

2018 Hawaii Group Journeys *Preview!*

with the Oberammergau “Passion Play” 2020

Mahalo! Mahalo for the heartfelt support from both current Dold World Journeys ‘Ohana and the many who made the transition from European World Travel this year. The inquiries, as well as group membership, keep escalating. I am blessed and humbled. You mean the world to me and the pressure to maintain your trust is huge.

2018 Program Menu! This 2018 slate is again a collaboration among friends. Starts with Ryan saying the Mekong is an even better experience than Irrawaddy. This sparked my interest in doing US River Cruises and got me back with Helena Novak. Bobby invited me to travel side by side with him again. Barbara’s and the Heartland ‘Ohana’s precious input on the Lincoln Highway Part II. Kim Vincent creative expertise on South America. Both are backed by Shannon operational genius. And, of course Todd Ney masterfully overseeing of our endeavors. It takes a village to carry on our Family’s Tradition of **Value**, **Service**, and **Making Travel Dreams Come True**.

Hokkaido Snow Festival 12-day Custom First Class BCT All Hawaii group

We had so much fun with Tohoku, I asked my big bother Bobby Chinen if I could join him at the festival. We will be traveling side by side with Michi Goto as our Japanese Guide. Keep in mind the weather is in the 30’s. Layers and thermals will be fine.

Chitose, Lake Shikotsu, Asahikawa, Otaru, Sapporo, Lake Toya, Noboribetsu, Hakodate, Aomori, Stove Train, Hanamaki Spa, Kinugawa, Tokyo.

Depart Tue. Feb. 06 - Return Sat. Feb. 17

Greece with 4-day Aegean Cruise 15-day Modified First Class Globus All Hawaii group

Each year, I’ve been checking with my travel guru Todd Ney to see if it’s okay to go back. Got the thumbs up. The Globus Family is giving us a special departure to take advantage of the beautiful spring weather. It’s a classic, mythical journey.

Athens, Corinth, Mycenae, Epidaurus, Nauplia, Olympia, Patras, Delphi, Meteora Area, Thermopylae, CRUISING – Mykonos, Kusadasi (Turkey), Patmos, Rhodes, Heraklion, Crete, Santorini.

Depart Sat. Apr. 7 - Return Sat. Apr. 21

National Park with the Lincoln Highway 16-day Special Custom Cosmos All Hawaii group

While cruising through America’s Heartland, Barbara and I masterfully planned out the second half with the help of our traveling ‘Ohana. Shannon, my customs tour creator, is using her magic to put it together as we speak.

Denver, Cheyenne, Crazy Horse, Mount Rushmore, Keystone, Deadwood, Devil’s Tower, Sheridan, Little Big Horn, Cody, Yellowstone, Salt Lake City, Austin, Reno, Tahoe, Yosemite, Sacramento, San Francisco.

Depart Mon. May 21 - Return Tue. Jun. 05

Pacific Northwest with Columbia & Snake River Cruise 12-day Modified Alexander + Roberts

Since the Irrawaddy sparked my interest in river cruises, I went to my good friend Helena Novack. She put together our Trans-Siberian, Israel & Jordan, and, most recently, Cuba adventures. A new and unique way for us to explore the United States.

Portland, Oregon Coast, Newport, Sea Lion Caves, Oregon Dunes, Eugene, Astoria, Lewis & Clark Experience, Fort Clatsop, The Dalles, Columbia Gorge, Stevenson, Bonneville Dam, Multnomah Falls, Richland, Clarkston, Lewiston, Spokane.

Depart Sat. Jul. 07 - Return Wed. Jul. 18

Best of South America 17-day Custom First Class Globus All Hawaii group

A number of our Patagonia ‘Ohana suggested I bring back South America. With Kim Vincent’s expertise, we added some special twists and modified our stay in Buenos Aires to make it exceptional. Shannon is using her creativity on this one as well.

Rio De Janeiro (Brazil), Buenos Aires (Argentina), Iguassu Falls, Lima (Peru), Cusco, Sacred Valley, Machu Picchu.

Depart Tue. Aug. 28 - Return Thu. Sep. 13

Mekong River Cruise with Sapa 18-day Modified Deluxe Avalon All Hawaii group

Well, when I thanked Ryan for his help in making the Irrawaddy my best travel experience ever, he said the Mekong is better. Brand New Ship with deluxe service and features (36 max people), excellent Cruise Director, plus the hill station town of Sapa.

Hanoi (Vietnam), Ha Long Bay, Sapa, Siem Reap (Cambodia), Kampong Tralach, Konpong Louang, Phnom Penh, Wat Hanchey, Angkor Ban, Chau Doc (Vietnam), Long Khong A, Cu Lao Gieng, Ben Tre, Ho Chi Minh City.

Depart Tue. Oct. 16 - Return Fri. Nov. 02

Oberammergau Passion Play 2020! The quaint European village of Oberammergau, Germany is world famous for the spectacular **Passion Play** performed solely by its residents just **every 10 years**. Keeping a pledge made nearly 400 years ago, this reenactment of the crucifixion of Christ preserves the health and well-being of Oberammergau's residents to this day and is regarded as the most important Passion Play in the world.

I had the pleasure of hosting a 2010 program and it was one of the most amazing performances I have seen (*chicken skin*). The residents live for this moment. Singers spend most of their lives perfecting their voices. The actors compete for their roles over a year in advance to begin rehearsals.

Passion Play 2020 Itineraries! Mahalo to those Travel 'Ohana who participated in last month's Oberammergau vote. Your opinions are crucial to my venture. It was overwhelmingly in favor of the Switzerland itinerary. BUT with the such huge response, I decided to take a chance and offer both.

Imperial Splendors & Oberammergau 14-day Modified First Class Globus All Hawaii group

Munich, Prague (Czech Republic), Bratislava (Slovakia), Budapest (Hungary), Vienna (Austria), Salzburg and Oberammergau (Germany).

Depart Fri. May 29 - Return Thu. Jun. 11

Switzerland & Oberammergau 14-day Modified First Class Globus All Hawaii group

Zurich, Vaduz (Liechtenstein), St. Mortiz, Lake Como (Italy), Lugano, Stresa (Italy), Tasch, Zermatt, Lake Geneva, Berne, Interlaken, Lucerne, Innsbruck (Austria), Munich (Germany), and Oberammergau.

Depart Fri. Jul. 17 - Return Thu. Jul. 30

Booking, Enchantments and Finalization! The real work has begun. The land space has been requested or being created. Once the land is confirmed and the time is right, I will start booking the air (*preferably United Air*). Meanwhile, the enhancement phase (*going back and forth between the vendors to make sure we have a dream itinerary*) is underway. The heart and soul of my friends and I go into these masterworks for you.

Guestimates Of When The Dates, Itineraries, And Prices Will Be Finalized!

Hokkaido Snow Festival and Pacific Northwest

Finals late August or September*

Mekong River Cruise and Oberammergau

Finals late October or November*

Greece, National Parks, and South America

Finals late November or early December

* Please keep in mind, I am exploring during these months which makes the finalization process longer.

Let Me Know If You Are Interested! If you are interested in any of our journeys, please let me know and I will add you to the INQUIRY list. This ensures you receive the most current updates, even before it goes public. **Once a program is FINALIZED you will be notified and have an opportunity to put down a DEPOSIT and turn in your RESERVATION FORM.**

Remember for 2018 there is **NO PRE-REGISTRATION** (*please NO reservation forms*) for specific journeys.

Spreading The Word! A heartfelt Mahalo to all of you who promote Dold World Journeys. It is a blessing to add new members to our Travel 'Ohana. Please let all prospects know they can find tons of info on our website (doldworldjourneys.com), or search the web for "Alex Dold" and still reach me at the former European World Travel phone number (808-732-9430)

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