

# *Festival of Youth Orchestras 2025 (Italy)*

## Basic Info

### **Concert venues**

- Outdoor: Piazza dei Priori, Loggia dei Lanzi, Cortile Federico II
- Indoor: La Rocca (Lake Garda), Piazza del Castello
- Could be both: Terme Tettuccio

### **Participating festivals**

- Summer festival in Volterra (Piazza del Priori)
- Florence Festival of Youth Orchestra (Loggia del Lanzi, Terme Tettuccio)
- Musica Riva Festival (La Rocca)
- Cremona Summer Festival (Cortile Federico II)

### **Hotel**

- 3\* @ Cremona
- 3\* @ Montecatini Terme
- 3\* @ Bussolengo, near Lake Garda

## Itinerary

### **Date and Flights(tentative):**

12 days and 11 nights

25/6 (Wed)	5/7 (Fri)
2045 AY100 HKG-HEL	1905 AY1756 MXP-HEL
AY1751 HEL-MXP (Milan)	AY99 HEL-HKG

### **Detail**

Day 1 (25/6) Hong Kong	Departure at Hong Kong International Airport
Day 2 Helsinki Cremona	Transfer Flight at Helsinki International Airport Arrive Milan Malpensa Airport, meet our tour leader Check in + dinner in hotel in Montecatini
Day 3 Cremona <b>CONCERT</b>	Visit to Violin Museum Night Concert @Piazza dei Priori (Cremona summer festival)

Day 4 Montecatini	Transfer to Montecatini Free time at Montecatini
Day 5 Montecatini- Volterra <b>CONCERT</b>	Transfer to Volterra Free time Night Concert @ <b>Piazza dei Priori</b> (Volterra summer festival)
Day 6 Montecatini <b>CONCERT</b>	(TBC) Visit to Pisa (otherwise free time in Montecatini) Night Concert @ <b>Terme Tettuccio</b> (Florence Festival of Youth Orchestra)
Day 7 Montecatini – Florence <b>CONCERT</b>	Transfer to Florence Night Concert @ <b>Loggia dei Lanzi</b> (Florence Festival of Youth Orchestra)
Day 8 Montecatini – Bussolengo	Transfer to Lake Garda area Free time Check in hotel in Bussolengo
Day 9 Bussolengo – Venice	Transfer to Venice Take private boat to San Marco Back to Venice hotel
Day 10 Bussolengo – Riva OR Polpenazze <b>CONCERT</b>	Transfer to Riva Garda Night Concert @ <b>La Rocca/ Piazza del Castello in Polpenazze</b> (Musica Riva Festival)
Day 11 Bussolengo – Milan	Transfer to Milan Malpensa Airport
Day 12 (6/7) Helsinki Hong Kong	Arrive at Hong Kong International Airport

In short:

We got five concerts and tons of free time to explore the city

Cremona Florence Montecatini Venice

## Price

Tour fee HKD 9800 + Flight ~HKD 5800 (as of Dec 2024, subjected to the time of booking)

Further reduction on tour fees is likely, pending funding approval

(Possible subsidies:

ADC Funding \$2500-4000

Government Funding 20% of tour + flight fees)

Inclusions:

- All 9-night hotel accommodation
- One hotel breakfast per day
- One lunch or dinner in hotel or restaurant
- 1 bilingual escort throughout tour
- 1 coach throughout tour
- Organization and promotion of 5 concerts
- Special permits for bus and van where needed
- Full assistance in sightseeing itinerary
- Mandatory Italian music taxes (SIAE)
- Insurance for Florence and Montecatini's venues (Loggia dei Lanzi and Piazza dei Priori)

NOT included:

- Hire and transport of extra instruments
- Extra single hotel rooms
  - 25 euro in Montecatini
  - 30 euro in Garda
  - 25 euro in Pontenure
- Tickets for Venice visit (TBC)
- Personal insurance
- Own arranged meals
- Bus touristic town taxes (excl. Venice and Florence)
- Others

Image of concert venues:

## Piazza dei Priori



## Terme Tettuccio



## Loggia dei Lanzi



## La Rocca (Lake Garda)





**Piazza del Castello**



**Cortile Federico**

