

**Hold Harmless Form for CY 2017
Poughkeepsie Branch AAUW
Aventures en Soleil Interest Group**

***Acknowledgment of Outing Member Responsibility, Express Assumption of Risk,
and Release of Liability***

I understand that during my participation in **AAUW** Outings, I may be exposed to a variety of hazards and risks, foreseen or unforeseen, which are inherent in each Outing and cannot be eliminated without destroying the unique character of the Outing. These inherent risks include, but are not limited to, the dangers of serious personal injury, property damage, and death ("Injuries and Damages") from exposure to the hazards of travel and **AAUW** has not tried to contradict or minimize my understanding of these risks. I know that Injuries and Damages can occur by natural causes or activities of other persons, animals, trip members, trip leaders and assistants or third parties, either as a result of negligence or because of other reasons. I understand that risks of such Injuries and Damages are involved in adventure travel such as **AAUW** Outings and I appreciate that I may have to exercise extra care for my own person and for others around me in the face of such hazards. I further understand that on an Outing there may not be rescue or medical facilities or expertise necessary to deal with the Injuries and Damages to which I may be exposed.

In consideration for my acceptance as a participant in Outings, and the services and amenities to be provided by **AAUW** in connection with any Outing, I confirm my understanding that:

- It is my personal responsibility to read any rules and conditions applicable to the Outing made available to me; I will pay any costs and fees for the Outing; and I acknowledge my participation is at the discretion of the leader.
 - Each Outing officially begins and ends at the location(s) designated by **AAUW**. The Outing does not include carpooling, transportation, or transit to and from the Outing, and I am personally responsible for all risks associated with this travel. The Outing does apply to transportation provided by **AAUW** during the Outing.
 - If I decide to leave early and not to complete an Outing as planned, I assume all risks inherent in my decision to leave and waive all liability against **AAUW** arising from that decision. Likewise, if the leader has concluded the Outing, and I decide to go forward without the leader, I assume all risks inherent in my decision to go forward and waive all liability against **AAUW** arising from that decision.
 - This Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by law. If any provision or any part of any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or legally unenforceable for any reason, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby and shall remain valid and fully enforceable.
 - To the fullest extent allowed by law, I agree to **WAIVE, DISCHARGE CLAIMS, AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY AAUW**, its officers, directors, employees, agents, and leaders from **any and all liability** on account of, or in any way resulting from Injuries and Damages, even if caused by **negligence** of **AAUW** its officers, directors, employees, agents, and leaders, in any way connected with an Outing. I further agree to **HOLD HARMLESS AAUW**, its officers, directors, employees, agents, and leaders from any claims, damages, injuries or losses caused by my own negligence while a participant on an outing. I understand and intend that this assumption of risk and release is binding upon my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and includes any minors accompanying me on an Outing.
- I have read this document in its entirety and I freely and voluntarily assume all risks of such Injuries and Damages and notwithstanding such risks, I agree that this document applies to any AAUW Outing which I participate in during calendar year 2017.

Name (print) _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____ Cell Home