



French Countryside Workshop La Bonne Etoile Artists Retreat August 5 – August 16,

PARIS AND CHAMPAGNE ADD-ON, AUGUST 16 – AUGUST 19, 2007 see details below

The in-home and restaurant dinners, as well as all the excursions offered have been chosen to help you experience the local flavor of France that is not evident from a tour bus. This particular region of France, while a very big French tourism destination, isn't as highly visited by English speaking tourists, so, bilingual staff members will accompany the group at all times.

Whether you return to the states exhausted, having taken part in every class, excursion, and every extra minute in the studio or balance your stay with rest and relaxation as top priority, our hopes are that you leave La Bonne Etoile inspired; Inspired in your art and your spirit, having acquired new skills in creativity and foreign travel.

We are pleased to host this Ann Templeton Workshop and look forward to meeting each and every one of you.

The all-inclusive price 2550 Euros covers the following:

- Full tuition with Ann Templeton
- 11 nights of lodging, (Arrival August 5th, Departure August 16th)
- All meals, drinks, and gratuities
- All ground transportation costs, including airport transfers, excursions, and shuttles to lodging for off-site guests
- Unlimited studio time
- En plein air excursions in the beautiful French countryside
- Studio easels and taborets
- Services of bilingual guides to accompany group at all times
- Lodging based on double occupancy, single room supplement 200 Euros

Following are some of the extras included in your package. For those with extra energy, daily excursions will be offered throughout the workshop. Your only expense will be admission charges to museums and any personal purchases.

Just a few of the highlights and excursions that will be offered during free time:

Provins- *The ancient fortified city of Provins sits atop a ridge overlooking the Seine valley and the Champagne chalklands, roughly equidistant from both Paris and Troyes. The town has a famous outline, dominated by a tower and the dome of Eglise St-Quiriace. Provins' role as an important center of commerce was confirmed in the 12C when it became one of the two capitals of the County of Champagne.*

Troyes *is a charming, medieval city. We will begin the day with a guided walking tour with an English-speaking tour guide. You have a choice to explore the numerous museums and churches in the ancient city or to sketch within helping distance of the instructor.*

Sens *This rather small town was important well before Caesar came to Gaul. The Cathedral St-Etienne is Sens' outstanding glory. Begun before 1140 it is the oldest of the great Gothic cathedrals and the attached museum houses the most outstanding Gallo-Roman collection in France.*

Château de Vaux le Vicomte- *This beautiful château is the precursor of Versailles and is a favorite of those that know French history. Rick Steves rates it in the top ten of the most underrated sites in Europe. We will continue our day to Moret sur Loing where Thomas Sisley painted and enjoy a dinner at La Palette, a wonderful restaurant.*

Brocancing *-During the summer months, France's countryside is filled with local festivals and small brocantes. These are a combination flea market/ garage sale/ festival with a mixture of local citizens and professional merchants. Going to the brocantes every weekend seems to be a French tradition; you will see Parisians out for the weekend and locals, all looking for the treasures to be found. This is a real treat that is always a hit with Americans though probably not on any tours.*

Market Day *-The weekly market in Bray-sur-Seine will be scheduled for those that would like to browse and take pictures. This particular market is a real treat, even for those familiar with European open-air markets.*

And much, much more.

Please feel free to visit our website www.labonneetoile.com and my personal website www.kippyhammond.com to get a great sense of the adventure that we are planning for you.



Paris and Champagne Add-On August 16 – August 19, 2007

Following the Ann Templeton Workshop August 2007

A three day excursion package 500 Euros per person to include:

- Full day trip to Paris, admission to Musee d'Orsay
- Full day trip and tour of the Champagne houses in Epernay/Reims
- 3 nights lodging,
- All meals, drinks, and Champagne tasting
- Ground transportation and airport transfer
- Bilingual guide to accompany group

Maximum 6 participants, minimum 4 for this offer.

Special notes concerning air transportation

- In making your air travel arrangements do remember that your departure date from the states will be August 4th, arriving at Charles De Gaulle Airport in Paris on August 5th, 2007. *Instruction will begin the morning of the 6th.*
- Your departure date is August 16th from Paris, arriving in the states on the same day August 16th. *For those staying for the Paris/Champagne Add-On, departure is August 19th.*
- All flights into CDG airport from the states arrive in the AM. Because we will be using a commercial bus company for your shuttle, we request that you try and schedule your arrival time approximately between 8:00 and 10:00 AM and your departure in the late morning or early afternoon.

How do I make reservations?

1. Download and read the General Trip Agreement
2. Fill in your personal information and sign
3. Include check or money order made payable to Kippy Hammond for \$1060.00
4. Mail signed agreement and deposit to: Kippy Hammond, PO Box 767130, Roswell, GA 30076

What is the method and scheduling of the remaining balance?

- The balance is due June 5, 2007.
- Because the balance due is to be calculated with the daily exchange rate as of June 5, 2007, you will need to recalculate the foreign currency exchange for the total of 2550 Euros into US Dollars and deduct the \$1060 deposit to obtain the remaining balance.
- This payment may be paid in the equivalent dollar amount by check or money order made payable to Kippy Hammond, PO Box 767130, Roswell, GA 30076.
- Any additional charges during your stay will be only upon your request and approval. This amount must be paid before departure from La Bonne Etoile.
- Copies of paid invoices will be supplied on request. Please indicate the name you wish to be invoiced under if it is different from the name on your checks, khstudios@yahoo.com

What is the cancellation policy?

In the event of cancellation, payment will be refunded, less the following:

- Registration fee 50.00 Euros per person.
- Less than 120 days and more than 30 days prior to arrival; 250 Euros
- Within 30 days of arrival, no refund unless there is a waiting list and place can be filled. In this case the registration fee of 50.00 Euros charge is not refundable