

## Winnipeg

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In June, Good News Tour & Travel hosted a Music Director Familiarization (FAM) Trip to Winnipeg, Manitoba. This was my first time in Winnipeg and had a wonderful time. Winnipeg was first established as a fur trading post, our weekend started at Fort Gibraltar once the NorthWest Company Trading Post. We toured the fort and learned about the voyageurs and their rich history.

Our first morning we all met at Fort Garry for breakfast. It is over 100 years old and one of the most elegant and finest hotels in Winnipeg. From there we went to the Royal Canadian Mint and saw coins made right in front of our eyes. They not only do the Canadian coins but also currency for 75 other countries around the world. That afternoon we had a guided tour of the Canadian Museum for Human Rights. The architecture alone is absolutely amazing. It is the first museum dedicated to the evolution, celebration and future of human rights.

The culture of Winnipeg was amazing as they have the Canada's Royal Winnipeg Ballet, Winnipeg Symphony, Manitoba Opera, and the Winnipeg Art Gallery. These are all within walking distance of all downtown hotels and restaurants.

Another must see is Manitoba's Legislative Building and its Hermetic Code Tour. The building contains hidden meanings in the architecture with sphinxes on the roof, clues of the occult, Freemasonic symbols, numerological codes and hieroglyphic inscriptions all are hidden in plain sight.

The Assiniboine Park Zoo and the newest exhibit, Journey to Churchill, gives an inside look at the polar bears and their way of life in northern Manitoba. It focuses on research, conservation and education this 10 acre route also features arctic fox, wolf, musk ox, caribou and much much more.

Winnipeg is an ideal destination for the student market. Its culture and educational values are unlike any other. Be sure to contact your GNTT Sales representative for more information on Winnipeg or any other city at 866-487-0661.

