MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Dear Members,

Greetings from Tuscany and Emilia Romagna! Our annual tour is currently on the way and a great success. If you missed it, think about registering as soon as possible for the next September tour in Puglia and Rome, the eternal city like you have never seen before!

I am looking forward to welcoming you on October 18th to our gala at the Embassy of Italy to honor sustainable architecture in the cities of the future with starchitect Stefano Boeri. It promises to be a fabulous evening, so bring your family and friends too. As you know, this event is our annual fundraiser and many of the programs and scholarships we offer would not be possible without your support.

We are proud to announce the opening of the CLP, the Classical Language Program, running in parallel with the ILP, the Italian Language Program, offering Latin and ancient Greek. Ancient Greek Beginner 1 is starting this Fall with Laura Granata. Latin Beginner I, Beginner III and Proficient are also offered. Curious? Check them out on our website!

With the intent to better serve the community of Italian enthusiasts in the Washington DC area and in the world, we are offering starting this Fall a beginner I asynchronous class. If your work hours tend to run late and if you are traveling a lot, this is the perfect class to get you started with Italian. You will work at your pace, following the learning modules and watching the video classes and video grammar lessons from the Canvas learning platform. In addition, this course is fully customizable. You can choose the basic course and if you want more also add a set of tutorials which you can schedule at your convenience. You can register for it online on our website as for any other course.

The first cultural event is on Tuesday, September 19, from 4 P.M. to 5:45 P.M. (The presentation will be followed by a reception at 6 P.M) at American University, Room NTO1 – 4300 Nebraska Ave. NW, Washington DC 20016. The Italian Cultural Society of Washington DC, The Program for International Organizations, Law & Development at AU Washington College of Law & AU School of Public Affairs invite you to the presentation of the book: The Constitution of Italy – A Contextual Analysis by Professors Marta Cartabia (Bocconi University) and Nicola Lupo (cont. on page 2)
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(LUISS University) with the welcoming remarks by AU WCL Dean Roger Fairfax and an introduction by Alessandro Gonzales, First Counselor, Italian Embassy in Washington DC. Registration is free but required: tinyurl.com/Const-of-Italy

Mark your calendars for the very beginning of October, when The Italian Cultural Society of Washington DC, The AU Italian Program in the Department of World Languages and Cultures (WLC) & The Program for International Organizations, Law & Development, Washington College of Law, American University invite you to: Zhero – A Green Italian Company to Accelerate The Energy Transition on Sunday, October 1st – 3:00pm to 4:30pm at American University (Room NTO1) – 4300 Nebraska Ave. NW, Washington DC. Andrea Braccialarghe, in conversation with Arianna Ugliano, Senior Climate Change Policy Advisor, will present the story of an Italian start-up focused on developing green and clean energy projects. Zhero’s mission is to deliver net zero solutions and lowest cost of energy, supporting local content and equality. Zhero develops and operates large scale renewables, renewables for the production of green molecules, energy storage solutions and repurposing of assets and activities in the journey towards decarbonisation. A light reception will follow the conversation and Q&A session. This event is free. Your donation is greatly appreciated. It will help us fund more initiatives like this and make a positive impact on the world.

Our aperitivo gatherings have restarted with delicious appetizers and we are looking forward to seeing you. Why not practice some Italian in good company, in an informal setting and with a spritz here at ICS?

A warm welcome back and looking forward to seeing you soon!

Annelise Brody Morani
Chair of the ICS Board of Directors

ITALIAN LANGUAGE PROGRAM & MORE

Dear Friends,

We are looking forward to starting our Fall Term courses Monday, September 25th. We welcome beginners to an exciting learning experience and welcome back our returning students, promising another rich school year!

Language courses, starting at the Beginner level are offered both online and in person. Intermediate and Advanced level courses offer a hybrid option. Our courses cover Current news, Grammar review and Conversations (both for Elem./Interm. and Advanced levels), Book clubs, Literature, Art History, History - also for Italians (see Advanced level courses)

I recommend trying Yoga in Italiano, Friday morning and/or Sunday afternoon, if you haven't yet, Cooking classes, Latin, and from this Fall, also Ancient Greek.

Registration is open and you are welcome to enroll soon, taking advantage of the current early bird prices (prices will increase September 18th.)

Our kids’ courses address any level, from beginners to advanced, which include native Italians. Our program aims to develop written and oral communication and teach the basics of Italian culture, through an interdisciplinary approach, which includes Grammar, Mythology, History, Art History, Literature and Geography, from the younger ages to 12th grade. Preparation for the AP exam is included in the curriculum starting from the younger ages. ILP Virginia Chapter is back also, at the Green Acres Center, in Fairfax, and at the Cortona Academy in Herndon.

Finally, I would like to remind you to renew your membership. September is the month to renew your annual membership. Please read the benefits of being a member. Being a member and donating to our society means being an active part of our community of supporters of the Arts and the Italian language and culture. We are developing more and more interesting events, in partnership with other institutions and Universities: in the next pages and online you will read about the talks at American University, the concerts at Georgetown University and at the Westmoreland Church, our Gala 2023 “Green Obsession” and the important sponsorship we are providing to the Concert “Peace on Earth – The Art of Nature”, conducted by the great Maestro Alvise Casellati, taking place on September 21st. ICS Members will have priority.

All the best for this new academic year with the ICS.

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2. Luciana Montanari Mensola Awards (piano)
3. The Young Scientist Award

See details on: https://italianculturalsociety.org/awards-scholarships/
SUMMER CAMP & WORKSHOPS

Questa estate i bambini dai 4 agli 11 anni si sono divertiti ai campi estivi dell'ICS dalle 9.00 alle 15.30: hanno studiato Dante Alighieri, Leonardo da Vinci, Antonio Vivaldi, Giuseppe Arcimboldo, hanno giocato, dipinto e creato autoritratti con la frutta e la verdura, hanno preparato e gustato i ghiaccioli con lo yogurt ed i centrifugati di frutta e verdura, hanno pranzato e giocato al parco giochi ed hanno costruito i modellini dei vulcani italiani (Vesuvio, Etna, Stromboli), hanno giocato con il ghiaccio e con l'acqua, hanno cantato, ballato, suonato il tamburo e volato con il grande paracadute arcobaleno in Liguria, scoprendo i mostri marini del Film "Luca" e tutti protagonisti del film di animazione della Disney Pixar, esplorando anche l'acquario di Genova, le trofie al pesto, la Riviera, le Cinque Terre.

Anche gli studenti della scuola media Old Mill di Millesville, nella contea di Anne Arundel, hanno imparato ad amare la "Bella lingua" grazie ai due diversi laboratori lo scorso luglio, focalizzati sulla geografia italiana, le 20 regioni, i principali monumenti, le piu' belle piazze italiane, i piu' famosi italiani nel mondo, dalla letteratura alla moda, dall'arte alla scienza, dalla storia alla tecnologia, dai cantanti agli astronauti, senza dimenticare la buona cucina, il tutto concludendosi con una visita all'Ambasciata Italiana qui a DC.

Una nostalgica canzone degli anni '80 ci faceva cantare "l'estate sta finendo, un anno se ne va, sto diventando grande..." e noi all'ICS aspettiamo tutti i nostri bambini e ragazzi che diventano grandi imparando!

https://italianculturalsociety.org/kids-teens/

Evviva l'Italiano a DC!

By Fiorenza Castelli, Workshop and Summer Camp Coordinator
Wonderful end of the academic year, with an Aperivo Italian style! A very special style, thanks to the classy boutique Bacall & Boogie, who welcomed us with its fashionable items and their big terrace! Thanks to our generous sponsor Campari and to the unique chef Gianluigi Dellaccio, Dolci Gelati, who prepared Aperol sorbetto for an innovative Spritz and his homemade mozzarella di bufala! Homemade focaccia from Emanuela completed our heartfelt Italian style! Buona estate a tutti vecchi e nuovi amici! Follow us on social media this summer! And consider summer courses and summer camps for all ages and levels!

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER EVENTS

WOMEN’S MUSIC TALKS ABOUT WOMEN FEATURING ELENA BUTTIERO & ANITA FRUMENTO

In the 19th and 20th centuries, women’s emancipation in the music field was championed by remarkable figures like Teresa Carreño, Amy Beach, Mel Bonis, Cécile Chaminade, Marie Jaëll, and Fanny Hensel Mendelssohn. Despite societal challenges, these immensely talented women courageously paved the way for their own success and the recognition of women in music. The recital pays tribute to these pioneers, highlighting their music and stories as important milestones in the journey towards women’s rights. RSVP here.

BOOK PRESENTATION: THE CONSTITUTION OF ITALY – A CONTEXTUAL ANALYSIS

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A CONVERSATION WITH ZHERO

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THE DIVINE COMEDY OF DANTE ALIGHIERI

BY CESARE SAN FIORENZO
FEATURING ELENA BUTTIERO & ANITA FRUMENTO

A research study in the musicological field led the pianists Buttiero and Frumento to discover the score “The Divine Comedy for piano four hands” by Cesare San Fiorenzo, original for piano four hands. The score, forgotten for more than 100 years, offers extraordinary and evocative melodies very close to the operatic world.

The concert will be introduced and commented by Prof. Francesco Ciabattoni, Georgetown University.

Admission to this event is free, but we kindly request that you RSVP.

NON SEMBIAVA IMAGINE CHE TACE
Cesare San Fiorenzo e la Divina Commedia

Elena Buttiero e Anita Frumento pianoforte a quattro mani

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by Cesare San Fiorenzo

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Tuesday, October 10th, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
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Opera Italiana Orchestra
composed of members of the Washington National Opera

Alvise Casellati, conductor

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Giuseppe VERDI
Inno delle Nazioni (Hymn of the Nations)
Tenor

Isaac THOMAS
All Around Earth
Washington D.C. premiere

Edvard GRIEG
Peer Gynt
Suite N. 1, Morning Mood

Wolfgang Amadeus MOZART
Don Giovanni
“Là ci darem la mano”
duet Basso & Soprano

Giuseppe VERDI
Un ballo in maschera
“Ma se m’è forza perderti”
Tenor

Ludwig van BEETHOVEN
Symphony N. 6 (“Pastoral”)
III Mov. Gathering of Country Folk
Shepherd’s Song
IV Mov. Thunderstorm
V Mov. Cheerful and Thankful Feelings after the Storm

Giacomo PUCCINI
Turandot
“Signore ascolta”
Soprano
“Ah non piangere Liù”
Tenor
“Ah per l’ultima volta ”
All

Giuseppe VERDI
I Vespri Siciliani
“O tu Palermo”
Basso

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Turandot
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Join owner and sommelier Carolyn Papetti for an evening tasting Sicilian wines at I'm Eddie Cano. This is a guided tasting of six (6) wines from the culinary capital of Italy. Light fare to accompany.

Thursday, October 5th, 12th OR 19th
5:30pm-6:45pm
$29 pp plus tax
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Join us at Nonna's Table this fall starting September 13th. A three course family style meal at our middle table. Dine with old friends as you make some new ones! Three course family style meal.

Tickets must be per-purchased. Limited to 16 people each Wednesday.
5:45-7:15pm
*Food allergies cannot be accommodated. Lots of vegetarian choices but not ideal for gluten free or vegan diners. Patrons must be able to sit at the counter height table. The table cannot accommodate wheelchairs or highchairs.

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