

Saturday, May 6th (Guantánamo)

08:30hrs. Wreath lying to honor Mariana Grajales at the Revolution Square bearing her name.
 09:00hrs. Plenary sessions at Rubén López Sabariego House of Culture, to adopt the Final Declaration of the 5th International Seminar on Peace and to Abolish Foreign Military Bases.
 10:00hrs. Presentation of the book “Base Naval en Guantánamo. Estados Unidos versus Cuba”. (Guantanamo Naval Base. United States of America versus Cuba) a Cuban collective authorship.
 11:00hrs. Presentation of Guantánamo's Children Theater Company “La Colmenita” (The Little Beehive).
 13:00hrs. Lunch at Hotel Guantánamo.
 15:00hrs. Departure for Caimanera, Cuban territory neighboring the illegal US military base. Welcoming activity by the local authorities at the Caimanera Hotel.
 17:30hrs. Public event to read the Final Declaration of the Seminar to the people of Caimanera, at the Central Park of the locality.
 18:30hrs. Return to Guantánamo city.
 20:00hrs. Dinner.
 21:00hrs. “Noche Guantanamera”, downtown city with the locals.

Sunday, May 7th (Guantánamo)

07:00hrs. Breakfast at the hotel
 08:30hrs. Visit to the Nation's Borderline Brigade. Exchange with young soldiers who have the responsibility of guarding Cuba's sovereignty, facing the illegal Yankee occupation of the naval Base.
 13:00hrs. Lunch at the hotel
 PM Free time
 19:00hrs. Dinner at the hotel.
 Night: Free time

Monday, May 8th (Guantánamo)

07:00hrs. Breakfast at the hotel
 08:30hrs. Voluntary work session at an Organoponic (organic garden).
 11:30hrs. Return to the hotel
 12:30hrs. Lunch at the hotel
 14:30hrs. Visit to a Women's and Family Orientation Houses. Meeting with FMC (Federation of Cuban Women)
 16:30hrs. Visit to Senior Citizen Home
 19:00hrs. Dinner at the hotel
 Night: Free time

Tuesday, May 9th (Guantánamo)

07:00hrs. Breakfast at the hotel.
 08:30hrs. Voluntary work session at an Organoponic.
 11:30hrs. Return to the hotel
 12:30hrs. Lunch at the hotel
 14:30hrs. Visit to an industrial facility or a factory to hold a meeting with members of the Central Union of Cuban Workers (CTC, Spanish acronym) and the National Association of Innovation and Rationalization (ANIR, Spanish acronym) to explain the role of trade Unions in Cuba and to showcase handiworks and innovations from ANIR members to minimize the effects of the blockade.
 17:00hrs. Meeting with bloggers from the province
 19:00hrs. Dinner at the ICAP Delegation. Small
 Night: Free time

Wednesday May 10th (Guantánamo - Holguín)

07:00hrs. Breakfast at the hotel.
 08:00hrs. Checking out and departure to Holguín. On the way, visit the museum complex Birán, birthplace of Fidel & Raul Castro.
 13:30hrs. Arrival to Pernik hotel. Accommodation and lunch
 PM Diner at the hotel, free time

Thursday May 11th (Holguín)

07:00hrs. Breakfast at the hotel
 08:00hrs. Voluntary work session at an urban, organic garden (Organoponic) and exchange with experts to learn about the system of sustainable production of short-cycle crops.
 11:30hrs. Return to the hotel.
 12:00hrs. Lunch
 14:00hrs. Departure
 14:30hrs. Visit to the Arts School of Holguín
 16:30hrs. Presentation on Cuba's electoral system and exchange with delegates to the Provincial Assembly and Members of the National Assembly, at the ExpoHolguín Fairground.
 18:30hrs. Return to hotel
 19:00hrs. Dinner
 Night: Performance of the Children's Theater Company “Ronda de los Sueños” as farewell activity

Friday, May 12th (Holguín)

07:00hrs. Breakfast at the hotel, free time
 18:35hrs. Depart for the airport from the ICAP Delegation

**Program of the 25th Anniversary Che Guevara Volunteer Work Brigade 2017**

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Arrival date in Cuba: Friday, April 28th, 2017

Group departure from Toronto Pearson International Airport 15:55hrs on Air Transat TS 2714.

Arrival 20:05hrs at Holguín Frank Pais International Airport.

Departure date from Cuba: Friday, May 12th

Group departure from Holguín Frank Pais International Airport 21:35hrs Air Transat TS 899.

Arrival 01:25hrs (AM) Saturday, May 13th at Toronto Pearson International Airport.

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Hotels: Holguín – Pernik

Santiago – San Juan

Guantanamo – Guantanamo

Friday, April 28th (Holguín)

20:05hrs. Arrival at the "Frank País" International Airport, in Holguín.
Accommodation at the Pernik Hotel
Dinner at the hotel
Rest

17:00hrs

Arrival and accommodation at San Juan hotel. ICAP representatives will welcome the brigade.

Accreditation to take part in the V International Seminar on Peace and to Abolish Foreign Military Bases
Night Dinner at the hotel, Free time

19:00hrs.
PM

Dinner at hotel
Free time

Thursday, May 4th (Guantánamo)

07:00hrs. Breakfast at the hotel
08:30hrs. Visit to the "14 de Junio" Special School. A school for children who are deaf, blind, or visually and hearing impaired, a full product of the Revolution.
12:30hrs. Lunch at Hotel.
14:00hrs. Opening session of the Seminar at the Theater of the Guantánamo University of Medical Sciences.
– Welcome and Greetings from the President of the Cuban Movement for Peace and People's Sovereignty, comrade Silvio Platero Yrola.
– Address from the President of the World Peace Council, comrade Socorro Gomes
– Greetings and brief description of the territory conducted by Dr. Nancy Acosta Hernández.
16:00hrs. Recess
16:15hrs. Beginning of the plenary sessions.
– Panel presentations and targeted interventions by participants.
18:00hrs. End of work sessions.
19:00hrs. Dinner.
20:30hrs. Visit to a Committee for the Defense of the Revolution (CDR) at Villa Toa village and meeting with the neighbors.

Saturday, April 29th (Holguín)

07:00hrs. Breakfast at the hotel.
08:00hrs. Small official reception of the Brigade members by ICAP representatives in the province and the local authorities at the University of Holguín.
Voluntary work session at the University with members of youth organizations (FEEM, FEU, UJC)
11:30hrs. Return to hotel. Personal time.
12:30hrs. Visit to La Loma de la Cruz.
Lunch at the restaurant Loma de la Cruz
14:00hrs. Visit to editorial cuadernos de papiro (Papyrus Booklets publishing firm) to see handheld production of books with old machinery from XIII & IXX centuries.
15:30hrs. City tour: starting at mural Origen passing through parks of the city, museums and special historic sites, such as the Calixto Garcia's Museum-Birth House.
19:00hrs. Dinner at hotel
Night: Meeting with artists from Holguín at the UNEAC headquarters (Union of Writers and Artists of Cuba) to know about traditions and the cultural development of the province.

Tuesday, May 2nd (Santiago)

07:00hrs. Breakfast at the hotel
08:00hrs. Official reception at the ICAP Delegation in the province, by the authorities of the territory.
08:30hrs. Visit to the University of Oriente to learn about the Higher Education system in Cuba. Exchange with Teachers and Students from this higher learning institution.
Lunch at the hotel
Panoramic tour of the city with visits to the Moncada Garrison and Vilma Espín Birthplace Museum. Visit to Santa Iphigenia Cemetery to pay homage to Jose Marti.
Wreath lying at the resting place of Fidel Castro
Return to hotel
Dinner at the hotel
19:00hrs. Night: **AMISTUR OPTIONAL** (Might be to Tropicana Santiago, Casa de la Trova or others)

Wednesday, May 3rd (Santiago- Guantánamo).

07:00hrs. Breakfast at the hotel
08:00hrs. Checking out. Small farewell activity. Depart for Guantánamo.
On the way to Guantánamo, visit to San Benito de Mayarí rural town and the "Alcibiades Blanco Mejías" High School. Meeting with the Association of Combatants of the Cuban Revolution at its headquarters. Visit to the Mausoleum of the Frank País Garcia Second Eastern Rebel Front.
12:00hrs. Exchange with a Cooperative from the territory to know about the work of ANAP (National Association of Small Farmers). (Box Lunch).
14:30hrs. Visit to the town Polyclinic.
16:00hrs. Continue journey to Guantánamo.
18:30hrs. Official reception by the ICAP representatives and the authorities of the territory at the Mariana Grajales Revolution Square in Guantánamo.
Accommodation at the Hotel Guantánamo

Friday, May 5th (Guantánamo)

08:30hrs. Plenary sessions work continuance.
– Screening of "Todo Guantánamo es nuestro" (All Guantánamo is ours) from documentary film-maker Hernando Calvo Ospina.
– Panel presentations and targeted interventions by participants.
10:45hrs. Recess.
11:00hrs. Plenary sessions work continuance.
13:00hrs. Lunch at Hotel Guantánamo
15:00hrs. Plenary sessions work continuance
18:00hrs. End of work sessions.
19:00hrs. Dinner at hotel
20:30hrs. "Peace Concert", at 24 de Febrero Square in the Guantánamo city centre.

Sunday April 30th (Holguín)

07:00hrs. Breakfast at the hotel.
08:30hrs. Visit to Chorro de Maita and the Taino Village in Guardalavaca resort
12:00hrs. Lunch at the restaurant of the Taino Village. Enjoyment of the beach
17:00hrs. Return to Holguín.
19:30hrs. Dinner and rest for the May Day Parade

Monday, May Day (Holguín- Santiago)

06:00hrs. Breakfast at the hotel and depart for the May Day parade with the workers and other people of Holguín on the International Workers' Day.
After the parade, voluntary work with city workers in the collection of municipal waste and street cleaning
12.30hrs. Lunch at the hotel
14:30hrs. Checking out. Departure for Santiago de Cuba