

# Passionate About Italy

## Northern Italy 2011

### *A Cultural Legacy*

The program will consider various aspects of the history and culture of Italy, as well as addressing the lives and achievements of some significant Italians.

#### **HISTORY - PEOPLE, PLACES & EVENTS**

##### *The City in the Sea*

The improbable story of Venice - The place and her people.

##### *La Serenissima*

Venice and her Empire

##### *“In all things to consider the advantage of the State”*

Three Doges - Enrico Dandolo, Marin Falier & Francesco Foscari

##### *“Ghetto di casa”*

The Jewish presence in Venice

##### *The curious case of the Queen of Cyprus*

Caterina Cornaro in fact and fiction

##### *Princely patrons*

Court life in Renaissance Parma and Mantua

##### *“Viva la Repubblica! Viva la liberta! Viva San Marco!”*

Daniele Manin and the Risorgimento

#### **ARCHITECTURE & ENVIRONMENTS**

- \* Byzantine architecture in Venice and her lagoon
- \* Palladio and the architecture of humanism
- \* Villas and gardens of the Veneto
- \* Sabbioneta and an ideal of town planning

#### **VISUAL ARTS**

- \* Illuminating the Bible - the mosaics of San Marco
- \* The Venetian Renaissance—The Bellinis, Giorgione, Titian, Veronese and Tintoretto
- \* The Tiepolo family and the art of baroque decoration
- \* Giotto in Padua - the fresco cycle in the Scrovegni Chapel
- \* Mantegna’s fresco cycles in Padua and Mantua
- \* Correggio paints Parma - the Baroque prefigured

#### **LITERATURE**

- \* Francesco Petrarch - Humanist, poet and man of letters

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*A Cultural Legacy (continued)*

## MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS

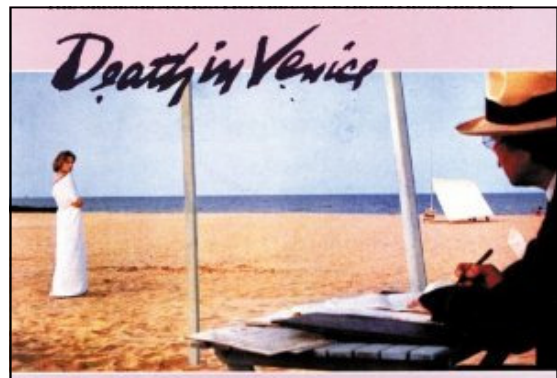
- \* The musical heritage of Venice
- \* Claudio Monteverdi - pioneering composer for Church, Court and opera house
- \* Antonio Vivaldi aka "The Red Priest" - a composer for all seasons
- \* Carlo Goldoni and the theatre of Commedia dell'arte
- \* Baldassare Galuppi aka "Il Buranello" - master of comic opera
- \* From comedy to tragedy - operas inspired by Venetian life and history
- \* Giuseppe Verdi - Italian patriot, man of the theatre, and man of the land
- \* Antonio Stradivari and the Cremonese violin makers

## CREATIVE RESPONSES

*"Paradise of cities"*

Art and literature produced by 19th and 20th Century visitors to Venice

- Byron, Turner, the Brownings, Sargent, James, Mann etc. etc.



## **P.A.I. Northern Italian Tour 2011 - Suggestions for further reading....**

### **HISTORY**

#### **ITALY**

**Header, Harry**

*Italy – A Short History*, Cambridge, 1990

**Duggan, Christopher**

*A Concise History of Italy*, Cambridge, 1994

**Duggan, Christopher**

*The Force of Destiny – Italy since 1796*, Penguin, 2007

#### **VENICE**

**Norwich, John Julius**

*A History of Venice*, New York, Vintage, 1989

**Hibbert, Christopher**

*Venice, The Biography of a City*, Grafton Books, 1988

**Ackroyd, Peter**

*Venice – Pure City*, Chatto and Windus, 2009

**Da Mosto, Francesco**

*Francesco's Venice*, BBC Books, 2004

**Mentzel, Peter**

*A Traveller's History of Venice*, Interlink Books, 2006

**Wiel, Alethea**

*A History of Venice, Founding to the Unification of Italy*, NY, Barnes & Noble World Digital Library, 2002

**Wills, Garry**

*Venice: Lion City*, New York, Simon & Schuster, 2001

**Morris, Jan**

*The Venetian Empire: A Sea Voyage*, NY, Penguin, 1990

### **CULTURAL STUDIES, ANTHOLOGIES & TRAVEL COMMENTARIES**

#### **ITALY**

**Harrison, Barbara Grizzuti**

*Italian Days*, Atlantic Monthly Press, 1998

**James, Henry**

*Italian Hours*, Penguin Classics, 1992

**Keates, Jonathan**

*Italian Journeys*, Picador, 1991

**Goethe, Johann von**

*Italian Journey 1786-1788*, Penguin Classics, 2004

## **VENICE**

**Barbaro, Paolo**

*Venice Revealed: An Intimate Portrait*, South Royalton, VT, 2001

**Berent, John**

*The City of Falling Angels*, The Penguin Press, 2005

**Brodsky, Joseph**

*Watermark*, Farrar Straus, NY, 1993

**Garrett, Martin**

*Venice: A Cultural and Literary Companion* (Cities of the Imagination Series), New York, Interlink, 2001,

**Marqusee, Michael**

*Venice: An Illustrated Anthology*, New York, HarperCollins, 1989

**Martin, Judith**

*No Vulgar Hotel. The Desire and Pursuit of Venice*, Norton, 2007

**McCarthy, Mary**

*Venice Observed*, Penguin Travel Library, 1961

**Morris, Jan**

*Venice*, Faber and Faber Ltd, 1974, Travel, 0-571-16897-3

**Norwich, John Julius**

*A Traveller's Companion to Venice*, Interlink Books, 2002

**Norwich, John Julius**

*Paradise of Cities. Venice in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century*, New York, Doubleday, 2003

**Parks, Tim**

*Italian Neighbours. An Englishman in Verona / An Italian Education*, Mandarin, 1992 / Minerva 1996

**Vidal, Gore**

*Vidal in Venice*, Italy, Summit Books, Simon & Schuster, 1987

**Weideger, Paula**

*Venetian Dreaming*, New York, Atria, 2002

## **FICTION**

**Brodkey, Harold**

*My Venice*, New York, Metropolitan Books, 1998

**Mann, Thomas**

*Death in Venice*, Various editions

**Raven, Donna**

*Daughter of Venice. The Last Queen of Cyprus (Caterina Cornaro)*, Kyproepeia, 2003

**Unsworth, Barry**

*Stone Virgin*, Penguin, 1985

**Vickers, Salley**

*Miss Garnet's Angel*, London, HarperCollins, 2000

## TRAVEL GUIDES

### ITALY

Blanchard, Paul

*Northern Italy from the Alps to Bologna*, Blue Guides, 2005

Facaros, Dana & Pauls, Michael

*Venice, Venetia and the Dolomites*, Cadogan Guides, 2007

### ROME

Viola, G. & Giallombardo, L.

*Rome. Heritage Guide*, Touring Club of Italy, 1999

Speller, Elizabeth

*Rome. Granta City Guide*, Granta, 2005

### VENICE

Honour, Hugh

*The Companion Guide to Venice*, Companion Guide, 2001

Freely, John

*Strolling through Venice. The Definitive Walking Guide to La Serenissima*, TPP Books, 2008

Boulton, S & Catling, C

*Venice and the Veneto* - DK Eyewitness Travel

Various Authors

*Venice* - Everyman Guide

Manno, A etc

*The Treasures of Venice* - Art Guide, White Star Publishers

## ART & ARCHITECTURE

Howard, Deborah

*The Architectural History of Venice*, New Haven, Yale University Press, May 10, 2004, Architecture, Rybczynski, Witold

*The Perfect House – A journey with Palladio*, Scribner, 2002

Gable, Sally and Carl

*Palladian Days. Finding a New Life in a Venetian Country House*, Anchor Books, 2006

Brown, Patricia

*The Renaissance in Venice*, Everyman Art Library, 1997

Wilde, Johannes

*Venetian Art from Bellini to Titian*, Oxford 1974

Steer, John

*A Concise History of Venetian Painting*, Thames & Hudson, 1970

Cole, Bruce

*Titian and Venetian Painting, 1450-1590*, Westview, 1999

Hope, Charles

*Titian*, Jupiter, 1980

Gibellini, Cecilia

*Titian*, Rizzoli Art Classics, 2003

Cocke, Richard

*Veronese*, Chaucer Press, 2005

Cole, Bruce

*Giotto and Florentine Painting*, Harper and Rowe, 1976

## MUSIC

Landon, H.C. Robbins & Norwich, J.J.

*Five Centuries of Music in Venice*, Schirmer, 1991

Landon, H. C. Robbins

*Vivaldi: Voice of the Baroque*, Chicago, University of Chicago Press, 1996

Heller, Karl

*Antonio Vivaldi: The Red Priest of Venice*, Portland, OR, Amadeus Press, 1997

Berger, William

*Verdi with a Vengeance*, Vintage, 2000

Budden, Julian

*Verdi (Master Musicians)*, Oxford

Rosselli, John

*The Life of Verdi*, Cambridge, 2000

Faber, Toby

*Stradivari's Genius. Three Centuries of Enduring Perfection*, Random House, 2005

## LITERATURE (Writers and their works)

Petrarch, Francesco

*Canzoniere: Selected Poems*, Penguin, 2002

Hainsworth, Peter (ed)

*The Essential Petrarch*, Hackett, 2010

Byron, Lord (George Gordon)

*The Major Works*, Oxford's World Classics, 2008

*Selected Poems*, Penguin Classics, 2006

Eisler, Benita

*Byron, Child of Passion, Fool of Fame*, Penguin, 1999

McCarthy, Fiona

*Byron, Life and Legend*, John Murray, 2002

Massie, Alan

*Byron's Travels*, Sidgwick & Jackson, 1988