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in saluting

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## A Message from the President/Chairperson

Dear Friends:

Welcome to the 43rd annual celebration of Italian Heritage and Culture Month! This year the Board of Directors of the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee, New York, Inc., has selected as its theme:

*Matera 2019: European Capital of Culture... Past - Present - Future.*

The IHCC-NY, Inc. annually recognizes the tremendous contributions of Italians to the world. For 2019 we salute the Region of Basilicata and more specifically Matera. The many generations of Materese have weathered their storms of challenges and today they can be praised for their tenacity and persistence.

We happily continue our tradition of sharing valuable and significant cultural information with the publication of this magazine booklet for the 43rd year. Our many programs and cultural collaborations celebrate our "Italianità."

At this time, I thank all who have suggested and prepared the final work towards the various posters, bookmarks, pamphlets, and solicitation of programs for the booklet/insert of activities for the year 2019, all of which can be found as well on our web site. Our publications are provided through the generosity of benefactors, among whom are: the Columbus Citizens Foundation, the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute, the Office of the Consulate



General of Italy in New York, and many other individuals and contributors.

During these challenging economic times, we are most appreciative of the response by those individuals who have contributed to the development of our materials and, as well, to the overwhelming largesse of our sponsors whose ads are included within. Without their financial support, we might not have been able to produce such a comprehensive view of all the many activities for Italian Heritage and Culture Month, 2019.

You are enthusiastically and wholeheartedly invited to join us in this celebration to partake of, and participate in, as many activities listed in the calendar of events as you are able. With all of us, the members of the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee, NY, Inc., a Board second to none in its enthusiasm and grace of life as "Italophiles," I encourage you to celebrate our rich heritage! Indeed, we shall enjoy a Happy Anniversary - # 43!

Grazie a tutti e buon proseguimento!

*Joseph Sciamè*

Comm. Joseph Sciamè  
President/Chair  
Mese della Cultura Italiana  
Italian Heritage and Culture  
Committee of New York, Inc.

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## COMUNE DI MATERA IL SINDACO

Dearest friends,

to have the citizens of New York learn more about Matera, the European Capital of Culture 2019, as the official theme of the Italian Heritage and Culture Month of October is an initiative worthy of great consideration.

On behalf of the city that I am honoured to represent I express my sincere thanks to the members of the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York association, organisers of this initiative to whom I wish the success it deserves.

I send a special greeting to the Mayor of the City of New York, Bill De Blasio, whom I consider my fellow citizen since one of his maternal grandmothers is originally from Grassano, a town a short distance from Matera. My greetings also go to Stephen Briganti, president and CEO of the Statue of Liberty - Ellis Island Foundation, also with Grassano family origins.

Matera is one of the oldest cities in the world. For eight thousand years human beings have chosen this magnetic place to settle there since the Neolithic era and have created a city that has spanned the millennia and can therefore tell the human evolution from flint to silicon, from black holes of a prehistoric cave to black holes of the celestial galaxies, that are observed from these areas thanks to the Center for Space Geodesy "Giuseppe Colombo".

In these geographical areas human beings lived in symbiosis with the territory. They made their homes by digging in the rock, designing them and making them habitable without the help of architects or the money of a prince. The Sassi of Matera are an example of spontaneous architecture unique in the world, they represent the place where the concept of community finds its most complete meaning. In its neighborhoods there have been generations of families that have experienced periods that are sometimes flourishing, sometimes very difficult, always managing to maintain a strong identity.

This identity has allowed the city to be reborn after one of the darkest periods in its history and to transform the "national shame", so defined immediately after the Second World War, into the pride of Italy, World Heritage Site and European Capital of Culture.

Today this city is building its future by combining identity and technique, authenticity and innovation.

Matera is experimenting with 5G and will be home to the House of Emerging Technologies in which hi-tech companies will be based. In 2020 we will build the History of Man Park, in which the evolutionary path of humanity will be identified with the historical events of the city. In these unique and universal places the "places of silence" will also arise: ecological shells in which to repossess the relationship with nature, with its scents, its colours, its sounds, its seasons.

In thanking you again for the showcase you reserve for us, I will wait for you in Matera and I invite you to soon become temporary citizens of our city.

Avv. Raffaello De Ruggieri  
Mayor of Matera





Matera, August 26, 2019

Dear friends, Cari amici,

I wish to extend my sincere congratulations to the Italian Heritage & Culture Committee (IHCC-NY) of New York on the occasion of its 43<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary. During its 43 years of activity, the IHCC-NY has contributed greatly to strengthening ties between our Countries by promoting Italian culture, language and heritage in New York.

This year's theme "Matera 2019: European Capital of Culture. Past – Present – Future" shines a spotlight on a stunning city of the Italian South. Matera and its Sassi as its ancient cave dwelling build around 10.000 BC are more than a unique urban settlement in the Basilicata region. They represent a way of life and a model of development lasted for millennia, withstanding the test of time. Today, Matera and the Region are looking at the future, embracing its history, its potential and the resilience of its 60,000 inhabitants.

Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site since 1993, Matera has been experiencing an extraordinary year as European Capital of Culture 2019. This is the fourth time an Italian city holds the title – after Florence in 1986, Bologna in 2000 and Genoa in 2004 highlighting an addition facet of Italy's rich and varied culture. The motto chosen for Matera - "Open Future" - could not be more fitting, focusing on themes of social and cultural inclusion and collaborative innovation.

With this in mind, I would like to express my appreciation to the Italian Heritage & Culture Committee (IHCC-NY) President and Chairman, the entire Board of Directors and especially to our Matera 2019 Ambassador Mico Delianova Licastro.

Looking forward to having you soon in Matera as temporary citizen of our city, I wish a very successful 43<sup>rd</sup> Italian Heritage and Culture Month.

  
Salvatore Adduce  
President of Matera-Basilicata 2019 Foundation



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**CAV. VIVIAN CARDIA**

**extends**

**her best wishes and congratulations**

**to the**

**IHCC-NY, Inc.**

**Matera 2019: European Capital of Culture**

**AND PERSONAL THANK YOU**

**TO THE**

**SONS OF ITALY FOUNDATION, INC.**

**and the**

**ORDER SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ITALY IN  
AMERICA**

**for the honor received by me**

**on May 23, 2019**

**at their**

**National Education and Leadership Awards Gala**





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# A Brief History of Italian Heritage and Culture Month in New York

*More than four decades of special events, concerts, exhibits, lectures, and proclamations to better inform New York, the largest Italian city outside Italy, and other geographic areas throughout the United States and the world, of the important legacy of Italians and Italian Americans and to celebrate their significant cultural contributions.*



Celebrating the 2019 Mother's Day weekend at the Mother Italy Statue at Hunter College, CUNY, Poses Park, Consul General Francesco Genuardi joins former Deputy Consul Chiara Saule, Deputy Consul General Silvia Limoncini, IHCC President/Chair Comm. Joseph Sciamè and IHCC Vice President Maria Marinello, Esq.

New York's Italian Heritage and Culture Month will celebrate its forty-third anniversary this year, 2019. The Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York, Inc. has provided more than four decades of special events, concerts, exhibits, lectures, and proclamations to better inform New York, the largest Italian city outside Italy, and other geographic areas throughout the United States and the world, of the important legacy of Italians and Italian Americans and to celebrate their significant cultural contributions.

In the spring of 1976 the Mayor of New York City, Abraham Beame, initiated the first "Italian Culture Week" from May 17 to 23 of that year. The idea was originally brought to the attention of Dr. Leo Bernardo, Director of the City Bureau of Foreign Languages of the Board of Education of the City of New York, and he was easily persuaded of the value and importance of the proposal, appointing Dr. Angelo Gimondo as project coordinator. Nine years later, in 1985, the festivities moved to October, to coincide with various Columbus Day

celebrations, and grew in duration to become "Italian Heritage and Culture Month." As the years passed, the Governor of the State of New York and the President of the United States joined in acknowledging this significant annual celebration by issuing proclamations in recognition of the heritage and culture of Italians and Italian Americans. Dr. Gimondo (honored by the Italian Government on several occasions, including being granted the title of Gran Uff. in the Order of the Star of Solidarity) was the head of the corps of volunteers

who annually coordinated the celebration of Italian heritage and culture in the five boroughs of New York. His wholehearted enthusiasm for the project was matched by that of Rosamaria Riccio Pietanza, then-President of the Italian Teachers Association of New York, who, together with him, assembled educators and administrators with an interest in language and culture, many of whom remain involved with the IHCC-NY, Inc. In December 2006 Dr. Gimondo retired as founder and president of the IHCC-NY, Inc. after thirty years

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# Mission Statement

## Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York, INC.

The mission of the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee, New York, Inc. (IHCC-NY, Inc.) is to:

- Heighten public awareness of Italian heritage and culture;
- Coordinate sponsorship of programs that celebrate Italian heritage and culture;
- Sponsor annually the Italian Heritage and Culture Month activities;
- Promote the study of Italian language and culture among all ethnic groups;
- Engender pride in Italian Americans regarding their own heritage; and
- Encourage positive portrayals of Italian Americans in the media and with the general public.

### **Vision Statement**

The Italian Heritage and Culture Committee, New York, Inc. will conduct, sponsor, and/or participate in activities throughout the year, with special emphasis on the celebration of Italian Heritage and Culture Month.

The vision of the IHCC-NY, Inc. is to be a dynamic organization in the Italian American community that will collaborate on and foster an appreciation of Italian and Italian American contributions to the world.

The IHCC-NY, Inc. will:

- Solicit funds to carry out its mission and fulfill its vision;
- Network with Italian and Italian American resources to gain active individual and group participation;
- Assist in promoting Italian heritage, culture and language; and
- Provide quality materials to educational and cultural groups and to other entities.

### **Programs**

The IHCC-NY, Inc. will encourage and/or sponsor programs at schools, colleges, civic entities, and ethnic and other organizations so as to promote Italian heritage, culture and language and will foster positive recognition for the contributions of Italians and Americans of Italian descent to our society.

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of outstanding leadership, leaving an important legacy that continues to this day. He presently serves on the board as a consultant and adviser. In January 2007, then Cav. Uff. Joseph Sciame, Vice-President for Community Relations at St. John's University, past president of the national Order Sons of Italy in America, and an IHCC-NY, Inc. Board member for three decades, was elected President/Chair of the Board of Directors. Under his leadership, the Board of Directors of the IHCC-NY, Inc. continues to be comprised of eminent representatives of New York's Italian and Italian American community. Early on, the organizers conceived of the idea to dedicate each year's celebration to a specific theme or personality from the history and culture of Italy and Italian Americans. Each year the Board of Directors selects a new theme, commissions a poster, and publishes a Calendar of Events booklet. The themes represent some of Italian America's many significant leaders, concepts, and historical highlights, and a list of them is included below. In addition to its efforts to promote heritage and culture, along with the annual Da Vinci Award ceremonies conferred upon distinguished Italians and Italian Americans, the IHCC-NY, Inc. has in recent years: —sponsored a concert in Washington Square Park in honor of the 100-year anniversary of the birth of Giuseppe Garibaldi; —organized a special anniversary gathering on the occasion of the 200th birthday of Antonio Meucci, inventor of the telephone; —mounted an international art

exhibit from Palermo, Sicily, of works by Rosa Ponte Fucarino; and partnered with the Institute of Classical Architecture and Classical America in the 500th Anniversary Celebration of Andrea Palladio; —supported the efforts of the Italian and Italian American community in promoting the cause of the Advanced Placement exam in Italian language in U.S. high schools; —saluted the lifetime achievements of the late Rocco Caporale, Ph.D., former Board Member; —hosted a special tribute to international playwright Cav. Prof. Mario Fratti for his play and movie *Nine*; —participated in the annual flag-raising ceremonies at Bowling Green, the site of the arrival of the first Italian to New York, Pietro Cesare Alberti. Commencing in 2010, the October flag-raising has been held at the "Mother Italy" statue at Hunter College, CUNY, NYC, followed by a traditional luncheon to celebrate Italian Heritage and Culture Month with the IHCC's Board of Directors; —advocated for obtaining an official U.S. Congressional Resolution for the 150th Anniversary of the Unification of Italy; —welcomed in 2012 an international exhibit from Florence, Italy, honoring Amerigo Vespucci (the year's theme for Italian Heritage and Culture Month); in October 2012 a bust statue of Vespucci by sculptor Greg Wyatt was unveiled for permanent display at the Organization of American States under the sponsorship of Ambassador Sebastiano Fulci; —celebrated Italian Heritage and Culture Month 2012 at the National Arts Club, with the

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participation of international singer Cristina Fontanelli; —co-sponsored in December 2012 the famed Presepio at the Staten Island campus of St. John's University with the Casa Belvedere Foundation. The Presepio was a gift to the NYC Fire Department by Italian officials of the Chamber of Commerce of Naples following the tragic events of 9/11; —hosted special ceremonies in March 2013 at the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute to inaugurate the "Poster Series" created by Artistic Director John Battista DeSantis in honor of 2013: Year of Italian Culture in the United States. Several weeks later Ambassador Claudio Bisogniero visited the site to view the posters during an unprecedented stop at the Institute;

—in 2014-15, the Board of Directors continued its tradition at the Mother Italy Statue with its various recognitions, and for the October 2014 Columbus Day weekend saluted Board Member Distinguished Professor Cav. Anthony Julian Tamburri, Ph.D., Dean, Calandra Institute, for his lifetime of professional, ethnic and cultural achievements, while over the 2015 Mother's Day weekend, the Board recognized the work of Minister Natalia Quintavalle, Consul General of Italy in New York;

—joined in partnership in 2015 with the cultural theme advocated in Italy for October. The IHCC determined that it be appropriate to recognize Italians and Italian Americans in science and technology by celebrating "2015 Year of Italian Creativity: Celebrating 50 Years of Science and



**IHCC Board Members present flowers for the 2019 Mother's Day Weekend Ceremony to former Deputy Consul Chiara Saulle at the Mother Italy Statue at Poses Park, Hunter College, CUNY**

Technology; New York World's Fair 1965 – Expo Milano 2015;" Dr. Anthony S. Fauci, Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases received the 2014 IHCC-Y, Inc. da Vinci Award;

—continued its tradition of a flag-raising ceremony at the Mother Italy Statue for the October 2015 Columbus Day weekend by saluting Elisabetta Calello, Special Assistant to the Consul General of Italy in New York, on the occasion of her retirement after forty-three years of service to the Consulate General of Italy in New York and the Italian-American community;

—named the 2015 Leonardo da Vinci Awardee, Dr. Robert C. Gallo, who was feted at a reception in January 2016 held at the Consulate General of Italy in New York. Dr. Gallo, renowned worldwide for his research and study in the field



*With sincerest appreciation  
for all those who contribute  
to an admirable representation  
of Italians in America in all forms  
of life throughout the USA!*

**MARIA and ANTHONY TAMBURRI**



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IHCC Board Members Claudia Massimo Berns and Lucrezia Lindia share smiles at the 2019 Mother's Day Weekend brunch held in New York City

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of immunology, continues his research as Director of the Institute of Human Virology at the University of Maryland School of Medicine; —recognized the work of the National Organization of Italian American Women (NOIAW) with special congratulations to Aileen Riotto Sirey, Ph.D., Founding Chair and current Chair, Maria Tamburri, at the May 2016 Mother Italy ceremony; —hosted on September 30, 2016 a kickoff for the Columbus Day Weekend at the Consulate General, honoring Minister Francesco Genuardi. On this occasion, a fund-raising appeal was initiated in order to provide a future donation to an earthquake-stricken area in Italy; —acknowledged on May 12, 2017 Dr. Ann Prisco (Sergi), president of Felician University, for her professional achievements at the “Mother Italy” statue at Hunter College, CUNY. Following the ceremony and in honor of the 40th anniversary year of the IHCC-NY, Inc., two da Vinci

awards were presented for the 2016 year. Accepting the award for the John D. Calandra Institute, CUNY, was Cav. Dr. Anthony Julian Tamburri and for the Columbus Citizens Foundation, Inc. was Angelo Vivolo. In addition, special recognition awards were presented to America Oggi publisher Cav. Andrea Mantineo and to Roberto Frangione, Deputy Consul General of Italy in New York. An historic moment for the IHCC-NY, Inc. occurred with a presentation of a special check, in the amount of \$10,000 raised by supporters and donors, that was announced via a teleconference with Montessori school officials in Macerata, Italy; —conducted on October 6, 2017 the annual Pre Columbus Day and weekend activities with a program and reception at the Consulate General of Italy honoring Anton Evangelista and Angela Pietropinto Chimera, as part of the year's theme and salute to Cinema and Theater; —hailed on May 11, 2018 the term of stay in New York City



IHCC Board Members all congratulate two Board honorees: Cav. Marianna Re, Ph.D. and Cav. Josephine Maietta as they are hailed for Italian American leadership in their respective organizations by the Italian American Museum at the Ambasciatore Awards luncheon held in November 2018

by Deputy Consul Isabella Periotto with a ceremony at the Mother Italy Statue and a luncheon at Vivolo's for IHCC Board members and guests; —advocated for the ongoing work of IACE – the Italian American Committee on Education, under the leadership of Cav. Dott. Berardo Paradiso, for the continued growth of the Advanced Placement in Italian, a work in progress for a generation or more; —joined in 2018 the Columbus Heritage Coalition in the saving of the famed statue at Columbus Circle, New York City and participate on a Steering Committee to ensure continued education and advocacy for the appropriate recognition of the Discoverer Columbus; and —honored on May 10, 2019, the term of stay by Deputy Consul Chiara Saulle, with a ceremony for Mother's Day weekend at the Mother Italy Statue in the presence of Minister and Consul General Francesco Genuardi;

Honored by the Republic of Italy on June 5, 2018, Joseph Sciame, President/Chair of the IHCC-NY, Inc. was decorated by the Consul General Francesco Genuardi at a private ceremony as a *Commendatore* in the Order of Merit as designated by the President of Italy. On March 1, 2019 he was elected President, Sons of Italy Foundation, Inc. The IHCC-NY, Inc.'s role in concert with the Office of the Consulate General, now led by Minister Francesco Genuardi, as well as with the American Association of Teachers of Italian (AATI) and the Italian American Committee on Education (IACE), has been strengthened over the years in more collaborative ways so as to achieve common goals in education, heritage, culture, language, diplomatic respect, and a better understanding of the *Italianità* that is so important to the legacy bequeathed to Italian Americans by their families. For many years the Consuls





**IHCC Board Members** gather at the **Ambasciatore Awards luncheon** sponsored by the Italian American Museum. **Board President/Chair Comm. Joseph Sciame** joined **Rosa Casiello O'Day, Nancy Indelicato, Cav. Joan Marchi Migliori** and **Cav. Giuliana Ridolfi Cardillo**



**2018 IHCC Essay Contest awardees** recognized at **October Italian Heritage and Culture Month Ceremony** at the Italian Consulate. **Essay Chairperson and Board Member Lucrezia Lindia** stands proudly with awardees

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General of Italy have each fully supported the efforts of IHCC-NY, as has the Office of the Director of Istituto Italiano di Cultura di New York. Today, owing to the work of the IHCC-NY, Inc., a multitude of programs and events is organized by cultural associations, community centers, libraries, schools, and university departments of Italian in the greater New York metropolitan area to proudly

celebrate October's Italian Heritage and Culture Month. Moreover, in other places such as Illinois, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Washington D.C., Wisconsin, and more, Italian Americans have followed the example of the IHCC-NY, Inc. and enhanced activities in their respective areas for the month of October.

## Members of the Board

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#### Members and Friends

For Columbus Day Weekend  
2018 Aileen Riotto Sirey, Ph.D.  
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Chimera and Anton Evangelista  
2016 Francesco Genuardi,  
Minister & Consul General  
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2015 Natalia Quintavalle,  
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2014 Lucia Pasqualini,  
Vice Consul

# 2019 Official Events and Proclamation Ceremonies

## BRONX

### October 3 Bronx Borough President's Annual Italian Heritage Celebration

6:00pm – 9:00pm

The Bronx's annual Italian American Heritage and Culture Celebration honors individuals of our city and communities who contribute to keep the Italian American culture alive through literature, culture, visual arts and government for future generations. Sponsored by Bronx Borough President, Hon. Ruben Diaz, Jr. Location: TBA Admission: free; open to the public Contact: Sonia Malave-Negron 718-590-3989 smalave@bronxbp.nyc.gov

## MANHATTAN

### October New York City Council Celebrates Italian Heritage and Culture Month

6:00pm

New York City Council speaker, Corey Johnson will host the annual celebration for Italian Heritage and Culture. Sponsored by the New York City Council. City Hall Manhattan Contact: Yolainny Reyes 212-482-6732 Yreyes@council.nyc.gov

## QUEENS

### October 30 Honoring Italian American Stars of Queens – Saluting Matera: European Capital of Culture

7:00pm

Annual Borough of Queens tribute to outstanding Italian Americans, coordinated by a Queens-based committee. Borough President presides, awards conferred, musical interlude and refreshments follow. Sponsored by Queens IHCC-NY, Inc. St. John's University Marillac Hall 8000 Utopia Parkway, Queens Admission: Donation \$5; open to the public Contact: Joseph Sciamè 718-990-5892 sciamelj@stjohns.edu

## STATEN ISLAND

### October 11, 12, 13 Italian Festival at The Mount

Friday 6:00pm - 9:00 pm;  
Saturday: 12:00pm - 11:00 pm;  
Sunday: 12:00pm - 9:00 pm

The Italian Festival at the Mount is the Island's largest Columbus Day celebration featuring rides, games, food, contests, beer and sangria garden, cultural centers, live music and more! Plus, special live performances by the famous Giglio Band and Louis Prima Jr. Sponsored by Catholic Charities of Staten Island, Borough President James Oddo, and The Nicotra Group.

6581 Hyland Boulevard, Staten Island

Admission: free; \$5 parking; open to the public

Contact: Anthony Rapaciuolo 718-490-5023 anthonyrap@gmail.com

## NASSAU COUNTY

### October 7 Nassau County Presiding Legislator's Italian Heritage Recognition

12 noon

Sponsored by Hon. Richard Nicoletto Presiding Supervisor County Executive Building 550 Franklin Ave, Mineola, NY Contact: 516-571-3131

### October 17 Italian Flag Raising Ceremony

12:00 pm

Sponsored by Supervisor Laura Gillen of the Town of Hempstead Town Hall (On the steps of Town Hall) 1 Washington St, Hempstead, NY Admission: free; open to the public Contact: Matthew S. Hynes 516-874-8548 aiahofstra@gmail.com

### October 23 Wednesday 6:00pm Nassau County Executive Italian Heritage Month Celebration

Sponsored by Laura Curran

County Executive Building 550 Franklin Ave, Mineola, NY Contact: Kim Collins kcollins@nassaucountyny.gov

## WESTCHESTER

### October 7 Westchester County Board of Legislators Proclamation Ceremony

6:00pm

Official Proclamation ceremony by Westchester County Board of Legislators to celebrate Italian Heritage and Culture Month, with Special Recognition of Outstanding students and Teachers of the Italian language in Westchester. Sponsored by the Westchester Coalition of Italian-American Organizations and Westchester County Board of Legislators. Michaelian County Office Building, Legislative Chamber 148 Martine Avenue, White Plains, NY Contact: Prof. Carlo Sclafani 914-433-6073 CARLOSCLAFANI@OPTONLINE.NET WestchesterCiao@outlook.com

### October 21 Westchester County Executive Proclamation Ceremony

7:00pm

Official Proclamation Ceremony by Westchester County Executive, Honorable George Latimer, to celebrate Italian Heritage and Culture Month. With Special Recognition of Outstanding Students and Teachers of the Italian Language in Westchester County. Sponsored by the Westchester Coalition of Italian-American Organizations. Eastchester High School 58 White Plains Road, Eastchester, NY Admission: free; open to the public Contact: Prof. Carlo Sclafani 914-433-6073 WestchesterCiao@outlook.com



## Leonardo da Vinci Award Recipients

*The Leonardo da Vinci Award is the highest recognition given by the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York, Inc., to a distinguished individual who has demonstrated exemplary contributions to the Italian American community. For the 2019 da Vinci Award, the IHCC-NY, Inc. Board of Directors voted unanimously to name Stephen A. Briganti, President/CEO, Statue of Liberty Ellis Island Foundation, Inc., a most accomplished Italian American and one who represents the 2019 year theme so very well.*

**Prior Recipients to 2019:** Michael Massimino, Ph.D.

Astronaut

**Cav. Maria Bartiromo**

Television journalist and anchor

**Chazz Palminteri**

Actor and Screen Writer

**John D. Calandra**

Italian American Institute, CUNY and Columbus Citizens Foundation, Inc.

**Richard C. Gallo, M.D.**

The Homer & Gudelsky Distinguished Professor of Medicine Director of the Institute of Human Virology University of Maryland School of Medicine

**Louis P. Carnesecca**

Basketball Coach at St. John's University

**Anthony S. Fauci, M.D.**

Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

**Prof. Joseph Tusani**

Professor Emeritus, Herbert H. Lehman College, The City University of New York

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**Celebrates 23rd Year Anniversary: 1997-2020**

**AIAE** in its mission to reach out to 630,000 United States educators of Italian descent for enhancing the Italian American image and presence in academia recognizes outstanding educators, community leaders, and entrepreneurs of Italian heritage.

**AIAE** is also proud of its 23 years of Programma Ponte Scholarships in Roma, and now also in Pisa has awarded 340 scholarships to the most deserving High School seniors & college students.

**AIAE** thanks its President Cav. Josephine A. Maietta for her enormous energy, passion and leadership.

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**Save the dates!**

**AIAE Annual Breakfast Meeting- Sept.15<sup>th</sup>**

8:00-10:30am Hofstra South Campus

Axinn Library 10<sup>th</sup> FL

Italian Experience Festival 11:00-5:00pm

South Campus

**\*Columbus Parade NYC- October 14<sup>th</sup>**

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# 2019 Calendar of Events

## June - September

### Anniversary Celebration

2019 we will celebrate:  
40th Anniversary of The American Italian Heritage Association  
10th Anniversary of the Albany location of the Museum  
5th Anniversary of the AIHA Cultural Center

## October 27

### Annual Gala AMERICAN ITALIAN HERITAGE MUSEUM

1227 Central Avenue, Albany, NY  
Contact: aiham.dinner2019@gmail.com  
<http://www.americanitalianmuseum.org>

Annual Gala Dinner to be held at The Empire Plaza Convention Center Albany, New York.

In honor of the Italian immigrants who came to the United States of America, the Association is committed to record and preserve the contributions of our Italian heritage and culture, through a newsletter, cultural programs, activities, exhibits, and outreach programs.

## September 5

### The Cinematic Art of Giuseppe Tornatore's Nuovo Cinema Paradiso - Part 1

### Westchester Italian Cultural Institute

ONE GENEROSO POPE PLACE, TUCKAHOE, NY

Admission: Members \$20;  
Non-Members \$25

Contact: 914-771-8700  
<http://www.wiccny.org>

7:00 pm

Warmly received and highly acclaimed by world-wide audiences, Giuseppe Tornatore's *Nuovo Cinema Paradiso* re-established Italy as one of the premier production houses for art cinema. After a two-decade decline in the popularity and quality of Italian cinema, this 1988 film was universally hailed as a harbinger of the nation's cinematic renaissance. Come join for part 1 of this lecture as *Cinema Paradiso* is seen through a study of its most enlightening and enriching moments. Recommend that one views this film - preferably the director's cut - prior to the lecture. Presented by Joseph Spedaliere.

## September 6

### Italytime Movie Night - Film: *Sedotta e abbandonata* by Pietro Germi

OUR LADY OF POMPEII THEATER - ITALYTIME CULTURAL CENTER

238 Bleecker Street (Carmine Street), Manhattan

Admission: \$5  
Suggested Donation

Contact: Maureen Gonzalez  
212-860-2983  
maureengonzalez66@gmail.com  
[www.italytime.org](http://www.italytime.org)

7:00 pm

When Agnese (Stefania Sandrelli) has a brief affair with her sister's fiancé, Peppino, it is only a matter of time before her traditional parents discover the truth. In Italian with English subtitles. Sponsored by Italytime.

## September 7

### Italian American Women's Center, Inc. Trip to Long Island Winery PLANS TO BE ANNOUNCED.

Contact: Vincenza Russo  
646-515-2744  
iawnyc@yahoo.com

### Celebrating the History, Culture, Music and Scenic Beauty of Lazio and Puglia GARIBALDI-MEUCCI MUSEUM

420 Tompkins Avenue, Staten Island

Admission: Members: \$5; Non-members: \$10;  
open to the public

Contact: Stephanie Lundegard 718-442-1608  
slundegard@garibaldimeuccimuseum.org

2:00 pm

Presenter Anita Sanseverino is an award winning

photographer dedicated to the subject of Italy. Her photographs uniquely capture the beauty, emotion, and character of the country's landscapes, cities, villages, and cultural traditions. Co-Presenter Lou Barrella has been a dedicated music and opera educator for more than 40 years. He has given workshops and organized student trips for the Education Department of the Metropolitan Opera, and has made over 650 presentations at colleges, museums and cultural organizations. Sponsored by the Garibaldi-Meucci Museum.

## September 10

### Exhibition Opening - Drawings by Carlo Levi

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NEW YORK UNIVERSITY  
24 West 12th Street, Manhattan

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July 1, 2019

Cari Amici, Dear Friends,

It is a great pleasure for me to extend sincere congratulations to the Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York for the annual October month celebration.

During its 43 years of activity, the IHCC-NY has contributed greatly to strengthening ties between our Countries by promoting Italian culture, language and heritage in New York. It has also offered the opportunity to celebrate the significant achievements and successes of Americans of Italian descent and of Italians within the United States.

This year's theme "Matera 2019: European Capital of Culture. Past - Present - Future" shines a spotlight on a stunning city of the Italian South. Matera and its "Sassi" - as its ancient cave dwellings built around 10,000 BC are known - are more than a unique urban settlement in the Basilicata region. They represent a way of life and a model of development lasted for millennia, withstanding the test of time. Today, Matera and the region are looking at the future, embracing its history, its potential, and the resilience of its 60,000 inhabitants.

Listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1993, Matera has been experiencing an extraordinary year as European Capital of Culture 2019. This is the fourth time an Italian city holds the title - after Florence in 1986, Bologna in 2000 and Genoa in 2004 -, highlighting an additional facet of Italy's rich and varied culture. The motto chosen for Matera by the European Union "Open Future" could not be more fitting, focusing on themes of social and cultural inclusion and collaborative innovation.

With this in mind, I would like to express my appreciation to President and Chairman Joseph Sciamè, the entire Board of Director, and the vibrant IHCC-NY community of members and supporters. I wish you all a very successful 2019 Italian Heritage & Culture Month.

Armando Varricchio

## September 12

**Centro Primo Levi Readings**



**-The Heart of a Stranger: An Anthology of Exile**

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NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

24 West 12th Street,  
Manhattan

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7:00 pm

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## September 13

**Italytime Movie Night - Film: Sole A Catinelle**



**by Gennaro Nunziante**

OUR LADY OF POMPEII  
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238 Bleecker Street  
(Carmin Street),  
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[www.italytime.org](http://www.italytime.org)

7:00 pm

Checco Zalone plays an eternal optimist, sure of himself and eager to make his mark in the world even with Italy's bad economy. Italian with English subtitles. Sponsored by Italytime.



**National Organization of Italian American Women Connecticut Region Presents: Author Book Talk: Love That Moves the Sun**



NORWALK PUBLIC LIBRARY  
1 Belden Avenue, Norwalk, Ct

Admission: free; \$5 Suggested donation



Contact: 212-642-2003  
[noiaw@noiaw.org](mailto:noiaw@noiaw.org)

6:30 - 8:15 pm

Join us for a lively author-led discussion of *Love That Moves the Sun: Vittoria Colonna and Michelangelo Buonarroti*. Linda Cardillo's novel depicts the spiritual relationship between Michelangelo and poet Vittoria Colonna. This event is part of a larger book club series, *Libro e Aperitivo*, co-sponsored by

Vini, Vitti, Dici. This event provides an opportunity to celebrate Italian American women writers and their contributions to literature, including Vittoria Colonna, a foremother of that same literary tradition. Books will be available for purchase, and light refreshments will be served.

**Tribute to Dean  
Martin, Frank  
Sinatra & Jerry  
Lewis with Larry  
Lombardi & Charles  
Gange & Kristal  
Ferrara**



CARMELA'S ITALIAN  
RESTAURANT  
912 Hempstead Turnpike,  
Franklin Square  
Contact: Bart Calia  
516-488-9898

Pre-fix menu, show time 8:15  
pm. Reservation is a must!

## September 14

**The Italian  
American  
Writers  
Association  
Saturday Reading**



MULBERRY STREET  
PUBLIC LIBRARY  
10 Jersey Street, Manhattan  
Admission: free; open to the  
public  
Contact: Maria  
Lisella  
718-777-1178



2:00 – 4:00 pm  
Sara Fruner's English Poetry  
collections, *Bitter Bites from  
Sugar Hills*, was published in  
2018. Her Italian collection,  
*Lucciole* in palmo alla note, will  
come out in May 2019. Joe  
Giordano has written many  
short stories and two novels:  
*Birds of Passage, An Italian  
Immigrant Coming of Age Story,*  
*and Appointment with ISIL*,  
an Anthony Provatì Thriller.  
Sponsored by The Italian  
American Writers Association.

## September 15

**8th AIAE  
Annual  
Breakfast  
Meeting**



**HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY  
SOUTH CAMPUS**  
Lowenfeld Conference &  
Exhibition Hall  
E. Axinn library  
10th Floor  
Admission: free;  
registration is required  
[aiachofstra@gmail.com](mailto:aiachofstra@gmail.com)



8:00 – 10:30 am  
Keynote speakers:  
Author Carla Gambascia,  
*La Dolce Vita University an  
Unconventional Guide to Italian  
culture from A-Z*  
11:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Outdoor Annual Italian  
Festival Hofstra South Campus  
Music, Concerts, Show,  
Dancing, Clowns, Food and  
Merchandise. All invited: young  
& adults



New York, July 2<sup>nd</sup> 2019

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*Dear Friends, cari Amici*

I am pleased to acknowledge the dedication of the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York in promoting the Italian culture and heritage in the United States especially during the month of October when we celebrate Italian Heritage in the United States. In fact, this year's theme: **MATERA 2019: EUROPEAN CAPITAL OF CULTURE ..... PAST · PRESENT · FUTURE** honors the history of a city of ancient civilization that was able to overcome adversities to then become the European Capital of culture. I am sure you will do an excellent job of highlighting how Matera was able to rebuild itself and reclaim its history of culture, heritage and creativity.

I look forward to participating in the various events you will sponsor this year and to collaborating with you in support of our beloved Italia!

With my very best regards,

Francesco Genuardi  
Consul General of Italy in New York

*Francesco Genuardi*

**Robert D. Cess  
Concorso  
d'Eleganza, XIV**



**CENTER FOR ITALIAN  
STUDIES, STONY BROOK  
UNIVERSITY**  
100 Nicolls Road, Stony  
Brook, NY  
Admission: free;  
open to the public  
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italianstudies](http://www.stonybrook.edu/italianstudies)



10:00 am – 1:00 pm  
A Celebration of Italian  
Vehicle Excellence and Beauty  
as a means of illustrating one  
form of Italian culture. Display  
vehicles rally at Stony Brook

University on the lawn adjacent  
to the Graduate Physics  
Building off John S. Toll Drive.  
Owners of Italian vehicles  
interested in participating in  
this display should contact Jo  
Fusco.

## September 15

**The Life and  
Times of Enrico  
Caruso**



**ENRICO CARUSO  
MUSEUM OF AMERICA**  
1942 East 19th Street,  
Brooklyn  
Admission: free; open  
to the public  
Contact: Comm. Aldo  
Mancusi 718-368-3993  
[AMancusi@  
EnricoCarusoMuseum.com](mailto:AMancusi@EnricoCarusoMuseum.com)







**State of New York**  
**Executive Chamber**

**Proclamation**

**Whereas**, the Empire State is home to this nation's largest population of Italian Americans and, during the month of October, New Yorkers are proud to join with individuals of Italian ancestry in celebrating the 43<sup>rd</sup> annual "Italian Heritage and Culture Month" and honoring their meaningful contributions to our state and nation, and we also take this opportunity to reflect upon the vast beauty, wonder, and rich history of Italy and its people; and

**Whereas**, blessed with the unsurpassed beauty of its natural terrain, lush forests, coastal shorelines, and rugged mountains, the country of Italy is one of the most ancient areas of the world and a cornerstone of progress in the history of mankind and civilization; today, it is one of the most popular tourist destinations and beloved places to visit, offering magnificent cultural and social experiences, unique educational resources, sacred institutions and structures, and an allure that remains ever powerful in its ability to transform lives; and

**Whereas**, this year's Italian Heritage Month theme centers on the celebration of "Matera 2019: European Capital of Culture Past, Present, Future," honoring the rich history of this ancient city that lies within a small canyon carved out by the Gravina River in the Southern Italy region of Basilicata, chosen by the European Union as a *European Capital of Culture* for the year 2019, Matera is believed to be one of the oldest continually occupied settlements in the world with its inhabitation traceable to the 10<sup>th</sup> millennium B.C.; and

**Whereas**, upon this prestigious designation as a *European Capital of Culture*, the government and people of Matera have organized a yearlong presentation of programs, exhibits, performances, festivities, and cultural events to highlight its diverse richness, historical importance, and geographic attributes as a city of unique interest, recognizing its ancient legacy and contemporary significance as a popular travel and tourism destination; and

**Whereas**, throughout the course of time, people of Italian ancestry – those past and present, and those living here in America and in the homeland – have had a profound influence on mankind, their work inspired by a rich legacy of achievement founded in the historical roots and cultural richness that Italy is known for; and

**Whereas**, during this annual observance of Italian Heritage and Culture Month, we extend gratitude and respect to Italy, its people, and its many exquisite cities and regions that inspire us and whose cultural splendor is found in extraordinary works of art, music, architecture, cuisine, and other gifts bestowed upon the world and that enrich our lives immeasurably; as we reflect upon the treasures of the Italian homeland, all New Yorkers join to congratulate the worldwide diaspora of Italian people as they celebrate their homeland in all of its exquisiteness, glory, and grandeur throughout the centuries;

**Now, Therefore**, I, Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby proclaim October 2019 as

**ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURE MONTH**

in the Empire State.



I **DO** under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State  
at the Capitol in the City of Albany this first day of  
October in the year two thousand nineteen.



Governor



Secretary to the Governor  
Melissa DeRosa

2:00 – 4:00 pm  
See collections of The Enrico Caruso Museum of America. Hear Enrico Caruso sing some of his best recordings. See many of his personal items. Sponsored by the Enrico Caruso Museum of America.

**September 16**

**Adult Cooking Class – Risotto & Arancini**



WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE

One Generoso Pope Place, Tuckahoe, NY  
Admission: Members \$65; Non-Members \$75  
Contact: 914-771-8700  
<http://www.wiccny.org>



6:30 pm  
Wow your dinner guests with two scrumptious dishes that put a fun twist on classic Italian food. Learn how to incorporate the flavors of fall with this wild mushroom

risotto and butternut squash arancini. Have fun in the kitchen while enjoying a glass of wine and good company! Presented by Chef Tara Ciannella.

**September 17**

**Italian American Happy Hour followed by Film Screening of Pasquale's Magic Veal**



83-20 Queens Boulevard, Elmhurst, NY  
Admission: free;  
open to the public



Contact:  
Marialena Giampino  
718-478-3100  
[italiancharitiesofamerica@gmail.com](mailto:italiancharitiesofamerica@gmail.com)  
<https://italiancharities.org>

Happy Hour: 6:30 – 7:30 pm;  
Film Screening: 7:30 pm  
Join for an Italian American Happy Hour before the film screening! Come network and mingle, meet colleagues and friends in the Italian American Community, specialty drinks, cash bar, complimentary snacks. As a part of the Italian American Speaker Series at Italian Charities of America, guest speaker Dr. David Joseph Higgins is a movie producer as well as a Professor of Italian and Spanish at Mercy College and the Chair of the Foreign Languages Dept. at St. Joseph's by the Sea High School in Staten Island. Dr. Higgins will be presenting his short film Pasquale's Magic Veal, a film on truth and humor through an Italian-American dark comedy. Discussion to follow with Dr. Higgins. Refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the Italian Charities of America.

**Presentation: In Leonardo's Own Words (and Images): A Portrait of an Artist as a Young Man**



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NEW YORK UNIVERSITY  
24 West 12th Street, Manhattan  
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Fax: 212-995-4012

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## September 18

### "Today's Migrations in Europe and the United States: How They Are Perceived by the Young Generation"



STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY.

100 Nicolls Road, Stony Brook, NY

Admission: free; open to the public



Contact: Jo Fusco 631-632-7444 [josephine.fusco@stonybrook.edu](mailto:josephine.fusco@stonybrook.edu)  
[www.stonybrook.edu/italianstudies](http://www.stonybrook.edu/italianstudies)

Students from Liceo Classico Pietro Giannone, Benevento, Italy, will meet with Stony Brook University students to exchange educational experiences. A formal discussion of ideas will be presented in Forum Format on the topic: "Today's Migrations in Europe and the United States: How They Are Perceived by the Young Generation." Sponsored by Center for Italian Studies, Stony Brook University.

### Dante and... Fred Plotkin with Michael Hurshell on



### "Dante and Opera"

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## September 19

**National Organization of Italian American Women Greater Washington, DC Region Presents: Woodblock Printing Demo & Talk with Artist Amy Guadagnoli**



### WASHINGTON PRINTMAKERS GALLERY

1641 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C.

Admission: Members: \$5;

Non-Members: \$10

Contact: 212-642-2003

[noiaw@noiaw.org](mailto:noiaw@noiaw.org)

6:30 – 7:30 pm

Join Greater Washington, D.C. members and friends of NOLAW for this informative

and fun night with award-winning woodblock print artist, Amy Guadagnoli. Amy will discuss her artwork as featured in *Cutting Through*, her first Washington, D.C.-area solo exhibition, as well as the value in learning the craft of woodblock printing. She will also lead a brief demonstration of her process, which is done entirely by hand without the aid of a printing press or power tools.



Office of the Manhattan Borough President  
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# Proclamation

**Whereas:** We are proud to acknowledge those individuals that have remained committed to improving our city and vibrantly enriching the community; and

**Whereas:** the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York has celebrated Italian culture and heritage for more than three and a half decades with special events, concerts, exhibits, and lectures; and

**Whereas:** Italian Heritage and Culture commemoration began in New York City in 1976 as a week-long series of events but was later expanded to the month of October to coincide with Columbus Day celebrations; and

**Whereas:** with New York being the largest Italian city outside of Italy, this celebration is an ideal way to highlight excellence and innovation in all areas of pursuit by Italian Americans in greater New York, enabling Italian American organizations to collaborate with the Italian Consulate; and

**Whereas:** this year we celebrate Italian Women in America breaking barriers and trailblazing from the days of their early immigrant mothers who courageously entered the workforce in the shadows of their male counterparts; and

**Whereas:** this year's event is paying tribute to distinguished Italian American women such as Mother Cabrini, founder of the Missionary Sisters of Sacred Heart in 1880; Rosa Ponselle, considered as one of the greatest sopranos whose opera career began at the age of 21 in a performance with Enrico Caruso; Bonnie Tiburci, the first woman airline pilot for a major airline (American airline) in 1973 at the age of 24; Geraldine Ferraro, the first woman candidate for Vice President of the United States in 1984; current Minority House Leader for the United States Congress Nancy Pelosi, first female speaker of the House of Representatives; recognizing all the contributions made by women of Italian descent, providing a rare opportunity to single out many in the wider community;

Now Therefore,

I, Gale A. Brewer, do hereby commend the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York for contributions to the City and proclaim October 2018 as

**"Italian Heritage and Culture Month"**  
in the Borough of Manhattan.



In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Borough of Manhattan to be affixed.

*Gale A. Brewer*

Gale A. Brewer  
President, Borough of Manhattan





STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

*Proclamation*

WHEREAS, New Jersey is proud of its rich ethnic diversity and its status as a gateway for generations of immigrants coming to this country to find freedom and opportunity; and

WHEREAS, Americans of Italian ancestry come from various walks of life but share a common cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey is currently home to more than 1.5 million Italian Americans who are an integral part of the ethnic diversity that is the essence of life in the Garden State; and

WHEREAS, Italian Americans have made significant contributions to New Jersey's social, cultural and economic fabric through their rich heritage; and

WHEREAS, this month, the Italian American community is celebrating its heritage and critical role in the establishment and growth of our country and State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip D. Murphy, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

OCTOBER 2019  
AS  
ITALIAN HERITAGE  
AND CULTURE MONTH

in New Jersey and join with all our residents in honoring Italian Americans for their many outstanding achievements and contributions to our State.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this fourteenth day of August in the year two thousand nineteen, the two hundred forty-fourth year of the Independence of the United States.

*Philip D. Murphy*  
Lt. GOVERNOR

*Philip D. Murphy*  
GOVERNOR

September 20

**Italytime Movie Night - Film: *E la Nave Va* by Federico Fellini**



OUR LADY OF POMPEII  
THEATER - ITALYTIME  
CULTURAL CENTER

238 Bleecker Street  
(Carmin Street),  
Manhattan

Admission: \$5

Suggested Donation

Contact: Maureen Gonzalez  
212-860-2983

maurengonzalez66@gmail.com

www.italytime.org



7:00 pm

The movie depicts the events on board a luxury liner filled with the friends of a deceased opera singer who have gathered to mourn her. In Italian with English subtitles. Sponsored by Italytime.

September 21-22

**Festa & Motori D'Italia Italian Festival & Car Showcase**



CASA BELVEDERE

79 Howard Avenue,  
Staten Island

Admission: \$10;

Children under 12 years FREE; open to the public;

Contact: Marian Rodi 718-273-7660; Fax: 718-273-0020  
info@casa-belvedere.org



12:00 – 7:00 pm

Outdoor Italian Festival with specialty foods, continuous live entertainment, kids' activities, exhibits, special item vendors, food & spirits demos and tastings, farm stand, raffles and more. Also, a 2-day showcase of Italian luxury, classic & performance vehicles. A fun-filled weekend for the entire family! Sponsor, Vendor, Exhibitor, Performer

& Volunteer Opportunities Available! Proceeds from all facets of this signature fundraiser will benefit the ongoing restoration and renovation of the not-for-profit's landmarked mansion as well as the Foundation's exceptional arts, cultural and educational programs for the public. Sponsored by the Italian Cultural Foundation at Casa Belvedere.

## September 22

### Annual Bocce Tournament



**DOWNING PARK**  
Route 202, Yorktown Heights, NY

Admission: \$25

Contact: Serafina Mastro  
914-245-3833

Ven41250@aol.com

9:00 am A Bocce Tournament – Teams of four. Coffee, bagels, snacks; lunch is served. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. Sponsored by Circolo da Vinci.

### Il Leone di San Marco Awards



12:00 – 3:00 pm

The Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of the Bronx and Westchester will celebrate its 39th *Il Leone di San Marco Awards* at a champagne luncheon. Honorees will be announced. New Rochelle, NY

To receive an invitation, please email the President of the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of the Bronx and Westchester, Pat Santangelo at: [italianheritageandculture@gmail.com](mailto:italianheritageandculture@gmail.com)



## OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER STATE OF NEW YORK

### PROCLAMATION

*WHEREAS*, the Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York, Inc., is sponsoring its annual Italian Heritage & Culture Month festivities in October, which this year celebrate the City of Matera as a European Capital of Culture: Past, Present and Future; and

*WHEREAS*, since 1976, the IHCC-NY has been devoted to preserving, studying, publicizing and sharing the rich Italian and Italian American cultural legacy, organizing and coordinating a wide variety of events and initiatives, with special emphasis on the annual heritage celebration, which honors and illuminates a different distinctive theme each year; and

*WHEREAS*, located in the Basilicata region of southern Italy, Matera is known for its prehistoric Sassi dwellings carved into rock, believed to be the oldest human settlement in Italy, its magnificent 13<sup>th</sup> century cathedral, its popularity with filmmakers, and much more, and after hard times the City has undergone a revival in recent years, earning the European Union's designation as a Capital of Culture in 2019; now let it be

*PROCLAIMED*, that State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli does hereby congratulate and applaud the officers, board and members of the Italian Heritage & Culture Committee for their outstanding service; and be it further

*PROCLAIMED*, that throughout the month of October, two thousand nineteen, Comptroller DiNapoli does join with the IHCC-NY and the people of New York in celebrating Italian Heritage & Culture Month, and wishing the Committee continued success in its important work.



Thomas P. DiNapoli  
State Comptroller

### “Regional Exhibit Opening”



**GARIBALDI-MEUCCI MUSEUM.**

420 Tompkins Avenue,  
Staten Island

Admission: Members:  
\$5; Non-members:  
\$10; open to the public



Contact: Stephanie  
Lundegard 718-442-1608  
[slundegard@garibaldimeuccimuseum.org](mailto:slundegard@garibaldimeuccimuseum.org)  
2:00 pm Regional Exhibit continues with an opening, highlighting the “Fashions and Faces” of Val D’Aosta, Friuli

Venezia Giulia, Trentino Alto Adige and Liguria. Portraits by William J. Castello & biographies by Marianna Randazzo. Sponsored by the Garibaldi-Meucci Museum.



# Proclamation

## RECOGNIZING

### *Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York, Inc.* In Celebration of 2019 Italian Heritage and Culture Month

WHEREAS, *The Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York*, founded in 1976, is managed by a Board of Directors comprised of a volunteer group of leaders from the Italian American community; and

WHEREAS, *The Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York*, represents the nation's largest population of Italian Americans residing in New York State and has a mission of promoting, presenting and preserving Italian and Italian American culture; and

WHEREAS, *The Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York* chose as this year's Italian Heritage and Culture Month theme, "MATERA 2019: European Capital of Culture, Past•Present•Future," a theme that coincided with the inaugural of the yearlong celebration in Matera; and

WHEREAS, *The Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York* celebrates the leadership of Matera and its citizens for the patrimony and historical importance that has been preserved in its homes, rupestral churches, museums, hotels, restaurants, art and artisan workshops. It is the occasion to celebrate Matera's past, present and future as a symbol of the creative process and the relationship of man and environment; and

WHEREAS, *The Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York* hosts, coordinates and publicizes theme related presentations, symposiums, seminars, a student essay contest and tributes throughout the year to honor Matera and its citizens in Basilicata and in the United States; and

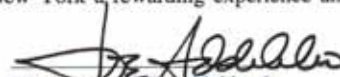
WHEREAS, *The Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York* has several board members who have a direct connection to Matera with relatives or friends who live there and will also present the IHCC-NY's highest honor, the *daVinci award*; and

WHEREAS, *The Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York* will distribute free educational materials, including theme related posters, bookmarks and booklets to educational, cultural and public institutions, ensuring the ongoing education of the general public about the merits of Italian and Italian American culture; and

WHEREAS, *The Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York*, including Officers, Board of Directors and Members are congratulated and applauded for their outstanding service; now, therefore, be it further

PROCLAIMED, that I, NYS Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr., President of the NYS Conference of Italian-American State Legislators, join with the IHCC-NY in welcoming Italian Heritage & Culture Month, and wishing the people of New York a rewarding experience and connection with our Italian heritage



  
Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr.  
15th Senate District

October 1, 2019

Date

## September 24

### Writers Read Series



25 West 43rd Street,  
17th Floor, Manhattan  
Admission: free; open  
to the public  
Contact: RSVP by  
calling 212-642-2094



6:00 pm

Three Bordighera Press writers - Kathy Curto, Maria Terrone, and Rita Esposito Watson - read from their works. Kathy Curto's memoir *Not for Nothing: Glimpses into a Jersey Girlhood* (2018) is her exploration of identity that "takes on the beauty, pain, tenderness, cruelty, passion, and love that often coexist in a jumble of childhood and family" (Ann Imig). Maria Terrone's collection of essays, *At Home in the World* (2018), uses attentive observation and humor to explore her many intellectual and writerly concerns, among them the passage of time and her Sicilian roots. Rita Esposito Watson in *Italian Kisses: Rose-Colored Words and Love from the Old Country* (2019) focuses on a grandmother's life story and weaves in warm memories and traditions that resonate across cultures. Sponsored by the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute, Queens College/CUNY. Seating is limited and seats cannot be reserved. For further information, see [www.calandrainstitute.org](http://www.calandrainstitute.org)



## Italian American Experience Lecture Series



*Assunta Spina* (1915)

7:00 pm

A silent black and white film classic from Naples, based on the play by Salvatore DiGiacomo, starring the queen and diva of the Italian silent cinema, Francesca Bertini. With live musical score performed by John T. La Barbera, guitar, and Susan Aquila, violin. The operatic tale of love and sacrifice in working class turn of the century Naples is considered to be one of the first films of Italian Neorealism. Bertini's performance set a new standard for Italian cinema. The score, by LaBarbera for mandolin/violin and guitar, creates an intimate atmosphere by keeping an accompaniment of emotions found in the melodic themes of the characters in a leitmotif style that highlights the melodramatic and picturesque style of the film. Facilitator: Rodney Hill, Associate Professor Radio/TV/Film. The Italian-American Lecture Series is supported, in part, by the Association of Italian American Educators. Hofstra University. For more information, please call the Hofstra Cultural Center at 516-463-5669 or visit [hofstra.edu/culture](http://hofstra.edu/culture).

## Italy's Third Golden Age



CASA BELVEDERE  
79 Howard Avenue,  
Staten Island

Admission: Suggested donation \$20; open to the public

Contact: Marian  
Rodi 718-273-7660

[marian@casa-belvedere.org](mailto:marian@casa-belvedere.org)



7:00 pm

Italy's *Third Golden Age* presented by lecturer, Carla Gambescia, author, marketing executive, former restaurateur and avid traveler. Italy is the only country to have given

## Office of the Mayor CITY OF NEW YORK



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS:** NEW YORK IS HOME TO RESIDENTS WHO HAIL FROM EVERY CORNER OF THE MAP AND SPEAK AN ESTIMATED 200 LANGUAGES. THIS UNPARALLELED DIVERSITY IS THE SOURCE OF OUR SINGULARITY AND STRENGTH, AND IT LENDS US ENDLESS REASONS TO CELEBRATE. THIS OCTOBER, AS THE ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURE COMMITTEE OF NEW YORK PRESENTS ITS 43<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURE MONTH, I AM PLEASED TO JOIN WITH MY FELLOW ITALIAN AMERICANS IN THE FIVE BOROUGHES AND BEYOND TO HONOR OUR ANCESTRY AND SHARE THE TRADITIONS OF ITALY WITH NEW YORKERS OF ALL BACKGROUNDS.

**WHEREAS:** OUR GLOBAL CITY HAS LONG WELCOMED IMMIGRANTS FROM ITALY SEEKING NEW FREEDOMS AND OPPORTUNITIES, INCLUDING MY MATERNAL GRANDPARENTS. ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURE MONTH IS A WONDERFUL OCCASION TO HIGHLIGHT THE TRADITIONS OF ITALIAN AMERICANS AND RECOGNIZE THE INDELIBLE IMPRINT THEY HAVE MADE ON THE FIVE BOROUGHES. GUIDED BY ITS THEME, "MATERA 2019: EUROPEAN CAPITAL OF CULTURE," THIS YEAR'S EVENTS FOCUS ON THE RESILIENT AND DYNAMIC CITY OF MATERA, CAPITAL CITY OF THE PROVINCE OF MATERA IN SOUTHERN ITALY'S BASILICATA REGION. WITH A SERIES OF PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES THAT SHOWCASE THE CITY'S RICH HISTORY AND ITS MANY ARCHITECTURAL, ARTISTIC, CULINARY, AND TOURISTIC ATTRACTIONS, THIS MONTH-LONG TRIBUTE WILL GIVE PARTICIPANTS THE CHANCE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE STORIED HERITAGE AND BRIGHT FUTURE OF MATERA.

**WHEREAS:** MY ITALIAN GRANDMOTHER WAS BORN AND RAISED IN MATERA PROVINCE'S TOWN OF GRASSANO BEFORE EMIGRATING TO THE UNITED STATES, AND LIKE OTHER ITALIAN AMERICANS WITH BASILICATA ROOTS, I AM PROUD OF MY FAMILY'S TIES TO THAT BEAUTIFUL AND VIBRANT REGION. I APPLAUD IHCC-NY'S MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS FOR ONCE AGAIN PRESENTING THIS TERRIFIC CELEBRATION THAT STRENGTHENS THE BONDS BETWEEN NEW YORK AND ITALY, UPLIFTS OUR THRIVING ITALIAN COMMUNITY, AND ENGAGES AND INSPIRES DIVERSE NEW YORKERS. *GRAZIE MILLE!*

NOW THEREFORE, I, BILL DE BLASIO, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM OCTOBER, 2019 IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK AS:

"ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURE MONTH"



*Bill De Blasio*  
BILL DE BLASIO  
MAYOR

the world not just one but three Golden Ages. Join us for a fascinating examination of Italy's remarkable Third Golden Age and how it took root following the devastation of World War II. We'll explore how "Brand Italy"

romanced the world through the realms of film, fashion, design, gastronomy and the indomitable spirit of *La Dolce Vita*. Sponsored by the Italian Cultural Foundation at Casa Belvedere.





CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

# COMMENDATION

PRESENTED TO

## ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURAL COMMITTEE OF NEW YORK

*For over forty years of exceptional work to support New York's Italian community; for facilitating cultural dialogue throughout the five boroughs; for honoring the contributions of Italian heritage and culture; for coordinating events that strengthen and preserve Italian culture; for connecting young Italian New Yorkers to their shared heritage through programs in schools, college campuses, and libraries; for honoring the city of Matera's history and legacy during its annual Italian Heritage and Culture Month; and for its tremendous contributions to the City of New York.*



SCOTT M. STRINGER  
COMPTROLLER  
OCTOBER 1, 2019



September 25

**Study Abroad  
in Italy**

QUEENS COLLEGE, CUNY  
THE SUMMIT - MUYSKENS  
FLEXSPACE

65-30 Kissena Blvd,  
Flushing

Admission: free; open  
to the public

Contact: Joseph Grosso 718-997-5769

joseph.grosso@qc.cuny.edu  
[www.qc.cuny.edu/studyabroad](http://www.qc.cuny.edu/studyabroad)

12:00 pm

Queens College coordinates several study abroad programs to Italy. These programs are

both short-term (month) and long-term (semester). Learn about these great opportunities in Italy and other countries throughout the world. Sponsored by the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute.

### Opera & Lunch in the Afternoon No. 6 Featuring Ponchielli's *La Gioconda*



CASA BELVEDERE

79 Howard Avenue, Staten Island

Admission: Suggested donation \$60; open to the public



Contact:

Marian Rodi 718-273-7660

[marian@casa-belvedere.org](mailto:marian@casa-belvedere.org)

12:00 – 4:00 pm

Opera and lunch in the afternoon No. 6 featuring Ponchielli's *La Gioconda* with introduction and commentary by Opera Educators, Lou Barrella and Dr. Snjezana Smodlaka. *La Gioconda* is an opera in four acts by Amilcare Ponchielli, based on a play by Victor Hugo, dating from 1835. First performed in 1876, it was the most successful new Italian opera between Verdi's *Aida* and *Otello*. It is unique in that it features a principal role for the six major voice types, making difficult to cast without a group of high-quality singers. It is also an example of Italian Grand Opera, set in the opulence of 17th Century Venice. It includes wonderful arias, duets, trios, ensembles, the famous "Dance of the Hours" ballet and colorful orchestral accompaniment making for a great musical and visual experience! Three-course lunch includes wine and soft drinks. Sponsored by the Italian Cultural Foundation at Casa Belvedere.

September 26

### The Alchemy of Italy: Exploring Italy's Special "Cultural DNA"



NYU CASA ITALIANA  
ZERILLI-MARIMÒ  
24 West 12th Street,  
Manhattan

Admission: Members:  
free; Non-Members:  
\$15; open to the  
public



Contact: Comm. Aldo  
Mancusi 973-479-8470  
amancusi@  
enricocarusomuseum.com

6:30 pm

What is it about Italy? A "Cultural Superpower," Italy has exerted an enormous force on Western Civilization. It has captured the popular imagination over the millennia. Discover the reasons why and explore the special alchemy of Italy. Learn about the "cultural DNA" that has made Italy so influential and also beloved. This inspiring lecture and video presentation on Italy's long history of substance over size, will be conducted by Carla Gambescia, Author of *La Dolce Vita University: An Unconventional Guide to Italian Culture from A to Z*. This informative and delightful book is an eclectic compendium of all things Italian. According to *Primo Magazine* this book, "...may have done the impossible capturing our rich cultural history in 300 pages." Sponsored by AICR, Inc. (American Italian Cultural Roundtable, Inc.).

**Italy/Spain -  
Lecture/Demo**  
RUTGERS  
UNIVERSITY, NEW  
BRUNSWICK, NJ



Admission: free; open  
to the public  
Contact: Eva  
Lucena 732-598-3979  
alboradadance@optonline.  
net



7:00 pm  
A collaboration between  
Alborada Spanish Dance

Theatre and Alessandra Belloni with some members of *I Giullari di Piazza*, narrating similarities from the 15th century and 20th century with Music and Dance Demo. Please call for further information. Sponsored by Middlesex County Cultural Arts Commission.

### The Cinematic Art of Giuseppe Tornatore's *Nuovo Cinema Paradiso - Part 2*



WESTCHESTER ITALIAN  
CULTURAL INSTITUTE  
One Generoso Pope Place,  
Tuckahoe, NY



THE NEW YORK CITY COUNCIL

# Proclamation

*In celebration of Italian Heritage and Culture Month, the Council of the City of New York is proud to honor the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York, Inc. (IHCC-NY, Inc.) for its outstanding service and enduring contributions; and*

**WHEREAS:** For more than 40 years, the IHCC-NY, Inc. has provided special events, concerts, exhibits, lectures, and proclamations to celebrate and to better inform New York City—the largest Italian city outside Italy—and other geographic areas throughout the United States and the world of the important legacy of Italian and Italian American culture; and

**WHEREAS:** The IHCC-NY, Inc. also sponsors the annual Italian Heritage and Culture Month activities, promotes the study of Italian language and culture among all ethnic groups, engenders pride in Italian-Americans about their own rich history and encourages positive portrayals of Italians and Americans of Italian descent in the media and with the general public; and

**WHEREAS:** The theme this year of Italian Heritage and Culture Month, Matera 2019: European Capital of Culture, Past – Present, honors the history and legacy that emanated from the city that has withstood poverty, challenging environments, earthquakes and disasters, while prevailing in current times. In recent years, Matera has reclaimed its history of culture, heritage and creativity in its rebuilding. By doing so, we salute in special ways through the various programs that will be sponsored (particularly in the month of October 2019) a most positive representation of all that has occurred and is occurring in Italy and America and presented to the world as a gift. That gift has been one of heritage, culture, language, and more; and

**WHEREAS:** The story of the Italian people is an essential part of the narrative of the United States. The values of Italian community—love of family, a strong work ethic, and a great respect for heritage—are American values. Just as Italians and Italian-Americans have strengthened the fabric of our own nation as a place of unity and progress, we stand together to recognize this important milestone and reflect not only upon Italy's own rich heritage, but its great future as well; now, therefore

**BE IT KNOWN:** That the Council of the City of New York is very proud to honor

## The Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York, Inc.

*for fostering a greater awareness and appreciation for the extraordinary roles that  
Italians and Italian-Americans have played in shaping New York City and the world.*

*Signed this 1st day of October in the year Twenty Nineteen.*

 COREY JOHNSON Speaker For the Entire Council	 JOSEPH BORELLI Council Member, 51st District Staten Island	 PAUL VALLONE Council Member, 19th District Queens
 ERIC ULRICH Council Member, 32nd District Queens	 STEVEN MATTEO Council Member, 50th District Staten Island	 COSTA CONSTANTINIDES Council Member, 22nd District Queens





September 28

**Ruben Diaz Jr.**  
 President of the Borough of  
 The Bronx  
 Presents this  
**Proclamation**

**Whereas:** *Each October, The Bronx comes together to both celebrate Italian-Heritage and Culture Month and to host our annual celebration of the contributions of Italian-Americans to our society, and;*

**Whereas:** *This year, Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York will commemorate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute of the City University of New York. In 1978 New York State Senator John D. Calandra, a proud Bronxite and then chairperson of the Italian Legislative Caucus, called for the creation of an Italian American institute to address historical, sociological, political, and cultural issues specific to the demographic group, and;*

**Whereas:** *The New York Conference of Italian American State Legislators funded the institution in 1979 to respond to the educational needs and concerns expressed by Italian American students, faculty, and staff at CUNY. Eight years later, the Institute was renamed the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute, in honor of the late senator. In 1995, the CUNY Board of Trustees officially designated the Institute as a university-wide research institute devoted to the Italian American experience, under the aegis of Queens College, and;*

**Whereas:** *The Institute's mission is in keeping with that of The City University of New York: to foster higher education among future generations. The Institute seeks to heighten awareness of the immigrant experience and broaden the understanding of the history of Italian Americans in the United States of America, and;*

**Now therefore I, Ruben Diaz Jr., President of the Borough of The Bronx, in tribute to our Italian-American community and the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute of the City University of New York, do hereby proclaim October 2019 as**

**“Italian-American Heritage & Culture Month”**




Admission:  
 Members \$20;  
 Non-Members \$25  
 Contact: 914-771-8700  
<http://www.wiccny.org>



7:00 pm  
 The apocalyptic destruction of the *Cinema Paradiso*, a church-managed, B-category

movie house does not augur well for the inhabitants of Giancaido, a small backwater Sicilian town. However, from the smoldering ashes of the devastated theater, the *Nuovo Cinema Paradiso* is born, and hope springs anew. Join us as we resume our review and study of Tornatore's *Nuovo Cinema Paradiso*. Using the

darkest hours of the cinema's fiery demise as a point of departure, we will follow and analyze the “progress” of modern Sicilian (and Italian) society, and the personal and professional growth of the film's protagonist Salvatore Di Vita, AKA Totò. Presented by Joseph Spedalieri.

**Leonardo da Vinci - 500th Anniversary**



**WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE**  
 One Generoso Pope Place,  
 Tuckahoe, NY  
 Admission: Members \$20; Non-Members \$25  
 Contact: 914-771-8700  
<http://www.wiccny.org>



10:30 am  
 In celebration of the 500th anniversary of his death, come and learn about the man who was so much more than a painter. He made major discoveries in the fields of painting, sculpture, anatomy, city planning, military engineering, architecture, and inventions. Presented by Toni McKeen.

**Italian American Women's Center General Meeting**



**ITALIAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S CENTER, INC. WCGN**  
 94 Old Mill Road,  
 Great Neck, NY  
 Admission: open to the public  
 Contact: Vincenza Russo  
 646-515-2744  
[iawcnyc@yahoo.com](mailto:iawcnyc@yahoo.com)



1:00 pm  
 Women Heart National Coalition  
 Speakers: Patricia Szendrey and Aileen Cosgrove; Stress Seminar: Carolyn Rassiger, Ph.D.; Dance Your Cares Away at Any Age: Gloria Boringer. Sponsored by the Italian American Women's Center, Inc. WCGN

## September 22

**“Regina Opera + Pops” Concert**

REGINA OPERA  
COMPANY  
OUR LADY OF  
PERPETUAL HELP  
SCHOOL

5902 6th Avenue, Brooklyn,  
Between 59th and 60th  
Street, Brooklyn

Admission: \$15 - Adults;  
\$5 - Teens; Children –  
free; open to the public

Contact: Fran Garber-  
Cohen 718-259-2772  
reginaopera@yahoo.com  
www.reginaopera.org

3:00 pm

Does listening to Broadway  
tunes, opera selections, and  
Italian songs make you happy?  
Enjoy some of your favorite  
selections at Regina Opera  
Company's "Regina Opera +  
Pops" Concert. This two-hour  
program will feature several  
Regina Opera Company  
soloists.



## Month of October

**Cultural Display**

FARMINGDALE  
COMMUNITY  
LIBRARY




116 Merritts Road,  
Farmingdale, NY

Contact: Keith Wilson  
516-624-6328 kwilson@  
optonline.net

9:00 am – 8:00 pm

The Columbus Lodge #2143,  
OSDIA will display all  
literature related to heritage  
promotion and culture  
CSJ Bookmarks, posters,  
membership apps, and other  
important items will be  
available to all local residents  
of Farmingdale and North  
Massapequa areas. Local  
lodge information and how  
to join the OSDIA will be  
displayed for those of interest.  
Sponsored by the Columbus  
Lodge, # 2143, OSDIA.



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN  
CITY OF NEW YORK

# Proclamation

*Whereas, the Borough of Brooklyn is known for its large, strong and vibrant Italian community – a group responsible for immeasurably shaping the cultural landscape upon which our borough currently stands, it is therefore most fitting that we take note of the important cultural, political, and social contributions of the Italian-American residents who, for many generations, have greatly enriched the quality of life of our borough and city, and join in honoring those individuals whose dynamic leadership and unwavering commitment remain unsurpassed; and*


*Whereas, all of Brooklyn proudly gathers here in the New York City-wide celebration to celebrate Annual Italian Heritage and Culture Month, with this year's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute, and to share, appreciate, and advance Italian culture and influence in our great borough and city; and*

*Whereas, on behalf of all Brooklynites, I salute Chairman and President Wff. Joseph Sciamè and all of the members and supporters of the Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York for the exemplary leadership they have shown to ensure that this year's special events, concerts, exhibits and lectures are a success; I commend all of the members of the Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York for ensuring that the rich heritage of Italian culture is celebrated, especially in New York City; and I thank everyone for all that they have done to touch and improve the lives of many, helping to move our communities forward as One Brooklyn;*

*Now, therefore, I, Eric L. Adams, President of the Borough of Brooklyn, do hereby proclaim October 2019*

## Italian Heritage and Culture Month in Brooklyn, U.S.A.

*In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Borough of Brooklyn to be affixed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2019.*



*Eric L. Adams*  
President of the Borough of Brooklyn

## October 1

**From Brooklyn  
to Jersey: A  
Reading and  
Talk on Memoir and  
Place**



CASA BELVEDERE  
79 Howard Avenue,  
Staten Island

Admission: Suggested  
Donation \$20; open to the  
public

Contact Person:  
Marian Rodi 718-



273-7660;  
Fax: 718-273-0020

7:00 pm Join Bordighera  
Press Authors Kathy Curto  
(*Not for Nothing: Glimpses into  
a Jersey Girlhood*) And Maria  
Giura (*What My Father Taught*)





**PROCLAMATION**

*Whereas: October marks Italian Heritage and Culture Month, which commemorates Italian-American history and tradition. Staten Island is home to more Italian-Americans than any other County in the United States of America; and*

*Whereas: Each year, the Board of Directors of the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York, Inc. selects a theme to highlight the Italian-American experience. This year, the theme is "Matera: 2019: European Capital of Culture, Past, Present, Future." This theme was chosen to acknowledge and celebrate the leaders and citizens of Matera for the 'patrimony and historical importance that has been preserved in its very homes, rupestral churches, museums, hotels, restaurants, art and artisan workshops. It is an occasion to celebrate Matera's past, present and future as a symbol of the creative process and the relationship of man and environment; and*

*Whereas: For over four decades, the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York, Inc. has provided our community with special events, concerts, exhibits, lectures, and proclamations to inform New Yorkers and the greater United States of the important legacy of Italians and Italian-American Culture; and*

*Whereas: Staten Islanders of all ethnic backgrounds applaud Italian-American New Yorkers for their contributions to our culture,*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JAMES S. ODDO**

*President of the Borough of Staten Island, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the laws of the City and State of New York, do hereby proclaim the month of October as*

**ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURE MONTH**  
in the Borough of Staten Island.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Borough of Staten Island this first day of October in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Nineteen*

*James S. Oddo*  
James S. Oddo



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
BOROUGH OF STATEN ISLAND  
CITY OF NEW YORK

Me) as they read from their books about growing up Italian-American and talk shop about memories discussing the impact of the setting on their stories. Sponsored by the Italian Cultural Foundation at Casa Belvedere [marian@casabelvedere.org](mailto:marian@casabelvedere.org)

**The Ironies of Italian American History**

ITALIAN CHARITIES OF AMERICA

83-20 Queens Boulevard, Elmhurst, NY  
Admission: free; open to the public



Contact: Marialena Giampino 718-478-3100  
[italiancharitiesofamerica@gmail.com](mailto:italiancharitiesofamerica@gmail.com)  
<https://italiancharities.org>

7:00 – 9:00 pm  
Stanislao Pugliese, Professor of History and the Queensboro Unico Distinguished Professor of Italian & Italian American

Studies at Hofstra University, will present his newest book *The Routledge History of Italian Americans*, co-edited with William J. Connell. As controversy and debate rage over the statue of Columbus in New York City and the fate of Columbus Day generally, it is necessary that Italian Americans confront the dilemmas and paradoxes of Italian American history. Columbus has become a prism through which much of Italian American history is refracted and often times distorted. As the latest controversy plays out, this lecture is an attempt to unravel the stereotypes and ask questions about how to construct both the past and future. Refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the Italian Charities of America.

**Lecture by Prof. Lucia Re**



CASA ITALIANA ZERILLI-MARIMÒ NEW YORK UNIVERSITY  
24 West 12th Street, Manhattan  
Contact: 212-998-8739, Fax: 212-995-4012

6:30 pm  
Sponsored by Casa Italiana Zerilli-Marimò, New York University.  
Casa Italiana reserves the right to change the programming without notice. For more information, please visit [www.casaitaliananyu.org](http://www.casaitaliananyu.org) or call 212-998-8739

**October 2 - 31**

**Exhibit: Giulio Mosca: Anthropological Icons**



IECC CASA COLOMBO  
380 Monmouth St, Jersey City, NJ

Contact: 201-222-9317  
<https://www.casacolombo.org/events>

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 10:00 am – 4:00 pm;  
 Friday and Saturday 12:00 – 6:00 pm  
 Opening Reception: October 2 4:00 – 7:00 pm  
 The exhibition presents the art works of Giulio Mosca, a visual artist from Turin, Italy. The poetics, evolving around the theme of the unconditional relationship between the human being and the cosmos, are expressed in their most universal expressions. [www.guliosmosca.it](http://www.guliosmosca.it)  
 Curators: Raffaella Giordana, Silvana Nota with the collaboration of Carla Mastropiero and Lisa Colodoro, IECC/Casa Colombo representatives.  
 Exhibit included in the Jersey City Art & Studio Tour (JCAST).

## October 3

**Dante and Joseph Luzzi on “Dante and Botticelli”**



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 24 West 12th Street, Manhattan  
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6:30 pm  
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**Workshop Exhibition Heritage Practices and Critical Fashion Theories**



THE ITALIAN ACADEMY  
 1161 Amsterdam Avenue, Manhattan  
 Contact: Rick Whitaker  
 212-854-1623  
[rw2115@columbia.edu](mailto:rw2115@columbia.edu)  
[italianacademy.columbia.edu/events](http://italianacademy.columbia.edu/events)

3:00 pm  
 How Does High Fashion Interpret Cultural Heritage?  
 Invited Speakers:  
 Daniela Calanca (Università di Bologna)  
 Barbara Carnevali (École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales)  
 Emanuele Coccia (École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales)  
 Lynda Dematteo (Institut Interdisciplinaire

d'Anthropologie du Contemporain)  
 Eugenia Paulicelli (CUNY Graduate Center, Queens College)  
 Simona Segre Reinach (Università di Bologna)  
 This workshop brings together experts from a variety of fields and disciplines who will delve into aspects of fashion as cultural heritage that have not yet been sufficiently examined. International academics,

Office of the President  
 Borough of Queens  
 City of New York

# Proclamation

## Greeting:

- Whereas:** the tremendous heritage of Italy can be found in the architecture, art, and culture of its cities; and
- Whereas:** the extraordinary city of Matera in the region of Basilicata in Southern Italy is to be singled out for recognition, having withstood poverty, survived natural disasters, and successfully preserved the historical center of Sassi as well as the Park of the Rupestran Churches, which were awarded World Heritage Site status by UNESCO in 1993; and
- Whereas:** in its 43rd year, the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York (IHCCNY) has chosen the theme, Matera 2019: European Capital of Culture, proud in the knowledge that their esteemed colleague, Cavaliere Ufficiale Miro Delianova Licastro, was appointed Ambassador to Matera's yearlong celebration; and
- Whereas:** I am proud to join with Joseph Sciamè, President and Chair of the IHCCNY, the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York, the Consulate General of Italy in New York, and our Italian American community of Queens for this wonderful annual Proclamation Ceremony at St. John's University.

Now, therefore, I, Melinda Katz, president of the Borough of Queens in the City of New York, do hereby proclaim the month of October as

## Italian Heritage & Culture Month

in Queens, in recognition of the bountiful gifts that Italy and America have both presented to the world in the spirit of appreciation for the past, present, and future of human achievement. Done at Queens Borough Hall, New Gardens, in the City of New York, on this first day of October in the year two thousand and nineteen.

  
 Melinda Katz  
 President of the Borough of Queens





Office of the Executive

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** *the County of Nassau is proud to recognize those outstanding individuals and organizations that have rendered significant contributions for the enhancement of our region and the betterment of our residents; and*

**WHEREAS,** *the Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York, has proudly maintained the traditions of their heritage, and worked diligently on behalf of causes and ideals which uphold the principles of human decency and brotherhood which is reflected in this year's theme, Matera 2019: European Capital of Culture Past, Present, Future; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Italian Heritage and Culture Month affords us an opportunity to reflect on the wonderful and multifaceted contributions Italians and Italian Americans have made to the economic, social and cultural enrichment of our county and their local communities, earning the respect and admiration of all Nassau County residents;*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Laura Curran, Nassau County Executive, proclaim July 2019 as:**

*Italian Heritage & Culture Month*

*on the occasion of the Nassau County Italian Heritage & Culture Month Celebration and in fitting recognition of the contributions that the Italian Americans have made to Nassau County.*

*Laura Curran*  
LAURA CURRAN  
County Executive



professionals, and curators will present their experiences and perspectives on creativity and inspiration in relation to the idea of heritage. It will serve as a basis for further research, while also reinforcing and stimulating academic and scientific interest in the multifaceted field of fashion studies. Sponsored by the Italian Academy for Advanced Studies at Columbia University.

**National Organization of Italian American Women Greater New York Region (Staten Island Network) Presents: Italian Culture Salon and Author Book Talk: MURDER IN MATERA WARD HILL. (PRIVATE**



RESIDENCE), STATEN ISLAND, NY

Admission:  
Members: \$10;  
Non-Members: \$20  
Contact: 212-642-2003  
noiaw@noiaw.org

5:30 – 7:30 pm  
Join us for an Italian Culture Salon led by Helene Stapinski, author of *Murder in Matera: A*



*True Story of Passion, Family, and Forgiveness in Southern Italy.* Our discussion—a true meeting of minds—will take place in a stately home and garden tucked away within the Ward Hill neighborhood of Staten Island. Deeply researched and reported, *Murder in Matera* is a remarkable true story about one family's hidden secrets, and a powerful narrative of immigration and motherhood—a profound testament to how far one woman would go to preserve her family. Following her presentation Stapinski will bridge the gap between author and audience by leading a rich group conversation. This salon is about listening to stories as well as telling them and stimulating thoughts and conversations through shared stories. Attendee participation is highly encouraged. Book will be available for purchase.

**October 4**

**Fashion and Beauty in Ancient Rome**



**WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE**  
One Generoso Pope Place,  
Tuckahoe, NY

Admission: Members \$20;  
Non-Members \$25

Contact: 914-771-8700

<http://www.wiccnny.org>

7:00 pm

In ancient Roman times, beauty and fashion were as relevant as they are now. Whether empress or farmer, both men and women had styles that changed throughout the decades. Discover what items would be in a makeup bag and closet 2,500 years ago, as well as the “newest” toga, hairstyle, and makeup trends throughout the Roman empire. Presented by Marisa Horowitz-Jaffe.

October 5

**Kids Cooking Class - Italian Desserts**

WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE

One Generoso Pope Place, Tuckahoe, NY

Admission: Individual

Fee: Members \$35;

Non-Members \$40

Adult &amp; Child Fee: Members

\$60; Non-Members \$70

Contact: 914-771-8700

<http://www.wiccny.org>

12:30 pm

Become dessert masters while creating sweet treats! Taste the sweet creaminess of zabaglione with berries while learning to make delicious homemade zeppole served with an irresistible chocolate dipping sauce. Please notify us of any food allergies upon registration. Presented by Chef Tara Ciannella.

**Italians of Greater Paterson, Book Reception with Author Jennifer Ranu**

AMERICAN LABOR MUSEUM/BOTTO HOUSE NATIONAL LANDMARK

83 Norwood Street, Haledon, NJ

Admission:

Donations welcome;

open to the public

Contact: Angelica M.

Santomauro, ED.D.,

Director 973-595-7953

[labormuseum@gmail.com](mailto:labormuseum@gmail.com)[www.labormuseum.net](http://www.labormuseum.net)

2:00 pm

Jennifer Ranu will discuss her recently published book, *Italians of Greater Paterson* (Arcadia Publishing, 2019). Copies of the book will be

## TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD



## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hempstead does desire to recognize all outstanding organizations and events occurring within our borders; and

**WHEREAS**, the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York (IHCC-NY) is celebrating Italian Heritage Month in October by sponsoring and promoting a wide range of events to honor the profound legacy of Italy; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1976, the IHCC-NY has brought people together throughout our region to encourage understanding and appreciation of Italian and Italian-American achievements, to explore history and contemporary issues, and to share and enjoy many facets of Italian culture through film, theater, concerts, exhibitions, seminars and more; and

**WHEREAS**, the theme for the 43rd Annual celebration is "Matera 2019 European Capital of Culture Past - Present - Future". Matera is one of the oldest cities in the world and is the first city in southern Italy to obtain the European Capital of Culture for 2019 recognition; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Supervisor Laura A. Gillen, do hereby proclaim October as

**Italian Heritage & Culture Month**

here in the Town of Hempstead and encourage our residents to join in celebrating the history, culture, and achievements of Italians and Italian-Americans.


  
LAURA A. GILLEN  
Supervisor

  
DOROTHY L. GOOSBY  
Senior Councilwoman

  
BRUCE A. BLAKEMAN  
Councilman

  
ERIN KING SWEENEY  
Councilwoman

  
ANTHONY P. DESPOSITO  
Councilman

  
DENNIS DUNNE, SR.  
Councilman

  
THOMAS E. MUSCARELLA  
Councilman

  
SYLVIA A. CABANA  
Town Clerk

  
DONALD X. CLAVIN, JR.  
Receiver of Taxes





Office of the County Executive  
Westchester County, New York

# Proclamation

## Whereas

THE CITIES, TOWNS AND VILLAGES IN THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER ARE HOME TO RICH MIX OF MANY CULTURES; AND

WHEREAS FOR ALL OF US WHO LIVE AND WORK IN THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, WE HOLD A SPECIAL SENSE OF PRIDE AS WE RECOGNIZE THOSE CULTURAL EVENTS THAT FOSTER ETHNIC PRIDE, ENHANCE OUR CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND STRENGTHEN THE FABRIC OF OUR COMMUNITY; AND

WHEREAS EACH YEAR, THE MONTH OF OCTOBER IS RECOGNIZED AS ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURAL MONTH, AND IS CELEBRATED WITH PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES AND CEREMONIES, WHICH STRENGTHEN OUR ITALIAN COMMUNITY; AND

WHEREAS THE ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURAL COMMITTEE OF NEW YORK HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THIS YEAR'S THEME WILL BE "MATERA 2019: EUROPEAN CAPITAL OF CULTURE PAST - PRESENT - FUTURE;" AND

WHEREAS THIS YEAR'S THEME RECOGNIZES THE LEGACY OF THE CITY OF MATERA AND CELEBRATES ITS COMMITMENT TO RECLAIMING ITS HISTORY OF CULTURE, HERITAGE AND CREATIVITY; AND

WHEREAS THE ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURAL COMMITTEE OF NEW YORK WILL HOST A VARIETY OF EVENTS TO CELEBRATE ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURAL MONTH, AND NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

**RESOLVED**, THAT AS THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY EXECUTIVE, I HEREBY PROCLAIM OCTOBER 2019 TO BE ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURAL MONTH IN THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, AND CALL ON THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTY TO OBSERVE THIS MONTH WITH APPROPRIATE PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES AND CEREMONIES.

Westchester  
gov.com

George Latimer, Westchester County Executive

Given Under My Hand and Seal this 1<sup>st</sup> Day of October, 2019



County Executive

available for purchase. Light refreshments will be served. Tours of the Museum will be offered and the Museum store will be open for browsing and shopping. Sponsored by the American Labor Museum/Botto House National Landmark

### Italian Night Dance

83-20 QUEENS BOULEVARD, ELMHURST, NY

Admission: \$25; open to the public (pay in advance for reserved seating)

Contact: Marialena Giampino 718-478-3100  
italiancharitiesofamerica@gmail.com



8:00 pm

Join us for our annual Italian Night Dance at Italian Charities of America. Once a year, during Italian Heritage and Culture Month, a special dance with Italian home-made food is held. Enjoy a live DJ that will be spinning Italian music classics, top 40 and Latin music. Hot Italian buffet, one complimentary glass of wine, dessert, coffee and tea. There

are door prizes and a 50/50 raffle. Sponsored by the Italian Charities of America.

### North Shore Long Island Chapter of UNICO National Gala Celebrating Their 10th Anniversary

CHATEAU BRIAND

CATERERS

440 Old Country Road  
Carle Place, NY

Tickets-\$125

Contact: Lou Di Rico  
North Shore LI Chapter of UNICO National

1314D Jericho Turnpike  
New Hyde Park, NY 11040  
516-521-5368

Operaman911@gmail.com

At 7:00 p.m

Black Tie Optional Dinner  
Honoring the Charter

Members

With Dinner, Dancing and Live Entertainment

featuring *The Dean Martin Show*  
by Andy Di Mino

## October 6

**Lecture: Traditions and customs of the regions of Val D'Aosta, Trentino Alto Adige, Friuli Venezia Giulia, and Liguria**



GARIBALDI-MEUCCI MUSEUM

420 Tompkins Avenue,  
Staten Island

Admission: Members: \$5; Non-members: \$10; open to the public

Contact: Stephanie Lundegard 718-442-1608

slundegard@garibaldi-meuccimuseum.org



2:00 pm

Guest speaker: Professor Louis Leonini. Sponsored by the Garibaldi-Meucci Museum.

## October 7

### “A Visit to Matera” - Speaker: Luisa Potenza



SGT. JOHN BASILONE

LODGE # 2442

Henrietta Acampora  
Center, Montauk Highway,  
Blue Point, NY

Admission: free

Contact:

Luisa Potenza

631-589-6634

Lupot11796@gmail.com



7:30 pm (approx.)

A personal discussion and presentation including an overview of Matera and the Region of Basilicata. Recollections of the visit to the cave dwelling of “I Sassi” and collection of recipes in the workbook A Taste of Lucania by the speaker Luisa Potenza will be presented.

## October 7 – March 1

### A Symposium: “Dove il Si Suona”



SOCIETÀ DANTE  
ALIGHIERI NYC, INC.  
JOHN D. CALANDRA  
ITALIAN AMERICAN  
INSTITUTE

25 West 43rd Street, 17th  
Floor, Manhattan

Admission: free; open  
to the public



9:00 am – 5:00 pm

This is an exhibit of the history of Italian through the centuries. Forty panels tell the story of the Italian language since Dante. Through this period there will be three symposia: October 10, December 12, and February 13, 2020. Information forthcoming on our website. The exhibit is sponsored through a generous grant by

the Società Dante Alighieri, Rome, and coordinated by the Società Dante Alighieri NYC, Inc. in collaboration with the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute. For further information, see [www.ladantenyc.org](http://www.ladantenyc.org)

## October 8

### Celebrating Pavarotti!



CASA BELVEDERE

79 Howard Avenue,  
Staten Island,

Admission:

Suggested donation

\$20; open to the

public

Contact: Marian Rodi 718-  
273-7660

[marian@casa-belvedere.org](mailto:marian@casa-belvedere.org)



7:00 pm

Created in 2008 right after his passing, this program will celebrate the artistry and vocal pleasure given to us by this unique singer and great 20th century tenor. The enormous volume of recordings and video allow us to enjoy his voice and charismatic persona forever. Musical excerpts will highlight important moments in his personal life and career as well as par him with a number of his many singing partners. Pavarotti's zest for life will be evidenced by moments from personal interviews, documentaries, broadcast opera and concerts; and from trips to China, Naples and many other locations. Sponsored by the Italian Cultural Foundation at Casa Belvedere.

### Movie: *Il Signor Jackson*



THE PICTURE  
HOUSE

Pelham, NY

Contact: 212-464-7965

[www.cmprehensivofilms.com](http://www.cmprehensivofilms.com)

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2019 Italian Charities of America annual luncheon honors Comm. Joseph Sciamè, President/Chair of the IHCC-NY, Inc. as Dominic Giampino presents award



Board Member Lucrezia Lindia atop the Columbus Citizens Foundation float with Italian language students in 2018 Columbus Day Parade

7:00 pm  
 Il Signor Jackson, a movie by international acclaimed director Anton Evangelista, conveys intercultural harmony in an African American man's life growing up in an Italian American section of the Bronx. Event organized by John Calvelli and NIAF, and ISDA.

**October 9**

**Matera 2019: European Capital of Culture**



PROF./CAV. PHILIP J. DI NOVO AMERICAN HERITAGE ASSOCIATION AND MUSEUM  
 1227 Central Avenue, Albany, NY  
 Admission: free; open to the public  
 Contact: Prof./Cav. Di Novo 518-435-1979



12:00 pm  
 An informative program about Matera and why it was chosen as the European Capital of Culture. Those attending are invited to bring their lunch and enjoy the program.

**Italian-American Culture and Heritage Month Celebration**



FIAO'S ITALIAN AMERICAN CULTURAL COMMUNITY CENTER, IL CENTRO,  
 8711 18th Avenue (Cristoforo Colombo Boulevard), Brooklyn, N.Y. 11214.

\*The Brooklyn Borough President Eric L. Adams in partnership with the Federation of Italian American Organizations of Brooklyn Ltd. are sponsoring the Italian-American Culture and Heritage Month Celebration Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at the FIAO's Italian American Cultural Community Center, Il Centro, located at 8711 18th Avenue (Cristoforo Colombo Boulevard), Brooklyn, N.Y. 11214. To RSVP, please go to [Brooklyn-usa.org/Italian-American](http://Brooklyn-usa.org/Italian-American) or call (718) 802-3805 or email [programs@brooklynbp.nyc.gov](mailto:programs@brooklynbp.nyc.gov) (see attached for some pictures)

\*The Annual Brooklyn Columbus Parade which will take place on Saturday, October 12, 2019 at 1:00PM along



Uff. Mico Licastro, IHCC –NY Board Member, presents theme poster to Avv. Raffaello De Ruggieri, Mayor of Matera





2018 Theme Poster presented to Mariangela Liantonio, Commissioner of Tourism of Matera by Uff. Mico Licastro, IHCC-NY Board Member



2018 Ambasciatore Awards luncheon as Cav. Marianna Re is surrounded by IHCC Board Members Nancy Indelicato, Cav. Joan Marchi Migliori, Marianna's husband Jim Scherer, Monsignor Hilary C. Franco and sisters Margaret Re and Mary Ellen Re Caggiano

Cristoforo Colombo Boulevard instills pride in our identity as Italian Americans as well as foster brotherhood among the many ethnic groups in our community. \*Celebrations of various regions of Italy throughout the months.

**October 10**

**Casa Italiana and WNET present An Evening about Verdi, Food, and Music**



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24 West 12th Street, Manhattan  
Contact: 212-998-8739, Fax: 212-995-4012

6:30 pm  
Casa Italiana reserves the right to change the programming without notice. For more information, please visit [www.casaitaliananyu.org](http://www.casaitaliananyu.org) or call 212-998-8739

**The Italy-themed International Coffee Hour**



CENTER FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT COLLEGE OF STATEN ISLAND, CUNY  
2800 Victory Blvd., Building 2A Room 206, Staten Island  
Contact: 718-982-2100

4:00 – 5:30 pm  
Italian food will be served. Sponsored by the College of Staten Island, CUNY.

**A Symposium: "Dove il Si Suona"**



JOHN D. CALANDRA ITALIAN AMERICAN INSTITUTE  
25 West 43rd Street, 17th Floor, Manhattan

Admission: free; open to the public  
Contact: RSVP by calling 212-642-2094



6:00 pm  
This symposium opens the exhibit, "*Dove il Si Suona*," a history of Italian through the centuries. The topic of the evening will revolve around the history and current situation of Italian and what are some of the challenges today. Further information forthcoming on our website. Sponsored through a generous grant by the Società Dante Alighieri, Rome, and coordinated by the Società Dante Alighieri NYC, Inc. in collaboration with the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute. Società Dante Alighieri NYC, Inc. Seating is limited and seats cannot be reserved. For further information, see [www.ladantenyc.org](http://www.ladantenyc.org)

**Sassi di Matera - Stepping Back in Time**



MARCUS CHRIST HALL  
1420 Jericho Turnpike # 1, New Hyde Park, NY  
Admission: free; open to the public  
Contact: Lawrence Werther 516-226-0531  
[lwerther@thenewline.org](mailto:lwerther@thenewline.org)  
<http://cellinilodge2206.org/cellini/index.php>



7:00 pm  
A brief slide-show and presentation on Matera's Sassi, which are caves carved into the rock and used as housing for millennia. Additionally, the full length *Passion of the Christ* will be shown the same evening. Matera was used as the Jerusalem of over 2,000 years ago in this film. Seating is limited, and reservations must be made for admittance. Sponsored by Cellini Lodge #2206, Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America.





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### The Italian Academy at Columbia University Presents Beethoven Perspectives: The Works for Cello and Piano + 3 Premieres



COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY'S ITALIAN ACADEMY (FORMERLY KNOWN AS CASA ITALIANA), 2ND-FLOOR TEATRO  
1161 Amsterdam Avenue, (south of 118th Street), Manhattan

Admission: free; open to the public



Contact: Rick Whitaker 212-854-1623  
rw2115@columbia.edu  
[italianacademy.columbia.edu/events](http://italianacademy.columbia.edu/events)

7:00 pm  
The Italian Academy presents Beethoven's works for cello and piano, performed by the Italian duo cellist Francesco Dillon and pianist Emanuele Torquati. Recitals on three consecutive evenings (October 10, 11, and 12) will also feature the premiere of a work by a living composer whose work is inspired by Beethoven. Helena Winkelman (Swiss), Daniela Terranova (Italian), and Arturo Fuentes (Mexican) will perform. Sponsored by The Italian Academy for Advanced Studies at Columbia University.

### Meet Local Author & Personality Mary Calvi: Book Presentation & Signing



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One Generoso Pope Place, Tuckahoe, NY  
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Contact: 914-771-8700  
<http://www.wiccny.org>

7:00 pm  
Mary Calvi, New York City TV Anchor, reporter, and winner of 9 New York Emmy Awards, is here to present her debut novel, *Dear George, Dear Mary: A Novel of George Washington's First Love*. Calvi spent years as a child wondering about the heiress who once lived in the grand manor in her hometown of Yonkers, NY. She'd heard in passing that the heiress was courted by George Washington. Curiosity compelled Calvi to conduct years of her own research, and what she uncovered stunned even her. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

## October 12

### 75th Annual Columbus Celebration Gala



NEW YORK HILTON  
1335 Avenue of the Americas, Manhattan  
ccf@columbuscitizens.org  
[www.ColumbusCitizensfd.org](http://www.ColumbusCitizensfd.org)

6:00 – 11:30 pm  
Black Tie Gala Dinner, honoring 2019 Grand Marshal Massimo Ferragamo, Chairman Ferragamo USA. Sponsored by the Columbus Citizens Foundation.

## October 13

### Wreath Laying Ceremony at Columbus Circle



COLUMBUS CIRCLE  
59th Street and Central Park West, Manhattan  
ccf@columbuscitizens.org  
[www.ColumbusCitizensfd.org](http://www.ColumbusCitizensfd.org)

10:00 – 11:00 am  
The Columbus Citizens Foundation honors civil servants in a ceremony at Columbus Circle. Sponsored by the Columbus Citizens Foundation.

**Italian Opera:  
Cavalleria  
Rusticana**



THE DANNY KAYE  
PLAYHOUSE AT HUNTER  
COLLEGE

68th Street (between Park  
and Lexington Avenues),  
Manhattan  
Contact: 212-772-4448  
Sara Pizzo -sara.pizzo@aol.  
com

3:00 pm  
The masterpiece of Pietro  
Mascagni. Directed by Guia  
Farinelli Mascagni.  
Wind orchestra and choir: Citta'  
di Castellammare del Golfo.  
Conductor: Maestro Antonino  
Maria Saccone. Featuring  
Natasa Katai, Alberto Profeta,  
Marisa Ranieri, Salvo Di Salvo,  
and Valentina Miserendino.

## October 14

**Columbus Day  
Mass**



CATHEDRAL OF ST.  
PATRICK  
50th Street and Fifth  
Avenue, Manhattan  
ccf@columbuscitizens.org  
www.ColumbusCitizensfd.org

9:30 am  
Celebrant to be announced.  
Sponsored by the Apostolate  
of the Archdiocese of New  
York, in cooperation with the  
Columbus Citizens Foundation.

**Columbus Day  
Parade**



FIFTH AVENUE  
FROM 47TH STREET  
TO 72ND STREET,  
MANHATTAN

Broadcast live from 12:00 –  
3:00 pm WABC-TV  
ccf@columbuscitizens.org  
www.ColumbusCitizensfd.org  
11:20 am – 4:00 pm  
Columbus Citizens Foundation  
proudly presents the 75th  
Annual Columbus Day Parade,  
honoring its 2019 Grand  
Marshal, Massimo Ferragamo,  
Chairman of Ferragamo USA.  
Sponsored by the Columbus  
Citizens Foundation.

## October 15

**Study Abroad  
Information  
Session – Study  
in Italy**



COLLEGE OF STATEN  
ISLAND, CUNY 2N-006  
2800 Victory Blvd.,  
Building 2A Room  
206, Staten Island

Admission: free; open  
to the public

Contact: 718-982-2100



2:30 – 3:20 pm  
Come and learn about study  
abroad opportunities in Italy.  
These programs host students  
for winter, summer, and  
academic semester sessions.  
Also, learn about scholarships  
available for these programs.  
Sponsored by the College of  
Staten Island, CUNY.

## October 16

**Dante and  
Mahnaz  
Yousefzadeh  
on “Dante and the  
Italian Unification”**



CASA ITALIANA ZERILLI-  
MARIMÒ NEW YORK  
UNIVERSITY

24 West 12th Street,  
Manhattan  
Contact: 212-998-8739, Fax:  
212-995-4012

6:30 pm  
Sponsored by Casa Italiana

# The Sons of Italy Foundation®

proudly celebrates the  
43<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of

Italian Heritage and Culture Month



[WWW.OSIA.ORG/SIF](http://WWW.OSIA.ORG/SIF)

*The Sons of Italy Foundation (SIF) was established in 1959 by the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America® (OSDIA), the largest and longest-established national organization for men and women of Italian heritage in the United States. The SIF's purpose is to support and develop educational, cultural, and other philanthropic programs for the benefit of all Americans, especially those of Italian descent. During their combined histories, the SIF and OSIA have contributed more than \$165million for scholarships, medical research, cultural projects, disaster relief efforts, veterans' causes, and other special projects. OSDIA has tens of thousands of family members located in all fifty states and D.C.*



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**NYC Comptroller's Italian Heritage Event**

**CYO-MIV COMMUNITY CENTER**  
6541 Hylan Boulevard,  
Staten Island, NY 10309

**October 16 – November 20**

**“Italian Opera: A Reflection of Life”**



**GARIBALDI-MEUCCI MUSEUM**  
420 Tompkins Avenue,  
Staten Island  
Admission: Members: \$110;  
Non-members: \$125; open to the public  
**Contact: Stephanie Lundegard 718-442-1608**  
[slundegard@garibaldimeuccimuseum.org](mailto:slundegard@garibaldimeuccimuseum.org)

1:30 – 3:00 pm  
This 6-week program of classes with noted opera enthusiast Lou Barrella will elicit an appreciation for both seasoned opera lovers and newcomers alike; the program series intends to excite the appetites of all those who especially love Italian Opera by gaining insights into the minds and souls of the composers whose works still affect us today. Now in its 7th season, this is not a repeat course. All sessions are new with no prerequisites for newcomers. See and hear recorded musical excerpts by some of the world's greatest singers and be provided with an appropriate narrative. Join for a cultural

experience of intellectual stimulation and musical pleasure. An optional trip to the Metropolitan Opera Dress Rehearsal of Zeffirelli's La Boheme is included. Sponsored by the Garibaldi-Meucci Museum.

**October 17**

**Italian Music in Celebration of Italian Heritage and Culture Month**   
**ENRICO FERMI CULTURAL CENTER/ BELMONT LIBRARY**  
610 East 186th Street, Bronx  
Admission: free; open to the public  
**Contact: Josephine M. Bastone 914-232-2309**  
[enricofermiculturalcenter@yahoo.com](mailto:enricofermiculturalcenter@yahoo.com)

6:30 pm  
Italian language movie or Movie of Italian-American life - Title to Be Announced  
Sponsored by the Enrico Fermi Cultural Center.

**National Organization of Italian American Women Greater New York Region (Metro Network) Presents: Author Book Talk: Murder in Matera**



**THE AZURE BUILDING**  
333 East 91st Street,  
Yorkville, NY  
Admission: Members: \$10; Non-Members: \$20  
**Contact: 212-642-2003**  
[noiaw@noiaw.org](mailto:noiaw@noiaw.org)

5:30 – 7:30 pm  
Join us for a dynamic discussion of *Murder in Matera: A True Story of Passion, Family, and Forgiveness in Southern Italy.*



2018 Columbus Day Weekend gathering at Mother Italy Statue with Board Members Claudia Massimo Berns and Aileen Riotto Sirey, Ph.D., the day's honoree and her husband Charles



2018 Columbus Day Weekend salute at Mother Italy Statue gathers Mark A. Ventimiglia, President, Cellini Lodge #2206, OSDIA, of New Hyde Park with lodge member Marie Wilson and IHCC President/Chair Comm. Joseph Sciame



This discussion will be led by Helene Stapinski, the author, in person. Deeply researched and reported, *Murder in Matera* is a remarkable true story about one family's hidden secrets. It is also a powerful story of immigration and motherhood—a profound testament to how far one woman would go to preserve her family.

### Italy's Third Golden Age

WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE

One Generoso Pope Place, Tuckahoe, NY

Admission: Members \$20; Non-Members \$25

Contact: 914-771-8700

<http://www.wiccny.org>

7:00 pm

Italy is the only country to give the world not one, not two, but three Golden Ages. Explore through a fascinating examination, Italy's remarkable *Third Golden Age* and how it took root following the devastation of World War II. Presented by Carla Gambescia, returning author of *La Dolce Vita* University.

## October 18

### Sisters in Liberty Presentation

- From the Opera di Santa Croce

CASA ITALIANA ZERILLI-MARIMÒ NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

24 West 12th Street, Manhattan

Contact: 212-998-8739, Fax: 212-995-4012

6:30 pm

Sponsored by Casa Italiana

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### Development Workshop for Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL)



CALANDRA ITALIAN AMERICAN INSTITUTE, QUEENS COLLEGE/CUNY 25 West 43rd Street, 17th Floor, Manhattan

Admission: free; open to the public

Contact: 212-642-2094

[www.calandrainstitute.org](http://www.calandrainstitute.org)

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Organized by Professor Eugenia Paulicelli, Queens College and the Graduate Center, the City University of New York. Taking inspiration from the many celebrations that are honoring the 500th anniversary of Leonardo da Vinci's death, this workshop will illustrate CLIL methodologies to scaffold content-based language teaching. In particular, the workshop will explore a little-known area of Leonardo's oeuvre: his study of textiles and fashion. To this very day, these topics are central to the image of Italy, to its culture and its economy, as the world of fashion connects the realms of art, industry, creativity, manufacturing, and craftsmanship. In its first part, the workshop will introduce the topic and methodology in English, while in the second part the participants will engage in hands-on laboratories with a variety of modules in Italian,



2018 Columbus Day Weekend Reception at Italian Consulate with Board Member Cav. Joan Marchi Migliori and daughter Stefania assisting with preparations



2019 Ambasciatore awardee and IHCC Board Member Cav. Marianna Re, Ph.D. and Annavaleria Guazzieri, Ph.D., Dirigente Scolastica/Director of Education at the Italian Consulate in New York





2018 IHCC Columbus Day Weekend Reception at the Italian Consulate honoring Comm. Aileen Riotto Sirey, Ph.D., Founder and Chair Emerita of NOIAW. The year's theme highlighting women both in America and Italy was cause for much celebration

prepared for the specific focus of the workshop and for classrooms at the middle and high school levels. A surprise event will conclude the workshop. Speakers will include: Prof. Carmel Coonan (Ca' Foscari, Venice); Prof. Eugenia Paulicelli (CUNY); Prof. Annavaleria Guazzieri (Director of Education, Italian Consulate in NY), Prof. Nicola Lucchi, (Queens College). Co-sponsored by the Italian Program at Queens College; the Calandra Institute, Queens College/CUNY; the Center for Teaching and Learning at Queens College; Fashion Studies at the Graduate Center/ The Fabric of Cultures Project; the Italian Cultural Institute; and the Italian Consulate in New York.

**Passeggiando per Roma**



**HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY THE JOSEPH SHAPIRO BUILDING**  
Conference room, 3rd Floor  
**Registration: AIAEHofstra@gmail.com**  
**Contact: 631-747-8057**

5:00 – 6:30 pm  
Journalist Maria Teresa Rossi from Osservatorio Roma will take us for a *passeggiata* and share numerous anecdotes of the city of Roma.



2018 IHCC Columbus Day Weekend Reception at the Italian Consulate as Board Members Vice President Maria Marinello, Rosa Casiello O'Day, and Antonella De Gennaro look on to the festivities

**Lecture: Sisters in Liberty: a talk with curator Paola Vojnovic**



**CASA ITALIANA ZERILLI - MARIMÒ**  
24 West 12th Street, Manhattan  
**Contact: Paolo Vojnovic**  
[vojnovic@santacroceopera.it](mailto:vojnovic@santacroceopera.it)

6:30 pm

**October 18 – April 26**

**Exhibition: Sisters in Liberty: From Florence, Italy to New York, New York**



**ELLIS ISLAND MUSEUM OF IMMIGRATION, NEW YORK**  
**Contact: Paola Vojnovic, Philanthropy Relations and Outreach**  
[vojnovic@santacroceopera.it](mailto:vojnovic@santacroceopera.it)

This exhibition will explore the intersection between the ideas that inspired two monumental statues of Liberty:

Liberty of Poetry, by Pio Fedi in the church of Santa Croce in Florence, Italy, and the 1883 Frédéric Bartholdi's Statue of Liberty, which was inaugurated in New York in 1886. The visitors will discover and interact with the symbols, voices and heroes of liberty and free-thinking. The exhibition concept is developed with world renown art historians and produced in collaboration with the Lord Cultural Resources, an international leader in cultural management. A key objective of the experience is the exploration of the long standing cultural ties between Italy and the United States through themes of art, architecture, liberty, poetry and human condition. Sponsored by: Partners in USA: Ellis Island, Museum of Immigration, New York, USA; Kent State University, Kent Ohio; the Union League Club, Philadelphia, USA. Partners in Italy: United States Consulate General Florence, Italy; Friends of Florence, Florence, Italy.



October 19

**Italian American Women's Center General Meeting**



WCGN  
94 Old Mill Road, Great Neck, NY  
Admission: open to the public  
Contact: Vincenza Russo  
646-515-2744  
iawcnyc@yahoo.com

1:00 – 5:00 pm  
Featuring Carla Gambescia, author *La Dolce Vita University, An Unconventional Guide to Italian Culture*. Carla will speak on the “Miracle of Matera.” The speaker will explore the alchemy “cultural DNA” that has made Italy/Italians so influentially beloved. She will provide an entertaining lecture with fascinating insights on the province of Matera, Basilicata. Learn how Matera went from an ancient civilization to a slum to a hidden gem, and now a popular tourist attraction. Sponsored by The Italian American Women's Center, Inc.

October 20

**Domenica Italiana Celebration Dinner and Show**



VILLA LOMBARDI  
877 Main Street, Holbrook, NY  
Admission: \$130  
Contact: Maria Teresa Buffa 631-747-8057



1:00 – 5:00 pm  
Presented by Italia Oggi Consultants. Man of the Year- John Sarcone. From Italy, the comedian Sasa' Salvaggio and music by Rosario & Futura Music Entertainment. Contact: Maria Teresa Buffa 631-747-8057 for Reservations & Tickets.

**Regina Opera's "Gotta Sing" Concert**



OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP SCHOOL  
5902 6th Avenue, (between 59th and 60th Streets), Brooklyn  
Admission: \$15 - adults; \$5 - teens; children – free; open to the public  
Contact: Fran Garber-Cohen  
718-259-2772  
reginaopera@yahoo.com  
www.reginaopera.org



3:00 pm  
Enjoy some of your favorite show-stopping opera arias and duets, and popular Italian songs, in this 2-hour Concert, which features several Regina Opera Company soloists. Sponsored by Regina Opera Company.



Honorary Board Member Uff. Joseph Scelsa, Ed.D., and President/Founder of the Italian American Museum celebrates the 2018 theme with County Executive Hon. George Latimer



2019 NOIAW Luncheon as the John D. Calandra Institute, Queens College, CUNY is honored for its steadfast work in the field of research in Italian American activities. Dr. Anthony Julian Tamburri accepts the award on behalf of the Institute



**The Alchemy of Italy**



**CASA COLOMBO**  
380 Monmouth Street,  
Jersey City  
Admission: \$5  
Members & Students,  
\$10 Non-Member  
Contact: 201-222-9317  
info@casacolombo.org  
www.casacolombo.org



4:00 pm  
What is it about Italy? Cultural superpower, yet merely a mountainous Mediterranean peninsula, Italy has exerted an outsized force on Western civilization and the popular imagination over the course of millennia. Discover WHY and learn about Italian “cultural DNA” in informative, entertaining and inspiring slideshow presentation by Carla Gambescia, lecturer and award-winning author of *La Dolce Vita University: An Unconventional Guide to Italian Culture from A to Z* (Books will be available for sale & signing). Refreshments to follow. Sponsored by the Italian Education & Cultural Center at Casa Colombo.

**October 21**

**Adult Cooking Class – Cannoli**



**WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE**  
One Generoso Pope Place,  
Tuckahoe, NY  
Admission: Members \$65;  
Non-Members \$75  
Contact: 914-771-8700  
http://www.wiccn.org



6:30 pm  
Cannoli are a Sicilian dessert, that are tubed shaped, fried and filled with a sweetened ricotta filling. The emphasis will be on making the perfect crispy

shell and shared secrets for the perfect cream too! Enjoy the company while sharing a glass of wine and antipasto. Presented by Carlo Pollicina from Sal & Dom’s Pastry Shop.

**October 23**

**Awards Ceremony of Gradiva International Poetry Prize**



October 23  
**CENTER FOR ITALIAN STUDIES**  
Melville Library, E-4330,  
Stony Brook University  
Stony Brook, NY  
Admission: open to the public  
Contact: Luigi Fontanella  
luigi.fontanella@stonybrook.edu

4:00 pm  
Introductory Remarks: Prof. Mario B. Mignone and Luigi Fontanella.

**October 24**

**Centro Primo Levi Readings - Uri Cohen**



**CASA ITALIANA ZERILLI-MARIMÒ NEW YORK UNIVERSITY**  
24 West 12th Street,  
Manhattan  
Contact: 212-998-8739, Fax:  
212-995-4012

7:00 pm  
Sponsored by Casa Italiana Zerilli-Marimò, New York University.

Casa Italiana reserves the right to change the programming without notice. For more information, please visit www.casaitaliananyu.org or call 212-998-8739



IHCC Board Members at monthly meeting with Secretary Uff. Maria Fosco, Antonella De Gennaro, Cav. Joan Marchi Migliori and Uff. George Altomare



May 2019 –IHCC-NY, Inc. Benefactor Cav. Vivian Cardia receives coveted award at the National Leadership Award Gala of the Sons of Italy Foundation, Inc. as presenter Cav. Mary Ann Mattone and Sons of Italy Foundation President Comm. Joseph Sciamme celebrate the event





Celebrating at the opening reception of the exhibition *Art of Immigration: The Paintings of Donatus Buongiorno* at Old St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City, April 2019: L to R Bill Russo, IHCC Board member/Exhibit Producer; Janice Carapellucci, Exhibit Curator/great grandniece of the artist; Nancy Indelicato, IHCC Board Member: Chair, Public Relations; and Kristin Moehlmann, Exhibit Catalogue copy editor and steadfast Italoophile



October 2018 –Borough of Queens celebrates Italian Heritage & Culture Month at Annual Event hosted by St. John's University with Borough President Melinda Katz as honorees are surrounded by Board members: Cav. Josephine Maietta, Cav. Joan March Migliori, Uff. Joseph Scieme, Nancy Indelicato and Joseph Di Pietro on far right with New York City Councilman Hon. Paul Vallone



Spring 2019 – IHCC-NY, Inc. Board members Nancy Indelicato and Cav. Joan Marchi Migliori join President/Chair Comm. Joseph Scieme and meet on preliminary plans and review of 2019 celebration of Italian Heritage & Culture Month

**Lecture:**  
**“L’italiano è meraviglioso”**



**ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK**

686 Park Avenue, Manhattan

Admission: free; open to the public



Contact: 212-879-4242  
 iicnewyork@esteri.it

6:00 pm  
 A presentation in Italian by Claudio Marazzini, President of the Accademia della Crusca. Part of the XIX edition of the *Settimana della lingua Italiana nel mondo*. Sponsored by the Italian Cultural Institute of New York.

**An Italian American Town Hall: Speaking Out: Respect is a Two-Way Street**



**COLUMBUS CITIZEN'S FOUNDATION**  
 8 East 69th Street, Manhattan

Contact: RSVP by calling 212-642-2094

6:00 – 9:00 pm  
 This “Town Hall” will deal with some of the more pressing issues Italian Americans must confront if we are to become part and parcel of the American socio-cultural fabric not as “assimilated” Americans but indeed as “Italian Americans.” The overall challenge since the great wave of immigration more than 140 years ago has been to negotiate this inter-action between the two cultures. This “Town Hall” promises to begin the conversation with the hopes that subsequent meetings will follow. The event planners include: Robert Agnoli, Fred Gardaphé and Basil Russo. In addition to the organizers, speakers will include: Donna Chirico, Mike Santo, Anthony Julian Tamburri, Angelo Vivolo. The event is organized by the Office of the Professor of Italian American Studies, Queens College, CUNY, and the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute. The following organizations have generously contributed to the





October 2019 – New York City Fire Commissioner Cav. Hon. Daniel Nigro joins IHCC-NY, Inc. Board members Cav. Josephine Maietta and Nancy Indelicato at Mayor's Italian Heritage Month proclamation ceremony



September 25, 2018 – Società Dante Alighieri Rome; Prof. Sabrina Vellucci, Prof. Anthony Julian Tamburri, Prof. Ryan Calabretta-Sajder, Nancy Indelicato. IHCC-NY Board Member

event: The Italian Sons and Daughters of America, The Coccia Foundation, UNICO Brookhaven Chapter, the National Organization of Italian American Women, and the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute. Seating is limited and RSVP highly recommended. For further information, see [www.calandrainstitute.org](http://www.calandrainstitute.org)

**Matera: Foods of Poverty**



**CASA LALLY**  
132 East, 65th Street  
(between Lexington and 3rd Avenues), Manhattan  
Admission: \$45; open to the public  
Contact: Nicole Carballeira  
212-772-4297  
[parliamo@hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:parliamo@hunter.cuny.edu)  
[www.hunter.cuny.edu/parliamo](http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/parliamo)

6:00 – 8:00 pm  
Invaded from all sides for millennia, bombarded during the World War II, living with the curse of the Mafia and

suffering one of the highest unemployment rates in Europe—Italy's deep south is its poorest region. This reality has always been reflected in the local cuisine, home to some of the most delicious cheeses and meats in southern Italy. Join us for a discussion about the foods and food culture of Basilicata, the region home to Matera. (Sample foods from local producers will be served). Sponsored by Parliamo Italiano at Hunter College.

**Intervention: A Film Screening and Meet & Greet with**



**Director and Actors**  
**WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE**  
One Generoso Pope Place,  
Tuckahoe, NY  
Admission: Members \$20;  
Non-Members \$25  
Contact: 914-771-8700  
<http://www.wiccny.org>

7:00 pm  
*Intervention*, a film by Anton

Evangelista, is a family drama about a young Italian American couple in the Bronx in the 1960s, inspired by a true story. This year marks the 15th anniversary of this award winning film about restoring faith in the family. Celebrate the screening of the film, followed by a Q&A session with the director and some of the actors.

**Italian American Experience Lecture Series Film Screening: *War Cellar***  
**GUTHART THEATER, AXINN LIBRARY**



7:00 pm  
Directed by Giovanni Pugliese. Set in Rome during the end of World War II, an American

soldier and an Italian woman must find a way to trust one another in order to survive. A German attack on the city forces a wounded American soldier to seek shelter in a cellar. There, he realizes that he is not alone. He is accompanied by Lucrezia, an Italian woman in her early 30s, who happens to be the daughter of the King of Italy. Both have one thing in common and that is the guilt bearing on their souls. The Italian-American Lecture Series is supported, in part by the Association of Italian American Educators. For more information, please call the Hofstra Cultural Center at 516-463-5669 or visit [hofstra.edu/culture](http://hofstra.edu/culture).





May 2019 – IHCC-NY, Inc. Board Members gather at Mother Italy Statue to honor Deputy Consul Chiara Saulle as she completes her term of stay at the New York Consulate of Italy. Minister Francesco Genuardi looks on with pride at the recognition



December 2018 – Board Members of the IHCC-NY, Inc. join for holiday Christmas gathering to help celebrate a successful year

## October 25

### Teaching Italian Symposium/ Workshops: Meeting XII “Bringing Digital Media into the Italian Classroom”



MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY, UNIVERSITY HALL CONFERENCE CENTER (7TH FLOOR)

One Normal Avenue, Montclair, NJ

Admission: \$50

registration fee for teachers; \$25 fee for graduate students and student teachers



Contact: Cav. Mary Ann Re, Ph.D., Director 973-655-4038 [rem@montclair.edu](mailto:rem@montclair.edu)

8:30 am – 3:30 pm

Twelfth in a series of all-day professional development programs for teachers of Italian at all levels, consisting of a keynote presentation, panel discussion and four intensive workshops (90 minutes each). An annual signature collaboration between the Coccia Institute for the Italian Experience in America and the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures at Montclair State University. Please join our dynamic and experienced specialists in instructional methodology in foreign language. The keynote address will be delivered by Prof. Silvana Ferreri, Università degli Studi della Tuscia-Viterbo. Workshops to be conducted by Margherita Berti, University of Arizona at Tucson; Sandra Cardilicchia, Garden City High School, Garden City, NY; and Simone Casini and Salvatore Bancheri, University of Toronto. Symposium Chair and Panel Moderator: Prof.

Enza Antenos (Montclair State University). Participants will be awarded seven professional credits. The Coccia-Inserra Award for Excellence and Innovation in the Teaching of Italian (K-12) will be presented on this occasion. Sponsored by the Coccia Institute and the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at Montclair State University.

## October 25 –26

### ILICA Annual Weekend Celebration



The Italian Language Intercultural Alliance sponsors a weekend of activities that include:

- 1 – Gala Dinner at the Tribeca Rooftop, in the heart of downtown Manhattan; [www.tribecarooftopnyc.com](http://www.tribecarooftopnyc.com), October 26 6:00 pm, tickets required
- 2 - Conference: @ BOFA/ US Trust on 114 W 47 Street in Manhattan; free and open to the public, security pre-registration required, October 25 3:45 pm

This year's Gala attendance will be limited to 300 guests. The entertainment portion of the evening will be directed by Maestro Mvula Sungani, while the technical aspects have been curated by Marco Sacco. Unique awards are works of art that have been designed and built by Maestro Alessandro Marrone.

The latest program initiative, “Welcome 80s and 90s”, is spearheaded by ILICA members Gianpiero Pagliaro, Michele Siracusano in collaboration with President Donna Chirico and Dean of



## EVENTS → CALENDAR

the Calandra Institute, Prof. Anthony Tamburri. Help celebrate the theme this year: "Back to the Future 1". For more information, contact Donna Chirico, ILICA/USA President, at [DChirico@york.cuny.edu](mailto:DChirico@york.cuny.edu) or 718.262.2687

### October 26

#### Fiorello La Guardia – A Man for his Time



WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE  
One Generoso Pope Place,  
Tuckahoe, NY

Admission:  
Members \$20;  
Non-Members \$25  
Contact: 914-771-8700  
<http://www.wiccny.org>



10:30 am  
Mayor La Guardia was a colorful Italian-American who made a major impact on New York City. A talk about his full and varied career, his fight against Irish-run Tammany Hall, and his private life. Presented by Toni McKeen.

### October 27

#### Autumn in New York



METROPOLITAN CLUB  
Manhattan

Invitation to follow  
Admission: \$300  
Contact: 212-861-8480  
[www.italianwelfareleague.org](http://www.italianwelfareleague.org)



11:00 am  
Italian Welfare League's Annual luncheon. Sponsored by the Italian Welfare League.

#### Feast of San Vincenzo Matire di Craco



THE SHRINE CHURCH OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD  
103 Baxter Street,

Manhattan  
Admission: free;  
open to the public  
Contact: Frederick Spero 774-269-6611  
[memberservices@thecracosociety.org](mailto:memberservices@thecracosociety.org)  
[www.cracosociety.net](http://www.cracosociety.net)



10:30 am  
The 118th Celebration of the Feast of San Vincenzo Matire Di Craco (Province of Matera) held at the Shrine Church of the Most Precious Blood. Sponsored by the Craco Society.

#### It Happened in Italy – Italy and the Holocaust – The Forgotten Heroes



CHRIST THE KING HIGH SCHOOL  
68-02 Metropolitan Avenue,  
Middle Village, NY  
Admission: \$25; open to the public  
Contact: J. Gagliano 718-897-3135  
[Jbgagliano14@yahoo.com](mailto:Jbgagliano14@yahoo.com)

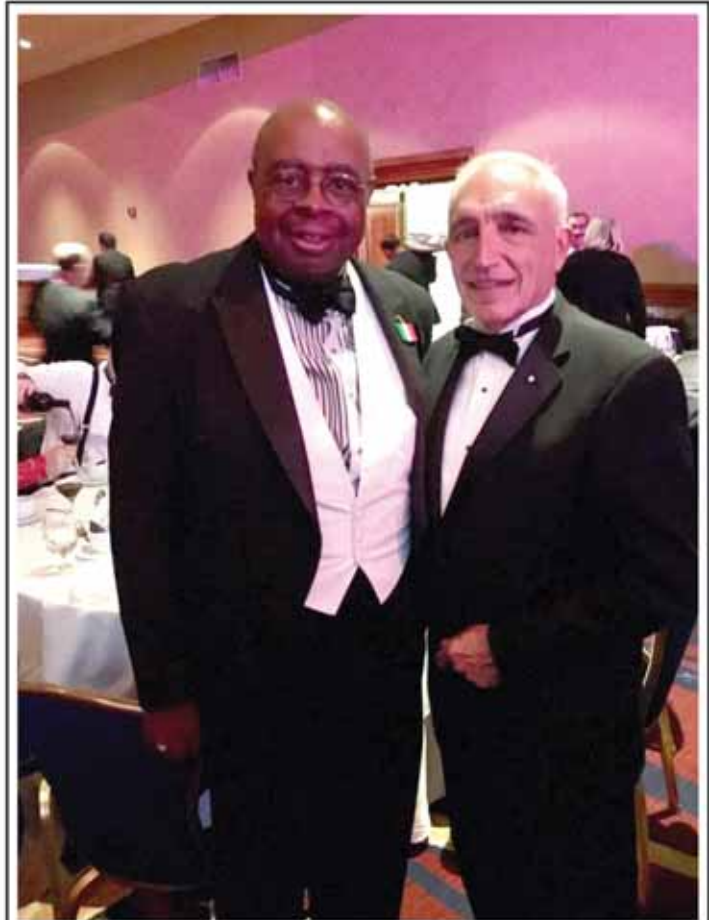


1:00 – 5:00 pm  
*My Italian Secret: The Forgotten Heroes* will be presented by Vincent Marmorale, consulting producer of the documentary; the extraordinary story of ordinary Italian men and women who risked their own lives to save thousands of Jews from Nazi extermination. Sponsored by La Bella Italia, Inc.

#### The Italian Connection



October 27  
THE LYRIC THEATRE  
7 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ  
Admission: \$15 - \$25; open to the public  
Contact:  
Eva Lucena 732-598-3979  
[alboradance@optonline.net](mailto:alboradance@optonline.net)



October 2018 – Dr. Edward Jackson, Italophile and supporter of the IHCC-NY, Inc. is congratulated by President/Chair Comm. Joseph Sciamè for Jackson's documentary life story *Il Signor Jackson* by Anton Evangelisti, Director



October 2018 – Queens Borough President Melinda Katz displays theme poster as she honors several outstanding women of achievement at the Queens Borough Italian Heritage & Culture Month Proclamation Ceremony at St. John's University. City Councilman, Hon. Paul Vallone (far right) joins in the celebration with some 250 attendees



3:00 pm  
Alborada Spanish Dance Theatre and I *Giullari di Piazza* in a concert of music and dances dating back to the 15th century (when Spain ruled over Sicily and Naples) through the 20th century, their common bonds and Fusion Pieces. Sponsored by Middlesex County Cultural Arts Commission.

## October 28

### Book Presentation - Italians and Food, edited by Roberta Sassatelli



CASA ITALIANA ZERILLI-MARIMÒ NEW YORK UNIVERSITY  
24 West 12th Street, Manhattan  
Contact: 212-998-8739, Fax: 212-995-4012

6:30 pm  
Sponsored by Casa Italiana Zerilli-Marimò, New York University. Casa Italiana reserves the right to change the programming without notice. For more information, please visit [www.casaitaliananyu.org](http://www.casaitaliananyu.org) or call 212-998-8739

### An Undiscovered Region of Italy: Basilicata



RICHARD HARRIS TERRACE, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE, CUNY  
199 Chambers Street, Manhattan  
Admission: free; open to the public  
Contact: Professor Lisa Sarti [lsarti@bmcc.cuny.edu](mailto:lsarti@bmcc.cuny.edu)  
[www.bmcc.cuny.edu](http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu)

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

This event is part of the celebrations for Italian Heritage and Culture Month. Sponsored by BMCC.

### Annual Faculty and Staff Italian Heritage and Culture Reception



YORK COLLEGE, CUNY  
94-20 Guy R Brewer Boulevard, Jamaica, NY  
Admission: free; Members Only  
Contact: D. Chirico  
718-262-2687  
[DChirico@york.cuny.edu](mailto:DChirico@york.cuny.edu)  
<https://www.york.cuny.edu/>



5:00 – 7:00 pm  
Annual reception: wines are provided by faculty and staff according to regions of origin. Featuring music, food, and bocce. Sponsored by Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of York College.

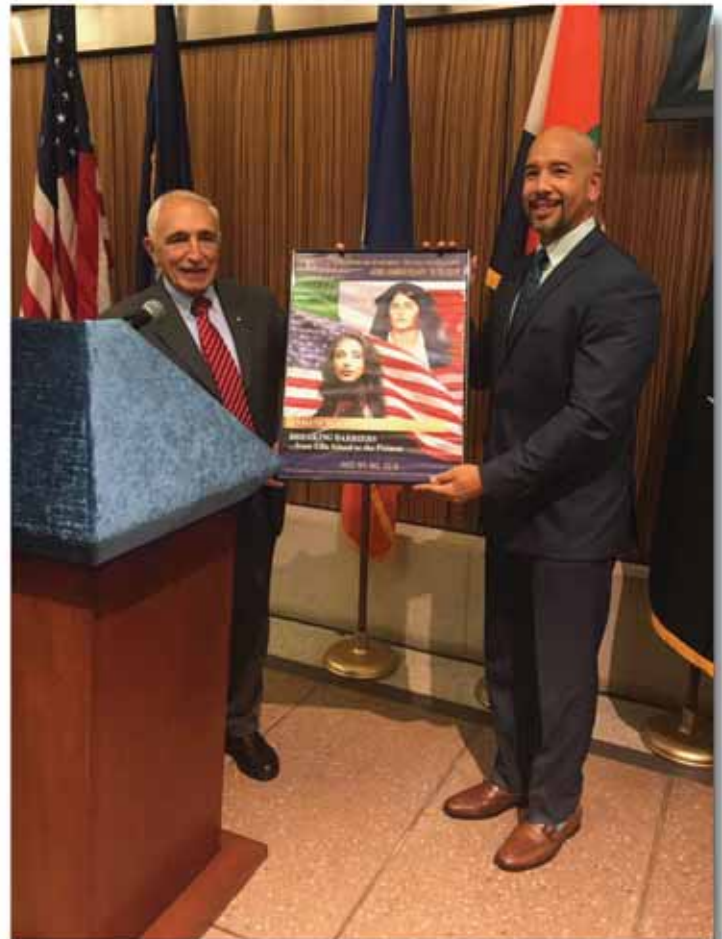
### Documented Italians



CALANDRA ITALIAN AMERICAN INSTITUTE, QUEENS COLLEGE/CUNY  
25 West 43rd Street, 17th Floor, Manhattan  
Admission: free; open to the public  
Contact: RSVP by calling 212- 642-2094



6:00 pm  
*Il Signor Jackson* (2018), 40 minutes  
Anton Evangelista, director Award-winning filmmaker Anton Evangelista travels from the Bronx to Italy and back in presenting *Il Signor Jackson*, a story of African American New Yorker Edward Jackson. Born in Harlem and raised in a predominantly Italian American neighborhood in the



October 2019 – Bronx Borough President Hon. Ruben Diaz, Jr. accepts a framed copy of the theme poster from IHCC-NY, Inc. President/Chair Comm. Joseph Sciamè at the Bronx Zoo site of the annual awards night for outstanding Italian Americans of the Bronx

Bronx in the 1950s, Jackson worked to fulfill his dream of becoming an Italian-language teacher in the New York City public school system. Over the years, with his dedication to the field and his manifest love of all things Italian, he has become a prominent figure of Italian biculturalism and bilingualism both in New York and among his beloved community in Perugia. Post-screening discussion led by Nicholas Boston, Lehman College, CUNY. Sponsored by the John D. Seating is limited and seats cannot be reserved. For further information, see [www.calandrainstitute.org](http://www.calandrainstitute.org)

## October 29

### The Alchemy of Italy



ITALIAN CHARITIES OF AMERICA  
83-20 Queens Boulevard, Elmhurst, NY  
Admission: free; open to the public  
Contact: Marialena Giampino 718-478-3100  
[italiancharitiesofamerica@gmail.com](mailto:italiancharitiesofamerica@gmail.com)  
<https://italiancharities.org/>



7:00 – 9:00 pm  
What is it about Italy? Cultural Superpower yet merely a





October 2019 – Bronx Borough President Hon. Ruben Diaz, Jr. warmly welcomes former First Lady of New York State, Matilda Cuomo to the Borough wide event held at the Bronx Zoo site. Recipients of awards surround the Borough President as Deputy Consul General Silvia Limoncini accepts proclamation declaring October as Italian American Heritage Month in the Bronx

mountainous Mediterranean peninsula, Italy has exerted an out-sized force on the world, Western civilization and the popular imagination over the course of millennia. Explore the special alchemy of Italy and the “cultural DNA” that has made Italy and Italians not only so influential, but also so beloved. A educating lecture in which you will discover fascinating new insights about the “Boot’s” long history of substance over size by Carla Gambescia, author of *La Dolce Vita University: An Unconventional Guide to Italian Culture from A-Z*, an eclectic compendium of all things Italian: food, wine, history, architecture, art, style, anecdotes, attitude and more which, according to *Primo Magazine*, “... may have done

the impossible in capturing the rich cultural history in less than 300 pages.” Lecture will be followed by Q & A, book available for purchase and signing, refreshments to follow. Sponsored by the Italian Charities of America.

**Castelnuovo-Tedesco 50th Anniversary Concert Duo Amidei-Ravasio (Piano/Guitar)**

CASA ITALIANA ZERILLI-MARIMÒ NEW YORK UNIVERSITY  
24 West 12th Street, Manhattan  
Contact: 212-998-8739, Fax: 212-995-4012

6:30 pm  
Sponsored by Casa Italiana Zerilli-Marimò, New York



University. Casa Italiana reserves the right to change the programming without notice. For more information, please visit [www.casaitaliananyu.org](http://www.casaitaliananyu.org) or call 212-998-8739

**Italian language movie or Movie of Italian-American life**



Date and title to be announced  
ENRICO FERMI CULTURAL CENTER  
BELMONT LIBRARY  
610 East 186th Street, Bronx  
Admission: free; open to the public  
Contact: Josephine M. Bastone 914-232-2309  
[enricofermiculturalcenter@yahoo.com](mailto:enricofermiculturalcenter@yahoo.com)  
Sponsored by the Enrico Fermi Cultural Center.

**November 2**

**31st Annual Garibaldi-Meucci Museum Fundraiser Luncheon**



LI GRECI'S STAATEN  
697 Forest Avenue, Staten Island  
Admission: Reservations only; call for more information and to make reservations  
Contact:  
Fran Cicero 718-442-1608  
[facfad24@verizon.net](mailto:facfad24@verizon.net)

11:00 am  
Annual Garibaldi-Meucci Fundraiser Luncheon followed by the opening of exhibit: “Regional Fashions and Faces of Veneto”. Luncheon honors: Robert Ferrito, Comm. Aldo Mancusi, Madeline Matteucci and Michael Assenza. Sponsored by the Garibaldi-Meucci Museum.

**November 6**

**Writers Read Series**



25 West 43rd Street, 17th Floor, Manhattan  
Admission: free; open to the public  
Contact: RSVP by calling (212) 642-2094



Seating is limited and seats cannot be reserved. For further information, see [www.calandrainstitute.org](http://www.calandrainstitute.org)  
Juliet Grames reads from *The Seven or Eight Deaths of Stella Fortuna* (Ecco, 2019)  
Juliet Grames’s novel tells the story of Stella Fortuna—beautiful and smart, insolent and cold—who is considered an oddity in her Calabrian village. Stella uses her peculiar toughness to protect her baby sister Tina from life’s harshest realities. When the family



emigrates to Connecticut on the cusp of World War II, Stella and Tina come of age together in a hostile new environment with strict expectations for each of them. Stella learns that her survival is worthless without the one thing her family will deny her at any cost: her independence. "Juliet Grames has written a magnificent debut, creating a deeply felt, richly imagined world based upon her family history. The dark beauty of Calabria and the promise of America sets the stage for Stella's volatile life. ... Moody, original and profound." —Adriana Trigiani, best-selling author of *Tony's Wife*. Discussion led by Helene Stapinski, author of *Murder in Matera: A True Story of Passion, Family and Forgiveness in Southern Italy*. Sponsored by the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute, Queens College/CUNY.

### Theatrical Performance

- "Una donna fantasiosa" with Eleonora Micali  
CASA ITALIANA ZERILLI-MARIMÒ NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

24 West 12th Street, Manhattan  
Contact: 212-998-8739,  
Fax: 212-995-4012

7:00 pm

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## November 7

### Book Presentation

- *When I Am Italian* by Joanna Clapps Herman

CASA ITALIANA ZERILLI-MARIMÒ NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

24 West 12th Street, Manhattan

Contact: 212-998-8739,

Fax: 212-995-4012

6:30 pm

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### Le Dolomiti - Italy's Majestic Crown

WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE  
One Generoso Pope Place, Tuckahoe, NY

Admission: Members \$20; Non-Members \$25

Contact: 914-771-8700

<http://www.wiccn.org>

7:00 pm

Come discover the Alpine paradise of northeast Italy, a land kissed by the southern Mediterranean sun and embraced by the breathtaking Dolomite Mountains. Il Trentino-Alto Adige, Italy's most "Nordic" region, offers a stunning backdrop of dramatic peaks, lush green valleys, crystal-clear lakes, medieval fortresses, unspoiled mountain villages, and a vibrant Italian-German culture. In addition to exploring the region's medieval towns and cities, trace the area's geological and historical



October 2019 – Nassau County Executive Hon. Laura Curran accepts annual theme poster from IHCC-NY, Inc. Board members Cav. Josephine Maietta and Comm. Joseph Sciamé, President/Chair of the IHCC-NY, Inc. at the Nassau County salute to Italian American Heritage Month



October 2019 – IHCC-NY, Inc. Board member Nancy Indelicato joins President/Chair Comm. Joseph Sciamé aboard the St. John's University float on Columbus Day along Fifth Avenue. Comm. Sciamé serves as Vice President for Community Relations at the University





October 2018 – New York City Comptroller Hon. Scott Stringer presents proclamation to IHCC-NY, Inc. President/Chair Comm. Joseph Sciamè in the presence of Deputy Consul General Silvia Limoncini at the annual Breakfast ceremony celebration in honor of Italian Heritage & Culture Month



October 2018 – IHCC-NY, Inc. Board members Nancy Indelicato and Elisabetta Caello surround former New York State First Lady Matilda Cuomo as Letizia Airos, Editor of I-Italy and distinguished guest join in the celebration of Italian Heritage and Culture Month

development from the actual birth of the Italian peninsula and the Alps to the region's disputed political ownership in the last century. A special final "stop" will bring all to the "perla delle Dolomiti", il Lago di Braies, certain to enchant you with its hypnotic natural beauty and its ethereal serenity. Presented by Joseph Spedalieri.

*Bitter Chicory to Sweet Espresso: Survival and Deliverance from WWII in the Naples, Italy Area, 1940-49*, with Author/ Professor Emeritus, Carmine Vittoria (Northeastern University). Abstract: This book is one of the few that exemplifies Italian heritage and culture in World War II. Sponsored by Center for Italian Studies, Stony Brook University.

**November 12**

**Book Presentation**



**STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY**  
100 Nicolls Road, Stony Brook, NY  
Admission: free;  
open to the public  
Contact:  
Jo Fusco 631-632-7444  
josephine.fusco@stonybrook.edu  
[www.stonybrook.edu/italianstudie](http://www.stonybrook.edu/italianstudie)



4:00 pm  
Richard Nasti Lecture Series  
Event: Book Presentation:

**Saluting An Italian American Crime Fighter: LT. GIUSEPPE PETROSINO**



**ITALIAN CHARITIES OF AMERICA.**

83-20 Queens Boulevard, Elmhurst, NY  
Admission: free; open to the public  
Contact: Marialena Giampino 718-478-3100  
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<https://italiancharities.org/>



October 2018 – City Hall Proclamation Ceremony as Hon. Paul Vallone receives theme poster from members of the IHCC-NY, Inc. Looking on at far right is former President of the City Council Hon. Peter Vallone extending special congratulations to IHCC-NY, Inc. Board member Joe Di Pietro



October 2018 – IHCC-NY, Inc. Board Member and Treasurer John Mustaro with Consul General Francesco Genuardi at the NIAF Gala exchanging success stories as to the United Pugliesi Federation of Greater New York

## The North Shore L.I Chapter of UNICO



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Heritage & Culture Month

7:00 – 9:00 pm

As part of the Italian American Speaker Series at Italian Charities of America, guest speaker Anne T. Romano, Ph.D. will offer insight as to the life of the famed crime fighter. Giuseppe Petrosino was born in Italy and immigrated to the United States in 1883. At the age of eighteen he began his career in public service becoming the NYPD's first Italian American Detective. Fluent in many Italian dialects, Petrosino aided the police department by working undercover as an informer in Little Italy, waging a battle against the Black Hand. Petrosino was murdered in 1909, becoming the only NYPD officer killed in the line of duty outside of the United States. It is more than 110 years since his death, and yet the various crime fighting techniques that Petrosino pioneered during his career are still practiced by various agencies in the fight against crime. This power-point presentation by Dr. Romano traces the life and legacy of Petrosino, beginning with his birth in Italy, his career in the NYPD, and the continuing significance of his legacy. Refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the Italian Charities of America.

**November 13**

**National  
Organization  
of Italian  
American Women  
Connecticut Region  
Presents: Author  
Book Talk: *Murder in  
Matera***

**NORWALK PUBLIC  
LIBRARY**

1 Belden Avenue, Norwalk,  
CT

Admission: free (\$5  
suggested donation)

**Contact:**

**212-642-2003**

**noiaw@noiaw.org**

Free

12:00 – 1:30 pm

Join us for a dynamic discussion of *Murder in Matera: A True Story of Passion, Family, and Forgiveness in Southern Italy*, led by the author, Helene Stapinski. Deeply researched and reported, *Murder in Matera* is a remarkable true story about one family's hidden secrets. It is also a powerful story of immigration and motherhood—a profound testament to how far one woman would go to preserve her family. This event is a part of the larger book club series, *Libro e Aperitivo*, co-sponsored by Vini, Vitti, Dici. Light refreshments will be served.

**November 14–16**

**Conference:  
QUO VADIS  
EUROPEAN  
UNION?**

**WANG CENTER**

100 Nicolls Road, Stony  
Brook, NY

Admission: free; open  
to the public

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**631-632-7444**

**josephine.fusco@**

**stonybrook.edu**

**www.stonybrook.edu/**

**italianstudies**

Free

Thursday 4:00 pm; Friday &  
Saturday 9:00 am

The Spring 2019 Elections gave the European Union a new Parliament and governance. Is a new European Union the result? The conference will examine the functioning of the European Union vis-a-vis its member states as well as the relationship with other power





2019 Picture of Mother Italy Statue



Picture of the Empire State Building for Columbus Day 2019

blocks and the extent to which changes within the political systems of the member states have a bearing on the Union's future. Sponsored by Center for Italian Studies, Stony Brook University.

### November 14

**The Philip V. Cannistraro Seminar Series in Italian American Studies**



25 West 43rd Street, 17th Floor, Manhattan  
Admission: free; open to the public  
**Contact: RSVP by calling (212) 642-2094**



6:00 pm  
Defining Italian American Identity in the United States through Opera during the Mass Migration Period: Davide Ceriani, Rowan University  
This presentation focuses on the role Italian opera had in forming an Italian American cultural and ethnic identity during the mass migration period (1880–1924). Italians who immigrated to the United States adopted various methods to both elevate themselves in society and challenge the cultural hegemony around them; associating Little Italies with Italian opera proved to be a successful strategy to reach those goals because it was both an emblem of Italian culture and one of the most important forms of entertainment for Americans. Ceriani's interdisciplinary, multilingual research aims to fill a significant gap in the field of Italian American studies. Sponsored by the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute, Queens College/CUNY. Seating is limited and seats cannot be reserved. For further information, see [www.calandrainstitute.org](http://www.calandrainstitute.org)

### November 15

**Indulge with Kathy Wakile: Book Signing and Tasting**



**WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE**  
One Generoso Pope Place, Tuckahoe, NY  
Members \$65;  
Non-Members \$75  
**Contact: 914-771-8700**  
**<http://www.wiccny.org>**



7:00 pm  
Join for an evening with national bestselling author, Kathy Wakile, who will present her book, *Indulge: Delicious Little Desserts that Keep Life Real Sweet*. The event will conclude with a demonstration and tasting of one of her recipes. Ticket price includes a copy of the book, a signing, and the tasting.

### November 16

**Kids Cooking Class – Fall Pies**



**WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE**  
One Generoso Pope Place, Tuckahoe, NY  
Admission: Individual Fee:  
Members \$35; Non-Members \$40  
Adult & Child Fee:  
Members \$60; Non-Members \$70  
**Contact: 914-771-8700**  
**<http://www.wiccny.org>**



10:30 am  
Kids will become pie masters in this fun and interactive class! Learn how to make pie crust from scratch and choose from two fillings, a delicious apple or pumpkin! Please notify us of any food allergies upon registration. Presented by Chef Taylor Wolf.

## November 17

### Book Signing: *The Hank Lusetti Story- Madness*



GARIBALDI-MEUCCI  
MUSEUM

420 Tompkins Avenue,  
Staten Island

Admission: Members:  
\$5; Non-members:  
\$10; open to the public



Contact: Stephanie  
Lundegard 718-442-1608  
slundegard@  
garibaldimeuccimuseum.org

3:00 pm

Author Mike DeLucia grew up in the Throggs Neck/Pelham Bay section of the Bronx and spent his childhood playing baseball, softball, and all of the street games associated with city living in the '60s and 70s. The Yankees were as much a part of his life as Sunday mid-afternoon macaroni and meatballs, religion, and summer vacations at Lake George. He would never have believed that his first book would call for a boycott of his beloved team. He didn't write this manifesto because he stopped loving the Yankees, he wrote it because of how much he did, and tries to reclaim the fan-friendly atmosphere of the old ballpark from the corporate icy chill of the new one. Even though he wrote his first screenplay, *The Hank Lusetti Story*, now titled *Madness*, at the age of 22, he didn't publish his first book, *Boycott The Yankees* until the age of 56. His next work, *Settling A Score* is a short story that invites readers to the Bronx during the 1960s and into the home of the DeFranco's where two estranged brothers are forced to play on the same little league team and learn life-changing lessons in the process. Hank

Lusetti, whose unorthodox playing style reinvented basketball in the 1930s and paved the way for March Madness and the formation of the NBA. Sponsored by the Garibaldi-Meucci Museum.

## November 18 – 22

### 2019 NY NICE FILM FESTIVAL



Contact: Mila  
Tenaglia, Festival Producer  
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info@nicefestival.org  
Tenaglia.mila@gmail.com

N.I.C.E. is a non-profit cultural association founded in 1991 by Viviana del Bianco and a group of professionals of the film industry with the aim to promote the new Italian cinema abroad. All activities organized by N.I.C.E. are supported by the Italian Ministry of Culture- Cinema Department; the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Italian Embassies, Consulates, and Institutes of Culture of the hosting countries); the City of Florence- Department of Culture, the Tuscany Film Commission, AGIS. During the weeks of each festival, N.I.C.E. facilitates meetings between the Italian directors in attendance and local international producers and distributors, serving as a crucial trait d'union for the showcase and the access of the best up-and-coming film projects made in Italy and in Tuscany to the international film markets. During each festival, N.I.C.E. also organizes special screenings and retrospectives in the presence of internationally acclaimed Italian actors and directors.



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President

Dates:

**Monday, November 18th**  
MAYSLES DOCUMENTARY  
CENTER  
343 Malcolm X Blvd, New  
York, NY 10027

7:30 pm

Movie: *Camorra*, Francesco  
Patierno (In collaboration  
with Festival Sudestival of  
Monopoli)

**Tuesday, November 19th**  
PRINCETON UNIVERSITY,  
DEPARTMENT OF  
FRENCH AND ITALIAN  
203 Madison Hall,  
Princeton, NJ 08544  
Movie: TBA

**Wednesday, November 20th**  
CASA ITALIANA ZERILLI -  
MARIMÒ  
24 W 12th St, New York,  
New York 10011

Movie: *Dance again with me*  
*Heywood!*, Michele Diomà  
An introduction will precede  
the movie and Q&A to follow  
with Director Michele Diomà  
and  
American film director,  
producer, and screenwriter  
James Ivory

**Thursday, November 21st**  
MAYSLES DOCUMENTARY  
CENTER  
343 Malcolm X Blvd, New  
York, NY 10027

Movie: *Butterfly*, by Alessandro  
Cassigoli and Casey Kauffman  
An introduction will precede  
the movie and Q&A to  
follow with journalist Casey  
Kauffman

**Friday, November 22nd**  
THE PICTURE HOUSE  
175 Wolfs Lane, Pelham,  
NY 10803

Movie: *The Guest*, by Duccio  
Chiarini. An introduction will  
precede the movie and Q&A  
to follow with Director Duccio  
Chiarini

**Friday, November 22nd**  
CASA ITALIANA ZERILLI -  
MARIMÒ  
24 W 12th St, New York,  
New York 10011  
Movie: TBA

## November 18

**Adult Cooking  
Class - Fall  
Flatbreads**



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CULTURAL INSTITUTE  
One Generoso Pope Place,  
Tuckahoe, NY

Members \$65; Non-  
Members \$75

Contact: 914-771-8700  
<http://www.wiccnyc.org>



6:30 pm

Flatbread is the perfect  
versatile dish that can add a  
special touch to any menu.  
Learn to make the best  
flatbread dough and different  
combinations of toppings  
that are perfect for the fall.  
Enjoy along with a glass of  
wine! Presented by Chef Tara  
Ciannella.

## November 19

**The Philip V.  
Cannistraro Seminar  
Series in Italian  
American Studies**

25 WEST 43RD  
STREET, 17TH FLOOR,  
MANHATTAN

Admission: free; open to the  
public

Contact: RSVP by calling  
212-642-2094

6:00 pm

*The Divo and the Duce: Promoting  
Film Stardom and Political*

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*Leadership in 1920s America*  
Giorgio Bertellini, University  
of Michigan

In the post-World War I American climate of isolationism, nativism, consumerism, and the democratic expansion of civic rights, Italian-born star Rodolfo Valentino and Italy's dictator Benito Mussolini became surprising paragons of authoritarian male power and mass appeal. Drawing on extensive archival research in the United States and Italy, Giorgio Bertellini's *The Divo and the Duce* (University of California Press, 2019) shows how both men's popularity, political as well as erotic, depended largely on the efforts of public opinion managers, including publicists, journalists, and even ambassadors. Beyond the democratic celebrations of the Jazz Age, the promotion of their charismatic masculinity through spectacle and press coverage inaugurated the now-familiar convergence of popular celebrity and political authority. Sponsored by the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute, Queens College/CUNY. Seating is limited and seats cannot be reserved.

For further information, see [www.calandrainstitute.org](http://www.calandrainstitute.org)

### Trivia Night "Italian-Style"

CASA BELVEDERE,  
79 Howard Avenue,  
Staten Island

Admission: Suggested  
Donation \$25; open to  
the public

Contact: Marian Rodi 718-  
273-7660; Fax: 718-273-0020  
[marian@casa-belvedere.org](mailto:marian@casa-belvedere.org)

7:00 pm

Join and test your knowledge  
while discovering surprising

new facts about "The Boot." An interactive cultural "trivia" challenge for anyone in amore with Italy and its astonishing culture and delizioso cuisine. Moderated by Carla Gambescia. Light fare and refreshments included. Sponsored by the Italian Cultural Foundation at Casa Belvedere.

### Regina Opera Presents a FREE Sneak Peek Performance of Carmen



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7:30 pm

Come to Regina Opera  
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performance of *Carmen*,  
presented with English  
supertitles and piano  
accompaniment. This fully-  
staged performance will  
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### Cristiana Pegoraro in Concert at Carnegie Hall



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154 West 57th Street,  
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Admission: \$100, \$75,  
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public

Contact: Cristiana Pegoraro  
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8:00 pm

Internationally acclaimed  
pianist Cristiana Pegoraro  
returns to Carnegie Hall with a  
program of Italian music and  
her own compositions and  
transcriptions. Sponsored by  
LKI Artists International.

## November 20

### Italian American Experience Lecture Series Film Screening: *Il Signor Jackson*



GUTHART THEATER,  
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7:00 pm

Directed by Anton Evangelista,  
Comprehensive Films. A  
documentary that chronicles  
the life and contributions of a  
remarkable African American  
with an Italian spirit. Award-  
winning filmmaker Anton  
Evangelista travels from the  
Bronx to Perugia, Italy, in  
presenting *Il Signor Jackson*  
a unique American story  
of Edward Jackson, raised  
in a predominantly Italian-  
American neighborhood in  
the Bronx of the 1950s, to  
becoming an educator in  
the New York City Public  
School System and prominent  
cultural figure of Italian  
biculturalism and bilingualism.  
The Italian-American Lecture  
Series is supported, in part  
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American Educators. For more  
information, please call the  
Hofstra Cultural Center at 516-  
463-5669 or visit [hofstra.edu/culture](http://hofstra.edu/culture).

## November 21

### Intervention - Film by Anton Evangelista November 21 VILLAGE EAST CINEMAS

181-189 2nd Avenue,  
Manhattan

Admission: free;  
open to the public  
(reservations required)

Contact:

Sue Villalongo 212-464-7965  
[compfilms@earthlink.net](mailto:compfilms@earthlink.net)

free

7:00 – 10:00 pm

*Intervention* is an award-winning  
family drama of an Italian-  
American couple in the Bronx  
of 1968, the challenges they  
face, and the miracle that  
changes their lives forever.  
This red-carpet event is  
celebrating its 15th anniversary  
and Amazon Prime release.  
Sponsored by Comprehensive  
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## November 21

### Evening Film -*Cesare Deve Morire (Caesar Must Die)*

WESTCHESTER ITALIAN  
CULTURAL INSTITUTE  
One Generoso Pope Place,  
Tuckahoe, NY

Admission: Members Free;  
Non-Members \$15

Contact: 914-771-8700  
<http://www.wiccnyc.org>

7:00 pm

In Rebibbia Prison in Italy, the  
inmate's theatre program puts  
on a production of William  
Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar*. The  
film goes back several months  
earlier as the coordinators  
announce the play as the  
program's production of the  
year and follows the inmates  
through casting and rehearsal.  
Throughout the process  
the prisoners find that the  
classic play has both a striking  
resonance and contrast to their  
confined lives.



November 21, 24, 30 & December 1

**Opera: Carmen**  
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP SCHOOL



5902 6th Avenue, (between 59th and 60th Streets), Brooklyn  
Admission: \$25-Adults; \$20-Seniors/College; \$5-Teens; Children-free; open to the public  
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3:00 pm  
*The Toreador Song, Seguidilla, Habanera, and Flower Song.*  
These are just four of the lively arias one will hear during the performance of Bizet's Carmen, presented by Regina Opera. The opera, one of the world's most popular pieces, will be fully-staged and will feature a 35-piece orchestra and English supertitles. Sponsored by Regina Opera Company.

November 23

**The Colorful World of Italian Mosaics**



WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE  
One Generoso Pope Place, Tuckahoe, NY  
Admission: Members \$20; Non-Members \$25  
Contact: 914-771-8700  
http://www.wiccnny.org

10:30 am  
Italians took mosaics and brought them to an extremely high level of art and beauty. Discover how they are

made, how the craft evolved, and visit some of the most beautiful mosaics in all of Italy, including Ravenna, Venice, and Sicily. Presented by Toni McKeen.

December 1 & 15

**Italian Charities Saturday Night Community Dances**



83-20 QUEENS BOULEVARD, ELMHURST, NY

Admission: \$12 at the door or \$10 for members.

Contact: Marialena Giampino 718-478-3100  
italiancharitiesofamerica@gmail.com  
https://italiancharities.org/



8:00 pm – 12:00 am  
Come join for a night of dancing! Live DJ, food and fun! DJ will be spinning classics, oldies, Italian and Latin music! Food, dessert, coffee and tea included. Beverages, wine and beer not included but available for purchase. Door Prizes and 50/50 raffle! Sponsored by the Italian Charities of America.

December 6

**The Development of Italian Renaissance Painting through the Works of Raphael**



WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE  
One Generoso Pope Place, Tuckahoe, NY

Admission: Members \$20; Non-Members \$25

Contact: 914-771-8700  
http://www.wiccnny.org



7:00 pm  
This lecture will trace the development of technical and aesthetic excellence in Italian Renaissance painting by highlighting the works of Raphael Sanzio, the pre-eminent Renaissance painter. How did Renaissance painters do such incredible works in portraiture, religious paintings, classical works, and such immense works in fresco? The artist Raphael mastered all these formats and his career spanned the very end of the 15th century into the early part of the 16th century. By studying his work, we can understand the entire Renaissance. Presented by John Coppola.

December 7

**Kids Cooking Class – Holiday Cupcake Decorating**

December 7  
WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE

One Generoso Pope Place, Tuckahoe, NY  
Individual Fee: Members \$35; Non-Members \$40  
Adult & Child Fee: Members \$60; Non-Members \$70  
Contact: 914-771-8700  
http://www.wiccnny.org



12:30 pm  
Learn how to transform a simple cupcake into a delicious and gorgeous treat! Make yummy cupcakes from scratch and then have fun decorating them. Please notify of any food allergies upon registration. Presented by Chef Taylor Wolf.

December 8

**Italian Charities Holiday Flea Market**

December 8  
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9:00 am – 4:00 pm  
 Come join the Holiday Flea Market! Lots of vendors and Holiday Gifts to purchase! There will be great bargains, unique finds, handmade and homemade treasures. Refreshments, food and snacks will be available for purchase. Sponsored by the Italian Charities of America.

## December 9

### Adult Cooking Class - Struffoli



WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE

One Generoso Pope Place, Tuckahoe, NY  
 Admission: Members \$65; Non-Members \$75  
 Contact: 914-771-8700  
<http://www.wiccny.org>



6:30 pm  
 Struffoli are a Neapolitan dessert popular for the holiday season. They are made from a sweet dough, shaped into tiny spheres, usually fried and then covered in honey. A discussion will take place on how to prepare the honey topping. Emphasis will be on how to make the delicious dough and fry them to perfection! Enjoy the company while sharing a glass of wine and antipasto. Presented by Carlo Pollicina of Sal & Dom's Pastry Shop.

## December 12

### "Dove il Si Suona": A Symposium



December 12  
 SOCIETÀ DANTE ALIGHIERI NYC, INC.

JOHN D. CALANDRA ITALIAN AMERICAN INSTITUTE  
 25 West 43rd Street, 17th Floor, Manhattan



Admission: free; open to the public  
 Contact: RSVP by calling 212-642-2094

6:00 pm  
 This symposium is part of the exhibit, "Dove il Si Suona," a history of Italian through the centuries. The topic of the evening will revolve around the role of Giuseppe Prezzolini and his contribution to the teaching of Italian in the United States. Further information forthcoming on our website. Sponsored through a generous grant by the Società Dante Alighieri, Rome, and coordinated by the Società Dante Alighieri NYC, Inc. in collaboration with the John D. Calandra Italian American Institute. Seating is limited and seats cannot be reserved.

For further information, see [www.ladantenyc.org](http://www.ladantenyc.org)

## December 13 & 14

### Annual Tombola Celebration Night 1



WESTCHESTER ITALIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE  
 One Generoso Pope Place, Tuckahoe, NY  
 Admission: Members \$40; Non-Members \$50  
 Contact: 914-771-8700  
<http://www.wiccny.org>



7:00 pm  
 Celebrate the Holiday Season with family and friends at this fun, classic Italian BINGO game night! Enjoy desserts

and wine as you play for the chances to win game prizes. Themed gift baskets will be available as raffle prizes. Kindly RSVP and specify preferred seating arrangements.

## February 13

### A Symposium: "Dove il Si Suona"



February 13, 2020  
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**THEME POSTERS AS SEEN BY YEAR**

Below is a chronological listing representing the array of themes designed throughout the 43 year history of the IHCC-NY, Inc. to celebrate Italian heritage:

- 2019 Matera 2019: European Capital of Culture, Past, Present, Future
- 2018 A Salute to Italian Women in America: Breaking Barriers... From Ellis Island to The Present
- 2017 Celebrating Italian Americans in Cinema and Theater: Saluting Actors & Directors
- 2016 Celebrating 40 Years of Italian Culture in America
- 2015 Italian Creativity: Celebrating 50 Years of Science and Technology; New York World's Fair 1965 – Expo Milano 2015
- 2014 Celebrating the Italian American Experience Legends and Icons in Sports
- 2013 Year of Italian Culture in the United States
- 2012 Amerigo to America: Amerigo Vespucci 1452-1512
- 2011 150th Anniversary of the Unification of Italy
- 2010 Maria Montessori: An Internationally Renowned Educator and Physician
- 2009 Galileo Galilei: Father of Modern Astronomy  
Giuseppe Petrosino: Italian American Crime Fighter 1860-1909
- 2008 Andrea Palladio: Architect for the Ages 1508-1580 Antonio Meucci: The True Inventor of the Telephone 1808-2008
- 2007 Giuseppe Garibaldi: Eroo dei Due Mondi/Hero of Two Worlds 1807-2007
- 2006 Celebrating the Italian Genius: The Leonardo DaVinci Legacy
- 2005 Giuseppe Mazzini: The Political Idealist of the Italian Struggle for Independence
- 2004 Amerigo Vespucci
- 2003 Focus on Italian Opera
- 2002 Constantino Brumidi: Artist of the United States Capitol

- 2001 Giuseppe Verdi: A Tribute to Italy's Patriotic Composer
- 2000 Italy in the Year 2000: Italian Heritage and Cultural Roots at the Threshold of the New Millennium
- 1999 The Italians of New York: Five Centuries of Struggle and Achievement
- 1998 New York City at 100: Italian Americans Commemorate the Immigrant Experience (Patria e famiglia)
- 1997 The Voyages of Giovanni Caboto: 500th Anniversary
- 1996 Italy and its Regions (L'Italia delle Regioni)
- 1995 Guglielmo Marconi: Centennial of the Radio
- 1994 Italian Americans in Law: From Beccaria to Scalia
- 1993 The Legacy of Italy's Artistic and Cultural Contributions to the World
- 1992 Cristoforo Colombo 500th Anniversary: The Legacy Lives On
- 1991 Italian Americans: The Legacy of Cristoforo Colombo
- 1990 William Paca: Signer of the Declaration of Independence, Jurist, 3 times Governor of the State of Maryland
- 1989 Italians Reaching Out: Antonio Meucci, Inventor of the Telephone, Mother Cabrini, Missionary of the Immigrants
- 1988 Lorenzo Da Ponte/Academia
- 1987 Year of the U.S. Constitution: Mazzei and the Italian Contribution
- 1986 Year of Lady Liberty
- 1985 Building America
- 1984 Year of the Etruscans
- 1983 Italian Culture Week
- 1982 Italian Culture Week
- 1981 Italian Festival of the Arts
- 1980 Italian Culture Week
- 1979 Italian Culture Week
- 1978 Italian Week, Board of Education of New York
- 1977 Italian Culture Week
- 1976 Italian Culture Week

**Participating Colleges and Universities  
(Activities listed in Calendar of Events)**

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- College of Staten Island/CUNY
- Columbia University
- Farmingdale State College
- Graduate Center/ CUNY
- Hofstra University
- Hostos Community College/CUNY
- Hunter College/CUNY
- John Jay College of Criminal Justice/CUNY
- Montclair State University
- Nassau Community College
- New York University
- Queens College/CUNY
- St. John's University
- Stony Brook/SUNY
- Westchester Community College/SUNY
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www.nysosia.org
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coccia institute



## Italian Language Resources

An array of learning opportunities is available to foster Italian language acquisition for toddlers, children, teens and adults. The following organizations are offering classes from basic to advanced level skills:

### AIAE (Association of Italian American Educators)

Hofstra University  
321 New Academic Building,  
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www.aiae.net

### Camp Italia

(855) CAMP-IT-1,  
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### Center for Italian Studies,

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## SPECIAL SERIES

### 43rd Annual Anniversary Theme “Matera 2019: European Capital of Culture” Past, Present and Future

#### Title: “Matera: The Most Beautiful Film”

Date: September 18th; October  
1st; November 16th

Time: 10:00 am

Brief Description: Screening of the  
35-minute documentary “Matera:  
The Most Beautiful Film”, in Italian  
with English subtitles, articulated  
into ten chapters that cover the  
history of Matera from its origin  
to today. The chapters are: i) The  
origins; ii) The Sassi; iii) The  
Plane and underground Matera;  
iv) Urban planners of Matera; v)  
Faith and sacred heritage; vi) The  
Bruna celebration; vii) The flavours  
of Matera's cuisine; viii) Local  
artisanship; ix) Matera, European  
Capital of Culture; x) Matera, the  
most beautiful film. A trailer of the  
documentary is available at: <https://vimeo.com/264593366>

The screening will be followed by a  
brief introduction by Ms. Ilaria Costa  
and Ms. Francesca Agneta providing  
suggestions on some highlights of  
cultural heritage from Basilicata, the  
region of Matera, that can be visited  
in New York City, and namely in the  
archaeological collection of the Met  
(with fragments of vases and other  
archaeological findings from Lucania)  
and in the modern art sector of  
both the Met and at the Whitney  
Museum (paintings by the Basilicata-  
born artist Joseph Stella). Three  
self-guided tours will be available at  
the Met Fifth Avenue on September  
20th, October 1st, and October 2nd  
(contact: [mc6961@mclink.it](mailto:mc6961@mclink.it)).  
The suggestions will include also a  
consideration of how migration from  
the Basilicata region contributed to  
scientific progress in the USA, for  
example by recalling the role played  
by Rocco Petrone, whose parents  
were born in Basilicata, to the NASA  
missions to the Moon in the 1960s  
(see also “Apollo's Muse: The Moon  
in the Age of Photography”, a  
photographic exhibition covering  
the lunar expeditions open at  
the Metropolitan Museum until  
September 21st).  
A bibliography will also be available.

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Location: IACE  
Address: 686 Park Avenue, New York,  
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Admission: Members  
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