



CHINESE IMMERSION SUMMER PROGRAMS 2019

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THE LEGEND OF XI'AN

Xi'an History and Culture Club

WALK THE PATH OF EMPEROR QIN SHIHUANG AND IMMERSE YOURSELF IN THE HISTORY AND CULTURE OF ANCIENT CHINA.

The Terracotta Warriors, the EPang Palace, the Mausoleum of the First Qin Emperor: nowhere represents the past glory of China as much as the historical city of Xi'an. Allow your children to embark on a journey in world-recognized museums and historical sites, listening to the on-site archaeologists explain the unsolved mysteries, working in groups with the local students for some thought-provoking discussions. Nothing better sparks the interest of learning another language and culture than a deep immersion into the country's stories and legends.



Who: Age 9-13. Minimum 3 years immersion or 4 years Chinese learning as a world language.

Date: 8/11-8/17

Max Occupancy: 10, parents not allowed to accompany in the sessions.

Cost: \$1899/child, \$100 discount for the 2nd child

- China domestic transportation in and/or around Xi'an
- Food and accomodation for children
- Insurance
- Entrance fee for museums etc.
- Non-refundable



DAILY PROGRAM

DAY 1

Arrival. Camp opening and orientation.

DAY 2

The Rise of Qin: site visit of the Bronze Age Museum and Qin Gong Cemetery - China's largest tomb excavation.

DAY 3

The First Emperor: hear the story of the Terracotta Warriors.

DAY 4

The Demise of the Dynasty: the visit to the EPang Palace and what do the ruins tell us?

DAY 5

History Learned: a visit to the Yang Mausoleum of Han and the Xi'an City Museum.

DAY 6

A Day of Reflection: Meet and talk with the historians from the Northwestern University of China.

DAY 7

A Day in Xi'an: where modernity meets history. Departure.





ALICE IN WONDERLAND

Jilin Songhua Lake Drama Club

***WHAT BETTER FACILITATES LANGUAGE LEARNING THAN INTUITIVE
EXPRESSION AND CONTEXTUAL COMMUNICATION IN PLAYS?***

Join our experienced children's drama experts for an immersive Chinese language and cultural trip to a fairytale scene located in the beautiful Songhua Lake area in northeast China. Children are led out of a traditional classroom and ushered into nature. There, they would write their own scripts, design their favorite props, and put on a brilliant production where imagination and creativity are unbound.



Who: Age 7-12. Minimum 2 years immersion or 3 years Chinese learning as a world language.

Date: 8/4-8/13

Max Occupancy: 10

Itinerary:

- Beijing cultural prep 8/4-8/6, parents allowed in the sessions.
- Jilin drama club 8/7-8/13, parents not allowed in the sessions.

Cost: \$2599/child, \$100 discount for the 2nd child.

- China domestic transportation included
- Food and accomodation in Beijing for both children and parents
- Food and accomodation in Songhau Lake only for children
- Insurance
- Non-refundable



DAILY PROGRAM

DAY 1

Camp opening.
A basic training in drama language.

DAY 2

The Chinese Footprint: join our artists to learn another form of drama plays - the Beijing Opera.

DAY 3

Field Trip Day: the Forbidden City and its cultural significance.

DAY 4

Arrive in Songhua Lake.
Drama Club Orientation.

DAY 5

Look for the Rabbit Hole: Children are inspired through games to explore the woods for their story settings.

DAY 6

Fall into the Rabbit Hole: Solve the mysteries of the woods through intriguing language games, and start to plot your own stories.

DAY 7

The Adventure Begins: learn to speak, act and perform like a pro. Share what you've learned in a campfire celebration.

DAY 8

Come Out of the Rabbit Hole: finalize the script, make the props and create an invitation to the final show!

DAY 9

My Wonderland: rehearsal and show time!

DAY 10

Departure.



A TRIP TO THE PAST

Peitian Village Design Club

IMMERSE IN THE CHINESE CULTURE IN A 600-YEAR OLD HAKKA VILLAGE IN SOUTHEAST CHINA WHERE TIME SITS STILL!

Here, children not only learn a unique aspect of Chinese tradition through its one-of-a-kind architectural design, cultural practices, they learn to empathize with it through learning its origin, hearing its timeless stories, interacting with the villagers and ultimately designing their dream playground for the local children that would signifies both modernity - what they are used to, and tradition - what fascinates them the most from the cultural exchange.



Who: Age 7-12. Minimum 2 years immersion or 3 years Chinese learning as a world language.

Date: 8/2-8/11

Max Occupancy: 10

Itinerary:

- Beijing cultural prep 8/2-8/4, parents allowed in the sessions.
- Peitian Design club 8/5-8/11, parents not allowed in the sessions.

Cost: \$2599/child, \$100 discount for the 2nd child.

- China domestic transportation included
- Food and accomodation in Beijing for both children and parents
- Food and accomodation in Peitian only for children
- Insurance
- Non-refundable



DAILY PROGRAM

DAY 1

Camp opening.
A basic training in design language.

DAY 2

The Chinese Footprint: join our artists to learn the traditional handcrafts designs such as vegetation dye and bamboo weaving.

DAY 3

Field Trip Day: the Forbidden City and its significance in architectural design.

DAY 4

Arrive in Peitian Village.
Design Club Orientation - to build a dream playground for the local children.

DAY 5

Tongxing class: What is Design?
Culture: to design a lantern of Peitian style.
Tradition: What makes Peitian special?

DAY 6

Tongxing class: Get to know your clients.
Interaction: What do the local children want for a playground?
Culture: the paddy field and its habitants.

DAY 7

Tongxing Class: submit your first design.
Interaction: villagers vote on the best design.
Culture: the 100 way of playing with bamboo.

DAY 8

Tongxing Class: refine your design.
Build the mockup.

DAY 9

It's Showtime! Invite the locals to attend the show, explain the design and get the vote.
Congrats, future designers. You did it!

DAY 10

Departure.

WHO ARE WE?



Founded by Hao Jingfang, the 2016 Hugo Award winner, along with a few other entrepreneurs from Tsinghua and Peking university, Tongxing school endeavors to enrich children's knowledge beyond school, broaden their world views, and to enhance their critical thinking skills. With its slogan "self discovery and world exploration," it was reported by the People's Daily as "the future education in the age of artificial intelligence".



T&Y is an education company that aims to connect the best resources between the U.S. and China. Alumni of Stanford's GSE, our founders have worked in the fields of edtech, bilingual/immersion education in both China and the U.S., thus have established the company on the basis of cultural understanding and best practices.



- **Can parents accompany their children to these trips?**

For the Beijing cultural prep sessions, parents are allowed to participate together with their children. For the following drama and design clubs, as well the entire Xi'an History and Culture Trip, children are encouraged to participate alone. Parents who wish to come along to Xi'an, Songhua Lake, or Peitian will be accommodated in a separate hotel from where the children are staying. Transportation and accommodation fee of the parents for these places are paid separately.

- **What's the condition with the accommodation?**

In Beijing and Xi'an, 3 or 4-star hotels will be arranged. In Songjiang Lake and Peitian, two children will be sharing a room in a local-brand hotel with standards of a 3-star hotel.