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Global Exchange #13550: Summer in the City of Arts and Innovation! Winston-Salem, North Carolina, USA

Program Dates: July 31- August 7, 2017*

This global themed exchange includes visual and performing arts, nationally recognized galleries, museums, and regional music; all in the beautiful foot hills of the Piedmont Triad Region of North Carolina, between the mountains and the coast. Winston-Salem is called the "city of arts and innovation" because there's an undercurrent here, a spirit and a personality that runs through this place. People in Winston-Salem have a history of creating and they express it through the arts and other new ways of thinking. We have an exciting week planned for you! Come spend the last, lazy days of summer with Friendship Force of Central North Carolina, USA and experience our unique style of Southern Hospitality!

**Contact the
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Spaces
Remaining 20

20 Spaces available

Home Hospitality provided by the Friendship Force of Central North Carolina, USA

Program Highlights

Our exchange coincides with the biennial National Black Theatre Festival (NBTF). We will attend two performances offered by some of the best black theatre companies in the world. Final performance titles available in early June.

The sounds of the fiddle, banjo, and guitar welcome you to the Blue Ridge Music Center for a concert of regional music held in our beautiful outdoor amphitheater on the Blue Ridge Parkway. We will visit the state-of-the-art, award-winning, interactive Roots of American Music Museum Exhibit, enjoy a picnic and optional hiking.

Enjoy behind the scenes peek at University of North Carolina School of the Arts (UNCSA) Department of Design and Production (D & P). In one of the top 10 Arts Conservatories in the country, you'll hear about costuming and the rigor of Design and Production work. Learn about Tony & Emmy Award winning alumni who learned their craft here.

Explore Historic Reynolda House Museum of American Art built in 1917 as the center of a 1,067-acre estate. RHMAA displays a premier collection of American art ranging from the Colonial period to the present day.

Step back in time and immerse yourself in local history with our visit to **Old Salem Museum and Gardens**. Settled in the 1760's by Eastern European Moravians, who established the thriving community of Salem ("Peace"), Old Salem is a living museum known as one of the best-preserved Colonial heritage sites in the country.

Optional Activities

Enjoy First Friday Gallery Hop -- stroll in the downtown arts district where you can talk with local artists, visit small galleries and studios and hear local musicians.

*Visit the **Diggs Gallery** at Winston-Salem State University, one of the top 10 African American galleries in the nation. Diggs is identified by the Smithsonian as one of the nation's best regional facilities for exploring contemporary African art. Dedicated to the arts of Africa and the African Diaspora in North Carolina, the gallery addresses a broad range of artistic expression, with special concentration on African-American and regional art.*

*Explore the **Innovation Quarter** & the **Center for Design Innovation** to learn how architectural redesign and reuse of historic buildings has revitalized our city. One our favorites is the **historic R.J. Reynolds Building** known here as "the Baby Empire State Building"; the prototype for its more famous off-spring in NYC.*

Visit Piedmont Craftsman Gallery, the Fiber Store, a working weaver's studio, or the Sawtooth Center for the Arts, where people in the region take classes in all forms of artistic expression.

Visit one of our 65 regional wineries or the Museum of NC Traditional Pottery in Seagrove, known as the "pottery capital of the US".

Spend time with the members of **FF Central North Carolina**, who enjoy making new friends and hosting people from around the world.

Estimated Exchange Cost: \$ 595 USD

Price Includes:

FFI and host administrative fees, most meals,
Entrance fees for performances, concert,
museums and club activities.

Space is limited, so send no money until you
receive an official acceptance from ED.

Click [here](#) to apply.

***NOTE about TRAVEL DAYS:**

Plan to arrive Monday, July 31 and depart August 8

Know before you go

- It is summer here in August, so be prepared for heat & humidity with occasional rain!
- An umbrella and a light-weight wrap or sweater for mountain trips and indoor air conditioned spaces may be helpful.
- Ambassadors will have breakfast everyday with their Home hosts; most lunches and dinners are provided.