfast
- Depart for the US

Please note:

Schedule times, flight times and flight numbers are subject to change. The program may be adjusted should the flight schedules be changed by the airlines.

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Included:

- 13 nights accommodation in three and four star hotels (travel region permitting)
- Breakfasts, lunches and dinners daily, soft drinks and tea included
- Transfers and transportation by deluxe motorcoach, train, and airplane within China, and airport taxes within China
- Extensive sightseeing
- Tickets to designated exhibits and performances
- Experienced English-speaking interpreters and tour guides
- Professional event arrangements with your Chinese counterparts
- Comprehensive documents (detailed itinerary, local maps, etc.)
- Basic travel and medical insurance within China
- Chinese travel visa
- Journal to document your professional exchange program for potential tax deduction (check with your tax advisor)

Not Included:

- International Airfare
- Supplementary limit travel/medical insurance (highly recommended)

Fees and Payment Schedule:

- \$ 4,699 per person/double occupancy
- \$ 5,349 per person/single occupancy

A **nonrefundable deposit* of \$1,000 is due on March 12, 2010** with final payment due by **April 9, 2010**. Only personal checks or money orders are accepted for deposit payments. **Final payment** can be made with cash, check, money order, Visa, or MasterCard. *Discounts apply to some forms of final payments, details below.*

NOTE: Final payment made with checks or money order qualifies for \$150 discount. Registrations received by 2/11/2010 qualify for \$100 Early Registration discount.**

If you are traveling alone and wish to share a room, we'll try to help you find a roommate. However, in the event that a roommate cannot be found you will be charged for single occupancy.

* Please see "Terms and Conditions" for more information. Register early since space is limited. Fee and payment schedules are subject to change. WTE reserves the right to cancel the program if minimum enrollment targets are not met (full deposit will be refunded). Valid passport required.

** All discounts will be applied to your final payment.

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Terms and Conditions

Please read all terms and conditions before booking. By reserving your travel with WTE you agree to all terms and conditions set forth below:

Important:

Neither WTE or WTE Representative owns, manages, controls or operates any transportation vehicle, hotel, resort, cruise ship, restaurant or other service supplier and neither of the aforementioned parties is responsible for the acts or omissions of such suppliers.

How To Make A Booking:

Bookings are confirmed on a first-come, first-served basis. Early reservations are recommended. Upon receipt of payment and of the registration form signed by the customer, WTE will contact participating service provider for reservations. Bookings will only be confirmed if payments are received in accordance with the payments section. Please see payment schedule on "WTE, Inc. Registration Form".

Nonrefundable deposit* amounts per person:

Nonrefundable deposit is due in the amount and on the date listed on the "WTE, Inc. Registration Form". WTE reserves the right to cancel a booking when final payment is not received within 5 days of its due date. A non-refundable deposit implies that a client is reserving a space in the program, and unless and until WTE receives a notice of cancellation, it is assumed the client will actually travel.

Acceptable forms of payment: Credit card, money order, personal check unless listed otherwise (A fee of \$30 will be applied to every non-sufficient funded check.)

* Deposit is fully refundable in the event WTE cancels the program.

Cancellations:

If you intend to cancel, please notify WTE immediately. Cancellation charges will be calculated from the date WTE receives notice of cancellation. WTE highly recommends you purchase an optional Trip Cancellation Insurance to cover for your expenses in case you need to cancel your travel plans.

If WTE cancels the program, all program costs you paid WTE will be fully refunded.

Cancellation charges*:

- 35 days or more prior to departure: Full refund less nonrefundable deposit, advances made on bookings of travel services, and any cancellation charges by travel suppliers, and a \$60 handling fee.
- 34 days to 10 days prior to departure: 50% refund of total price** less nonrefundable deposit, advances made on bookings of travel services, and any cancellation charges by travel suppliers, and a \$60 handling fee.**
- Less than 10 days prior to departure: 100% of total price**

* The cancellation charge is to compensate WTE prepayments made on advance bookings of travel services and for administrative costs incurred in processing a cancellation and is a genuine estimate thereof, not a penalty.

** Total price is all money due and/or paid to WTE.

Changes to a Booking:

A passenger wishing to change a booking must notify WTE more than 45 days before the date of departure. An administration charge of \$60 per booking plus any charges by travel suppliers will be applied. Changes and/or corrections will not be accepted within 45 days of departure or after departure.

Special Requests:

Special requests, for example concerning room locations, adjoining rooms, bed preferences, in-flight meal requirements, in-flight seating requirements, etc., cannot be guaranteed by WTE or WTE Representative. While WTE and WTE Representative will attempt to accommodate such special requests, neither WTE nor WTE Representative can be held responsible if such special requests remain unsatisfied.

Children:

Please contact us if you plan to bring children under 16 years of age on the trip.

Customs and Immigration:

Customs and/or immigration officials can, at their own discretion, deny the passenger entry into their country. Neither WTE nor WTE Representative can be held responsible for a denial of entry under any circumstances, and refunds will not be provided.

Documentation:

It is the passenger's responsibility to obtain, at his or her own expense, all documentation required by all relevant government authorities (with the exception of travel visa which will be arranged by WTE). It is suggested that prior to departure, the passenger learn which documentation is required. In the event that the passenger does not possess the documentation required by the destination or the carrier, the carrier reserves the right to refuse passage and neither WTE nor WTE Representative will provide a refund in this instance.

Tickets:

Tickets will be handed to you at a pre-tour meeting or mailed by a courier that will require your signature. All tickets are valid only for the flight purchased and cannot be exchanged for other flights. A charge of \$50 will be applied for the reissue of any ticket documentation.

Flights and Carriers:

All flight times, flight itineraries and carriers are subject to change, with or without prior notice. We recommend that you contact the airline within 24 hours of departure to confirm your departure time. Neither WTE nor WTE Representative can be held responsible if you miss your flight or are not allowed to board.

Connecting Flights:

Passengers connecting with WTE flights are advised to allow ample time between flights. If you are coming directly from another country to take your flight, you must have sufficient time to clear immigration, pick up your luggage, change terminals, register your luggage and sign in. WTE recommends an overnight stay for those operating according to a tight schedule. Neither WTE nor WTE Representative can accept any responsibility for additional charges incurred for air fares or other expenses resulting from irregular airline operations which lead to changes to flight times and/or subsequent misconnections. It is highly recommended that all clients take out travel and trip cancellation insurance.

The WTE and WTE Representative:

The WTE and/or WTE representative will meet you upon your arrival at the destination. If you have any queries or problems, please contact your representative. Please address your complaints to the WTE and/or WTE representative immediately - do not wait until you return home.

Accommodations and Services:

Neither WTE nor WTE Representative can be held responsible if some of the services, bonus features, facilities, or actual quality of services, bonus features, or facilities described in this brochure cease to be available, are not operating or fail for any reason. Hotels may remove or alter some facilities without notice, usually for purposes of ongoing maintenance and improvement. All hotel rooms offered by WTE or WTE Representative are contracted on a "run-of-the-house" basis. No guarantees can be provided with regard to specific requirements concerning room location and other special requests, and in most cases, the satisfaction of special requests cannot be confirmed prior to departure.

Refunds and Pricing:

No refunds or adjustments will be made for segments of the services not taken or used. All prices, unless otherwise stated, are per person fares based on two adults sharing a hotel room. All prices advertised in this brochure are quoted in American dollars. Prices include transportation taxes and/or fees.

Special-Needs Passengers:

Neither WTE nor WTE Representative can guarantee that airports, coaches, transfer vehicles and accommodations will be wheelchair accessible. Services required for passengers with special needs are not included in the package price and may not be available.

Increase in Costs:

The prices advertised in this brochure are based on fixed costs at the time of their publication. Prices are dependent on fuel costs, rates of exchange and other factors. Should these costs increase, WTE reserves the right to increase the price of services being offered. Should the price increase be greater than 7%, the consumer has the right to cancel the contract for the travel service and obtain a full refund of all amounts paid to WTE less any applicable cancellation charges by travel suppliers and \$60 handling fee, unless the price increase is the result of government taxation or a fuel surcharge approved by a transportation agency. Every effort will be made to advise customer of any price increase at least 15 days prior to their departure date.

Compliance:

The client agrees to comply with any reasonable instructions issued by WTE and/or WTE Representative or its

representative in relation to the Exchange. The passenger waives any claim against WTE and/or WTE Representative for loss, damages or injury incurred for any reason as a result of the providing of any of the services offered in this brochure.

Interpretation of the Contract:

This contract, regardless of where it is applied, shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington, and in accordance with the international conventions and agreements contained herein. Notice: No agent or representative of WTE has the authority to modify or waive any provisions of these terms and conditions. In the event of any dispute arising out of this agreement, such dispute shall be resolved through a single arbitrator in King County, WA under the rules of the American Arbitration Association with a prevailing party entitled to receive all costs and reasonable attorney fees.

Acknowledgment:

The passenger hereby acknowledges having read and accepted these terms and conditions. WTE has the sole right to accept or reject any registration form, and such acceptance, when granted, shall occur at WTE corporate office.

Claims:

The passenger agrees that any claim filed against WTE or WTE Representative shall be made by the passenger in writing and received by WTE no later than 30 days after the event causing the claim. Claims or demands made more than 30 days after the event in question will not be acknowledged or considered. Claims must be in writing and sent by registered mail to the address of WTE prior to the initiation of any legal proceeding and under no circumstances shall anyone claim from WTE any amount in excess of the actual costs of their trip.

Cancellation of Services:

In the event that certain services are cancelled, WTE and WTE Representative will have no responsibility beyond an obligation to refund all monies received by WTE. Such a refund will be deemed to constitute full settlement.

Photography of the delegation:

WTE reserves the right to take photographs throughout the duration of the delegation or part thereof, and to use the resulting photographs to promote WTE services. By booking a delegation with WTE, delegation members agree to allow their images to be used in such photographs. Delegation members who prefer that their images not be used are asked to identify themselves to the delegation leader at the beginning of the tour.

Miscellaneous:

The information appearing in this brochure supersedes all previously published information.

Notice to Travelers:

Travelers should be aware that different living standards and practices might exist outside of the United States, including but not limited to, provision of utilities (i.e. water and electricity), accommodations, services of all kinds, food preparation, and water quality. Neither WTE nor WTE Representative shall be responsible for any loss, damages, injury or inconvenience resulting from different living standards and practices that are encountered outside of the United States.

Suppliers:

WTE, WTE Representatives and their representatives do not assume any liability for any injury, damage, loss, accident or delay to any person or property because of any act, failure to act, or default on the part of any of the suppliers, or any other person beyond our control

Client Proclamation:

By booking travel with WTE I proclaim that I have read all information pertaining to the WTE travel program including the "Terms and Conditions" and I understand and recognize the dangers and hazards inherent in foreign travel. I hereby state that I am in good physical health and have no physical condition that would limit my ability to participate. I, my heirs, estate, and personal representatives agree to release WTE from liability and will hold harmless, indemnify, release and discharge WTE, its officers, directors, employees, agents and insurers, from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, or causes of actions on account of any damage, personal injury including death that may result from my participation in this program.

I have read this release, understand it fully, understand that it is legally binding, and understand that, among other things, I agree to and indemnify WTE for injuries, damage or losses I cause and waive rights to claim or sue WTE for injuries, damages, or losses I may incur.

WTE, Inc. ► Registration Form

Registering is Easy:

1. Fill out both pages of this registration form and sign on page 2
2. Mail the form together with your deposit check payment to
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Last Name (As it appears in your passport)			First Name (As it appears in your passport)			Middle Initial		
Street Address						Appt. #		
City			State			ZIP		
Email Address			Date of Birth			Place of Birth		
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Work Phone Number			Extension			Home Phone Number		
Passport Number			Country of Issue			Expiration Date		
Emergency Contact:						Phone Number		
I will share a room with: _____								

Enclosed is my payment to reserve _____ space(s) for the "VIP Ceramic Artist Exchange Program to China", May 7-21, 2010

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NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT:*

	# of Participants	TOTAL:
Due on March 12, 2010 to reserve space(s)	\$1,000 x _____	\$ _____

SPECIAL DISCOUNTS!

Registrations received by **February 11, 2010** qualify for **\$100 discount**.
Final payment made with a check or a money order qualifies for **\$150.00 discount**.

* Please fill out Additional Participants Section on page 2 if more than one person is attending.

** Prices subject to change. Please read the "Terms and Conditions" for details.

Additional Participants:

Last Name: (As it appears in the passport) First Name: (As it appears in the passport) M.I.

Email Address Date of Birth Place of Birth
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Work Phone Number Extension Home Phone Number

Passport Number Country of Issue Expiration Date

Address

Emergency Contact Including Phone Number

Last Name: (As it appears in the passport) First Name: (As it appears in the passport) M.I.

Email Address Date of Birth Place of Birth
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Work Phone Number Extension Home Phone Number

Passport Number Country of Issue Expiration Date

Address

Emergency Contact Including Phone Number

Non-refundable deposit is due on March 12, 2010, Final payment on April 9, 2010

Attached is my check or Money Order payable to WTE, Inc. for \$ _____.

PLEASE REFERENCE THIS TRIP NUMBER ON YOUR PAYMENT: 0510CM

Important Note: Only personal checks and money order are accepted for deposit payment. Final payment can be made with cash, check, money order, Visa or MasterCard.

Read before signing this form: I have read all information pertaining to the WTE travel program including the "Terms and Conditions" and I understand and recognize the dangers and hazards inherent in foreign travel. I hereby state that I am in good physical health and have no physical condition that would limit my ability to participate. I, my heirs, estate, and personal representatives agree to release WTE from liability and will hold harmless, indemnify, release and discharge WTE, its officers, directors, employees, agents and insurers, from and against any and all claims, demands, actions, or causes of actions on account of any damage, personal injury including death that may result from my participation in this program. I have read this release, understand it fully, understand that it is legally binding, and understand that, among other things, I agree to and indemnify WTE for injuries, damage or losses I cause and waive rights to claim or sue WTE for injuries, damages, or losses I may incur.

Signature:

Date:

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