

International Visitors

Travel Packages

The official international travel provider at RSNA 2008, ESA Voyages, provides full service travel packages for individuals traveling from outside North America. Prices below are in US dollars and include:

- Hotel room
- Airport transfers in Chicago
- Baggage handling at the hotel
- Daily American breakfast
- Local taxes
- Staff travel assistance

Book your travel package at esavoyages.fr or contact: Yves Grandjean
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International Invitation Letter

RSNA offers an official letter of invitation for RSNA 2008 attendees. The visa letter of invitation, though not required for the visa application, can assist as a supporting document. Present this letter of invitation from RSNA to the Consular Officer during the visa interview.

Request a customized mailed letter by visiting RSNA2008.RSNA.org. Go to the International Visitors section.

This letter by no means guarantees admittance into the U.S., but can provide compelling evidence for immigration officials to consider. Please note that RSNA cannot intervene with either the U.S. embassies abroad or with the U.S. State Department on behalf of any participant.

Traveling to the United States

All visa applicants are advised to apply for their visas as soon as travel to the United States is contemplated, and not later than 3-4 months in advance. **This means that international registrants should start the visa process now.**

Further visa information is available at:

- www.unitedstatesvisas.gov
- travel.state.gov
- evisaforms.state.gov
- www7.nationalacademies.org/visas
- usembassy.state.gov
- www.meetinchicago.com/meet_international.html

Visa Waiver Program

The **Visa Waiver Program (VWP)** enables nationals of certain countries to travel to the United States for tourism or business for stays of 90 days or less without obtaining a visa. For more information go to travel.state.gov/visa and click Visa Waiver program.

US-VISIT

US-VISIT currently applies to all visitors (with limited exemptions) entering the United States. This includes visitors traveling under the Visa Waiver Program. Visitors are photographed and fingerprinted upon arrival. In 2008, the US Department of Homeland Security began collecting additional fingerprints from international

visitors arriving at O'Hare International Airport. The change is part of the department's **upgrade from two- to 10-fingerprint collection** to enhance security and facilitate legitimate travel by more accurately and efficiently establishing and verifying visitors' identities. For more information go to www.dhs.gov/us-visit.

Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHTI)

Implemented in 2007, the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative requires all persons traveling by air between the United States and Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, and the Caribbean region to present a passport or other valid travel document to enter or re-enter the United States. For more information, go to travel.state.gov/travel/cbpmc/cbpmc_2223.html.

Meeting Services

The official language of the RSNA annual meeting is English. Interpreters are available at the meeting to answer conference questions in Chinese, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Japanese, and Spanish.

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	4-Night Package		5-Night Package		6-Night Package	
	Single	Double	Single	Double	Single	Double
Allerton Hotel	\$1,410	\$1,640	\$1,665	\$1,920	\$1,960	\$2,250
Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile	\$1,455	\$1,680	\$1,720	\$1,970	\$2,025	\$2,310
Courtyard Chicago Downtown River North	\$1,425	\$1,630	\$1,680	\$1,910	\$1,980	\$2,240
Drake Hotel	\$1,730	\$2,090	\$2,045	\$2,465	\$2,420	\$2,905
Embassy Suites Lakefront	\$1,600	\$1,805	\$1,895	\$2,115	\$2,235	\$2,485
Fairmont Hotel Chicago	\$1,785	\$2,165	\$2,110	\$2,550	\$2,495	\$3,010
Hard Rock Hotel Chicago	\$1,770	\$2,180	\$2,095	\$2,570	\$2,480	\$3,030
Hilton Chicago	\$1,475	\$1,800	\$1,740	\$2,110	\$2,055	\$2,480
Hyatt Regency Chicago Hotel	\$1,480	\$1,730	\$1,750	\$2,030	\$2,060	\$2,380
Inn of Chicago	\$1,185	\$1,305	\$1,390	\$1,520	\$1,630	\$1,770
InterContinental Hotel Chicago	\$1,550	\$1,915	\$1,830	\$2,250	\$2,155	\$2,650
James Hotel	\$1,790	\$2,050	\$2,120	\$2,415	\$2,505	\$2,840
Millennium Knickerbocker Hotel	\$1,445	\$1,655	\$1,700	\$1,935	\$2,005	\$2,270
Palmer House Hilton Hotel	\$1,460	\$1,810	\$1,725	\$2,125	\$2,030	\$2,495
Renaissance Chicago Hotel	\$1,775	\$2,030	\$2,100	\$2,390	\$2,485	\$2,810
Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers	\$1,505	\$1,755	\$1,775	\$2,055	\$2,095	\$2,415
Sofitel Chicago Water Tower Hotel	\$2,165	\$2,565	\$2,570	\$3,035	\$3,045	\$3,590
Swissotel Chicago	\$1,565	\$1,930	\$1,850	\$2,270	\$2,185	\$2,665
Westin Michigan Avenue Hotel	\$1,710	\$2,135	\$2,020	\$2,515	\$2,390	\$2,965

Packages do not include registration fees