



**Sacramento – Jinan Sister Cities “Youth Ambassador” Trip
July 2, 2012 – July 12, 2012 (Beijing – Jinan – Qufu)**

Highlights:

- ✚ **Climb the Great Wall of China!**
- ✚ **Visit Sacramento’s sister-city Jinan as a Youth Ambassador and meet local students!**
- ✚ **Visit Qufu, the birthplace of Confucius!**
- ✚ **Stay with host family, gain first-hand knowledge of the local people’s life and immerse yourself in the Chinese language and culture.**

Limited space available. Deadline to apply: Feb 29, 2012. For more information, please contact Grace at grace.liu@jsscc.org or Gloria at 916.685.8049. Visit our homepage www.jsscc.org or our page on the City of Sacramento’s website <http://www.cityofsacramento.org/sistercities/jinan.htm>

7/2 San Francisco (SFO) to Beijing (PEK).

7/2 Arrive in Beijing at night. Transfer to Hotel.

7/4 The Great Wall, Beijing Olympic Center, Hutong Neighborhood on foot, Tea Demonstration (B-L-D)

7/5 Free day. Suggested activities: Temple of Heaven, etc. Kung Fu Show at night (Optional, pay on your own) (B)

7/6 Tian’anmen Square, Forbidden City. After noon, take the high-speed rail, and ‘fly’ at 180 miles an hour and reach Jinan in mere 1.5 hours. Lunch on your own on the train. Host family to meet you at the train station. Dinner with host family. Stay with host family. (B-D)

7/7 Jinan sightseeing including the Shandong Museum, etc. Stay with host family. (B-L-D with host family)

7/8 Jinan exchange activities including visit to the Children’s Palace and a local school, etc. Stay with host family (B-L-D with host family)

7/9 Shopping and more sightseeing in Jinan. Stay with host family. (B-L-D with host family)

7/10 Day trip to Qufu with your host family, return to Jinan at night. Stay with host family. (B-L-D with host family)

7/11 Breakfast with host family. Train to Beijing. Lunch on your own on the train. Last minute shopping on Wangfujing Ave. Peking duck farewell dinner. Donghuamen Night Market (featured on the Food Network) after dinner. (B-D)

7/12 Fly back and arrive in SFO on the same day. (B)

JSSCC provides **four days of free stay in Jinan and Qufu** (including lodging, meals, transportation and sightseeing with host family) through our sister-city exchange program with Jinan.

‘Youth Ambassadors’ will be selected based on the following criteria:

- 1) Age 13 – 18
- 2) Attending a middle school or high school in the Greater Sacramento Area
- 3) Honor Students
- 4) Artistic or athletic talents
- 5) Interests in Chinese culture and language
- 6) Health condition fit for travel on hot and humid summer days with somewhat polluted air
- 7) Willingness and availability to host a Jinan student in your home

* B-L-D: Breakfast-Lunch-Dinner included in the tour cost.