

Companion Program Agenda & Tour Information

Monday - Thursday
September 12-15, 2011



Monday, September 12, 2011

5pm - 7pm Symposium Reception.....Riverfront Hall
Business attire for attendees, reception attire for companions.

Join your conference attendee for the symposium's opening reception in our exhibit hall.

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

9:45am - 3pm Cuban Heritage Tour & Lunch.....Lobby
Bus will depart at 10am.

It was not long ago that Miami was a rather large but quiet Southern city. The Castro revolution in Cuba in 1959 changed Miami forever. Wave after wave of Cuban refugees have transformed Miami into the Capital of the Americas, a fast-paced, internationally-connected, commercial and entertainment hub with a racy Latin image. From the food to the accents on the street, to the fashion scene and artists' studios, Miami now pulses with an original blended culture.

Come with us on a journey through the story of Miami's Cuban community. Experience the passion and vision that these motivated exiles brought to their new home. We will visit Miami's own version of the Statue of Liberty, a well-loved marketplace, great Cuban food spots, moving monuments, a boutique cigar-manufacturing facility, lively street scenes including Domino Park, and a place of spiritual reflection and longing.

Take in the smells, sights, sounds and colors of a street that launched the dramatic transformation of Miami over four decades ago and prepare yourself for a day of discovery and fun.

Includes tropical juice, cuban coffee, and a 3-course lunch at Casa Juancho, whose award-winning cuisine is prepared with the freshest ingredients of Spain and South Florida.

Wednesday, September 14, 2011

2:30 - 7:00pm Waterway Cruise.....Hyatt Riverwalk Dock
The yacht will depart promptly at 3pm. Resort casual attire suggested.

Join your conference attendee for our afternoon reception on the Lady Windridge Yacht as it makes its way along the Miami Intercoastal Waterway. Bring your camera to capture the view of Miami from the sea. A live band will provide the soundtrack for an afternoon of eating, drinking, and dancing.

Thursday, September 15, 2011

8:45am - 3pm Villa Vizcaya Tour & Lunch.....Lobby
Bus will depart at 9am. Comfortable walking shoes suggested.

Overlooking the wide expanse of Biscayne Bay, Vizcaya Museum and Gardens provides a window to both the history of Miami, graced by the villa since its completion in 1916, and the Italian Renaissance, represented in the museum's architecture.

This 28-acre complex, including a native mangrove and hardwood hammock was the winter residence of American industrialist James Deering from Christmas 1916 until his death in 1925. The house has 34 rooms that display fine period furniture and accessories from the Renaissance through the neoclassic periods. The formal Italian gardens, which took seven years to complete, were designed by a landscape architect born in Colombia and educated in Florence.

After your tour of Vizcaya you will arrive at a picturesque mansion in Miami for a catered, authentic Cuban lunch. The mansion will provide a private dining experience on the opposite side of Biscayne Bay, where you'll look back at Vizcaya across the water.

6:30 - 10pm Symposium Banquet.....Riverwalk
Business attire for attendees, cocktail attire for companions.

Join your conference attendee for the symposium dinner. Enjoy traditional salsa music performed live with dancers, and sample a Latin-inspired plated dinner. Visit the onsite cigar roller or take a turn on the dance floor!

We hope you'll join us in Miami!

COMPANION PROGRAM PRICES

ALL SCHEDULED EVENTS	☐ \$500
MONDAY RECEPTION, WEDNESDAY BOAT CRUISE, THURSDAY DINNER ONLY (EVENTS WITH ATTENDEES)	☐ \$300
CUBAN HERITAGE & VILLA VIZCAYA TOURS ONLY	☐ \$275



The Lady Windridge Yacht



Villa Vizcaya: www.vizcayamuseum.org



Domino Park on the Cuban Heritage Tour