MUSEUM TRAVEL ALLIANCE®
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An Insider's Mexico City

Art, Architecture & Antiquity

January 20 - 25, 2027



Trip *Highlights*

Enjoy an after-hours tour of the **Museo Nacional de Antropología**, with privately guided access to its 23 galleries devoted to Mexico's pre-Hispanic civilizations.

Experience entry to **Casa Azul** before public hours, exploring Frida Kahlo's lifelong home, studio, and personal collections.

Join **leading contemporary artists for private studio visits**, gaining intimate looks at works in progress.

View murals by Diego Rivera, José Clemente Orozco, David Alfaro Siqueiros, and others before public hours at the **Museo del Palacio de Bellas Artes**.

Embark on a curator-led tour of **Museo Jumex**, a David Chipperfield-designed museum with exhibitions drawn from a major Latin American contemporary art collection.

Travel northwest of Mexico City for an inside look at **El Nido de Quetzalcóatl**, Javier Senosiain's organic-architecture housing complex built into a ravine site.



Frida Kahlo's studio, Casa Azul

Dear Travelers and Friends,

Mexico City sits on the ruins of Tenochtitlán, the Aztec capital the Spanish dismantled stone by stone after 1521 to build their own colonial city on top. Much of that hidden history has been uncovered and preserved in the city's museums and continues to influence Mexican creativity. Mexico City's world-class institutions hold some of the most arresting art in the Americas.

From **January 20 to 25, 2027**, join expert local guide **Jaime Gomez** for an insider's journey in the Mexican capital's leading museums, mural sites, artists' homes, and beautifully designed modernist houses, with after-hours and before-hours access at several key stops. Private studio visits will provide an intimate view on how local contemporary artists are working in the city today.

Begin after hours at the **Museo Nacional de Antropología**, whose 23 galleries each showcase one of Mexico's pre-Hispanic civilizations. Before hours, enter the creative world of **Frida Kahlo** at her lifelong home, the cobalt-blue **Casa Azul**. See the house, studio, paintings, and personal objects that remain in the rooms where she lived and worked.
On a before-hours tour, discover the **Museo del Palacio de Bellas Artes**, housed in a grandiose palace. View its murals by Rivera, **José Clemente Orozco**, **David Alfaro Siqueiros**, and Rufino Tamayo. At the David Chipperfield-designed **Museo Jumex**, join a curator for an exploration of works drawn from a major private contemporary art collection.

Take an inside look at two houses by **Luis Barragán**, the Mexican modernist architect known for his use of color, light, water, and walled gardens: **Casa Gilardi**, his final residential work, and **Casa Pedregal**, built on the volcanic terrain south of the city. Northwest of Mexico City, visit a unique sustainable landscape, **El Nido de Quetzalcóatl**, Javier Senosiain's organic-architecture housing complex built into a ravine site and shaped like a giant serpent's nest.

To reserve your place, contact the Museum Travel Alliance at Arrangements Abroad by calling 212-324-1893 or emailing trips@museumtravelalliance.com.

Sincerely,

Jim Friedlander, *President, Museum Travel Alliance*



Casa Pedregal



Museo Jumex

Activity Level: Intermediate
Pace Level: Moderato

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Wednesday, January 20:
Arrival in Mexico City, Mexico **(R)**

After arriving in **Mexico City**, transfer to your hotel, the **JW Marriott Hotel Mexico City Polanco**. Then, join the group for a special after-hours tour of the **Museo Nacional de Antropología**, Mexico's premier anthropological museum.

The museum's collection encompasses Mexico's pre-Hispanic civilizations through 23 exhibition halls, each dedicated to a distinct cultural group. Among its renowned artifacts is the Aztec Sun Stone, a basalt monolith carved in the late 15th century. **A cocktail-style welcome reception** follows, with dinner at leisure.



Sun Stone, Museo Nacional de Antropología



Museo Estudio Diego Rivera y Frida Kahlo

Thursday, January 21:
Mexico City **(B,L,D)**

Enter **Casa Azul** before public hours to explore Frida Kahlo's birthplace, home, and studio, viewing her art within the rooms where she lived and worked. See works such as *Viva la Vida* and, if on display, *The Broken Column*.

Continue through **Coyoacán**, with a guided stroll through its market and historic district, where colonial-era streets, local crafts, and food traditions create a vivid portrait of neighborhood life. Lunch follows in Coyoacán.

This afternoon, enjoy **an exclusive, private studio visit with a leading contemporary artist**, with time to discuss current commissions and works in progress. Then, visit **Museo Estudio Diego Rivera y Frida Kahlo**, the two artists' linked studio-houses designed by Juan O'Gorman. Gather this evening for **a festive welcome dinner**.

Friday, January 22:
Mexico City **(B,L)**

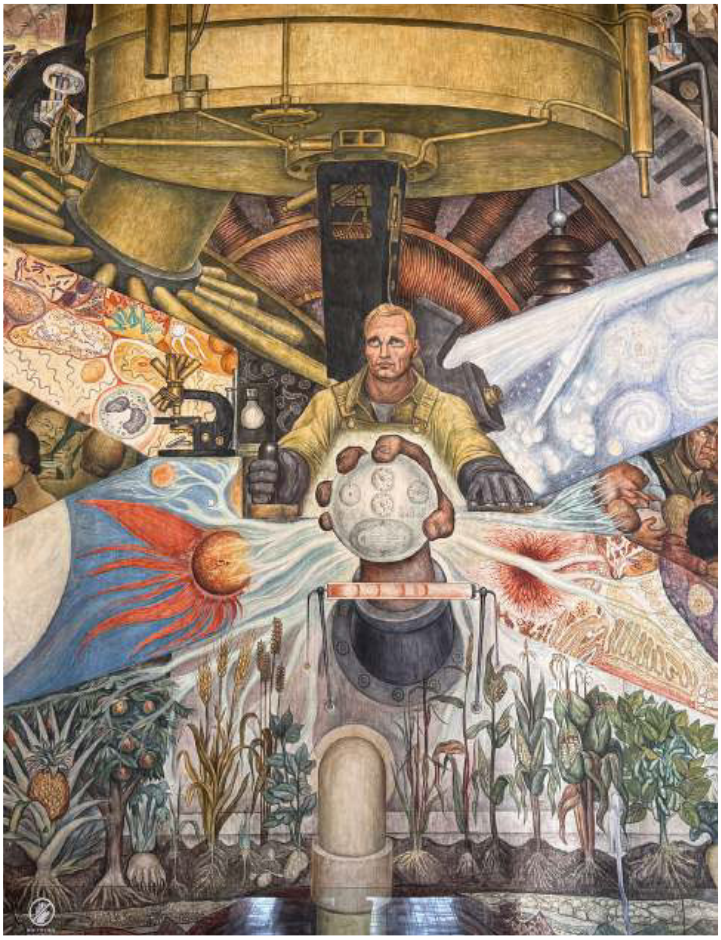
Rise for a behind-the-scenes visit to **Casa Gilardi**, Luis Barragán's final residential work. Built in the 1970s, the house turns sunlight, water, color, and a jacaranda tree into a sequence of rooms that changed how modern architecture could feel. The visit may include an exclusive greeting by one of Barragán's descendants, subject to availability.

Continue to **an artist's private studio**. After lunch at a local restaurant, enjoy a private visit to **Casa Pedregal**, another Barragán house, where volcanic rock, garden walls, saturated color, and water link domestic space to the terrain of southern Mexico City.

Next, explore the pyramid-inspired **Museo Diego Rivera Anahuacalli**, designed by Rivera to house his collection of pre-Hispanic art. Dinner is at leisure.



Museo Diego Rivera Anahuacalli



El Hombre Controlador del Universo by Diego Rivera, Museo del Palacio de Bellas Artes

Saturday, January 23:
Mexico City **(B,L)**

Enter Mexico's "Cathedral of Art," the **Museo del Palacio de Bellas Artes**, before public hours. See its collections of murals by Diego Rivera, José Clemente Orozco, David Alfaro Siqueiros, and Rufino Tamayo.

Venture to Chapultepec Park to visit the **Museo de Arte Moderno**, which displays masterpieces by Frida Kahlo *(The Two Fridas)*, Remedios Varo, Diego Rivera, and David Alfaro Siqueiros. Stroll through the garden terraces and outdoor installations.

Meet a curator for a tour of the Chipperfield-designed **Museo Jumex**, which features rotating exhibits drawn from one of Latin America's most extensive private contemporary art collections.

After lunch, stop at the vividly colorful **Cárcamo de Dolores**, a 1951 hydraulic structure that channels Mexico City's water system. Designed by Ricardo Rivas, it features **Diego Rivera's underwater mural cycle *Agua, origen de la vida (Water, the source of life)*** and his fountain dedicated to Aztec rain god Tláloc. This evening, dinner is at leisure.

Sunday, January 24:

Mexico City / Naucalpan de Juárez / Mexico City **(B,L,D)**

In the morning, venture north of Mexico City to **Naucalpan de Juárez**. Take a private excursion to **El Nido de Quetzalcóatl**, an organic-architecture housing complex by Mexican architect Javier Senosiain.

Built in the early 2000s on a rugged ravine site, the complex takes the form of a giant serpent's nest inspired by the Aztec deity Quetzalcóatl. Take a guided tour of its apartments, gardens, water features, and wooded paths, exploring how Senosiain turned a difficult site into habitable architecture.

After lunch, enjoy **a private visit to a contemporary artist's studio**, followed by a return to the hotel for leisure time. This evening, gather for **an intimate *mezcal* tasting**, followed by **a festive farewell dinner**.

Monday, January 25:

Mexico City / Return **(B)**

Enjoy a final breakfast before transferring to the airport for your flight home.

DISCLAIMER: This itinerary is subject to change at the discretion of the Museum Travel Alliance. For complete details, please carefully read the terms and conditions at https://www.arrangementsabroad.com/terms-conditions/.

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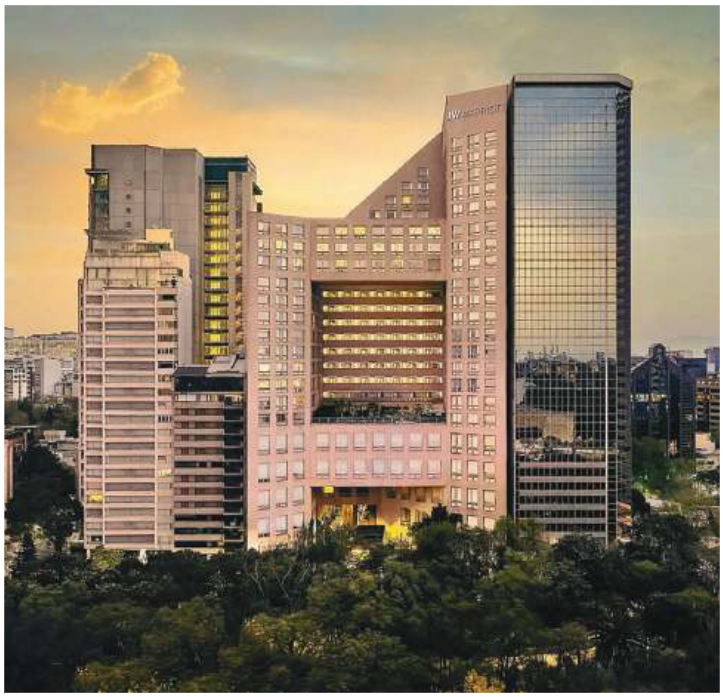


Parque Quetzalcóatl (2007- on going), Naucalpan de Juárez, A work in progress by architect Javier Senosiain @parquequetzalcoatl

Accommodations

JW Marriott Hotel Mexico City Polanco

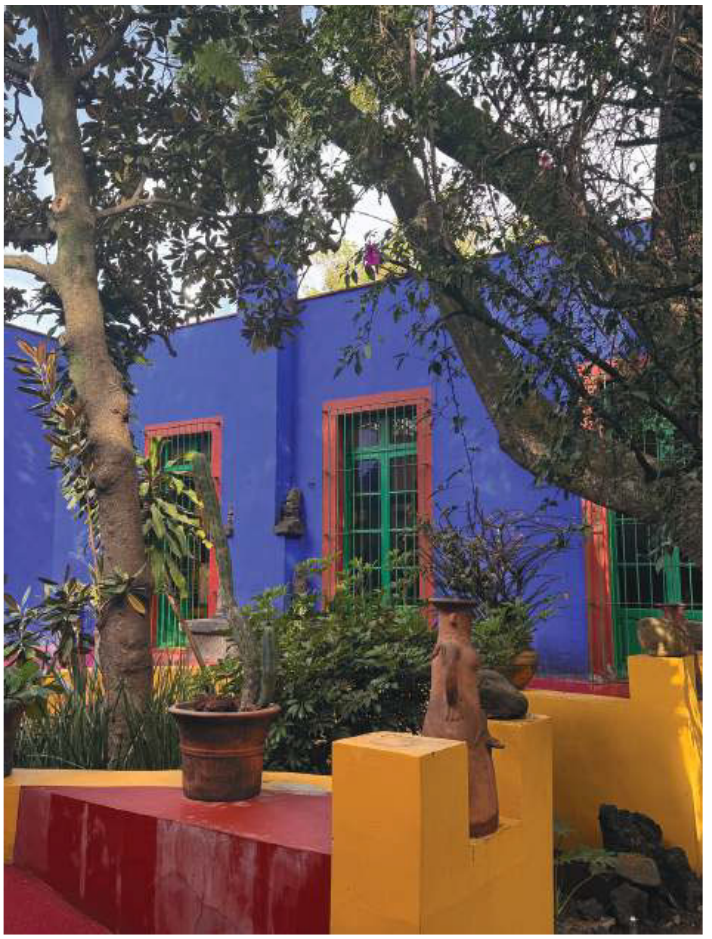
Stay in one of Mexico City's most stylish districts, with Campos Elíseos at the door and Lincoln Park, excellent restaurants, galleries, and cafés within walking distance. Dining ranges from Sendero Mexican restaurant and Tahona Mezcal Room to Corsi Cucina Italiana, Archiebald Steak Home, and Asian-inspired Chunky Dragon. Enjoy the fitness area, book a massage or facial in the seventh-floor spa cabins, or swim in the heated outdoor pool.



JW Marriott Hotel Mexico City Polanco



Lobby, JW Marriott Hotel Mexico City Polanco



Casa Azul, Mexico City

Program Rate
$8,999 per person, double rate
$9,999 single rate

Rate Includes

- Five nights hotel accommodations as per itinerary
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, R=Reception, D=Dinner). Bottled water, soft drinks, juices, and coffee/tea with all meals; house wine and beer at all included lunches and dinners
- Airport/hotel/airport transfers for participants on arrival and departure days
- Enrichment program of lectures and talks
- Escorted sightseeing, transportation, and entrance fees for all included visits
- Taxes, service, and porterage charges; gratuities to local guides and drivers

NOT INCLUDED IN RATE: International airfare; passport/ visa fees; meals not specified; alcoholic beverages other than those noted in inclusions; personal items and expenses; airport transfers other than for participants on arrival and departure days; excess baggage; trip insurance; any other items not specifically mentioned as included.

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RESERVATION FORM

To reserve a place, please click here to register online through a secure form. You may also call Museum Travel Alliance at 212-324-1893 or 855-533-0033; email: trips@museumtravelalliance.com; or complete and return this form with your deposit of $2,000 per person (of which $1,000 is non-refundable for administrative fees) to *Arrangements Abroad*. Mail to: Museum Travel Alliance, 260 West 39th Street, 17th Floor, New York, NY 10018-4424.

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Hotel room preference ❑ One bed ❑ Two beds

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FORM OF PAYMENT

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