

International Chamber Music Workshop
Pulawy, Poland
July 22nd – August 4th, 2007

ICMW



www.accademiamusica.com

Dear _____,

I am happy to inform you that you have been accepted to the International Chamber Music Workshop in Pulawy, Poland as a participant for 2007 session.

Enclosed you will find all the materials you need to ensure that your travels to Pulawy, and your participation in the Workshop, go as smoothly as possible. Most of this information can also be obtained on the web at www.accademiamusica.com.

Please make sure that your passport does not expire for at least a year from your date of departure. European Union and Canadian citizens NO LONGER REQUIRE A VISA to enter Poland. Since the ICMW is not a degree or certificate granting institution, you may enter Poland as a tourist.

We look forward to welcoming you at the Workshop in July, should you have any questions in the meantime, please feel free to contact Mateusz or myself at icmw@accademiamusica.com

Sincerely,

Witold Swoboda
Artistic Director

International Chamber Music Workshop _____
Pulawy, Poland
July 22nd – August 4th, 2007

ICMW



www.accademiamusica.com

FEES

The fee for the International Chamber Music Workshop is 650 EURO. Add 250 EURO (900 EURO TOTAL) if you are participating in the trip around Poland after the Workshop. This amount can be paid by electronic funds transfer to the following account:

Bank name: PKO BP O/Pulawy

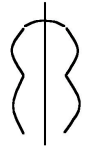
Swift code: BPKO PLPW

Account name: Miedzynarodowe Warsztaty Muzyki Kameralnej<International Chamber Music Workshop, Pulawy>

Account number: **38 1020 3219 0000 9702 0048 5862**

International Chamber Music Workshop
Pulawy, Poland
July 22nd – August 4th, 2007

ICMW



www.accademiamusica.com

FLYING TO POLAND?

The nearest international airport to Pulawy is in Warsaw, the capital of Poland. From there you will take the 'Polski Ekspres' bus to Pulawy. For more information on this, check the 'Warszawa-Pulawy' page of this booklet, or visit www.accademiamusica.com. The sooner you book your ticket to Poland, the better as summer is always a busy time for airlines and availability may be limited if you wait too long. If you are a **student of Witold Swoboda**, you may be travelling as part of a group. Please consult with him regarding your travel arrangements to Poland.

Some important things to remember when flying with VIOLINS are:

- ALWAYS take your violin or viola as carry-on. It may be best to check what the airlines carry-on policy is before booking tickets, but most major airlines allow violins as carry-on. NEVER check your violin as luggage as violin cases are not designed to withstand the impacts that sometimes occur when luggage is being handled.
- Pack spare strings, rosin, pencils, metronomes as luggage. Less clutter means less hassle at security.

Some important things to remember when flying with CELLOS are:

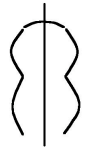
If you are going to check your cello as luggage, make sure you have a proper flight case. NEVER check your cello as luggage in an ordinary plastic or soft case. Only check the cello as luggage if you are flying with a travel case.

If you are buying a seat for your cello, MAKE SURE the airline you are flying with allows this at the time you book your ticket. Rules may vary from one airline to another.

Bring some water and plenty to read on the plane. Happy skies!

International Chamber Music Workshop
Pulawy, Poland
July 22nd – August 4th, 2007

ICMW



www.accademiamusica.com

WARSZAWA-PULAWY

If you are flying to Pulawy as one of **Witold Swoboda's students**, you will most likely be flying with a group of others coming from Canada. Transportation or an escort from Warsaw International Airport to Pulawy will be provided.

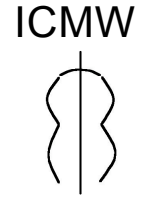
Pulawy is easily accessible from Warsaw by the 'POLSKI EXPRESS' bus. The bus leaves the ARRIVALS level (follow the signs to the bus stop) of Warsaw's International Airport (Okecie) daily at the following times:

- 7:00 AM
- 9:00 AM
- 11:00 AM
- 13:00 PM
- 15:00 PM
- 19:00 PM

The trip to Pulawy takes approximately two hours and forty-five minutes and tickets can be purchased at the airport. The bus stops almost directly in front of the "Bursa Szkolna," where you will be staying. Email your flight arrival information and which bus you think you will make (one which departs at least two hours after your flight is scheduled to land), to icmw@accademiamusica.com, a member of staff will meet you at the bus stop.

If you are an international participant flying from a country other than Canada, please make sure to email your arrival and departure information to icmw@accademiamusica.com with "travel information [yourname]" in the subject line. It might be possible to arrange an escort or pick-up at the airport for you, depending on your time of arrival.

International Chamber Music Workshop
Pulawy, Poland
July 22nd – August 4th, 2007



www.accademiamusica.com

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Email

There are internet cafes in Pulawy where students will be able to check their email for a small fee, usually around \$2/hour. Email is the best and cheapest way to keep in touch.

Telephone

There are also pay phones, which work with Polish long distance phone cards. Another option is to get a Bell Prepaid phone card while you are still in Canada. You can purchase the phone card at most convenience stores in Canada, and parents can add money to it with a credit card by calling the toll free service line. Rates from Poland to Canada are \$0.37, using this card. To call, simply dial the Canada Direct access number 0*0-800-111-4118 and follow the voice prompts.

Contact information

If parents need to get in touch with students in a hurry, they can call the following number:
(from Canada dial) 011-48-81-886-3705

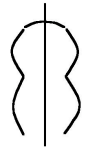
The person that answers the phone MAY NOT have a working knowledge of English so please be patient. Ask to speak with someone who does speak English: Mateusz Swoboda, Ewa Swoboda or Witold Swoboda, are all good options.

Mail

Mail from Canada to Poland can take anywhere from one to six weeks, depending on time of year/size of package etc. In addition, there are no mail facilities for students at ICMW in Pulawy. Sorry, care packages will have to wait till you get home!

International Chamber Music Workshop
Pulawy, Poland
July 22nd – August 4th, 2007

ICMW



www.accademiamusica.com

GENERAL INFORMATION

Health and Diet

There will be a Doctor and Nurse on site at the ICMW. Please inform us as soon as possible of any health and dietary requirements as soon as possible! You can do this by email: icmw@accademiamusica.com , or by regular mail at

2411 Mountland Dr.
Peterborough, ON
K9K 1V8
Canada

We cannot guarantee that health requests will be met if they are submitted later than June 10th.

An **IMPORTANT POINT** to remember is to **NEVER DRINK TAP WATER** in Poland.

Supervision

There will be English speaking counselors on each floor of the residence at the ICMW. The counsellors are responsible for maintaining a safe and fun environment for all participants. During times when students are not participating in music activities counsellors will organize outdoor sports, indoor activities or field trips. Counsellors are also responsible for **LIGHTS OUT** at night.

The use of ALCOHOL, TOBACCO and OTHER DRUGS is STRICTLY FORBIDDEN at the Bursa Szkolna. If you are caught using these substances, you will be immediately sent home at your (or your parents) expense.

International Chamber Music Workshop
Pulawy, Poland
July 22nd – August 4th, 2007

ICMW



www.accademiamusica.com

A TYPICAL DAY

MORNING

- 7:00 – wake-up call
- 8:00 – breakfast
- 11:00 – 1:00 – orchestra

AFTERNOON

- 1:00 – 2:00 – Lunch
- 2:00 – 4:00 – Free time/individual practice/swimming/sports
- 4:00 – 6:00 – Chamber Music Coaching
- 6:00 – 7:00 – Supper

EVENING

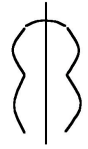
- 7:00 – 9:30 – Private lessons (if desired) / Practice / Evening activities
- 10:00 – Return to dormitory
- 11:00 – Lights out

WEEKENDS

- No lessons/coachings unless requested
- Field trips
- Student and Faculty concerts

International Chamber Music Workshop
Pulawy, Poland
July 22nd – August 4th, 2007

ICMW



www.accademiamusica.com

WHAT TO BRING?

The weather in Pulawy in July is usually sunny hot and humid, but there is always the chance of rain. Here is a short reminder list of what you should bring.

Travel Items

- Passport
- Plane ticket
- Travel/health/instrument insurance
- Bank card (only 4 digit pin numbers)

Everyday items

- Socks/underwear
- Short sleeve shirts
- Shorts/Pants/jeans
- Sweater
- Running/walking shoes
- Jacket
- Towels/shampoo/soap
- Flip-flops for showers
- Travel alarm clock (battery-powered)
- Bathing suits
- Umbrella or raincoat
- Sunscreen
- DO NOT take hair dryers or irons unless they are rated for 220W and you have a converter.
- Most cell phones from North America will not have coverage in Poland.

Concert items

- Black pants/skirt
- White shirt/blouse
- Black socks
- Black shoes
- Music stand
- Spare strings
- Rosin
- Scotch tape
- Music you wish to work on.

International Chamber Music Workshop
Pulawy, Poland
July 22nd – August 4th, 2007

ICMW



www.accademiamusica.com

See you in Poland!

If you have any additional questions, or can think of additional helpful information for this year for future students, we welcome your comments and inquiries! Please email us at icmw@accademiamusica.com with “questions about Pulawy 2007” in the subject line for questions, or “helpful comment” in the subject line for helpful comments. We would like to make your trip to and stay at the Bursa Szkolna as educational and fun as possible. Do not hesitate to contact us!

Regards,

Witold Swoboda
Artistic Director

Mateusz Swoboda
coordinator