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2022 ITALIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURE COMMITTEE OF NY

CELEBRATING ITALIAN AND ITALIAN AMERICAN NOBEL PRIZE LAUREATES!

The Italian Heritage and Culture Committee - New York, Inc. (IHCC-NY) celebrates in 2022 the outstanding achievements of Italian and Italian American Nobel Prize Laureates.

The New York events that will take place in Fall 2022 will center about the achievements of men and women who have made a real difference in the lives of so many over a span of decades through life changing medical advances, technological innovations, a profound understanding of our world and the universe, and thought-provoking literature. Over the years, Italians and Italian Americans have been awarded in all categories of the Nobel Prize: Chemistry; Economics; Literature; Peace; Physics, Physiology or Medicine.

Commencing in 1906 the Nobel Prize was awarded to Camillo Golgi in the field of Physiology or Medicine and to Giosuè Carducci in Literature in 1906. Subsequent winners include: Ernesto Teodoro Moneta for Peace in 1907; Guglielmo Marconi in Physics in 1909; Grazia Deledda in Literature in 1926; Luigi Pirandello in Literature in 1934; Enrico Fermi in Physics in 1938; Daniel Bovet in Physiology or Medicine in 1957; Emilio Gino Segre in Physics in 1959 and Salvatore Quasimodo in Literature in 1959; Giulio Natta in Chemistry in 1963; Salvador Luria in Medicine in 1969; Renato Dulbecco in Physiology or Medicine in 1975, along with Eugenio Montale in Literature in 1975; Carlo Rubbia in Physics in 1984; Franco Modigliani in Economics in 1985; Rita Levi-Montalcini in Physiology or Medicine in 1986; Louis Ingarrò in Physiology or Medicine in 1988; Joseph Murray in Physiology or Medicine in 1990; Dario Fo in Literature in 1997 and William Phillips in Physics in 1997; Riccardo Giacconi in Physics in 2002; Mario Capecchi in Physiology or Medicine in 2007; and Eugene Francis Fama in Economics in 2013; Gregg Semenza in Physiology or Medicine in 2019; and Giorgio Parisi in Physics, who was among the most recent Nobel Prize Laureates in 2021. All of these Nobel Prize Laureates, who have been Italian or Italian American, have expressed that spirit of "discovery" that embodies the Italian spirit over the many centuries.

Such a celebration in the month of October affords the Italian American community an opportunity to pause, to recognize, and to reflect in special ways through symposia and lectures, and beyond, on the contributions of so many who made a major difference. As well, for many who are now in the field of medicine and the sciences, as well as others in the world of literature, this celebration serves as an impetus to achieve at the highest levels of recognition – the Nobel Prize!

In saluting the efforts of the IHCC's various committees that are creating the various segments of the celebration, which will include a theme poster, bookmark, and various symposia on the topic of Italian and Italian American Nobel Prize Laureates, Comm. Joseph Sciame, president/chair of the IHCC-NY, Inc., stated that: "This very unique recognition of some very famous people about whom we read and research, has been an excellent decision by the IHCC Board of Directors, who annually help create such events in enhancing heritage and culture. In 2022 with such notables in the history of the world, there are no better thematic honorees!"