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"CHINESE CLAY ART" is a newsletter emailed to professional artists, curators, collectors, writers, experts, educators and students in the ceramic field, who want to know about ceramic art in China and things related. This newsletter will be a bridge between China and Western countries for the ceramic arts. Comments and suggestions are very welcome.

An earlier newsletter is on the Web at:

<http://www.chineseclayart.com>

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IAC China 2008

IAC (International Academy of Ceramics) General Assembly will be held in Xi'an China September 10-14, 2008, the website is www.2008iac.cn.

What We Can Help You for IAC China 2008: On the behalf of Chinese Ceramic Art Council USA (www.ChineseClayart.com), we would like to help everyone who will be in China for the conference.

We can help you with:

1. Chinese Visa application, (US citizens or residents only).
2. Book the international air tickets and connection flights from the US or Canada to China;
3. Book the hotel room in Beijing and the air ticket or train ticket from Beijing to Xi'an;
4. Pick you up from Beijing airport and arrange your transferring to Xi'an by air or by train;
5. We are going to arrange the Beijing Tour for everyone who may arrive in Beijing;
6. Book the hotel room in Shanghai and buy the air ticket from Shanghai to Xi'an for everyone;
7. Pick you up from Shanghai airport and arrange your transportation to Xi'an by air for anyone who speaks English;
8. We are going to arrange the Shanghai Tour for everyone who may arrive in Shanghai.

China Trip Hotline: On the behalf of Chinese Ceramic Art Council USA and the ceramic tour expert, we would like to help people to travel in China. Due to the frequent

China traveling questions, we have established the hotline for all of you who plan to travel to China by September 2008 (please contact the IAC 2008 committee office direct for the schedule of the activities and things related at: info@2008iac.cn):

For updated Travel Notes from Chinese Ceramic Art Council USA, Please click at:

http://chineseclayart.com/mall/c110/s25729/tours_notes.asp

Email: ChineseClayArt@hotmail.com,

Tel. 408-343-3919, 9am to 6pm, Monday - Friday, US Pacific Time;

Tel. 408-891-5866, 24 hours/7days, cellular phone, urgent only.

Guangzhen Zhou, Chief Editor

Question and Answer for Traveling to IAC China 2008

Q: Is it better to fly into Shanghai or Beijing and then how do I get to Xian? All the tours end at Shanghai, Beijing or Guangzhou what is the best way to get into Xian?

A: Beijing is closer to Xi'an. You may take airplane or overnight train to Xi'an. Since Beijing and Shanghai are the most popular cities for people first time in China. You may arrived in Beijing and depart from Shanghai, or the other way.

Q: Where I can book the international tickets from my home (Midwest in the US) to Xi'an?

A: Please contact me at ChineseClayArt@hotmail.com, we will help you to book the tickets from your hometown all the way to Xi'an at the best rate.

Q: I live a small city in the US and where is no Chinese consulate nearby, how can I get the Chinese visa?

A: You may send your passport (US passport or resident only) with one 2" photo and application form and fee to us and we will get the visa for you. Our contact information is: Chinese Ceramic Art Council USA

PO Box 1733, Cupertino, CA 95015, USA

Email: ChineseClayArt@hotmail.com,

Tel. 408-343-3919, 9am to 6pm, Monday - Friday, US Pacific Time;

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Chinese Visa Service and fee:

Chinese Visa Application; \$100 visa procession fee, plus \$25 service fee. You may need provide the self- stamped return envelope.

Arrived in Beijing, September 2008

Beijing

One Night in Beijing; \$240 by Air to Xi'an (\$275 for a single room). The fee is included: Airport pickup, one night hotel room and the breakfast, and the air ticket from Beijing to Xi'an.

September 7, depart from your country to Beijing;

September 8, Pick up you from Beijing International Airport;

September 9, take airplane to Xi'an for the IAC assembly.

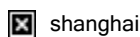
Arrive in two hours.

One Night in Beijing; \$190 by Overnight Train to Xi'an (\$225 for single room). The fee is included: Airport pickup, one night hotel room and the breakfast, and train ticket from Beijing to Xi'an.

September 7, depart from your country to Beijing;

September 8, Pick up you from Beijing International Airport;
September 9, daytime relaxed in Beijing on your own. In the evening, take overnight train to Xi'an for the IAC assembly. Arrived in the earlier morning of the next day.
Three-day Beijing Tours; \$370 (\$440 for a single room). The fee is included transportations, hotel rooms, and three meals per day, admissions, and interpreter/tour guide and train ticket to Xi'an.
September 5, depart from your country to Beijing;
September 6, Pick up you from Beijing International Airport;
September 7, Visit the antique market of Panjiayuan in the morning and Tiananmen Square and the Ancient Palace Museum/Forbidden City in the afternoon.
September 8, Visit the Great Wall in the morning and Lulichang in the afternoon.
September 9, Arrived in the earlier morning.

Arrived in Shanghai, September 2008



One Night in Shanghai; \$260 by Air to Xi'an (\$295 for a single room). The fee is included: Airport pickup, one night hotel room and the breakfast, and the air ticket from Shanghai to Xi'an.

September 7, depart from your country to Shanghai;
September 8, Pick up you from Shanghai Pudong or Hong-Qiao International Airport;
September 9, take airplane to Xi'an for the IAC assembly. Arrive in two hours.

Three-day Shanghai Tours; \$390 (\$460 for a single room). The fee is included transportations, hotel rooms, and three meals per day, admissions, and interpreter/tour guide and air ticket to Xi'an.

September 5, depart from your country to Shanghai;
September 6, Pick up you from Shanghai International Airport;
September 7, Visit Shanghai Museum in the morning and the Yu-yuan Garden and the market in the afternoon.
September 8, Artists Studio and gallery tours, and Nanjing Road East, the Number 1 shopping street. In the evening, one-hour cruise on the Huangpu River.
September 9, take airplane to Xi'an for the IAC assembly. Arrived within three hours.

Useful websites for traveling to China

Chinese Visa info: www.chinaconsulatesf.org(San Francisco),
or http://www.visarite.com/China_visa.htm

Compare the time zoon in your home with Beijing China:
<http://www.worldtimezone.com/index24.html>

About the Weather in China: www.weather.com .

About Current Exchange Rates: www.xe.com or www.oanda.com

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Free Gift and Special from Chinese Clay Art

For anyone who booked our Beijing or Shanghai tour services will received a free book of "Chinese Ceramic Cultural Sites-A Traveler's Handbook", (Item No. BK 008, retail value \$20.00, discount price for IAC China \$10.00 until the end of August 2008). All of online orders from www.ChineseClayArt.com will receive a small size poster of "100 Images of Chinese Historical Ceramic Art" with IAC China 2008 website Item No. **BK 951-S**, \$1.00 retail value).

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