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ALONG THE KATY TRAIL

***An Autumn Experience  
in St. Louis and the  
Missouri Countryside***

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***October 3<sup>to</sup> 7, 2015***



Five days of food, wine and scenic beauty

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*Please meet us in St. Louis for five  
incomparable days. Take in the city's  
best view of the Arch and witness the  
rivers that made this a truly great river  
city. See the the farms and vineyards  
that produce the exceptional food and  
wine our chefs will prepare and serve.  
Experience the history and landscape  
of the region and meet those who  
preserve and paint it.*

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*Your Autumn Experience includes :*

*Two nights at the St. Louis Four Seasons Hotel*

*Two nights at the Inn at Hermannhof in  
Hermann, Missouri*

*All transportation and meals following your  
arrival at the Four Seasons*

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**ON THE COVER** "Norton" by Bryan Haynes – a vineyard of Missouri's  
State Grape, Norton, and State Bird, the Eastern Bluebird.



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***Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>***

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## ***Day One***

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### **ITINERARY**

**Four Seasons Hotel**

**Missouri Botanical Garden**

**Niche Restaurant**

### **GUEST**

**Bryan Haynes, Artist**

**A**rrive for your two-night stay at the St. Louis Four Seasons Hotel overlooking the Gateway Arch and the Mississippi River. Meet your guide at 3 p.m. to begin your visit with a tour of one of the world's great botanical wonders, the Missouri Botanical Garden. Dinner tonight is at Niche Restaurant where Gerard Craft, St. Louis' most-awarded chef, creates nationally recognized menus from Missouri ingredients. Our guest for dinner will be Bryan Haynes, a Missouri artist whose recent landscape painting "Magnificent Missouri" is displayed in the Niche dining room.

**ABOVE** Reflecting pool with Chihuly bulbs and sculpture at the Climatron, Missouri Botanical Garden.





*Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>*

## *Day Two*

### ITINERARY

St. Louis Gateway Arch

Citygarden

Audubon Center at Riverlands

Confluence Point State Park

Earthdance Farm

Terrace at Cielo Restaurant,  
Four Seasons Hotel

### GUEST

Jack Galmiche, CEO  
Nine Network of Public Media

**B**reakfast at the Four Seasons with a 9 a.m. departure for a guided tour of a re-imagined global icon, the St. Louis Gateway Arch. Just in time for its 50th birthday, the Arch grounds are being reinvigorated. The result will be a remarkable design and engineering feat which will better connect visitors and residents to the river that made the city great.

Nearby Citygarden is home to an innovative three-acre commingling of botanical garden, sculpture garden and city park. Contemporary art objects are part of a landscape of native Missouri trees and wildflowers along a flowing stream that evokes our great rivers.

We will then take a short drive north to see those rivers and tour the centerpiece of the Mississippi

flyway—one of the great migratory bird routes in the country—the Audubon Center at Riverlands. Over lunch you will hear about the importance of our floodplains, the many bird species that call the area home, and the many more who migrate through on their annual journeys.

Following lunch at the Audubon Center, you will stand where the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers meet at nearby Ted and Pat Jones Confluence Point State Park. This is where Lewis and Clark departed for their journey west in 1804. On our return, we will visit Earthdance Farm, the oldest organic farm west of the Mississippi, where a long farming tradition continues in an urban setting, just a few miles from downtown St. Louis.

Dinner tonight will be on the terrace of Cielo, overlooking the Gateway Arch and Mississippi River. Our dinner will feature St. Louis specialties and locally grown food prepared by Four Seasons Chef Gian Nicola Colucci. We will be joined by Jack Galmiche, CEO of the Nine Network of Public Media, who will screen a short video highlighting the significant features of the Missouri River Valley that we will experience in the following days.

### ABOVE LEFT

The St. Louis Gateway Arch is getting a new look for its 50th birthday - October 28, 2015.

### ABOVE RIGHT

The Missouri River enters Confluence Point on the left and the Mississippi enters on the right.



***Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>***

# ***Day Three***

## **ITINERARY**

**Forest Park**

**Daniel Boone Home**

**Bryan Mill**

**Mount Pleasant Winery**

**Gary R. Lucy Gallery**

**The Inn at Hermannhof**

**D**eport the Four Seasons at 8 a.m. for a buffet breakfast in Forest Park, one of the most beautiful urban parks in the world. This 1300-acre oasis was created in 1876 and is a true civic treasure. Following breakfast, we will tour areas of the park built for the 1904 World's Fair and will see the historic campus of Washington University.

As we make our way west along the Missouri River, we will explore the last home of Daniel Boone. The home of this renowned frontiersman is now surrounded by an eclectic collection of 19th century buildings assembled from neighboring communities. Just down the road is our lunch destination—a remarkable stone mill built by a Boone family member in 1820. The mill has been meticulously restored by its owners, Bob and Kim Brinkmann, who will host our private lunch.

Following lunch we depart for Mount Pleasant Winery where the owner will provide a tour of the grounds and their hand-dug 19th century cellars. Augusta, home of Mount Pleasant, was designated the first American Viticultural Area in 1980—six months before the Napa Valley received that distinction! Our last stop of the day, en route to Hermann, will be at the art gallery of Gary Lucy in the rivertown of Washington.

Today's destination is the historic town of Hermann, founded by Germans in the 1840s. Its brick buildings and broad main street remind many of villages in Germany's Rhine Valley. Our lodging, The Inn at Hermannhof is a unique collection of rustic stone "house/wineries" that have been moved from the nearby countryside to a hill overlooking Hermann and the Missouri River. These house/wineries retain their authenticity while featuring large luxurious baths, fine linens and unsurpassed views of the town and river.

Part of the view from your house/winery is the newly restored century-old grain elevator along the riverfront and the location of tonight's rustic German-themed dinner at 7:30 pm. Joining us for dinner will be Jim Dierberg who, along with his wife Mary, has spent the last 40 years preserving and restoring the historic character of Hermann.

**ABOVE LEFT**  
The Inn at Hermannhof overlooks the historic town of Hermann and the Missouri River.

**ABOVE RIGHT**  
Bryan Mill, built by a Daniel Boone family member in the early 1800s, just down the road from Boone's last home.





***Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>***

# ***Day Four***

## **ITINERARY**

**Hermannhof Winery**

**Katy Trail**

**Bethlehem Valley  
Farm and Vineyard**

**Dierberg Living  
History Farm**

## **GUEST**

**Billyo O'Donnell,  
Artist**

**F**ollowing a leisurely breakfast, we begin the day at 9:30 with a short tour of Hermannhof Winery. Next we have an opportunity to see the river and countryside from the Katy Trail and to tour a Missouri vineyard and farmstead. For interested guests, there will be an opportunity for a short bike ride on the Katy Trail. This ride traverses some of the most beautiful scenery on the trail as it cuts between the river and towering limestone bluffs. Everyone will then relax with lunch and a glass of wine on the porch of the 100-year-old restored farmhouse of Bethlehem Valley Farm, the home of Dan and Connie Burkhardt, founders of the Katy Land Trust. Following lunch we will tour the pastures, hayfields and vineyards. The farm raises grass-fed Angus and Limousin cattle

and grows Norton (Missouri's State Grape), Chardonnay and Chardonnay grapes. Joining us for lunch will be Billyo O'Donnell, a nationally-known plein-air painter.

Today's outing will have you back at your cottage by 3:30 to prepare for the evening's special farewell dinner. Our dinner will feature both a remarkable venue and Missouri's most awarded chef. Dinner will be held at the meticulously restored Dierberg Living History Farm, a 19th century German farmstead which reflects the vision of Jim Dierberg, the owner and creator of the Inn at Hermannhof. Dinner will be prepared by Gerard Craft of Niche Restaurant in St. Louis. Gerard will bring the culinary traditions of Niche



to this spectacular country setting to create a memorable meal. Both the venue and the meal will be unforgettable.

## **ABOVE**

Overlooking Bethlehem Valley Farm and the Missouri River Valley near Marthasville and the Katy Trail.

## **BELOW**

A shaded allée along the 220-mile Katy Trail.



Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>

# Day Five

Following breakfast, we depart for St. Louis at 9:30 a.m. with arrival at Lambert Airport by 11:30 a.m. If you wish to extend your time in the countryside or the city, please ask us about other ideas and possibilities to see more of the area.

## ITINERARY

Return to St. Louis

*“There is about the Missouri landscape something intimate and known to me. While I drive around the curve of a country road, I seem to know what is going to be there, what the creek beds and the sycamores and walnuts lining them will look like, and what the color of the bluffs will be. Feeling so, I don’t believe I shall ever ... go back [to New York].”*

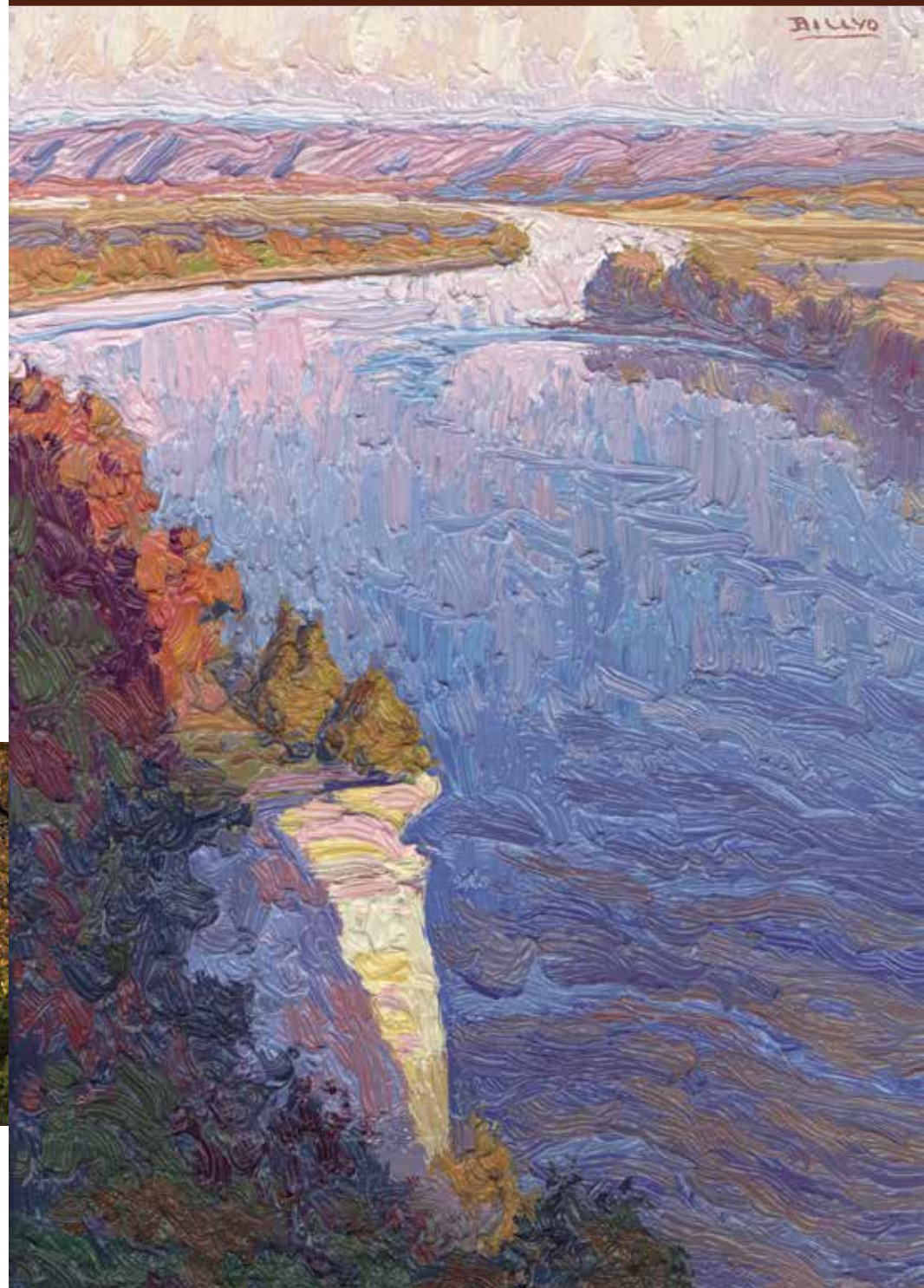
—Thomas Hart Benton



ABOVE River Hills in autumn near the Missouri.

ON FOLDOUT “White Bluffs on the Missouri” by Billyo O’Donnell

## Reservation Details



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The cost of the Autumn Experience is \$1795 per person, double occupancy and \$2495 single occupancy. A \$250 per person, non-refundable deposit is due by April 1 to hold your reservation, with the balance due by May 1.

A short bicycle ride will be available at extra cost for interested guests on Day 4. Dress for all events is casual, no coat and tie required. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended for all days.

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## **GUEST 1**

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

## **GUEST 2**

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Accommodation preferences ☐ King bed ☐ 2 double beds

*The Inn at Hermannhof does not offer rooms with two beds*

*Please note that you will be experiencing locally sourced food for this trip, which may contain nuts, allergens, etc.*

TRAVEL INSURANCE is highly recommended.

☐ Yes, I'm interested, please call ☐ No, I decline insurance

If you would like to be a part of Autumn Experience, please complete this form and mail it and your non-refundable deposit of \$250 per person to:

**Nancy Stein, Aldine Travel Inc.,  
Suite 100, 9909 Clayton Road  
St. Louis, MO 63124**

**The balance of your payment is due by May 1, 2015.**

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