



# **TRAVEL PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT**

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## **2026 NEHS / ARCE UK LITERARY TOUR**

### **I. AGREEMENT OVERVIEW**

By booking your travel arrangements with American River Cultural Exchange, hereafter known as ARCE, you (the client) acknowledge and accept the following detailed terms and conditions. If the participant is a minor, the booking and acceptance of these terms and conditions must be completed by a parent or guardian on their behalf.

### **II. HEALTH & SAFETY**

#### **Health Certification**

You attest that you are physically capable of participating in the travel and any associated activities and that a competent healthcare professional has not advised you against it. You affirm that there are no health-related reasons or problems which preclude your participation in this travel. This declaration supports your understanding and compliance with the engagement terms with ARCE. I understand that the terms of this Release of Liability Form will govern my conduct and duties during said Activity.

#### **Risk Acknowledgment**

Participation in travel involves inherent risks, such as accidents or injury from various modes of transport, interactions with animals, nature-related events, political or civil disturbances, and health risks from food and environmental factors. By choosing to travel with us, you accept and assume these risks voluntarily. In exchange for participation in these activities, you waive any right to pursue claims against ARCE and NEHS, its affiliates, or its staff for any injuries, emotional distress, death, or property damage incurred during or as a result of the trip, regardless of cause. This waiver also covers your family members, including minors, and extends to your heirs and legal representatives.

#### **Notice to the Minor Child's Guardian**

If you are a guardian to a minor child participating in travel with ARCE and NEHS, you are consenting to your minor child's participation in activities that carry inherent risks which could result in serious injury or death, even with precautionary measures taken by us. By signing, you relinquish any right to legal recourse against ARCE and NEHS for injury or damage as a result of these risks. You may refuse to sign, and we reserve the right to deny participation if you choose not to consent.

### **III. SPECIAL CONDITIONS & PARTICIPANT RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### **Special Dietary Requirements**

ARCE and its representatives cannot accommodate specific food allergies, dietary needs, or restrictions, and are not liable for any related issues. Participants are solely responsible for managing their dietary requirements. While many dining establishments provide general options, ARCE cannot guarantee their

availability. We advise packing extra snacks or food if necessary. Any additional costs incurred to meet special dietary needs are the responsibility of the individual participant.

### **Rooming Lists**

ARCE is not responsible for rooming assignments and will not be liable for any claims related to these assignments, including those involving discrimination.

### **Photographic/Videographic Likeness**

Any photographs or video footage taken of participants during this ARCE and NEHS program, as well as any comments or statements made, may be used by ARCE and NEHS in future promotional materials without any compensation.

### **Email Correspondence**

Clients agree to regularly check the email address provided at the time of registration for important updates, announcements, and payment due dates. Failure to monitor this email account may result in missed deadlines, for which ARCE cannot be held responsible.

### **Legal Compliance**

Clients must comply with all applicable governmental, international, and local laws and mandates, including but not limited to regulations regarding vaccinations, drug policies, and health requirements. Failure to do so may result in disruption of planned travel services, for which ARCE and/or NEHS will not be liable.

## **IV. TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS & ITINERARY**

### **Role of ARCE**

ARCE solely facilitates logistical aspects of travel such as booking transportation, accommodations, and liaising with service providers. Tours are conducted under the leadership of group chaperones who are not employees or agents of ARCE.

### **Chaperones and Group Leaders**

Any adult group leaders present during the tour are provided by your group and are responsible for adhering to the safety measures and guiding actions laid out by ARCE and NEHS. ARCE and NEHS disclaim all liability for any actions or omissions of such group leaders, including but not limited to, their supervision, conduct, and tour management.

### **Itinerary Flexibility**

ARCE reserves the right to substitute hotels, airlines, or other service providers, adjust itineraries, event timings, departure and arrival times, and cities or destinations visited. By participating, you agree to accept any such changes. No refunds will be provided for itinerary changes made before or after departure.

### **Excursions and Additional Activities**

Any excursion, optional activity, or tour that is not expressly included in the attached itinerary is not a part of the ARCE tour package. The cost of such additional activities is not included in the tour price and will be charged separately by the provider offering the excursion. By choosing to participate in any such activity, you acknowledge and agree that ARCE is not responsible for, nor liable to you, for any costs, damages, injuries, or losses incurred as a result of your participation. All liability for these activities lies solely with you and the third-party organizer or your designated tour guide.

## **International Travel and Required Documents**

You are responsible for obtaining all necessary passports and/or visas. For all travelers, including domestic and international flights, the U.S. Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) recommend carrying at least two forms of acceptable identification. Examples include a DHS-designated enhanced driver's license, a U.S. passport, or a foreign government passport. The identification must precisely match the name, date of birth, and gender on your airline tickets and booking records. For more details, visit the TSA website at <https://www.tsa.gov/travel/security-screening/identification>.

## **V. FINANCIAL TERMS**

### **Pricing**

Base Tour Price: \$3,300.00

Travel Insurance (Mandatory, Not Included in base price)

Airfare (Not Included in base price)

### **Cancellation Policy**

- Cancellations made on or before October 1, 2025: Deposit will be refunded.
- Cancellations made after October 1, 2025: All such payments are 100% non-refundable and non-transferable.

### **Payment Schedule**

- Deposit: \$300 due within 14 days of acceptance
- First Payment: \$1,000 due by December 1, 2025
- Second Payment: \$1,000 due by February 1, 2026
- Final Payment: Remaining balance due by April 15, 2026

In addition, failure to meet any payment deadline may result in the assumption of cancellation by you, with applicable cancellation fees. ARCE reserves the right to decline any booking at its discretion, and the ability to transfer reservations is subject to the sole discretion of ARCE.

### **Pricing and Surcharges**

Given the volatile nature of fuel surcharges and international taxes, quoted prices at the time of booking are estimates based on the latest available historical data. These charges are subject to adjustment and will be finalized and communicated to you one month prior to your departure.

## **VI. LIABILITY & INDEMNIFICATION**

### **Force Majeure Events**

ARCE and/or NEHS shall not be held liable for delays, cancellations, or disruptions directly or indirectly caused by acts of God, including pandemics, natural disasters, civil unrest, or other events beyond our reasonable control. In such events, ARCE and NEHS retain the right to reschedule the travel to a future date suitable for travel resumption.

**Indemnification**

By accepting these terms, you agree to indemnify and hold harmless ARCE and NEHS, their affiliates, and their respective officers, agents, and employees against any claims arising from your participation in travels facilitated by ARCE and NEHS, including but not limited to risks associated with personal injury, death, and loss of personal property.

**Non-Affiliation Disclosure**

The services provided by ARCE are not sponsored by, affiliated with, nor endorsed by any educational institutions, organizations, or professional groups unless explicitly stated in writing by ARCE. Clients should independently verify the nature of any affiliations or endorsements.

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# TERMS ACCEPTANCE

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By finalizing your booking with ARCE, you signify your full understanding and acceptance of these terms. If you disagree with any part of this disclaimer, it is imperative that you contact ARCE prior to finalizing your booking to discuss your concerns.

**PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT (or Guardian if Participant is Under 18 Years Old)**

Participant Name(s):

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Print Name (of signee)

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Signed Name (of signee)

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Date