

TERMS and CONDITIONS

TITLE 2010 Habla Teacher Institute: Into the Labyrinth

PROGRAM COSTS Institute cost: \$1150

(optional) Homestay with A/C: \$310 (9 nights)

PROGRAM COST INCLUSIONS Program includes professional development institute at Habla; program materials; coffee and traditional Mexican food and refreshments served daily at the Institute; closing dinner, fiesta and accompanying entertainment.

Homestays include the following: housing in a Mexican home, use of common areas and resources, three meals (packed lunch when needed), one furnished room including bed linens and towels, transportation to and from the Mérida airport, coordination of homestay experiences including accommodations for food allergies, special requests and medical emergencies.

PROGRAM COST EXCLUSIONS All air transportation to and from Merida; transportation to and from the Mérida airport; personal expenses (phone calls, laundry expenses, meals outside of the homestay, etc.); fees incurred from activities not included in the program; hotel expenses should you choose not to participate in the homestay program; optional excursions to Uxmal and Celestun; all other costs and expenses not expressly included above.

Please contact us at contact@habla.org with any questions regarding program inclusions or exclusions.

WHAT TO EXPECT The Habla programs are designed for participants eager to learn about the culture of the Yucatan. Since Habla experiences may involve staying with a host family, participating in collaborative learning in Habla classrooms, and exploring the cultural and ecological wealth of the Yucatan, an open mind and flexibility are essential.

The Teacher Institute at Habla and accompanying programs will be conducted in English. *No Spanish language background is necessary.* Free Wi-Fi is available at Haba.

If you have any questions or concerns about your ability to participate in one of our programs please contact us at contact@habla.org.

RESERVATIONS, DEPOSIT, AND FINAL PAYMENT To reserve a space at the Habla Teacher institute, a non-refundable deposit of \$250 via PayPal that will be applied to the overall course cost is required. Reservation fees are required upon confirmation of registration. Registration will continue until maximum capacity for

the Institute is reached. The final payment for the Institute must be received one month in advance. For the Habla Teacher Institute in July 2010, deposits must be received via PayPal by **JUNE 11th 2010**. Host families are paid directly, so homestay payments must be made in full in cash on arrival to the homestay coordinator. To explore alternative homestay payment options, please contact our homestay and excursion coordinator Claudia Chapa Cortes at cchapa@tsikbal.com.mx.

CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS In the case of cancellation before JUNE 11th 2010, all program costs will be refunded minus the \$250 deposit. After June 11th, 2009, Institute costs are non-refundable. No refunds will be given for late arrivals or absences. Homestay costs are non-refundable. Excursion payments are non-refundable.

PHYSICAL HEALTH It is essential that persons with any medical issues and or/dietary restrictions make them known to us well before arriving. Participants will be responsible for their own health care and medical needs.

QUESTIONS Please call us at Habla at (US) 401.374.3237 and (MEX) 999 948 1872 with any questions or email us at contact@habla.org.

RESPONSIBILITY Habla is a school and cultural center. We in no way represent or act as agent for transportation, carriers, hotels, home stays, and other suppliers of services connected with Habla. Therefore, Habla is not liable for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay, or other irregularity which may be caused by the defect of any vehicle or the negligence or default of any company or person engaged in performing any of the services involved. Additionally, responsibility is not accepted for losses or expenses due to sickness, weather, strike, hostilities, wars, natural disasters or other such causes. Habla does not accept liability for any airline cancellation or delay incurred by the purchase of an airline ticket. Baggage and personal effects are the sole responsibility of the owners at all times.

Habla also reserves the right to decline to accept any person as a participant in the program, or to require any participant to withdraw from the program any time, when such action is determined by the appropriate Habla staff to be in the best interests of the health, safety, and general welfare of the program participants, or of the individual participant. Habla may in its sole discretion decline to give a refund in the event of early withdrawal for any reason.

If the participant chooses to participate in yoga, Pilates, or dance classes, the participant recognizes that there is a moderate level of physical activity involved in these activities. The participant accepts any risks of participating in these and all other program activities, and releases Habla and its employees from any liability related to health and safety.