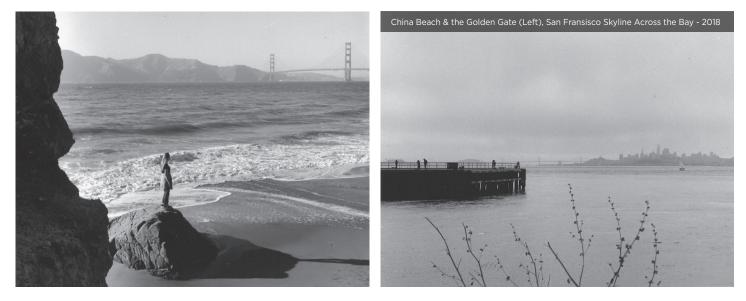


Spend an exciting 12 days exploring and photographing the diverse landscape, history and culture of the Pacific West Coast.



This highly customized trip will lead travelers from the dreamy Joshua Tree desert landscape of Southern California to the rocky coast of Big Sur and the Redwood forests in the North to the magnificent waters of Crater Lake in the state of Oregon. Travel in a small group via private van, ride the classic Coast Starlight train along the Pacific and follow the historic tracks of naturalist John Muir, legendary photographer Ansel Adams and writer John Steinbeck. Stay in fabulous hotels throughout the trip, eat delicious food and immerse yourself in the spirit of the contemporary West Coast culture.

# Your Tour Guide, Peter Schreyer

The trip is led by Peter Schreyer, Crealdé's Executive Director and internationally exhibited photographer, who is known for his award-winning documentary projects that celebrate the history and heritage of communities in a contemporary context. He has received numerous grants and acclamations for his work, including a Fellowship in Visual Arts from the State of Florida and most recently, a portfolio of his Central Florida archival photographs were purchased for the prestigious Alfond Collection of Contemporary Art at the Cornell Fine Arts Museum in Winter Park. Over the past three decades, the Swiss-born educator has crafted photographic tours to Europe and the American West that appeal to cultural travelers and photographers of all skill levels. Peter Schreyer created this new photo tour in 2018, commemorating his 40th anniversary in his beloved America.



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# **Tentative Tour Itinerary**

Note: The itinerary is subject to change, as final arrangements are currently being made, allowing for minimal changes to tour content and hotel accommodations.

#### Wednesday, September 2

Late morning assembly of group at Los Angeles International Airport. This will be followed by a four hour drive via our private van through the giant Los Angeles basin into the Mojave Desert with the resort town of Palm Springs as our destination. Check in at the charming and historic *Old Ranch Inn*, followed by a welcome dinner and sunset photography session in the desert.

#### Thursday, September 3

After an early departure from our hotel, we will spend the day exploring the fabulous and diverse landscape of Joshua Tree National Park. The day will include opportunities for short hikes in the hot desert landscape and a visit to a date farm in the nearby town of Indio. Late afternoon return to Los Angeles for an overnight stay at a classy downtown hotel.

#### Friday, September 4

Transfer to nearby Union Station - the jewel of American railway stations - for our mid-morning departure with Amtrak's most scenic train, the legendary *Coast Starlight*. Often in close sight of the Pacific Ocean, we will travel through some of California's most beautiful cities and scenery and will reach Salinas in the late afternoon. Transfer and pick up of our private rental van. Check-in for two nights at one of charming inns of the Monterey Peninsula.

#### Saturday, September 5

Spend all day exploring America's most beautiful coastal landscape and picturesque towns along the famed 17 Mile Drive, Big Sur and Point Lobos, immortalized by photographer Ansel Adams. The day will culminate with an evening and dinner in the picturesque town of Carmel.

#### Sunday, September 6

Our day will start with an optional kayaking exploration of Monterey Bay – or free time to sightsee and shop in the town of Monterey. On the way to San Francisco in the afternoon, we will travel through the lush Salinas Valley, the backdrop of many of John Steinbeck's Pulitzer Prize winning books and stories. Check-in for three nights and group dinner at the *Pelican Inn*, a historic and romantic country inn located in Muir Beach, just north of the Golden Gate Bridge.

#### Monday, September 7

A day of enjoying nature, our private beach

and hiking through the ancient redwoods of nearby Muir Woods National Monument and the wild coastal landscape of Point Reyes National Seashore, home to a large sea lion colony. Evening visit and dinner in the historic bayside town of Sausalito, also famed for its eclectic boathouse community.

#### **Tuesday, September 8**

Our day to explore San Francisco with photo-stops at Golden Gate Bridge, China Beach, Lombard Street and Telegraph Hill - with free time to explore the Fisherman's Wharf area and ride a cable car through Chinatown. Return to our quite Muir Beach lodgings in the evening.

#### Wednesday, September 9

A great day on the road, traveling along the foggy coastal landscape on the legendary Highway 1, on the way to Bodega Bay and the Victorian seaside town of Mendocino. Overnight accommodations at a historic inn in the heart of town.

#### Thursday, September 10

Another day of photographic and natural highlights, exploring by van and foot the spectacular landscape of Redwoods National Park, showcasing one of America's oldest and grandest forests. Our lodging stop for the evening will be in the north coast town of Crescent City, facing the Pacific Ocean.

#### Friday, September 11

We say goodbye to the California coast and cross the border into the state of Oregon for our half-day drive to Crater Lake National Park. Check-in for two nights at a comfortable and historic ranch just outside of the park – welcome to the Northwest woods!

#### Saturday, September 12

All day exploration of the uniquely beautiful landscape of Crater Lake National Park, including hiking and a boat ride on America's deepest lake. Farewell dinner at the park's historic lakeside lodge.

#### Sunday, September 13

Spend a free morning enjoying the natural wonders preserved in this unique national treasure called Crater Lake. Afternoon drive to the city of Portland on the Columbia River.

#### Monday, September 14

Mid-day transfer of group to Portland Airport and official end of guided tour.



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## What's Included

- 12 nights of deluxe accommodations at historic or scenically located hotels & lodges.
- Ground transportation via private, air-conditioned rental van.
- Rail, boat & other ground transportation as described.
- Three special group dinners & several breakfasts.
- All local transfers, excursions & admissions as mentioned in the itinerary.
- Photographic guidance & instruction throughout the trip.
- Trip & equipment preparation meeting prior to departure.
- Limited to eight participants to ensure maximum comfort & personal attention.

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**Reservations & Refunds** 

Participants arrange for their own air transportation to and from the West coast, with the opportunity to extend their stay at the beginning or the end of the photographic tour. Tour price is \$3,950 for Crealdé members and \$3,995 for non-members per person, double occupancy with participants sharing a room. Single travelers should contact Peter Schreyer prior to registering to discuss rooming options and additional cost.

To reserve your space, a deposit of \$1,500 is required by July 10, 2020; the full balance is due by August 7, 2020. A cancellation penalty of \$750 will apply until July 10; \$1,500 from July 11 until August 7. Refunds cannot be granted after August 7. Private travel insurance is highly recommended.

Crealdé School of Art is offering this special program in conjunction with Peter Schreyer Photographic Tours. For more information, please contact Peter Schreyer at 407-797-5168 or pschreyer@crealde.org.