

# Agreement between Global Exchange and Chabot-Las Positas Community College District

<u>The Day of the Dead Tour of Oaxaca</u> <u>October 29 - November 6, 2014</u>

## 1. Co-sponsoring organizations

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## 2. Responsibilities of Global Exchange contact people:

Latin America Reality Tours Director: works to supervise planning and implementation of tour and works with co-sponsoring organization from trip inception to finalization of contract. The Director can work with the cosponsoring organization to modify this agreement or the terms of the agreement. The Reality Tours Director also works with co-sponsoring organization to ensure participant applications are processed, informs and updates participants regarding the logistics until departure date and will ensure you receive invoices and receipts that you need as well as send out all our literature to either you or to each participant (please notify which way you prefer). The director organizes the trip program in collaboration with our on-the-ground contacts and the contacts of the co-sponsoring organization where appropriate.

# 3. Suggested Program Highlights and Program Content

For the purposes of this contract, the tentative tour itinerary is summarized below. After the contract is signed, Global Exchange will provide the co-sponsoring organization with a confirmed trip itinerary once available.

# This is a draft itinerary. The precise schedule of activities will be finalized closer to the date of arrival in Oaxaca.

Arrival in Oaxaca: October 29, 2014 Departure from Oaxaca: November 6, 2014

<u>DAY 1</u>

- Morning/Afternoon: Airport pick-up
- 5:00pm Participant introductions at the hotel
- 8:00pm Welcome dinner

## DAY 2 - Oaxaca

• 8:00am Breakfast

• 11:00am "Social and Cultural Composition of Oaxaca Today," conference given by a local sociology professor where we will explore how social movements have affected Oaxaca's social, political and economic development

- 1:00pm Lunch at the Cooperative Society
- 3:00pm Offerings to the dead and ceremony

• 6:00pm Lectures by ex-prisoners and the family of those currently detained about the experiences of those who've suffered in Loxicha

• 8:00pm Dinner

#### DAY 3 - Sola de Vega

• 8:00am Breakfast

• 10:00am "Defending Indigenous Women's Rights," conference given by a member of an international organization focused on the human rights and protection of indigenous people

- 12:00pm Excursion to Sola de Vega
- 1:00pm Lunch with the Rodriguez Mendez family

• 2:30pm Visit to a temazcal (traditional vapor bath - additional cost to use services); Conference on fair trade/free trade and impact on local artisans, given by the director of an organization for local businesses

- 4:00pm Return to Oaxaca
- 8:00pm Dinner

DAY 4 - The Sierra Juárez and the Bini'za culture

- 8:00am Breakfast at La Población del Tule
- 9:00am Excursion to Guelatao de Juarez

• 11:00am "Transgenic Corn in Oaxaca's Sierra Juárez," conference by the director of a network organization working to defend the resource rights of the Juárez mountain communities

• 12:00pm "Community and Globalization," conference by an anthropologist working with a sustainable ecotourism organization in Sierra Juárez

• 1:00pm Excursion to Calpulalpan. Lunch at Restaurante Comunitario

• 4:00pm Rest and relaxation, videos, temazcal (traditional vapor bath), herbology and traditional medicine

• 8:00pm Dinner at Restaurante Comunitario

## DAY 5 - From Calpulalan to Nexicho

• 8:00am Breakfast at Restaurante Comunitario

• 9:00am Conference on the biodiversity of Sierra Juárez and walk though the forest

- 11:00am Excursion to San Pedro Nexicho
- 1:00pm Lunch in local family homes
- 4:00pm Museum and archeological zone visit, then return to Oaxaca
- 8:00pm Dinner

DAY 6 - Mitla, las Puertas del Inframundo

- 8:00am Breakfast in El Tule
- 9:00am Excursion to Villa de Mitla
- 11:00am "From Sanctuary to Tourism Depot," conference given by a member of the local citizens' association
- 1:00pm Lunch with artisan teachers of wool textiles

• 2:00pm "Artisanship and Global Commerce," talk and demonstrations of textile tinting and production

- 3:00pm Visit to temple, community museum, and wool textiles market
- 4:00pm Return to Oaxaca and hotel
- 8:00pm Departure for Xoxocotlán. Dinner
- 9:00pm "Party of the Dead in Santa Cruz Xoxocotlán Community,"

conference given by an official of a local fraternity dedicated to Santa Entierro

DAY 7 - Zaachila, el Lagarto de los Nubes

- 8:00am Excursion to Zaachila
- 9:00am Breakfast and market tour
- 10:00am "Radio Zaachila: A Community Radio," conference in the Municipal Palace
- 11:00am Visit to the archeological zone
- 12:00pm Presentation "From the Magistrate's Movement of 2006 and its Impact"
- 1:00pm Lunch in Zaachila
- 2:00pm Trip to hotel
- 3:00pm Rest and relaxation

• 6:00pm "Graphics in the Social Movement", conference, exposition and sale of photographs, videos, music, testimonial publications and workshop: "Art and Tradition"

- 8:00pm Dinner at Restaurante de la Galería
- 9:30pm Journey to San Agustín Etla
- 10:00pm Gathering with the elderly community
- 1:00am Return to Oaxaca

## DAY 8 - Una mañana en la Montaña Sagrada

- 9:00am Breakfast
- 10:00am Excursion to Monte Alban
- 10:30am Tour of the archeological zone
- 11:30am "Monte Alban at the Crossroads of the Privatization of Cultural Goods," conference by an expert in pre-Hispanic and colonial Oaxacan architecture
- 1:00pm Lunch in the historic center
- Free Time

• 6:00pm Exposition at the Collective of Oaxacan Plastics, demos, workshopgallery, Xochimilco "The Social and Cultural Movement in Oaxaca" talk by a local painter

• 8:00pm Farewell dinner in Jalatlaco neighborhood

## <u>DAY 9</u>

- Breakfast in the historic center
- Airport drop-offs

# <u> 4. Costs</u>

The land cost for this delegation is **\$1,400** per person

## a.) The price includes:

- All confirmations in the program
- Double-room accommodations
- On-ground transportation, including airport pick up and drop off
- Full time trip leader and translator
- Preparatory orientation materials
- Admission and fees to all program activities
- Meals as specified each day (two per day)

The program does not include: Optional activities, international airfare, extra meals, personal equipment, extras in hotels (laundry, phone calls, room service, etc.), gratuities.

#### b.) The price does not include: \*\*

- Expenses of a purely personal nature
- Room service charges
- Gratuities to the bellboys and waiters
- Travel Insurance (We advise that each participant arrange for their own travel insurance if they want it. This is optional)
- Extra beverages or snacks
- International airfare
- Extra meals

\*\*Each participant is responsible for these charges.

## 5. Responsibilities of Global Exchange

Global Exchange agrees to arrange all the necessary logistics for the delegations including:

- Processing of applications
- Organization and confirmation of the itinerary
- Arrangement for all accommodations
- Preparatory materials
- Provision of an experienced trip coordinator to travel with the group either from the point of departure or from the point of entry of destination country

## 6. Co-sponsor's Responsibilities

- i.) The co-sponsoring group agrees, as part of any preparatory materials they send out to the potential participants, to include general information about Global Exchange, for the purpose of informing all participants about Global Exchange's mission, programs, and goals for the trip, the specific content of this literature to be decided between Global Exchange and the cosponsor. This is important and lets your members know we are not a travel agency.
- ii.) The co-sponsoring group agrees to allow the Global Exchange trip facilitator on the tour to make a short presentation in the orientation meeting to the participants as a group on Global Exchange, its role in and collaborative goals for this tour program.
- iii.) The co-sponsoring group agrees to allow the Global Exchange representative to participate in the farewell meeting at the end of the tour and provide information to those interested participants

who wish to follow-up with people, groups, and organizations met during the tour.

iv.) The co-sponsoring group agrees to allow the Global Exchange representative to hand out to each participant, at the farewell meeting, Global Exchange trip evaluation forms for the purpose of gathering feedback from the group as to program content and trip leader performance. This can be a shared form and should be agreed upon by the Reality Tours and the co-sponsoring group coordinators.

# 7. Payment

- Deposit: A \$500 per person deposit is due upon each participant's online registration
- Final and full program payments from all participants are due September 14, 2014 (this will be automatically charged to participant's credit cards on this date)

If spaces are available for last-minute participants, we will endeavor to work with you to process them as best we can.

# 8. Cancellations

Global Exchange reserves the right to cancel this tour in the event that our participants' and staffs' safety and security is in jeopardy. In the event that Global Exchange decides to cancel the tour for reasons beyond their control (which term will be defined as any acts of government, war, revolution or natural disaster in the destination country, which as agreed between the parties herein will prevent Global Exchange from organizing a tour consistent with Global Exchange's own tour program standards and the requirements of the co-sponsoring organization), at any time prior to the departure date, Global Exchange will refund to each participant all moneys not already paid out, but cannot accept responsibility for any losses incurred to any participants by this cancellation although Global Exchange will make every reasonable effort to assist the passengers in recouping their losses.

It should be noted that tour services for this tour are not provided by Global Exchange, but by carriers, hoteliers, and other suppliers, who are not agents, employees, or servants of Global Exchange. All travel vouchers and other travel documents for tour services issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by such suppliers some of which exclude their liability to the laws of the countries in which the services are supplied, and to the international conventions between countries. Global Exchange and/or its agents, act only as agents for the tour participants in regard to travel by any means, and thus assume no liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity which may be occasioned either by reason of default of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger or in carrying out the arrangement of the tour.

In the case of airline tickets, Global Exchange accepts no responsibility whatsoever for delay, change or cancellation of flights by the airlines and any such losses or expenses incurred must be borne by the participants and each participant must make a claim for any losses incurred directly to the airline or travel agent. In situations where substitutions can be made every reasonable effort will be made to ensure reasonable and satisfactory substitutions.

# 9. Penalties

Cancellations and/or amendments by tour participants must be received in writing and all cancellations will be effective on the date the written notification is received. Penalties in accordance with the following schedule:

Tour Dates: October 29 – November 6, 2014 Penalty:

After final payment is due on September 14, 2014

100% of total tour cost (although considerations will be made on a case to case basis)

## 10. Agreement:

I have read the information contained in the above agreement and agree to the responsibilities and conditions contained herein.

Derek Poppert, Global Exchange

Date

Catherine Suárez, Las Positas College