

## NZCFS NZ HEROES in CHINA TOUR

### OCTOBER 2023 21 days in China

2021 was the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Kathleen Hall's birth. 2022 was Rewi Alley's 125<sup>th</sup>. The focus is to visit heritage sites of both Kathleen Hall and Rewi Alley, and organise some official/semi-official meetings with partners of their heritage in China. The plan includes activity like English corner with students in Gansu, Youxie support for forums on RA and KH, meet Kathleen Hall scholars, all to be confirmed. Along the way there will be a number of historical, cultural and scenic sites of interest. **Underlying all will be a diverse and authentic food experience of the regions!** And to have FUN!

THIS IS A UNIQUE TOUR THAT ONLY NZCFS CAN DELIVER. THROUGH THE FOCUS ON REWI ALLEY AND KATHLEEN HALL, IT PROVIDES A PLATFORM FOR A BROAD APPRECIATION OF WHERE CHINA CAME FROM—HOW IT GOT TO WHERE IT IS TODAY, WITH CONTACT WITH REAL PEOPLE!

#### A. BEIJING

- Rewi Alley legacy
- City Highlights Tour

#### B. Hebei Province

- Kathleen Hall Legacy
- Baoding, Dingzhou
- Wolf Tooth Mountain

#### C. Shanxi Province

- Xuankong Hanging Temple, Hengshan
- Datong
- Pingyao Ancient Town

#### D. Shaanxi Province

- Xi'an
- Baoji, Shuangshipu

#### E. Gansu Province

- Lanzhou
- Zhangye, Shandan

#### F. Shanghai

**All Inclusive Cost estimate \$8500**

#### Includes:

- all travel (including international)
- all meals typical of the region
- accommodation (4 star or best available, twin share — single supplement available on request)
- site entry and performance entry fees

**Excludes visas and insurance**

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## **OCTOBER 2023**

**Wednesday October 10** Depart NZ (dates to be confirmed)

**Day 1** Arrive Shanghai, connect to flight to Beijing, light activities, rest. Stay in **Beijing**

**Day 2** Highlights of Beijing tour : Great Wall, Palace Museum, (Forbidden City) Tian'anmen Square. Stay in **Beijing**

**Day 3** Flexible day in city area; Song Qingling former residence, Hutongs, Drum Tower; meeting and discussions with old friends and officials. Stay in **Beijing**

**Day 4** Marco Polo Bridge (Luguo Qiao). Bus to Baoding, on the way go to Zhoukoudian, the archeological site of Peking Man. Travel and stay near to **Langya Shan**

**Day 5** In the morning take the cable car up Langya Shan, then continue travel to Baoding for lunch (1.5 hours) for some local specialities. In the afternoon visit Kathleen Hall Memorial Hall, the former office of the Qing Dynasty government, and West Avenue pedestrian Street. Stay in **Baoding**

**Day 6** Coach to Tang County– visit the Norman Bethune Memorial Hall, then to nearby Quyang county Songjiazhuang village where Kathleen Hall established her rural base, visit the primary school, meet teachers and students, and Lotus Hill where Kathleen Hall's ashes are scattered. Carry on to enjoy the night lights and stay in **Dingzhou**.

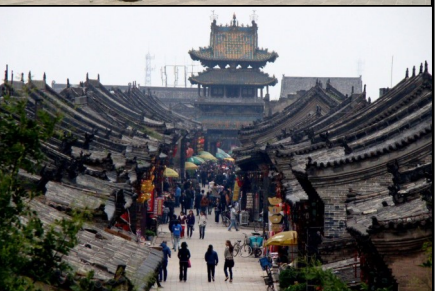
**Day 7** Morning activities in Dingzhou: visit the city wall gate where Kathleen was inspected by Japanese soldiers when transporting medical supplies; Dingzhou Cathedral, Confucius temple. Travel to Shanxi Province, Datong . On the way go to Xuankong Hanging Temple in Heng Shan. Stay in **Datong**

**Day 8** Day in Datong: activities relating to Kathleen Hall; visit Yungang Grottoes, Nine Dragon Wall. Meet Kathleen Hall Scholar. Stay in **Datong**

**Day 9** Bullet train to Pingyao Ancient City, (3 hours). Evening Show in the Zhang Yimou 'impressions' series: "Encore Pingyao" depicting the role this town played in Qing dynasty history. Stay inside the city walls of **Pingyao**.

**Day 10** Morning, time to wander the traffic-free streets inside the city walls of this fascinating preserved Qing dynasty ancient town, before taking afternoon bullet train to Xi'an. Music fountain show, wander the Grand Tang Market. Stay in **Xi'an**

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**Day 11** Cycle on the city walls, visit Eighth Route Army Museum for some 20th Century History, Terracotta soldiers, meet Women's Federation and Kathleen Hall scholars, wander in the Moslem Bazaar. Stay in **Xi'an**

**Day 12** Coach to Feng Xian, Shuangshipu. Visit the cave house where Rewi and George Hogg lived with adopted sons before they trekked to Shandan, Gansu.; visit the memorial Hall of Xi Zhongxun, father of Xi Jinping. Stay in **Shuangshipu**.

**Day 13** By coach over the Qingling mountain range that separate the Yellow river catchment from the Yangtse river, to Baoji (2 hours). Visit the extensive restored cave factory network that Rewi helped to construct in 1940-1, visit the Baoji Bronze Ware Museum with an extensive collection of Zhou dynasty (11th C to 226 BC) bronze artefacts. Stay in **Baoji**.

**Day 14** Bullet train from Baoji to Zhangye (about 7 hours). This passes through Xining, Qinghai province, and tunnels under the Qilian mountains. Expect to see yaks! Stay in **Zhangye**.

**Day 15** Sites in Zhangye: Zhangye Danxia geological park, wetlands park, housed sleeping Buddha. Then carry on to Shandan (90 minutes). Stay in **Shandan**.

**Day 16** Activities in Shandan: visit Rewi Alley's grave; hold commemoration event with teachers, students, government officials. English Corner with an English class. Visit the Big Buddha. Stay in **Shandan**.

**Day 17** Train to Lanzhou (5 hours). Light activities in Lanzhou: Water wheel park, walk across the Yellow River Bridge. Stay in **Lanzhou**

**Day 18** Visit Lanzhou City University and Bailie Square. Meet with friends of Rewi Alleys legacy, visit Rewi Alley Commemoration Hall. Stay in **Lanzhou**

**Day 19** Fly to Shanghai, check into hotel then some free time. Stay in **Shanghai**

**Day 20** Visit Rewi's residence (1932-37), now preserved as a commemoration room; meet colleagues and friends - Gung Ho, Shanghai Youxie, perhaps an NZCFS associated NZ writer in residence. End of trip banquet. Stay in **Shanghai**

**Day 21**

**October 31** Late morning depart for airport for return to New Zealand.

**For Tour map, see over.....**



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# NZCFS NZ HEROES in CHINA TOUR MAP

- Air travel
- Train
- Land travel

