



XVII FIRST OF MAY INTERNATIONAL BRIGADE OF VOLUNTARY WORK AND SOLIDARITY WITH CUBA

CALL

The Cuban Institute of Friendship with the Peoples and its travel agency, Amistur Cuba S. A. invite you to take part in the XVII International Brigade of Volunteer Work and Solidarity with Cuba, on the occasion of International Workers' Day, to be held between April 22 and May 4, 2024.

As it is traditional, the brigade members will have the opportunity to take part in a day of popular activities in tribute to International Workers' Day. Their stay in our country will also allow them to acquire a greater knowledge of the current situation in Cuba and the changes that are taking place, despite the intensified policy of the blockade. This includes visits to places of historical, economic, cultural and social interest, volunteer working days, exchanges with the people as well as representatives of different organizations.

The program of activities will take place in Havana, Artemisa and Cienfuegos; 13 nights of stay, 10 of them at the International Camp "Julio Antonio Mella" (CIJAM), located in the municipality of Caimito, 45 km from Havana and 3 nights in Cienfuegos. The CIJAM, established in 1972, has its own rules of procedure, which must be obeyed by those who remain in it, as well as duly respecting the rules of conduct, discipline and social coexistence.

The stay will cost \$ 620. 00 euros or dollars, which includes accommodation in shared rooms for up to 4 people in CIJAM and double or triple rooms in Rancho Luna hotel; full board; transfer to and from the airport, and transportation to all activities planned in the program.

The method of payment will be using bank transference or online payment, which can be used from anywhere in the world and is completely secure. It is an essential condition to travel with medical insurance which must cover any issue in Cuba. Brigade members arriving at CIJAM before 21 April will have to pay an additional supplement per night, which includes accommodation and food.

Registrations will be open until 31 March 2024. It is required to inform the personal data of the participants, the itinerary of arrival and departure from Cuba, including date, time and flight number. Brigade members who are in Havana, before the start of the brigade, will be guaranteed transportation to the CIJAM.

To confirm your participation please send us the information by email:
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May Day International Brigade of Volunteer Work and Solidarity with Cuba: an invitation to solidarity for peace and friendship on the 65th anniversary of the triumph of the Cuban Revolution and the signing of the Agrarian Reform Law.

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PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Arrival of brigade members. (Transfer airport-CIJAM).

- 16:00 hrs. Departure to the International Camp "Julio Antonio Mella" (CIJAM) of the brigade members who arrived earlier.
Place of departure: Cuban Institute of Friendship with Peoples (ICAP).
Lodging and Dinner.

Monday, April 22, 2024

- 06:45 hrs. Stand up
07:00 hrs. Breakfast
09:30 hrs. Floral wreath and homage to Julio Antonio Mella. Official opening event. General information on the Brigade's program.
11:00 hrs. Country organizers meeting with representatives of the Icap political divisions.
12:30 hrs. Lunch
15:00 hrs. Conference on the challenges of the Cuban economy, new strategies against the blockade and the role of young people in society.
20:00 hrs. Dinner and Cuban night of reception for the brigade members.

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

- 05:45 hrs. Stand up
06:15 hrs. Breakfast
07:00 hrs. Morning and departure to the productive works.
12:30 hrs. Lunch
15:00 hrs. Update on the cultural development of the country. "Culture and nation: the mystery of Cuba". Exchange space with Cuban intellectuals and representatives of the José Martí Cultural Society. Presentation of books.
18:30 hrs. Dinner
20:00 hrs. Screening of a Cuban film or documentary.

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

- 05:45 hrs. Stand up
06:15 hrs. Breakfast
07:00 hrs. Morning and departure to the productive works.
12:30 hrs. Lunch
15:00 hrs. Update on sports development in Cuba. Exchange with directors of INDER and sports glories.
18:30 hrs. Clarification meeting with country coordinators on the program in Cienfuegos.
18:30 hrs. Dinner
20.30 pm. Free night with recorded music // Optional activities by Amistur.

Thursday April 25, 2024

- 06:00 hrs. Stand up
06:15 hrs. Breakfast
07:30 hrs. Volunteer day of hygiene in areas of the Camp.
09:30 hrs. Completion of volunteer work in CIJAM areas.
11:00 hrs. Lunch
12:00 hrs. Departure to the province of Cienfuegos.
16:00 hrs. Reception by the authorities of the province (place: Parque Martí).
17:00 hrs. Entrance to the Rancho Luna hotel. Lodging. Dinner at the hotel.
Free night.



Friday, April 26, 2024

- 06:30 hrs. Stand up
07:00 hrs. Breakfast.
08:30 hrs. Departure and visits in groups to:
- Visit to Socio-cultural Project: *Art in your hands*.
- Visit to Public Health Institution: *Outpatient Center Mártires de Playa Girón*.
- Visit to educational center: *Primary School Guerrillero Heroico*.
- Visit to socialist state company: *Olehidraulic Company*.
- Visit to a production center of non-state management: *Mipyme of Specialized Design Hernández Leal*.
12:00 hrs. Back to the hotel. Lunch.
14:00 hrs. Volunteer Day: CPA Mártires de Barbados.
17:00 hrs. Back to the hotel.
19:00 hrs. Dinner.
20:00 hrs. Departure towards the CDRs for the cederista night.
20:30 hrs. Cederista night.

Saturday April 27, 2024

- 06:30 hrs. Stand up
07:00 hrs. Breakfast.
07:30 hrs. Departure to different centers for volunteer work in the municipality of Cienfuegos (by groups).
08:00 hrs. Day of volunteer work in vulnerable communities.
12:00 hrs. Lunch at Club Marinero Cienfuegos restaurant.
14:00 hrs. City tour.
17:30 hrs. Return to the hotel.
18:30 hrs. Dinner.
20:00 hrs. Departure to the Terry Theatre
20:30 hrs. Political-cultural Gala saluting the International Workers' Day (Terry Theatre).

Sunday April 28, 2024

- 06:30 hrs. Stand up
07:00 hrs. Breakfast.
08:00 hrs. Check out and departure to Playa Girón.
10:30 hrs. Visit to the Museum of Playa Girón. Welcome activity by the authorities of the province of Matanzas.
12:00 hrs. Lunch at Punta Perdiz.
14:00 hrs. Visit to the Crocodile Farm.
16:30 hrs. Return to CIJAM.
19:00 hrs. Dinner. Free night.

Monday, April 29, 2024

- 05:45 hrs. Stand up
06:15 hrs. Breakfast
07:00 hrs. Morning and departure to the productive works.
12:00 hrs. Lunch
14:00 hrs. Departure for agricultural work.
17:00 hrs. Summary of the productive contribution of the Brigade.
17:30 hrs. Return to CIJAM.
19:00 hrs. Dinner
Free night // recorded music. // Optional Amistur.



Tuesday, April 30, 2024

- 06. 00 hrs Stand up
- 07:00 hrs. Breakfast
- 08:00 hrs. Departure to Havana.
Participation in the program of activities for the May Day Celebration. (CTC)
- 12. 00 hrs. Lunch
- 14:00 hrs. Continuation of the program of activities for the May Day Celebration. (CTC)
- 17:30 hrs. Return to CIJAM.
- 19:00 hrs. Dinner. Free night

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

- 03:00 hrs. Stand up.
- 03:15 hrs. Breakfast.
- 04:00 hrs. Departure to Havana.
- 07:00 hrs. Participation in the central activity for the May Day.
Free time in the city.
Optional activities by Amistur
- 17:00 hrs. Return to CIJAM for the brigade members who remain in the city.
(Pick up location: Casa de la Amistad. Paseo St, between 17 and 19, Vedado, Plaza de la Revolución. Havana).
- 19:00 hrs. Dinner. Free night

Thursday, May 2, 2024

- 05:45 hrs. Stand up
- 06:00 hrs. Breakfast
- 07:00 hrs. Departure to Havana.
- 09:00 hrs. Participation in days of international solidarity with Cuba in Havana.
Lunch.
- 15:30 hrs. Return to the CIJAM.
- 17:00 hrs. Sports afternoon.
- 19:00 hrs. Dinner
- Free night // Optional Amistur.

Friday, May 3, 2024

- 06:00 hrs. Stand up
- 06:30 hrs. Breakfast.
- 07:30 hrs. Departure to Havana.
- 09:00 hrs. Visit to the Fidel Castro Center. Tour in groups.
- 11:00 hrs. Closure of the Brigade. Reading of the Final Declaration. (Centro Fidel. 11 St, No. 707, between Paseo and A, Vedado, Havana)
- 12:30 hrs. Lunch at the Casa de la Amistad.
- 14:30 hrs. Return to CIJAM.
Free afternoon to organize the final activity.
- 19:00 hrs. Dinner
- 20,30 hrs. International Night. Final cultural activity of the Brigade.

Saturday, May 4, 2024

- 07:00 hrs. Breakfast.
Transfer of brigade members to the airport according to schedule.
- 10:00 hrs. Transfer to Havana (Icap) of the brigade members who will remain in Cuba.
Departure of the Cuban delegation.