



KWM!

ALL STARS

2021 INFO PACK



The Kiwi All-Star programme will offer New Zealand's most outstanding young musical theatre performers the chance to travel to the USA and represent their country!

The Kiwi All-Stars will travel, as a group, during the 2021 January School Holidays to New York, Atlanta, Los Angeles and Disneyland. Students will spend time in New York City collaborating on a performance piece under the guidance of some of the best industry experts and Broadway performers. They will attend acting workshops and see Broadway shows while also exploring the sights of New York City. In Atlanta, the students will join 6500 like-minded young performers at the international Junior Theatre Festival. This is where the Kiwi All-Stars shine!! They will perform their adjudication piece for feedback, attend skill development workshops presented by the world's best teaching artists, watch performances of brand new musicals and get advice from celebrity guests (past celebrities included Zac Efron and Darren Criss).

After the festival, the group will head to Los Angeles and the magic of the Hollywood sign will provide a great backdrop for the official tour photograph before the group visits the happiest place on earth... Disneyland... where they will be taken behind the scenes to participate in the Disney Performing Arts workshop. There will be loads of leisure time for students to spend in the Disney theme parks before journeying back to New Zealand where a world of opportunity awaits their futures.

Parents and siblings over the age of 5 are invited to join the celebration as "tour chaperones"! Students under the age of 16 must have at least one chaperone on the tour.

The programme is designed and delivered by Travel Gang to not only offer unprecedented performance and growth opportunities for young Kiwi musical theatre stars, but also for them to build lifelong friendships with other like-minded performers from all over the country.

With the help of our friends at Music Theatre International Australasia we are able to coordinate some truly memorable and life changing experiences. We are extremely grateful for their help and support in bringing this programme to your students.

Shane Bransdon
Company Director - Travel Gang

PROPOSED PROGRAMME



| DAY | PROPOSED DATE | ACTIVITY |
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| 1 | Thur 7th Jan | <p>Meet early morning at Auckland International Airport</p> <p>Travel Auckland to JFK (via LAX)</p> <p>Depart LAX</p> <p>Evening Arrival New York</p> |
| 2 | Fri 8th Jan | <p>Sightseeing Day #1</p> <p>Sightseeing may include: Brooklyn Bridge, Ground Zero, Battery Park,</p> <p>Empire State Building</p> <p>BROADWAY SHOW #1</p> |
| 3 | Sat 9th Jan | <p>Rehearsal Day 1</p> <p>10:00am - Auditions + Vocals</p> <p>1:00pm - Lunch for students</p> <p>1:30pm - Learn all vocals</p> <p>4:30pm - rehearsals finish</p> <p>Chaperone Activities Day 1:</p> <p>Lower Manhattan Walking Tour, High Line Walk, Chelsea Markets, Ground Zero Museum.</p> |
| 4 | Sun 10th Jan | <p>Sightseeing Day #2</p> <p>Extra Broadway Shows</p> <p>Morning: Central Park Ice Skating</p> <p>Afternoon: Afternoon Film walking tour (around times square), Library, The Drama Book Shop and Bryant Park Fountain, Rockefeller Center, Chrysler Building.</p> |

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| 5 | Mon 11th Jan | <p>Rehearsal Day 2 10:00am - Choreography 1:00pm - Lunch for students 1:30pm - Choreography 4:30pm - rehearsals finish</p> <p>Chaperone Day 2: Fifth Avenue, Macy's, Sacks on Fifth shopping experience, The Met, MoMA</p> |
| 6 | Tue 12th Jan | <p>Rehearsal Day 3 10:00am - Choreography + Vocals + Blocking 1:00pm - Lunch for students 1:30pm - Choreography + Vocals + Blocking 4:30pm - rehearsals finish</p> <p>Chaperone Day 3: Morning: Museum of Natural History and Afternoon: The Met</p> |
| 7 | Wed 13th Jan | <p>Rehearsal Day 4 10:00am - Polishing all elements + Full run through 1:00pm - Lunch for students 1:30pm - Polishing all elements + Full run through 3:30pm - Performance for special guests, parents and feedback (Stuart Hendricks, David Rogers-Smith, Drew Cohen and Jason Cocovinis from MTI) 4:30pm - rehearsals finish</p> <p>Chaperone Day 4: Ground Zero Museum</p> <p>BROADWAY SHOW #2</p> |
| 8 | Thu 14th Jan | <p>Broadway Acting Workshop Day</p> <p>Chaperone Free time</p> <p>Students participate in a Broadway Acting Class and meet an actor performing in one of the shows we are seeing.</p> <p>Broadway Show spare night to see last minute show. Get lots of sleep as tomorrow is the early flight.</p> |
| 9 | Fri 15th Jan | <p>Early morning flight from New York to Atlanta</p> <p>Visit Centre for Puppetry Arts</p> <p>Visit CNN Studios for late lunch</p> <p>Transport to Accommodation - Waverly Renaissance</p> <p>Festival Registration Afternoon Rehearsal</p> |
| 10 | Sat 16th Jan | <p>Festival Adjudication Day Other Festival Activities Dance Party</p> |
| 11 | Sun 17th Jan | <p>Festival Day 2 Other Festival Activities Festival Concert</p> |

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| 12 | Mon 18th Jan | <p>Fly Atlanta to LAX</p> <p>Transfer to Hollywood Boulevard, Beverly Hills, Rodeo Drive</p> <p>Transfer to Accomodation for check in Leisure time at Universal CityWalk</p> |
| 13 | Tue 19th Jan | <p>Disneyland Day 1</p> <p>Magic Kingdom + Acting Workshop</p> |
| 14 | Wed 20th Jan | <p>Disneyland Day 2</p> <p>California Adventure</p> |
| 15 | Thur 21st Jan | <p>Transfer from Anaheim to LAX via Santa Monica/Venice Beach/Venice High School (Rydell High)</p> <p>Evening Flight from LAX to Auckland</p> |
| 16 | Fri 22nd Jan | <p>Lost In Flight</p> |
| 17 | Sat 23rd Jan | <p>Morning arrive home into Auckland.</p> |

ABOUT TRAVEL GANG- *THE POINT OF DIFFERENCE*

Our vision is to change the world by innovating creative international experiences that allow young people to develop new ways of thinking. At Travel Gang we love to learn, we love to travel and we love to have fun! We design, customise, organise and conduct group adventures and programmes that maximise learning and career development outcomes.

Travel Gang is unlike any other tour operator. We are professionals within the performing arts industry (directors, producers, actors and writers) who also happen to organise the highest quality performing arts tours for New Zealand, Australian and American students.

Tap into *our* industry contacts and give your students exclusive access to some of the highest level industry practitioners in the USA, including a list of actors, directors, choreographers and composers working on current Broadway shows. Do your students want to meet a performer from Hamilton the musical? Or maybe Frozen? Or perhaps they would like a Q&A with Stephen Schwartz, composer of West Side Story & Wicked! Or maybe you would like a lesson from our friends Pasek and Paul, composers of The Greatest Showman, La La Land and Dear Evan Hansen!

We are also uniquely placed to arrange home stays, collaborative performance opportunities and reciprocal school relationships. Let us know if this interests you!

We are truly unlike any other company. #travelgangdelivers

ELIGIBILITY

Students must be aged between 10 and 17 at time of audition submission

Students must be residents of New Zealand

Students under the age of 16 at time of travel are required to have at least one chaperone

Students must meet the health conditions for travel according to our [terms and conditions](#)



HOW TO AUDITION

1. Make sure your parents read and understand the costs involved with this programme
2. Create an audition video with the following components;
 - Introduce yourself by stating your- NAME - AGE - SCHOOL or DRAMA ACADEMY
 - Sing 1 minute of a song that showcases the range of your voice. (use music backing that does not have vocals)
 - [Download this script HERE](#) and act out the monologue to camera.
3. Upload your audition video to Youtube and copy the website link
 - we recommend you make the link 'unlisted' to keep it off the public internet.
4. Complete the online form by [clicking 'register'](#) on our website to submit your application
 - we recommend you make the link 'unlisted' to keep it off the public internet.

SAMPLE AUDITION VIDEO

Here is a sample video from a previous Kiwi All-Stars successful applicant.





DATES

Thursday 7th until Monday 23rd January 2021.

NOTE: It is mandatory that successful Aussie All Star participants make travel arrangements to arrive into Auckland no later than Wednesday 6th January, 2021

TOUR COST - PER PERSON

Quad Share- \$7795 AUD

Triple Share add-on + \$267AUD

Twin Share add-on + \$999AUD

Costs are subject to change as affected by currency exchange rates, group numbers and availability of ground tour components. Quad share = four people accommodated sharing two double beds. All payments non-refundable.

PAYMENT PLAN (quad share student)*

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| - \$1000 AUD (30th Aug, 2019) | - \$1359 AUD (24th April, 2020) |
| - \$1359 AUD (27th Nov, 2019) | - \$1359 AUD (31st Jul, 2020) |
| - \$1359 AUD (28th Feb, 2020) | - \$1359 AUD (25th Sep, 2020) |

INCLUDED

Estimate includes;

- Workshop participation and all workshop resources
- Flights from Auckland to USA return, economy class
- Quad Share Accommodation, 4 Star in New York and Atlanta, 3 Star in Los Angeles
- Breakfasts each day
- Airport motorcoach transfers in USA
- 2 x Broadway Shows
- Admissions to activities as listed in the above itinerary unless otherwise stated
- Accompanying Tour Director and creative team.

NOT INCLUDED

Transport to and from Auckland, Passport, USA VISA (ESTA) fee - \$14USD, travel Insurance, Meals other than breakfast, Spending money.

***All tour participants must agree to the [travel gang terms and conditions](#). This outlines minimum health requirements for tour participation.