#### How to Enroll

#### Enroll by Phone:

Call Road Scholar toll free at **(800) 322-5315.** Reference Program **#21258, "Enchanting Ireland: Town and Country,"** from **May 15-25, 2020.** 

#### **Enroll Online:**

- Go to www.roadscholar.org
- Search for Program #21258
- On the Dates & Prices page, find your date, May 15-25, 2020
- Follow the instructions to complete your enrollment. If you have any problems, please call us at (800) 322-5315.

#### **Program Prices Per Person**

#### Double-occupancy, program-only price: \$3,549

Single-occupancy, program-only price: \$3,999

Upon enrollment, at an additional cost, round-trip airfare is available through Road Scholar Travel Services or via your independent travel advisor.



### **Registration & Cancellation Information**

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#### Cancel Schedule:

Should you need to cancel from this program, please refer to the chart below for schedule and refund information.

Payment Schedule	
Deposit Payment (due upon enrollment)	\$250
Final payment due	Feb. 28, 2020
Cancellation Policy	Fee per person
Cancel up to 67 days prior to program start date (applies after date of enrollment)	\$250
Cancel 66 to 30 days prior to program start date (applies after March 10, 2020)	50% of order total
Cancel less than 30 days prior to program start date (applies after April 16, 2020)	100% of order total

\* Road Scholar recommends that you purchase the optional Trip Protection Plan to protect your investment.

## **Enchanting Ireland: Town and Country**

An Exclusive Learning Adventure with Pulitzer Prize-Winning Journalist Essdras Suarez PROGRAM #21258 | MAY 15-25, 2020



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#### **Overview**

Join Pulitzer Prize-Winning Photojournalist Essdras Suarez as you discover the spirit of Ireland – as stirring as a fiddle reel, as hearty as a pub breakfast and as complex as "Finnegan's Wake." Experience it as you explore Ireland's cities, villages, farms and natural environments and interact with her people on this journey from the rural West to cosmopolitan Dublin in the East.



Walking up to two miles per day; some uneven, hilly, rocky terrain.

#### About Our Lodging

#### Falls Hotel, Ennistymon 3 nights

Nestled in a wooded vale beside the tumbling waters of the River Inagh.

#### **Dunraven Arms Hotel, Adare** 3 nights

Country house hotel style with award winning beautiful landscaped gardens.

#### **Grand Canal Hotel, Dublin** 3 nights

A coveted location in picturesque Dublin 4, the heart of the city near Dublin's theatre district of Grand Canal dock.

#### This 11-Day Adventure to Ireland Includes:

- 9 Nights of accommodations
- 19 Meals (9 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 7 Dinners)
- 1 Expert-led lecture
- 10 Field trips
- 3 Performances
- Group travel and transfers throughout the program
- A Group Leader to accompany you throughout the program to handle all logistics
- Customary gratuities, taxes and destination fees
- The Road Scholar Assurance Plan, including 24-hour assistance for medical and other emergencies

#### **The Road Scholar** Experience

Highlights

• Absorb the beauty of Ireland's West

• Learn how to photograph people in

public places in a non-threatening,

• In Dublin, visit Grafton Street, the

middle of a bustling city.

heart of the city's social life, and St.

Stephen's Green Park, an oasis in the

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# Featured Instructor

Essdras Suarez graduated from the University of Florida in 1993 with a bachelor's in journalism and photojournalism, and has taught workshops in Central America under the US Department of State. Suarez, a Pulitzer Prize photographer, has covered many national and international assignments for the Boston Globe including the Iraq war and the Columbia space shuttle disaster. He is the recipient of several national awards, including Editors & Publishers and the Robert F. Kennedy International Photojournalism Award.

Trip Itinerary is based on current information and may change due to local circumstances/conditions. Thank you for your understanding.

Day 1: Friday, May 15 In Transit to Program

#### Day 2: Saturday, May 16 Arrival & Transfer to Ennistymon

Transfer from Shannon Airport to Ennistymon by private coach, followed Program Orientation and Welcome Dinner.

#### Day 3: Sunday, May 17 **Galway & Coole Park Nature Reserve**

Board the motorcoach for a full day field trip to Galway and Coole Park. The port city of Galway is the cradle of Gaelic culture in the West. We'll enjoy an expert-led walk around the city with an opportunity to capture in photographs the charms of one of Ireland's most engaging cities. Dinner this evening is on your own to sample local cuisine.

#### Day 4: Monday, May 18 The Cliffs of Moher & The Burren

Visit two of Ireland's most incredible natural phenomena. We will begin at the Burren where we will meet a local expert, who will lead us through one of the largest karst limestone landscapes in Europe. Following lunch, visit the spectacular and world-famous Cliffs of Moher.

#### Day 5: Tuesday, May 19 **Transfer to Adare: Bunratty Castle & Folk Park**

Travel to the charming village of Adare, one of Ireland's most picturesque villages. Along the way, experience Bunratty Castle and Folk Park in County Clare, home to the most complete and authentic medieval fortress in Ireland.

#### Day 6: Wednesday, May 20 Dingle Peninsula: 6,000 Years of History

Motorcoach to the Dingle Peninsula, exploring the area's rich archaeological heritage and unique culture that was once cited as "the most beautiful place on earth" by National Geographic magazine.

#### Day 7: Thursday, May 21 **An Irish Farm**

Enjoy a field trip to a local farm, where we will meet a seasoned farmer who will lead us through Ireland's rural traditions past and present. Following lunch, the afternoon will include a photo walk.

#### Day 8: Friday, May 22 **Transfer to Dublin: National Stud & Japanese Gardens**

During our motorcoach transfer to Dublin, we will make stops en route at local spots for photo opportunities.

#### Day 9: Saturday, May 23 Dublin Castle, Trinity College & Photo Walk

Enjoy an expert-led visit to Dublin Castle and Trinity College. On a photo walk, explore Grafton Street, the heart of the city's social life for more than a century. Next visit St. Stephen's Green Park, a historical park and garden, located in the centre of Dublin city that provides an oasis of green calm in the middle of a bustling city.

#### Day 10: Sunday, May 24 An Evening of Traditional Irish Music

Free time and additional city photo walks followed by our Farewell Dinner and evening of traditional Irish music.

#### Day 11: Monday, May 25 **Program Concludes, Flights Home**

Check out by 11:00am after breakfast.

Note: Arrival and Departure Transfers included only with purchase of Road Scholar Air.