



CALL FOR THE 19TH INTERNATIONAL MAY DAY VOLUNTEER WORK AND SOLIDARITY WITH CUBA BRIGADE.

(April 26th to May 9th, 2026)

"For Peace, Solidarity, and the Legacy of Fidel on his Centenary"

The Cuban Institute of Friendship with the Peoples (ICAP) and its travel agency Amistur Cuba S.A., inspired in the commemorations for the 65th Anniversary of ICAP's foundation and the 67th Anniversary of the Triumph of the Revolution, are pleased to call friends of Cuba from all over the world to participate in the 19th International May Day Brigade.

This edition, from April 26th to May 9th, 2026, has great deep and historical significance. It is specially dedicated to commemorate the Centennial of the Birth of our undefeated Commander in Chief, Fidel Castro Ruz, architect of the homeland's unity and dignity. The brigade stands as an act of internationalist reaffirmation on the occasion of International Workers' Day, a date symbolizing the historical struggle of the world's working class against exploitation and for social justice.

The brigade is designed to offer its participants a comprehensive and profound understanding of current Cuban reality. Through a structured program, participants will know about the advances of our social project, the ongoing transformations, and the creative resistance of the Cuban people in the face of the criminal economic, commercial, and financial blockade imposed by USA governments, intensified as never before by the current U.S. administration.

The program includes days of voluntary work, as a practical expression of solidarity and tribute to the value of liberating labor; meetings with representatives of political and mass organizations, institutions, and with the people, analyzing the challenges and achievements of Cuban society. Furthermore, visits to centers of historical, economic, cultural, and social interest in the provinces of Havana, Artemisa, and Cienfuegos are planned, which will allow to be aware of our national development.

Logistics and conditions:

- **Duration:** 13 nights/14 days.
- **Accommodation:** 10 nights at the International Camp "Julio Antonio Mella" (CIJAM) in Caimito (founded in 1972), and 3 nights in a hotel in Cienfuegos. Staying at CIJAM requires strict compliance with its internal regulations and the norms of discipline and collective live.
- **Participation Cost:** 690.00 EUR/USD.
 - ✓ Includes:
Accommodation in shared rooms (up to 4 people at CIJAM, double/triple rooms in Cienfuegos).
 - ✓ Full board (breakfast, lunch and dinner).
 - ✓ All transfers: airport-CIJAM-airport and transportation for activities planned in the program.
- **Payment Method:** Bank transfer or secure online payment gateway.



- **Requirement:** All brigade members must have medical insurance with valid coverage in Cuba.
- **Early Arrivals:** Those arriving at CIJAM before April 26th will pay a supplement of 20.00 EUR/USD per night (includes accommodation and food).

Registration Process:

1. Registrations close on March 31st, 2026.
2. It is mandatory to complete the registration form at: <https://forms.gle/3fQ3yg7y11Luqdsy9>
3. Detailed personal information and flight itinerary (dates, times, number) must be provided to arrange logistics for pick up and transfers. Transportation to CIJAM will be guaranteed for brigade members who remain in Havana before the official start.
4. For inquiries: brigada1romayo@gmail.com

This brigade is not a tourist trip; it is a trench of ideas, work, and fraternity. It is an opportunity to honor, alongside the Cuban people, the legacy of Fidel, celebrate the achievements of the Revolution, and strengthen, through concrete actions, the unbreakable bonds of internationalist solidarity that characterize the struggle for a more just world.

For Peace, Friendship, and the Victory of Solidarity!



ACTIVITIES PROGRAM - 1ST OF MAY BRIGADE

Sunday, April 26, 2026

Arrival of participants. (Transfer airport-CIJAM).

16:00 Departure to the "Julio Antonio Mella" International Camp (CIJAM) for participants who arrived earlier. Location: Casa de la Amistad.

Accommodation and Dinner.

Free Evening.

Monday, April 27, 2026

07:00 Wake up

07:30 Breakfast

10:00 Brigade Inauguration at CIJAM.

11:00 Meeting with representatives of the political divisions of ICAP.

12:30 Lunch at CIJAM

14:00 Conference: Current Situation in Cuba and Impact of the Blockade.

17:00 Organizational meeting by country.

20:00 Dinner and Cuban welcome night

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

07:00 Wake up

07:30 Breakfast

08:00 Departure to Havana.

09:00 Visit to the Fidel Castro Center.

Exchange on the life and work of Commander in Chief Fidel Castro.

13:30 Lunch at 1830 Restaurant.

14:30 Meeting with Cuban intellectuals and artists at Casa de las Américas.

17:00 Departure to CIJAM.

19:00 Dinner at CIJAM.

Evening to socialize / Recorded music / Meeting of rapporteurs.

AMISTUR OPTIONALS

Wednesday, April 29, 2026

05:45 Wake up

06:15 Breakfast

07:00 Morning gathering and departure to productive work.

12:30 Lunch at CIJAM.

14:30 Conference: Imperial Offensive of the Trump Administration towards Latin America.

18:30 Dinner at CIJAM.

20:30 Explanation meeting about the May Day program.

Free evening with recorded music.

AMISTUR OPTIONALS

Thursday, April 30, 2026

05:30 Wake up

06:00 Breakfast

07:00 Morning gathering



Visit to production centers according to ICAP-CTC planning.
12:30 Lunch at Restaurant El Aljibe in Havana.
15:00 Meeting with Palestinian students at ICAP.
17:00 Departure to CIJAM.
19:00 Dinner at CIJAM.
Evening to socialize / Recorded music.

Friday, May 1, 2026

03:00 Wake up
03:15 Breakfast
04:00 Departure to Havana.
07:00 Participation in the central activity for May Day along Revolution Square.
10:00 Socializing activity at Casa de la Amistad.
12:00 Lunch at Casa de la Amistad / Return to CIJAM.
AMISTUR OPTIONAL
Dinner / Free evening at the camp

Saturday, May 2, 2026

05:00 Wake up
06:30 Breakfast
07:00 Departure to the Convention Palace.
Participation in the Solidarity Event.
13:00 Lunch at the Convention Palace.
Event Closing. Return to CIJAM
18:30 Dinner at CIJAM / Free evening / Recorded music.

Sunday, May 3, 2026

05:00 Wake up
05:30 Breakfast
06:30 Departure to Cienfuegos.
09:00 Welcome to the Brigade at "Martí" park. Floral tribute.
09:30 Visit to community projects.
12:30 Lunch and check-in at the Hotel.
Enjoyment of the Hotel facilities.
19:00 Dinner at the hotel
20:00 Cultural Activity at the hotel.

Monday, May 4, 2026

07:00 Breakfast.
09:00 Visit to an agroecological farm in the province. Exchange with producers.
12:00 Lunch at the Hotel
14:00 Visit to the Benny Moré School of Arts
15:30 City tour with the provincial historian. Return to the Hotel
19:00 Dinner at the hotel.
Evening: Enjoyment of a Cuban Night with local artists at the hotel.

Tuesday, May 5, 2026

07:00 Breakfast



08:00 Volunteer work at a UBPC in Cienfuegos.
13:00 Lunch at the Hotel
14:30 Meeting with internationalist doctors.
Delivery of medical donations to the Provincial Hospital of Cienfuegos.
19:00 Dinner at the hotel.
Free Evening.

Wednesday, May 6, 2026

07:00 Breakfast.
08:00 Check-Out.
08:30 Departure to Villa Clara.
10:30 Visit to the Che Memorial Museum and Monument to the Armored Train.
13:00 Lunch at Hotel Los Caneyes/Granjita.
15:00 Departure to CIJAM.
20:00 Dinner at CIJAM.
Evening to socialize / Recorded music.

Thursday, May 7, 2026

05:45 Wake up
06:00 Breakfast.
07:00 Productive Work.
12:30 Lunch at CIJAM.
14:00 Culture and Nation: The Mystery of Cuba. Exchange space with representatives of the José Martí Cultural Society. Book sale.
19:00 Dinner at CIJAM.
Evening: Preparations for International Night. / Meeting of rapporteurs and drafters of the final declaration.
AMISTUR OPTIONALS

Friday, May 8, 2026

05:45 Wake up
06:00 Breakfast
07:00 Productive Work
11:00 Final production activity
12:30 Lunch at CIJAM.
14:00 Closing Ceremony. Reading of the final declaration at CIJAM.
Preparation for the International Night.
19:30 Dinner / International Night and closing party.

Saturday, May 9, 2026

Transfer of participants to the airport according to planning.
10:00 Transfer to Havana (ICAP) for participants who will remain in Cuba.
Departure of the Cuban delegation.