



## CTWO CUBA TOUR MARCH 2024

### Day 1: Thursday, March 21, 2024

- Participants fly to **Miami** and take the shuttle to Hilton Miami Airport Hotel
- 8 pm - Meeting to review entry and protocols for Cuban travel

### Day 2: Friday, March 22, 2024

- Early flight to Havana
- Meet local Afro-Cuban guide
- Private bus tour of Havana with stops at Revolution Square, the Malecon, and Old Havana (UNESCO heritage site)
- Lunch in Old Havana
- 3 pm - Check-in to Alston Hotel
- 6 pm - Welcome Dinner
- Evening Jazz Club for live music

### Day 3: Saturday, March 23, 2024

- Breakfast included each morning at the hotel
- Walking tour of Old Havana and Cathedral Square (UNESCO heritage site)
- Visit to the Casa de Africa for Afro-Cuban cultural performance and African museum tour
- Lunch in Old Havana
- Discussion on "Race, Community, and Organizing in Cuba" by Dr. Gisela Arandia expert on Cuba's race relations
- Private Cuban jazz performance at the home of Pablo Menendez of "Mezcla"
- Visit to the Art/Music facility Fabrica de Arte

### Day 4: Sunday, March 24, 2024

- Visit to La Regla port/site of slave ship arrivals and Church of the Black Madonna
- Visit to a Cabildo – African Based Spiritual House
- Lunch
- Visit to Callejon do Hamel (Hamel's Alley) to learn about Palo Monte – African based spiritual system and the role it plays in building community. Drum and dance session with neighbors and artists of the neighborhood
- Group debrief

### Day 5: Monday, March 25, 2024

- Visit with ICAP (Cuban Institute of Friendship with the People) welcome meeting on US Cuban relations and the principles of protecting Cuban society
- Film review and discussion with Gloria Rolando, award winning Afro-Cuban filmmaker whose themes address culture, race, and Afro-Cuban identity for social change
- Poetry reading by Nancy Morejon, the first Afro-Cuban woman to win Cuba's National Prize for Literature (2001) who will also discuss the role of spoken word in revolution
- Meet with Chocolate – famed Afro-Cuban Artist and intellectual in his studio for discussion and viewing of his Santeria based art and the role of art in informing spiritual and social change

### Day 7: Tuesday, March 26, 2024

- Explore the organization and effectiveness Cuban Health Care system with visit to a neighborhood clinic to meet with doctors and nurses
- Lunch
- Meet with a neighborhood CRC and community children's program to learn about how communities organize for safety, protection, and addressing the needs of youth
- Give school supply donations to the children's program
- Group Debrief

### Day 8: Wednesday, March 27, 2024

- Visit to the Cuban National Literacy Museum to learn about the role of young women in the 1960s campaign "block-by-block" campaign to educate the new Revolutionary Cuba
- Discussion on sex and gender with the Center for Sex Education
- Visit to artist Jorge Almagro's home and studio
- Lunch in Old Havana
- Free time at the San Jose Craft Market for shopping and/or to explore Old Havana on your own

### Day 9: Thursday, March 28, 2024

- Visit to youth re-Revolution Center to learn about the ways Cuba re-educates youth who have committed actions that are against the Cuban Revolution
- Meet Hip Hop Artists in the famed origins of hip hop in Havana to learn about how art serves to push for change
- Closing dinner at the famed San Cristobal restaurant, one of a few Afro-Cuban owned restaurants in Havana
- Group Debrief

### Day 10: Friday, March 29, 2024

- Return flight back to Miami for connections to your home city