American Society of Photographers Ancient Greece Photographic Tour April 2-9, 2020

This program for photographers is designed to highlight some of the scenic wonders of Ancient Greece.

DAY 1, Thursday, April 2, 2020 - Travel day from the United States

Depart for Greece from New York

DAY 2, Friday, April 3, 2020 - Arrival in Athens

Arrive in Athens, the classical capital of Greece; transfer to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure to discover the ancient wonders of this city known as the cradle of Western Civilization and the birthplace of democracy. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Dinner and an orientation meeting with your Tour Manager and fellow travelers.

Overnight stay, dinner provided in Athens.

DAY 3, Saturday, April 4, 2020 - Athens City Tour

The exploration of Athens begins with a panoramic drive through the city center. View the Panathenian Stadium and the ruins of the Temple of Zeus and Hadrian's Arch, built to celebrate the arrival of the Roman Emperor Hadrian. Continue on to visit the Acropolis, the ancient architectural masterpiece built during the Golden Age of Athens and the new Acropolis Museum, a striking modern building built at the base of the monument where many of the original statues from the Acropolis are now displayed. The rest of the day is at leisure. Be sure to walk to Constitution Square, where you might catch a glimpse of the colorfully-costumed Evzone guards, outfitted in the traditional Greek style. Tonight, perhaps walk through the lively Plaka area, the oldest section of Athens, a neighborhood of charming restaurants, shops and sidewalk cafes.

Overnight stay, breakfast provided in Athens.

DAY 4, Sunday, April 5, 2020 - Travel Northwest

Sightseeing en route to Olympia Depart Athens via the scenic coastal road to the mighty Corinth Canal, dividing the Peloponnese from mainland Greece. Continue via Nauplion to Mycenae, the heartland of Greek mythology. Visit the Acropolis of Mycenae and the Tomb of Atreus, built around 1250 B.C. From here, drive through the Central Peloponnese Peninsula, whose major cities in classical times were Corinth and Sparta. Continue to Olympia, birthplace of the first Olympic Games.

Overnight stay in Olympia, breakfast and dinner provided.

Tour the Olympia Archaeological Site Morning visit to the archaeological site of Olympia, including the Sanctuary of Olympian Zeus, and the ancient stadium where the Olympic Games were first held in 776 B.C. Then, drive north through the plains of Eliad and Achaia, crossing the Corinth Strait via a cabled bridge from Rion to Antirion. Pass the town of Nafpactos en route to Delphi, home of the ruins of the Tholos Temple.

Overnight stay in Delphi, Breakfast and dinner provided.

DAY 6, Tuesday, April 6, 2020 - Archaeological Tours

Archaeological Tour of Delphi, Travel to Kalambaka Tour the excavated site of Delphi and the archaeological Museum, perched on the slopes of Mount Parnassos, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Considered one of the most significant places in Greek history, its stunning setting and ancient ruins are truly inspirational. Walk the Sacred Way to the imposing 4th century Temple of Apollo, site of the most important oracle in the classical world. Then travel over the Pourmaraki Pass towards the small town of Kalambaka, situated amidst smooth sandstone cliffs in the foothills of Meteora.

Overnight stay in Kalambaka, Breakfast and dinner provided.

DAY 7, Wednesday, April 7, 2020 - Meteora Sightseeing, Return to Athens

Visit Meteora, meaning "suspended in the air", with its mystical Eastern Orthodox monasteries incredibly nestled perilously close to the edge of bizarre rock formations. Admire the exquisite specimens of Byzantine art and the panoramic vistas over the Peneios Valley. Afterward, a scenic drive takes you along the coast, past Thermopylae. Arrive in Athens in the early evening

Overnight stay in Athens, Breakfast provided.

DAY 8, Thursday, April 9, 2020 - Depart Greece

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight

Breakfast provided.

ANCIENT GREECE PHOTOGRAPHIC TOUR April 2-9, 2020 PRICE PER PERSON FOR MEMBERS AND ONE GUEST

Price per person for Members AND ONE GUEST (all prices are per person, based on two adults sharing a room) LAND COST (does not include arrival/departure transfers): \$2199. LAND AND AIR COST (includes transfer fees): \$3199

Price per person for Non Members (all prices are per person, based on two adults sharing a room) LAND COST(does not include arrival/departure transfers):\$ 2399 LAND AND AIR COST (includes transfer fees): \$3399.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

A Non-Refundable Deposit of \$200 per person is due upon reserving your place. *Deposits made before March 30, 2019 will receive a \$100 discount per person. Half of the remaining balance is due by October 1, 2019 Final payment is due by February 1, 2020

*Gratuity for transportation not included. A suggested amount of \$20 per person is appreciated.