

## 2011 Dutch (NL2) Summer Tour

### INVITATION BY ROTARYCLUBS 's-HERTOGENBOSCH & HEUSDEN AND ROTARYCLUBS REGION WATERLAND

#### THEME: ON THE MOVE WITH WATER AND THEATER, LOOKING BEHIND THE DIKES

- Period: Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June until Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July, 2011
- Hosting Rotary clubs: RC Heusden/RC 's-Hertogenbosch, Southern Holland  
RC Waterland region, Western Holland
- Aim of the Tour: Experience how the Dutch manage their water business, the dutch education in the performing arts of cabaret. Looking behind the dikes. Learn to enjoy the company of participants from other cultures as well as getting acquainted with the dutch people and their culture.
- Participants: Boys and girls, maximum number of participants: 16
- Age: Minimum age: 18, maximum age: 19 years
- Language: Good level of English
- Conditions: You must be able to swim and cycle and should also be in a good physical condition
- Bring along: If you play a musical instrument, bring it along! Please take your favourite recipe with you (as well as the eventually difficult obtainable ingredients)
- Accommodation: The first week you'll be staying with Dutch guest families in the typical Dutch area just above Amsterdam; in Edam, Volendam and Monnickendam. The second week you will be staying with Dutch guest families in the surroundings of the medieval and picturesque cities of 's-Hertogenbosch and Heusden.
- Clothing: Suitable clothes for sightseeing and bathing suits. Please do not take heavy suitcases. Soft bags and cases are the best choice!



## Introduction and

preliminary program: The first week's program will take place in the western part of Holland. Just above Amsterdam lies the Waterland region, which mainly consists of (in the 17<sup>th</sup> century) newly made land, protected by the well known Dutch dikes. This interesting region offers plenty of educative, cultural and fun activities.



During your stay a cultural event called Reuring will be held in the city of Purmerend. This event includes a wide variety of shows such as acrobatics, music and dancing. A good deal of time will be spent at this fantastic event.

A visit will be brought to the Dutch coastal search and rescue team, together with an explanatory introduction to the system.



You will visit Amsterdam with the Rotaract. There will be the opportunity to see the world famous painting of the night watch at the Rijksmuseum and to visit the van Goghmuseum.

You will also be asked to cook your favourite recipe for your host parents. Further leisure activities include a hockey clinic, a visite to the world famous Edam cheese

market, swimming and a boat trip to the former Isle of Marken.



Heusden and 's-Hertogenbosch are both old walled town cities in the south of the Netherlands, surrounded by water. If you are interested in how the Dutch manage their water affairs (through the oldest democracy in the world!) and how students are educated in the performing arts of cabaret, this second week's program is the ideal for you!

In search of a more sustainable, environmentally friendly and widely available solution to the world's water problems, the Dutch water sector is researching, producing and applying some of the most cutting-edge products and services in the field of water resources management and sanitation. Experience how both water quality and quantity are managed by the local water board and visit a waste water treatment facility and the well known storm surge barrier that protects the Dutch from floods.



Foto: Trema Fotografie en Visuele Communicatie

We shall organise a workshop at the only Academy for Cabaret in the Netherlands, which is located in 's-Hertogenbosch. But there is also time for fun through boat trips, canoeing and a visit to one of the greatest amusement parks of the Netherlands with water rides and great thrills!

Water is an important element of beer and we will see how a beer brewery converts clean water into a world-renowned beer brand.

Of course there are also enough opportunities to meet and spend leisure time with other participants of various countries and cultures.

A detailed program shall be sent to the participants prior to their departure to the Netherlands.

[www.s-hertogenbosch.nl](http://www.s-hertogenbosch.nl) [www.heusden.nl](http://www.heusden.nl)

[www.edam-volendam.nl](http://www.edam-volendam.nl) [www.purmerend.nl](http://www.purmerend.nl)

[www.waterland.nl](http://www.waterland.nl)

