

# Third International Fabergé Symposium

October 1-5, 2014

## PROGRAM WITH OPTIONAL TOURS

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**Please note:** Slight variations may occur between now and the event. A final program will be sent to attendees before the event.

English will be the language of choice for the presentations. Printed English texts will be available for Russian presentations. English-speaking guides or simultaneous translators will be used during the tours.

The fluctuating exchange rate is approximately **€1 = \$1.35**. To assist you with estimating your expenditures use the event numbers from this agenda and refer to the **Tour and Food Price List**.

**Hotel Cancellations** prior to three (3) days before arrival carry no penalty, but must be made through Nordic Travel. If cancelled less than three (3) days before arrival, there is a penalty price for one (1) night.

For Tour Reservations marked with an asterisk (\*) cancelled less than 5 days before the excursion date, the cancellation fee is 100% of the purchase price.

October 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> excursions must have a minimum of 12-15 persons.

TBD - to be determined

### Wednesday, October 1, 2014

1)

Arrival transfer from airport or train station to hotel. Two passengers per car. For the return, suggest you negotiate your own departure transportation via Nordic Travel ([info@nordictravelrussia.com](mailto:info@nordictravelrussia.com)), or your hotel desk.

**Thursday, October 2, 2014 First Symposium Day**

Breakfast included in hotel costs

<b>2)</b>	08:30	Transfer by bus from hotels to the Fabergé Museum at the Shuvalov Palace
	09:00 - 10:00	Registration of Attendees with a Welcome Coffee
	10:00 - 10:15	Opening Remarks for the Symposium
	10:15 - 12:00	Presentations by Leading Specialists in the Field, Part I
<b>3)</b>	12:00 - 14:00	Lunch in restaurants or cafes near the Shuvalov Palace. Soroptomist Club members will assist with a list of options and with ordering your lunch selection.
	14:00 - 16:00	Symposium Presentations, Part II
<b>4)</b>	16:00 - 16:30	Break
	16:30 - 18:00	Symposium Presentations, Part III
<b>5)</b>	18:15 - 20:00	Reception in Shuvalov Palace with a short presentation about the activities of the Soroptomist International - Neva Chapter. Pre-paid transfer back to your hotel.

**Friday, October 3, 2014 - 2nd Symposium Day**

Breakfast included in hotel costs

Main events for the second day at the Shuvalov Palace:

Specific times will be determined after **September 15, 2014**, when the number of attendees is known.

Guided tours of “The Link of Times” Fabergé Collection\* in English or Russian.

Leading scholars will be available to sign their new publications.

<b>6)</b>	<b>TBD</b>	Transfer by bus from hotels to the Shuvalov Palace
	<b>TBD</b>	Round Table Discussion
<b>7)</b>	12:00	Lunch in restaurants or cafes near the Shuvalov Palace. A time to enjoy visiting with new friends you have made!
<b>8)</b>	<b>TBD</b>	Tours of “The Link of Times” Fabergé exhibition* in the Shuvalov Palace - Groups of 15 persons with an English or Russian-speaking guide.

<b>9)</b>	15:30 - 17:30	Boat Tour (weather permitting) along St. Petersburg rivers and canals departing from Shuvalov Palace, <u>or</u> Sightseeing tour with a visit to Peter and Paul Fortress
	17:00 - 19:00	Free time
<b>10)</b>	19:00 - 22:30	Russian Banquet in the state-of-the-art facilities of the former Prince Alexander Bezborodko Palace with Russian musical entertainment, and a sneak preview of the museum. Business Attire.  5-10 minute walk from hotels A, B and C  Transportation costs for roundtrip from hotels #6, 7 circa €10 one way
<b>Saturday, October, 4, 2014 Cultural Program for Fabergé Enthusiasts</b> Breakfast included in hotel costs		
<b>11)</b>	09:15  10:00 - 12:30	Day 4 - October 4, 2014 Cultural Program for Fabergé Enthusiasts  11) 09:15 Meet at the Astoria Hotel Lobby (no transportation provided) 15-20 minute walk from Astoria Hotel with Soroptomist escort.  11A) 10:00 - 12:30 Tour of the Hermitage Museum* 11A) €20 <i>includes the Servants of the Imperial Court extended venue</i>  11B) 10:00 - 12:30 Treasures Gallery with Fabergé objects 11B) €15  <i>To view the Treasures Gallery requires a general admission ticket (11A) to the Hermitage Museum plus a surcharge for this gallery = €35.</i>
<b>12)</b>	12:30 - 13:30	Lunch
<b>13)</b>	13:30 - 17:30	Bus tour of the Pavlovsk Palace and Grounds
<b>14)</b>	19:00 - 22:00	Time at leisure for different night activities, i.e., opera or ballet performance, classical concert, folklore show. The repertoire of theatres will be known in after September 1 <sup>st</sup> .

**Sunday, October 5, 2014 Bonus Day with Recommendations:**

Breakfast included in hotel costs

<b>15A)</b>	9:00 - 14:30	Bus tour to Peterhof Palace with a Grand Palace visit featuring Fabergé objects, <b><u>or</u></b>
<b>15B)</b>	9:00 - 13:30	Bus tour to Tsarskoye Selo* with visit to Catherine's Palace with Amber Room (admission fee included), Jasper Bath, Alexander Palace, Feodorov's Helmet
Morning tours in St. Petersburg:		
<b>16)</b>	10:00 - 12:30	City sightseeing tour with a visit to the Peter and Paul Fortress, <b><u>or</u></b>
	10:00 - 12:00	Self-guided walking tour with a map to view the leading Fabergé workmaster shop locations, the 1900 Fabergé shop location (now a jewelry store) and by appointment (TBD announced) to see the extant Fabergé vault at 24 Bolshaya Morskaya. Photo-ops, and a Soroptomist guide at the location.
Lunch on your own		
Afternoon <u>Walking</u> Tours with Soroptomist Escort:		
<b>17A)</b>	15:00 - 17:00	Saint-Isaac's Cathedral, <b><u>or</u></b>
<b>17B)</b>	15:00 - 17:00	Yusupov Palace*, <b><u>or</u></b>
<b>17C)</b>	15:00 - 17:00	Vladimirs' Palace, <b><u>or</u></b>
<b>17D)</b>	15:00 - 18:00	Bus tour to view buildings and monuments for Fabergé egg surprises Length: 3 hours, if sufficient interest

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