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WELCOME

November... when Florence and the surrounding countryside settle into the calm that winter brings. With no particular warning, the city of Florence returns to itself. Fewer visitors fill the streets, and Florentines, bundled up against the cooler weather, scurry or stroll about their business. Florence in the winter has a unique charm. With dusk coming earlier each day, the shop windows seem to take on a special, warm glow. The city fills with the scent of roasting chestnuts, and in the countryside, the vibrant gold and red of autumn paints the trees, the grapes have been picked, crushed and are fermenting safe in their tanks. The olives groves are dotted with ground cloth circles as the olives are harvested, tree by tree. Enjoy the first press of oil, and the first warmth of the fireplace as the nights grow cold, with best wishes from SUZANNE, CORSO, BEI, LESLIE, VANNI, ANNA PIA, RAFFAELLA, AND MARISA.

PITCHER & FLACCOMIO PICKS FOR NOVEMBER

A NOVEMBER NOTE FROM SUZANNE: HOLD THE DATE AND DONATE

Ciao everyone! Yet again, we need your help. On December 2nd each year the American International Women's League ONLUS organises a Christmas bazaar. I am asking you all to think about what you would like to do to help make this a fabulously rich affair.

We need a lot of things to sell, we need your clothing, so please go through your closets (and those of your significant other, plus your kids, etc.) to collect the things you no longer need. We are looking for all types of clothing plus purses, gloves, scarves, evening gowns, cocktail dresses, jewellery (diamonds, or not) and hats.

Please let us know as we have volunteers going around Florence collecting things for the bazaar. Call Roberta Magni on number 3333956718

Another idea.... ask your local dry cleaner if they have anything that their clients have not collected over the past year, perhaps they would donate abandoned clothing. Naturally, please take a moment to be sure that all you are donating is clean and in good condition, then give our bazaar chairperson a ring, SIMONA GAZZARI on number 3397629647 or contact her on simpo@live.it

Please look at our website AILO at: www.aioflorence.org/activities/

Children are also on our list, so if you have children, grandchildren or know of any child living close by, please ask them for all of the toys that they have outgrown. Here again they must be complete and in

good working order. Call JULIET GIRALDI at 055828862 or email juliet.giraldi@tiscali.it

As always there is a lottery with of wonderful prizes and tickets are already flying out the door, so call GAIL COCKE on number 3661290222 for tickets and to collect lottery prizes.

Don't forget to mark the date and place on your calendar so you can come and replace everything you donated and have fun doing it! There will, of course, be food and drinks donated by the ELFINS of General Electric. I very much look forward to hearing from you, as we do NEED all the help we can get to make this event a great success.

Convitto della Calza - Piazza della Calza, 6, 50125 Firenze, right near the Piazza of Porta Romana.

Dates: 10th and 11th of December.

Times: Saturday 2nd from 15.30 to 19.00

Sunday 3rd from 10.30 to 19.00

Ciao,
Suzanne

BEST EVENT FOR NOVEMBER: FLORENCE WINE EVENT

November 18 and 19

(Text from: theflorentine.net)

“What’s in a name? In the case of this particular one, pretty much all you need to know. If wine and Florence are involved, we’ll be there. But some details for posterity: Florence Wine Event will toast to its tenth year in a little-known location in the Bellosguardo area, not far from piazza Tasso, the hidden Conventino di via Giano della Bella. It won’t be just wine on the menu: sake and spirits, truffles and *torte*, cold cuts and cookies will all be up for tasting (and for sale). Producers hail overwhelmingly from Tuscany, with a few outliers from Friuli, Sardinia and Piedmont thrown in for fair play. Entrance is 15 euro, which includes a drink card, a glass and (handy) carrying case, and a catalog of featured producers. For more information, see the [website](#).”

BEST P&F RENTAL PICK FOR NOVEMBER: APARTMENT IN A PRESTIGIOUS HISTORICAL BUILDING RIGHT ON THE ARNO RIVER

“A superb apartment in a wonderful location, handy to everything Florence has to offer. The sheer height of the ceilings and the wooden decorations are impressive as is the delightful terrace, except for some traffic noise.”



Situated in one of Florence’s most prestigious buildings situated on the river Arno between Ponte Santa Trinita and Ponte alla Carraia and within a short walking distance from all of Florence’s most important monuments and museums. 10 minutes to the Pitti Palace, Boboli gardens and Piazza della Signoria. The neighbourhood is famous for its many boutiques, artisan workshops, antique stores and numerous first class restaurants and trattorie. The British Institute Library called The Sir Harold Acton Library, is also in the same building which offers foreigners many interesting

lectures, and Italian/English language school.

A refurbished apartment on the 1st floor with an elevator and doorman, measures approx. 250 sq.mts. (2,500 sq. ft.) together with approx. 60 sq. mts. (600 sq. ft.) of terrace and consists of:

Entrance

Hall

Living/dining room (access to the terrace and fireplace)

Kitchen (with table for 6/8 persons)

Pantry

Loft/study (over kitchen area)

3 bedrooms (1 double and 1 small double, 1 with twin beds)

2 bathrooms (1 en-suite with tub and hand shower, 1 with shower)

Powder room (with toilet, basin)

1 terrace (with terrace furniture)

The floors are parquet and the ceilings are “a cassettone”, wooden hand painted approx. 6.5 mts. high with windows facing the river Arno. The soft furnishings are silk and satin combined with Imperial period furniture, mixed with modern accessories.

The terrace has a dining table and 2 benches for approx 10 persons, and several couches for outdoor lounging. Toperi plants and jasmine vines complete the decorations on the terrace.

BEST FESTIVAL FOR NOVEMBER: LO SCHERMO DELL'ARTE

November 15-19

(Text from: theflorentine.net)

“Contemporary art comes to the big screen at this multifaceted film festival. Active in Florence since 2008, Lo Schermo dell'Arte spotlights films old and new, promotes training projects and artist residencies and collaborates with local, regional and international institutions to bring exciting installations and performances to the city. The 10th edition opens with the inauguration of *Directing the Real: Artists' Films and Video in the 2010s*, an exhibition featuring 20 video works by young, emerging artists (6pm, November 14, Galleria delle Carrozze, Palazzo Medici Riccardi). Buzzworthy guest of honor is Egyptian visual artist and musician Hassan Khan, recipient of the Silver Lion at the 2017 Venice Biennale. Khan will give a lecture on his creative process (3.45pm, November 16, Cango Cantieri Goldonetta) and will be present for screenings of two of his key works, *Jewel* and *Muslimgauze RIP* (6pm, November 16, La Compagnia). For festival details, see the [website](#).”

BEST MARKET FOR NOVEMBER: MERCATO TEDESCO DI NATALE OPENS THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

November 29 - December 17

Hot mulled wine, great beer and a salty, smoky wurstel – all can be found in Piazza Santa Croce starting at the end of November, at the Mercato Tedesco di Natale (German Christmas Market). Traditional German food and craft products fill the square, there are also seventeen other countries represented in

over fifty stands. A small Christmas village of charming wooden huts, with open areas of tables and chairs where you can sit and enjoy some of the rich German food on offer. Don't forget to try the apple strudel and the hot mulled wine! Open daily from 10am - 10pm.

BEST MUSIC EVENT FOR NOVEMBER: SEASON LAUNCH BY THE ORCHESTRA OF TOSCANA AT TEATRO VERDI

November 8 and 30

(Text from: theflorentine.net)

“The Orchestra della Toscana teams up with young students from various Tuscan conservatories to usher in a new season at its inaugural concert. Conducted by Daniele Rustioni with Ukraine-born Roman Simović as violin soloist, the first show of the new season will feature a high-impact lineup of music from Prokofiev, Ravel, Stravinsky and Borodin (9pm, October 27). The cello takes center stage at the second concert, conducted by Enrico Dindo and spanning Strauss to Schumann. But a surefire early-season highlight will be the November 30 concert for Festa della Toscana, a celebration of peace and justice in light of the 1786 abolition of the death penalty in Tuscany. For the full calendar of concerts and ticketing information, see the ORT website.”

BEST SPORT FOR NOVEMBER: THE 34th FLORENCE MARATHON

November 26

If you aren't exhausted from the CORRI LA VITA, try the Florence Marathon.

Step by step all along its 42 kilometres and 195 meters you are surrounded by centuries of art, history and culture, a unique emotion that can only be experienced by those who run in Florence. Year after year, thousands of sportspeople and enthusiasts from all over the world come to participate in this classic race on the last Sunday in November.

This extraordinary increase in participation also testifies to the constant attention given to the organisation of the race. Florence Marathon is now the second Italian marathon (after Rome), and among the 20 most important marathons in the world. The route takes you by all those landmarks of singular beauty that have made Florence famous worldwide: views over the enchanting hills and countryside, Piazza della Signoria, Ponte Vecchio (to mention only just a few of historical importance), Piazza Santa Croce, and it begins and ends in the magnificent Piazza del Duomo.

Official web site: <http://www.firenzemarathon.it/index.php?lang=en>

BEST EXHIBITION FOR NOVEMBER: LIGHTS BY ADRIAN PACI

November 11 - February 11

(Text from: theflorentine.net)

“Albanian artist Adrian Paci makes his Tuscan debut with *Lights to Serve the Night (Di queste luci si servirà la notte)*, a solo exhibition exploring the concepts of migration, identity and ebbs and flows of populations. For Paci, mobility is an ontological condition of the human race. The Museo Novecento is the main hub of *Lights to Serve the Night*, exhibiting 15 works—three of which have never before been displayed—while clustered work at Le Murate and satellite sites in Pelago and Montelupo Fiorentino will expand the show's reach. Paci's central themes are highlighted through rather esoteric means: a highlight of this show will be the “skeleton” of a tentacled boat that was recently sent down the Arno, digging a groove in the river floor to reveal its depths. A video of the installation's findings and artistic statement

will be on display in the Museo Novecento's Sala Grande. For more information, see the [Museo Novecento website](#)."

Museo Novecento and Le Murate, Florence

BEST DINING OUT FOR NOVEMBER: FOOD AND WINE IN PROGRESS AT STAZIONE LEOPOLDA

November 27 and 28

This month, let's skip the restaurants and get ourselves over to the massive Food and Wine in progress event! More than 1,500 Italian cooks, some 200 certified sommeliers and a whole lot of hungry visitors will fill up the Stazione Leopolda for Food and Wine in Progress. Over the two days of the fair, open to the public and trade professionals alike, visitors can explore the food and wine industry, from family-run operations to megabrands.

In the 'Barman Style' section, Italian mixologists will show off their signature cocktails, while cooking shows with starred chefs and several sit-down meals round out the program.

Stazione Leopolda, via Fratelli Rosselli 5.

See: <http://foodandwineinprogress.it>

BEST OF THE REST FOR NOVEMBER

INK: FLORENCE TATTOO CONVENTION

November 3-5

(Text from: theflorentine.net)

"The Florence Tattoo Convention is a niche-y November fixture, rounding up international ink experts for a major showcase of the best in body and face art. Now in its tenth edition, the event closes its first decade by expanding its scope: in addition to customary workshops and conferences with leading artists, there will be musical events, including Friday night festivities with the Rap Pirata Crew and a set by DJ Gruff (November 3, 10pm); Saturday night fever with the Asian Dub Foundation (November 4, 11.45pm) and a "neorockabilly" night with the Di Maggio Connection (November 5, 10pm). Some 330 tattoo artists will be in town, including industry star Bill Loika of Tattoo Peter in Amsterdam. Expect a needle-sharp focus on specific techniques and the artists who excel in them, such as Indonesian tukul kayu (Hendra Folk and Albar Tikam); Mexican hand-poke (Samuel Olman) and Japanese Irezumi (Ryugen and Tenkiyru). For the full program, see the [website](#)."

Fortezza da Basso, viale Filippo Strozzi, Florence

MODAPRIMA EDITION 83: PITTI IMMAGINE PRESENTS FASHION AT STAZIONE LEOPOLDA

November 10-12

Pitti Immagine presents the 83rd edition of Modaprima, the fair showcasing clothing and accessories collections for men and women for autumn-winter, with a special focus on the bestsellers for spring-summer. Staged in one of the most beautiful locations in Florence, the 19th century Stazione Leopolda, Modaprima focuses once again on the centrality of the city with its great potential in terms of appeal and image, characteristics that contribute to the success of every event that is held there.

Ready-to-wear

A point of reference for fashion created and produced for the large scale retailers who meet in Florence to present their latest products to an international audience, Modaprima will turn the spotlights on around 100 collections, mainly produced by Italian companies along with a few selected European manufacturers that specialize in this production segment.

Accessories

Following the success of the last editions, focus on Modaprima Accessories, the new section dedicated to the fundamental drivers of fashion and reference components of the contemporary fashion scene: accessories. Modaprima will be presenting an attentive proposal devised for buyers looking for new stylistic input.

International

Modaprima will be showcasing a selection of collections produced in Italy but with a broad international appeal created for a dynamic and constantly evolving retail trade.

More information: <http://www.pittimmagine.com/en/corporate/fairs/modaprima/information.html>

Stazione Leopolda, Viale Fratelli Rosselli, 5, 50144 Firenze

FLY: HOT AIR BALLOON FESTIVAL

November 4-5

(Text from: theflorentine.net)

“Up, up and away! The first edition of the Festival delle Mongolfiere, highlighting hot air balloons and all things flight-related, will color the Florentine sky for two weekends of full-blown fun. Apart from the many chances to “ride high” over the city, there will be children’s activities, including a LEGO area, plus a kite-making workshop and the opportunity to watch their creations take flight. A must-see for all ages will be the illuminated hot air-balloon shows, set to music and scheduled for every night during the festival around 6.30pm. Finally, because we’re in Tuscany, a food component rounds out the program, of course: a risotto marketplace will run concurrently with the balloon festival, with various dishes and *salumi* sampler platters available for purchase at lunch and dinnertime. Tickets are 6 euro (5 euro if pre-purchased online) or 3 euro for children up to age 12. For more information, see the [website](#).”

Ippodromo del Visarno, viale del Visarno 14, Florence

DEGUSTABIRRA: BEER TASTING AT SAN LORENZO MERCATO CENTRALE

November 8

(Text from: <http://www.visitflorence.com/florence-events/events-in-november.html>)

“Learn How to Savour Italian Beers

At the beginning we learn to taste the beer! You can participate in the free course with Heidien Beer Culture Manager Mauro Discepolo where you will taste Golden Baffle, Red, White and Long maturation accompanied by bread and cheeses. The event is open to the public however, it is necessary to register by e-mail at eventi@mercatocentrale.it.”

[Official link](#)

Ippodromo del Visarno, viale del Visarno 14, Florence

STATE MUSEUMS FREE FOR EVERYONE, AND CIVIC MUSEUMS FREE FOR RESIDENTS ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH

November 5

#Domenicoalmuseo

On the first Sunday of every month, Florence opens up all of its state and civic museums free for residents of the city, or people born here. It's a fantastic initiative to reward the people who call Florence home, and make it easier for them to enjoy the city's treasures.

Here's a list of the **state museums free to all**: Uffizi, Accademia, Bargello, Medici Chapels, Pitti Palace (all museums), San Marco, Palazzo Davanzati, Medici Villas.

And the **civic museums also free to residents**: Palazzo Vecchio, Arnolfo Tower, Santa Maria Novella, Stefano Bardini Museum, Fondazione Salvatore Romano, Museo del Novecento, Brancacci Chapel in Santa Maria del Carmine.

Make a note that you still have to visit the ticket offices to collect a free ticket, and they close an hour before the museums close. Some offer special guided visits or tours, but you'll need to reserve those in advance. You'll find more information at: www.musefirenze.it

EXHIBITIONS IN NOVEMBER

RADICAL UTOPIAS OPENS AT CCC STROZZINA

Until January 21

(Text from: theflorentine.net)

"Get schooled on the radical architectural movement in Florence of the 1960s and 1970s, a machine oiled by political upheaval, pop culture and psychedelia. The undercroft of Palazzo Strozzi shines the spotlight on the revolutionary work of groups and figures including Archizoom, Remo Buti, Gianni Pettena, Superstudio and 9999, but will look beyond architecture. "Radical Utopias" will feature video, design, installation and performance from this productive creative period, which saw young innovators working to squash the status quo in the Renaissance city, which influenced the art world at large. For additional information, see [Palazzo Strozzi's website](#)."

FLORENCE'S ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM PRESENTS THE FRAGILITY OF THE SIGN

Until November 26

(Text from: theflorentine.net)

"Dig deep at the newest exhibition from Florence's archaeological museum, which highlights prehistoric cave art and paintings, portrayed in images conserved by the Istituto Italiano di Preistoria e Protostoria, largely from Libya and the Horn of Africa. Among these are photographs from cave sites in the Tadrart Acacus mountain range, recently added to UNESCO's list of world heritage in danger, in part due to migratory patterns that mimic those of prehistoric times. Threats to these early art forms are the inspiration for the exhibition's "fragility" theme: the show begins with an introduction to the work of Paolo Graziosi, founder of the Istituto, woven into the larger topic of treasures in peril. For more information, see the [museum website](#)."

Archaeological Museum

Piazza Santissima Annunziata 9b

IL CINQUECENTO A FIRENZE: MICHELANGELO, PONTORMO, AND GIAMBOLOGNA AT PALAZZO STROZZI

Until January 21, 2018

From: visitflorence.com

“An exhibition, and final act in a trilogy of exhibitions curated by Carlo Falciani and Antonio Natali, devoted to the art of the 16th century in Florence showcasing over seventy works of art by such artists as Michelangelo, Bronzino, Giorgio Vasari, Rosso Fiorentino, Pontormo, Santi di Tito, Giambologna and Bartolomeo Ammannati.”

Palazzo Strozzi, Piazza degli Strozzi, 50123, Florence

For Hours and more information, see the [Website](#)

IN FLORENCE: AN INSTALLATION IN PIAZZA SIGNORIA TOGETHER WITH LA BIENNALE INTERNAZIONALE D'ANTIQUARIATO

Until January 21, 2018

From: visitflorence.com

“The Swiss artist, Urs Fisher, will position two human figures, transformed into candles, in the Piazza Signoria square. These two will be lit and then during the course of the exhibition will slowly burn down symbolising "human finitude and the durability of art.”

LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS IN NOVEMBER

BRITISH INSTITUTE LECTURE & CONCERT SERIES: SPECIAL CENTENARY EDITION

Every Wednesday at 18.00, the British Institute presents a lecture, concert or other event in the Sala Ferragamo in the Harold Acton Library, which is followed by an informal drinks reception. The Cultural Programme is open to members of the British Institute of Florence. Membership options range from 24 hours (€5) to Life (€500). The Institute also hosts special events throughout the month. This year the Institute celebrates their centenary, and the month's event program includes:

Upon this rock by Mark Roberts

2 November 2017 - 18:00

Book Presentation in English by Mark Roberts; with the participation of Monsignor Timothy Verdon.

Mark Roberts's new book, published in English by Coppini Editore of Florence, is a history of the papacy – and by extension of Europe – told through the lives of the popes, from St Peter the Apostle until our own day. In contrast to other treatments of this subject, which tend to concentrate on the temporal power, this book devotes more space to the popes as religious leaders.

A brief history of Virago Press

8 November 2017 - 18:00

Lecture in English by Lennie Goodings

There are very few imprints that have reader recognition: Virago is one of the exceptions.

Founded in 1973 by Carmen Callil, it has always had a sense of purpose, publishing brilliant novelists and provocative nonfiction and memoirs. Virago publishes books that look at the world through women's eyes, and welcome all readers; it has never seen itself as a niche publisher. The Virago Modern Classics, 40 years old in 2018, has rediscovered books such as *Testament of Youth* and writers including Elizabeth Taylor, Willa Cather, and Daphne du Maurier. Sarah Waters' six bestsellers, Marilynne Robinson's prize-winning novels, Margaret Atwood's and Sarah Dunant's novels, Maya Angelou's memoirs are just some of the Virago books that have changed the world. Lennie Goodings, Chair of Virago, has been editor at Virago for over 20 years.

An evening with the Chairman of the British Institute of Florence

15 November 2017 - 18:00

Event hosted by Richard Jacques

Richard Jacques, the Chairman of the British Institute's board of governors, is a Partner at Brunswick. Before joining the group in 2000 he was a diplomat based in Brussels representing the UK government on industry and competition issues.

The archive of the British Institute of Florence

22 November 2017 - 18:00

Lecture in English by Alyson Price

An introduction to the British Institute's archive by its archivist. In this talk Alyson Price provides an overview of the collections in our centenary year. The oldest object we have is dated 1792 and we continue to develop our holdings to this day.

All other news (I mean lies): the forging of 17th-century news discourse in a sceptical news society

29 November 2017 - 18:00

Lecture in English by Nicholas Brownlees

In seventeenth-century England, at the beginning of English periodical news, news writers were very aware of how the news market of the time worked within a fundamental paradox: whilst there was a great demand for news there was an equally strong scepticism regarding the credibility of that very same news. In my lecture I shall contextualize and examine the reasons undermining the credibility of news dissemination and consider the rhetorical strategies news writers employed to emphasise the reliability and truthfulness of their information. We will see that the problems news writers faced, and the solutions they reached, were not so dissimilar from those nowadays.

For more information: <http://www.britishinstitute.it/en/news-events/events/cultural-programme>

For membership: <http://www.britishinstitute.it/en/library/harold-acton-library/membership>

OPEN MIC NIGHT AT TASSO HOSTEL FLORENCE

November 1

This month's host is Florence based writer of historical fiction: Christine de Melo

If you're a poet, novelist, performer, playwright, storyteller, or a scrawler of slogans on walls--whatever form your words take--please come to enlighten us! The only limit is time: you get eight minutes in the

spotlight. You can also come simply to enjoy the atmosphere, a tasty cocktail, and be surprised and inspired by the performers.

The mic will be open from 9pm until 11pm--be sure to sign up with the host before 9 or during the intermission. This event was conceived in English, but all languages are welcome.

The first Wednesday of every month. Tasso Hostel Florence, Via Villani 15, Piazza Tasso

More information: <https://www.facebook.com/openmicflorence/>

FILM EVENTS IN NOVEMBER

INTERNATIONAL CINEMA AND WOMEN'S FILM FESTIVALS

(Text from: <http://www.weekendinitaly.com/blog/florence-international-cinema-women-film-festival/>)

“Beginning on November 1, film enthusiasts will want to be at the Cinema Odeon, Piazza Strozzi in Florence, Italy for the International Cinema and Women Film Festival. The festival lasts through November 8. You may be interested in the book and DVD on 2,000 Years of Florence History, available here. It will be an enjoyable read before, after or during your Festival trip.

The festival is part of Mediateca Toscana's 50 Days of International Film. Known as the largest festival in Italy, afternoon films are five euros and evening prices go up just a bit to seven euros. You can expect to see writers, directors, actors, and filmmakers.

The more massive 50-day festival runs from mid-October to mid-December and is made up of smaller festivals like this one about women and international films. Other festivals include fiction, documentary, international, LGBT theme, and contemporary art. The festival events have been held each year since 2007.

The International Cinema and Women Film Festival is sponsored by a non-profit, cultural association, Laboratorio Immagine Donna that has its headquarters in Florence. Noting a severe lack of participation from women, director Paola Paoli set four primary goals for the organisation. The goals relate to:

- Enhancing women's history in movies and other methods of mass communication.
- Encourage the spread of accurately depicted audiovisual products that are worthy of attention.
- Organize events that promote women's growth and participation in cultural activities.
- Support culture inspired in recognizing human rights via audiovisual means.

Plus, during the same time frame as the International Cinema and Women Film Festival, you can also attend Florence: Ethnomusic Film Festival beginning on November 4 through 6. This ethnic festival is held at the same venue and is also part of the 50 days program.”

<http://www.cinemalacompagnia.it/>

<http://www.odeonfirenze.com/>

ORIGINAL LANGUAGE FILMS: ODEON CINEMA

The stunning Odeon Cinema was opened in 1922, built into the interior of Renaissance treasure, Palazzo Strozzi. The original palazzo design was by Filippo Brunelleschi, and this is one of the most beautiful cinemas you will ever find in the world. The Odeon hosts a long-running program of Original Language

films throughout the year.

This month's English language films include:

Victoria and Abdul,

Viceroy's House,

The Big Sick,

Justice League,

IL MIO GODARD.

This month's Special Events/Screenings include:

An Inconvenient Sequel: Truth to Power,

Restored Version: Shining,

Odeon Performing and Visual Arts LOVING VINCENT,

In occasione del raduno "Alluvionati dentro" AMICI MIEI ATTO II,

Odeon Satya Doc WALK WITH ME,

Odeon Classics – Restored Version LA CORAZZATA POTEMKIN,

Odeon Performing and Visual Arts BOSH: IL GIARDINO DEI SOGNI,

AFFETTI E RELAZIONI SANE COME BASE DELLA RIVOLUZIONE PERSONALE E SOCIALE
con Giuliana Mieli e Mauro Scardovelli,

VITA ACTIVA: THE SPIRIT OF HAN- NAH ARENDT,

Odeon Performing and Visual Arts MIYAZAKI: NEVER ENDING MAN,

Odeon Satya Doc PEPE MUJICA: FRAGIL EQUILIBRIO,

Odeon Classics - Restored Version A ROOM WITH A VIEW – Special 30th Anniversary,

Odeon Satya Doc – Tribute to Zygmunt Bauman LAWNSWOOD GARDEN: A POR- TRAIT OF
ZYGMUNT BAUMAN,

A seguire: LA TEORIA SVEDESE DELL'AMORE.

Find the whole schedule here: <http://www.odeonfirenze.com/original-sound/>

DANCE AND THEATRE FOR NOVEMBER

BEST ENGLISH LANGUAGE THEATRE FOR NOVEMBER: THE MEDICI DYNASTY AT IL FULIGNO

Until January 2018

The powerful historical drama transforms the Baroque church of the former convent of Il Fuligno into a room at Palazzo Pitti.

Here, the last descendants of the Medici family trace the history of the dynasty that ruled Florence for more than three centuries.

The performance explores the relationship between brother and sister, Gian Gastone and Anna Maria

Luisa, who were the last of the ruling Medici family line. As they struggle to reach a reconciliation, Anna Maria Luisa develops her idea for The Family Pact, which bequeathed the entire Medici patrimony to the city of Florence, on the condition that nothing could ever be removed from the city. This historic agreement is the reason that Florence is still the home of the great works of the Renaissance today. Over the one hour show, audiences get a glimpse of 300 years of the history of the Medici. Performed in English, the show is suitable for all ages.

Il Fuligno Complex, Via Faenza 48

Every Saturday at 7.00 P.M.

<http://medicidynasty.com/the-medici/>

THE UNDERGROUND: A RESPONSE TO DOSTOEVSKY

November 2 & 3

(Text from: theflorentine.net)

“Is it possible to rid ourselves of the force which engulfs us daily and constitutes a redirecting of our destiny? Can we alter a plan nature has etched within us, and deviate from the habitual to uncover that which exists within, as if already defined, yet which remains until now un-lived?” These are the types of questions posed by *The Underground: a Response to Dostoevsky*, which recently debuted in Edinburgh and will make its Italian premiere in Florence, performed by Pontedera-based group, the Workcenter of Jerzy Grotowski and Thomas Richards. The show zeroes in on the existential themes central to *Notes from Underground* and moral dilemmas like those of *The Brothers Karamazov*. Fragments of both texts will be intermingled and brought to the stage for a boundary-pushing theatrical production with elusive narrative lines. Tickets are 15 euro (12 euro for over 60 and under 26); language is English with Italian supertitles. More information [here](#).

8.45pm, November 2 & 3

Teatro della Pergola, via della Pergola 30, Florence

RICHARD O'BRIEN'S ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW CULT

November 7-11

(Text from: theflorentine.net)

“I would like, if I may, to take you on a strange journey.” If you haven't yet been initiated in to the fellowship of *Rocky Horror* fans, the Mandela Forum will afford you six raucous occasions to join. The Jim Sharman-Richard O'Brien classic comes to Florence for back-to-back performances in original language, of the original version, first staged at London's Royal Court Theatre in June 1973. A kitschy show paying homage to corny sci-fi and “scary” flicks, the play begins with a couple caught in a storm, who eventually make their way to the home of mad scientist Dr. Frank N. Furter, a transvestite with a peculiar creation he's eager to show off. It's hard to believe, but the show's first Broadway run closed after just 45 performances, a small price to pay for the cult fame that would come later. For tickets and more information, see the [Mandela Forum website](#).

Nelson Mandela Forum, piazza Enrico Berlinguer 5, Florence

ANNUAL AUTUMN DANCE FESTIVAL: LA DEMOCRAZIA DEL CORPO

October 10 - December 30

From: theflorentine.net

“To paraphrase Dana Gould, our bodies all enter this world in the same way. They may not be equalizers, but they help us empathize: celebrate these democratic instruments and their many capabilities at the Virgilio Sieni dance and choreography company’s annual autumn festival, La Democrazia del Corpo. The program features workshops, conferences and meetings with international artists, dancers, choreographers and members of the art world, along with performances and lectures. Site-specific installations are set up and around 30 far-flung individuals and dance companies take part. The full program is still being defined at publication of this article; for details, see the [Virgilio Sieni company's website](http://www.virgilio-sieni.com).”

SHOWS AT TEATRO VERDI

The ‘Teatro Pagliano’, which assumed its current name, ‘Teatro Verdi,’ in 1901, was built during the Grand Ducal period in Florence on the former site of the fourteenth century Stinche Prison. During the nineteenth century, Florence – which was also the capital of Italy - witnessed the construction of many theatres. The Teatro Verdi is the only one still in operation, having lived through a century and a half of history and tremendous change. For Florence and the whole Tuscan region, this theatre represents the focal point for special events and occasions, musical events, and popular performances. The Teatro Verdi was the dream project of Girolamo Pagliano. Pagliano was a former baritone and successful pharmacist who invented an elixir for long life. One of the seven largest theatres in Italy, its importance was clear from its inauguration on September 10th 1854. Viscardello, the original title of Verdi’s Rigoletto, was the theatre’s inaugural performance. The tradition continues today, with wonderful events and concerts at the stunning venue.

This month, see:

November 3-5: Prose: La Guerra Dei Roses

November 8: Classical Music: ORT - Enrico Dindo

November 9: Pop-Rock-Jazz: Edoardo Bennato

November 11: Variety Show: Io Ci Saro’ with Giuseppe Giacobazzi

November 12: Pop-Rock-Jazz: I Soviet + L’ettricità

November 14-19: Musical: Mamma Mia!

November 21: Variety Show: Caveman

November 25: Dance: Lo Schiaccianoci

November 26: Pop-Rock-Jazz: Asaf Avidan and his Band

November 30: Classical Music: Festa della Toscana

To see the dates, more concerts, and to book tickets: <http://www.teatroverdionline.it/>

MUSIC FOR NOVEMBER

MUSICA DEI POPOLI: ETHNIC MUSIC FESTIVAL AT FLOG

Until December

The festival “Musica dei Popoli”, born in Florence in 1979, was the first international gathering of ethnic

and folk music in Italy, and one of the first festivals of ethno-music in the world. The festival's goal is to share the knowledge of world's musical cultures. For this reason, it has been promoting and "giving a voice" to the most distant populations, geographically and culturally speaking, inviting hundreds of artists from all over the world. In its 30 editions, Musica dei Popoli has been presenting more than 300 artists, coming from 80 nations and five continents, among which soloists, and ensembles of vocal and instrumental music, as well as evening of music and dance, or music and theatre.

The artistic program of the "Musica dei Popoli" features folk and ethnic music, both from Italy and beyond. Throughout the years the festival proved that "music" is not only classical music, Anglo-American pop/rock or jazz, and that folk and ethnic music offers a rich cultural and artistic patrimony which is not marginal or inferior to Western-made music.

At the venue 'FLOG' in via Michele Mercati, 24b

For the full program: <http://www.flog.it/MdP%202017.htm>

AMICI DELLA MUSICA AT THE PERGOLA THEATRE

If you ever wanted to listen to classical music in a theatre where you could imagine Verdi or Mozart to walk in any second go to the jewel box Pergola Theatre. The Amici della Musica of Florence presents various concerts at the Teatro della Pergola. Works by Rossini, Schumann, Schubert, Brahms, Bach, Beethoven and Mozart are only a small sample of what will be performed.

The concerts for November:

November 4, 5: Emerson String Quartet

November 6: Andrea Oliva on flute, and Pietro de Maria on pianoforte

November 11: Luca Pisaroni on basso-baritono and Christian Koch on pianoforte

November 12: Quartetto di Cremona with Larry Dutton on viola

November 18: Ian Bostridge, tenor, and Julius Drake on pianoforte

November 19: Mario Brunello on violincello

November 20: Ian Bostridge, tenor, Alessio Allegrini, corno, and Julius Drake, pianoforte

November 25: Quartetto Prometeo

November 26: Quatuor Ebène, with Antoine Lederlin, violincello, Antoine Tamestit, viola

See the full program at: <http://www.amicimusicafirenze.it/stagione/>

OPERA DI FIRENZE: MAGGIO MUSICALE FIORENTINO

One of the most successful annual opera festivals in Florence that was founded in 1933 by conductor Vittorio Gui. Now the "Maggio Musicale Fiorentino" continues to this day, and is spread across multiple venues including: Teatro dell'Opera di Firenze, Teatro Niccolini, and Teatro della Pergola.

The Operas and Concerts for November:

November 2: Concert: Shostakovich Cycle: Aziz Shokakimov

November 5: Concert: Shostakovich Cycle: Henrik Nànasi

November 18-25: Il Giocatore

November 19-December 2: La Traviata

Tickets and more information: <http://www.operadifirenze.it/en/>

MONTHLY SONG AND WRITER SHOWCASE IN A NEW LOCATION AT SUPERFOX BAR

First and Third Tuesday of the month

The Song/Writer Showcase is held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month. Come along to enjoy all original material by songwriters, authors, and poets. Florence is filled with creative and talented performers and The Song/Writer Showcase is a bi-weekly event designed to give them a unique and special stage. The Showcase is hosted by Florence singer-songwriter Patti DeRosa and presents the original works of musicians and writers (as well as original interpretations) and all singer-songwriters, poets, and authors are invited to come and share their material in the intimate setting of Superfox bar, well known for its live music and great drinks.

To perform or be the Featured Artist, contact host, singer-songwriter Patti DeRosa at pattiguitar@gmail.com

Superfox, Via della Vigna Vecchia 27

More information: <https://www.facebook.com/showcaseflorenceitaly/>

CLASSICAL CONCERTS AND OPERA AT ST MARK'S CHURCH

In the beautiful and intimate setting of St Mark's Church, the performances are complete operas, apart from one or two slight adaptations to suit the intimate setting.

This month's program includes: **Love Duets, Carmen, Madame Butterfly, La Boheme, The Marriage of Figaro.**

Time: 8:30pm

Price: 30 €, seniors 25 €, students 15 €

Info: 340 8119192

For the complete schedule: <http://concertoclassico.blogspot.it/p/programme.html>

OPERA AND CLASSICAL MUSIC WITH DINNERS AT THE ICONIC CHIESA DI SANTA MONICA, FIRENZE

Throughout October

Situated in the heart of Florence, between the San Frediano and San Spirito districts, the 15th-century Church of Santa Monaca offers an intimate and attractive location for classical music and opera performances. The interior includes sculptures and paintings by Baccio da Montelupo, Giovanni Maria Butteri, and Cosimo Ulivelli. The church plays host to a wonderful program of Opera, Classical Music, and Concert events, often pairing the evenings with Tuscan styled dinner at a nearby restaurant.

The program for this month includes: **Classic, Italian, and Romantic Italian Opera selections.**

For [more information about each event, including the dinner menus, and for ticket bookings.](#)

THE THREE TENORS: AUDITORIUM SANTO STEFANO AL PONTE VECCHIO WITH

DINNER

November 2, 9, 16, 23, 25, 30

Add a taste of Italian lyricism to your stay in Florence: Three tenors offer a performance featuring opera arias and famous traditional Neapolitan songs in the heart of Tuscany's beautiful capital.

In the Auditorium Santo Stefano al Ponte Vecchio, the soloists are accompanied by a chamber ensemble of mandolin, cello, and piano. Famous arias from 'La Traviata', 'Rigoletto', and 'Tosca' share the program with Neapolitan favorites like 'O sole mio', 'Funiculi Funiculà', and 'Torna a Surriento'.

Before the show, indulge in Tuscan cuisine and breathtaking views at the Vista Wine Bar. Located on the Panoramic Terrace of Hotel Laurus al Duomo, the Wine Bar offers views of Brunelleschi's Dome and Giotto's Bell Tower.

Approximate duration (min.): 90

[Tickets and more information.](#)

EXHIBITIONS OUTSIDE OF FLORENCE FOR NOVEMBER

CAPALBIO TAROT GARDEN

November until March

Text from: discovertuscany.com

Look with a medieval eye

This is Niki de Saint Phalle's esoteric sculpture garden based on the Tarot cards, located in Tuscany created with a medieval look. November, December, January, February & March, specifically the first Saturday in the month, from 9am to 1pm, the park's founder Niki de Saint Phalle has decided to grant all visitors free entry. If this Saturday falls on a public holiday, the Giardino will open the following Saturday.

[Official link](#)

VOLAREARTE AT PISA AIRPORT: NOW IN ITS THIRD YEAR

Until 2019

Text from: discoverytuscany.com

“Well into the third edition of this initiative by the Henraux Foundation together with the Tuscany Airports, you will find a collection of 9 sculptures from Park Eun Sun gracing the Pisa airport.

This renowned Korean artist, a long time resident of Versilia, arrived in Italy to satisfy his desire to work with Apuane marbles. His artwork, known on an international level, is remarkable for the pure geometric forms composed of bi-color slabs of marble.”

Galileo Galilei Airport, Pisa

GIOVANNI BOLDINI AND THE SEASONS OF THE FAMILY FALCONIERA ON DISPLAY IN PISTOIA

Until January 6, 2018

Text from: discoverytuscany.com

“The exhibition aims to bring back the extraordinary creative moment of the master of Ferrara, when moving between Pistoia, Florence and Castiglioncello. The pictorial cycle invites you to probe the mystery around Mrs. Falconer's origins, her role as patron of the unhappy but genius Boldini and the Macchiaioli style.”

Musei dell'Antico Palazzo dei Vescovi

Pistoia

LEGATI DA UNA CINTOLA, THE IDENTITY OF A CITY AT PRATO

Until January 14

Text from: discoverytuscany.com

“The Virgin's belt, housed in a Chapel of the Duomo of Prato, will be at the center of the new exhibition in the Palazzo Pretorio Museum. The Sacred Belt, about 80 centimeters of finely green wool and gold-plated brocade, has, since the 13th century, been a precious symbol of the city's identity value and the engine of Prato's artistic events.”

Museo di Palazzo Pretorio,

Piazza del Comune, Prato

DUTCH MASTER ESCHER ON DISPLAY AT PISA

Until January 28, 2018

Text from: discoverytuscany.com

“The exhibition will present a full review of all the hypnotic, astonishing and overwhelming masterpieces of the great Dutch, with the help of some curious exhibition solutions designed by the architect Cesare Mari and thanks to the use of technologies and multimedia, one of the characteristics of organized exhibitions at Palazzo Blu.

While remaining a long-standing landscape interpreter, Escher explores more and more the horizons of visual illusion, through geometric compositions, or creating "impossible" architectures.”

Palazzo Blu (Palazzo d'Arte e Cultura), Pisa

For Hours see [Website](#)

AMBROGIO LORENZETTI, AMAZING ARTIST FROM THE XIV CENTURY, ON DISPLAY IN SIENA

Until January 28

Text from: discoverytuscany.com

“Ambrose was one of the greatest painters of the whole of Europe in the 14th century, but one can say - as it may seem like a paradox - that he is a little-known artist.

He is universally known as the painter of 'Good Governance', the cycle of allegorical paintings and the extraordinary urban and rural visions. But besides this, the painter is not known by the unmistakable

creativity that has profoundly renewed many iconographic traditions.”

Crypt of the Duomo Santa Maria della Scala, Siena

For Hours see [Website](#)

CHIANTI SCULPTURE PARK

Pievasciata, a tiny village in the heart of the Chianti region, has been transformed into a contemporary art centre. The focal point, the Chianti Sculpture Park, a permanent exhibition of sculptures and installations, is an integral part of a mystical wooded area.

The Chianti Sculpture Park is an indispensable stop not only for art lovers, but also for anyone who wishes to experience the delights of a walk through nature while admiring fascinating works of art. The visit is suitable for persons of every age on foot along a walking path of 1 km, but is also accessible with a child's pushchair or a wheelchair.

Parco Sculture del Chianti, S.P. 9, Loc. La Fornace 48/49, 53010 Pievasciata (Siena)

Tel. +39 0577 357151

Web site: <http://www.chiantisculpturepark.it/en-index.htm>

FUN, FESTIVALS AND FOOD OUTSIDE OF FLORENCE FOR NOVEMBER

SAN MINIATO: TARTUFO BIANCO

November 11 - 12, 18 - 19, 25 - 26

Text from: discoveruscany.com

47th Exhibition Market Festival of White Truffle

What I certainly couldn't forget to keep you informed about is the event par excellence of the province of the Leaning Tower, dedicated to one of the most prestigious foods of our culinary panorama: truffles. San Miniato was home to a truffle fair in October, which was only a preview of what was to come every weekend in November : International Market and Fair of the White Truffle. This fair always attracts lots of people coming from everywhere in Italy and abroad, and not only truffle experts. True aficionados eagerly await this occasion to taste hundreds of local recipes based on truffles, as well as savor the most tasty culinary delights of the country. A real paradise for foodies, experts connoisseurs and... everyone that loves food!

[Official link](#)

SCARPERIA: COLLEZIONISTI IN PIAZZA

1st Sunday of November

Text from: <http://www.visitflorence.com/florence-events/events-in-november.html>

Antiques in the Square

The first sunday of month heralds this event in Scarperia. Just imagine a stroll through this picturesque town center to find a wide range of goodies including vintage, antiques, clothing, and more, Stands are set up from 8:30 am to 7:30 pm.

FIERA ANTIQUARIA: THE OLDEST AND BIGGEST ANTIQUE FAIR IN AREZZO

First Saturday and Sunday of the month

Text from: discovertuscany.com

“Many years ago, Ivan Bruschi gave life to one of the oldest and biggest antique fairs in Tuscany...maybe even all of Italy. He transformed his love for the old, unique and precious into an event that fills the streets of Arezzo every first Sunday of the month and the Saturday that precedes it that month.”

Website: <http://www.fieraantiquaria.org/>

ORGANIC AND ARTISAN MARKET AT GREVE IN CHIANTI

Last Sunday of the month

From VisitFlorence.com: Piazza Matteotti is filled with locals who feature goods from their gardens, their kitchens and their workshops. Often you will find not only great bargains, but music and opportunities to do some taste testing.

Greve in Chianti | IL PAGLIAIO | Every 4th Sunday of the month | Organic and Artisan Market

VINTAGE AND HANDCRAFTS MARKET AT PANZANO IN CHIANTI

First Sunday of the month

From VisitFlorence.com: We know they call the fair "April"ante, but it really goes all year round! This monthly market in the streets of this charming town in Chianti is where you will find hand crafts, vintage and delicious typical foods and all of it this is just outside in the countryside surrounding Florence.

Panzano in Chianti | APRILANTE | 1st Sunday of the Month: Handcrafts & Vintage

PISTOIA: CULTURAL CAPITAL OF ITALY FOR 2017

Throughout the year

“Celebrate together with Pistoia! Between classical music concerts, art exhibits, cultural activities, blues & jazz in the town squares and so much more, this stunning little Tuscan town is prepared to show the world their true colors when it comes to their cultural prowess. Each month they are planning over 200 events including theater, music, book presentations, learning labs and more. Check in here every month to see select highlights from the Pistoia calendar.”

Text from: <https://www.discovertuscany.com/tuscany-events/may-in-tuscany.html>

Official Website: <http://www.pistoia17.it/en/>

BARGA: MERCATINO ANTIQUARIATO

2nd weekend of the month

Text from: discovertuscany.com

Head into the Garfagnana

It's not all about the food, in fact just north of Lucca in the area known as the Garfagnana you will find

fall colors, flavors and an antique fair that merits a visit.

CANTINE APERTE A SAN MARTINO

November 11 & 12

Text from: discovertuscan.com

Wine cellars open to the public

The Movimento Turismo del Vino has arranged another fantastic opportunity to taste some of the region's best. This time there is an event at the Museum of Brunello, in Montalcino with tastings of the Vino Novello, new oil and several of the great wines from the area. Another participant - closer to Florence is Tenuta Bacco a Petroio and if you are near Montepulciano then be sure to add the Vecchia Cantina to your itinerary on the 13th. Visit the official site for a detailed program.

[Official link](#)

ANGHIARI: CENTOGUSTI DELL'APPENNINO

Oct 28 - Nov 1

Text from: discovertuscan.com

The flavours and perfumes of the Valtiberina

This is a food festival dedicated to the local culinary delights, with the participation of some of the Tuscan "Slow Food" cities, such as Greve in Chianti. Wine and food tastings, culinary workshops, meetings and practical demonstrations are aimed to entertain and offer a tasty three-days-of-food manifestation.

AREZZO: AGRIeTOUR & APIeTOUR

November 17 & 19

Text from: discovertuscan.com

Outdoors and Bees Knees

This event concentrates on the agriturismo experience and is an annual date for everyone working in the agricultural and green tourism sector. At the same time there is APIeTOUR (a play on words in Italian Api means bee). It is mainly aimed to all those working in the beekeeping sector with information, technical advice and news on the subject, it is also meant to offer a wide range of products you can buy made with a base of honey, from food to cosmetics, thus becoming a more attractive and interesting event for the general public.

[Official link](#) & [Official link](#)

MONTEPULCIANO: TOSCANA GUSTANDO

November 11 - 12

Text from: discovertuscan.com

Compare the flavours of the north and south

The city centre will host Toscana Gustando: a culinary itinerary that will guide you to the discovery of traditional local restaurants and wineries. This year the theme compares Tuscany with that of the gastronomic tradition of Trentino Alto Adige.

[Official link](#)

MONTESPERTOLI: FESTA DEL VINO NOVELLO

November TBA

Text from: discovertuscany.com

Olive oil, bread & truffles are on the menu

Come celebrate the new flavors of fall with Montespertoli for two weekends of taste testing and the new crop. Set in the suggestive hills, vineyards and hamlet just west of Florence, this town is a great little day trip to explore the traditions of Tuscany and the landscapes of the region.

ACQUAVIVA: FESTA DEL CIBO DI STRADA

November 17

Text from: discovertuscany.com

Street Food is what's hot in Tuscany

In this small town outside of Montepulciano, they will host the Festa del Cibo di Strada, the Street Food Festival, a culinary fair dedicated to street and fast food, which often represents the most authentic, genuine and simple dishes of our local traditions and recipes.

[Official link](#)

FIGLINE VALDARNO: AUTUMNIA

November 11 - 12 - 13

Text from: discovertuscany.com

Agricoltura Ambiente Alimentazione

Figline Valdarno will be housing Autumnia, a fair focused on the area's products that, considering the central position of the city, will also include specialties from Siena, Arezzo and Florence. Florence and its province will be home, like many other Tuscan localities, to a plethora of food festivals focusing on the tastes of fall. There are many food festivals taking place in several locations of Florence and its surroundings chocolate, truffles, mushrooms and more ... you absolutely don't want miss out!

[Official link](#)

SAN GIOVANNI D'ASSO: MOSTRA MERCATO PER TARTUFO

November 11 - 12 & 18 - 19

Text from: discovertuscany.com

Truffles from the Creti Senese

Another area famous for its truffles, San Giovanni d'Asso will be open its doors, markets and museums

for the guests to taste and explore the delicate flavours and recipes of the black and white truffles.

[Official link](#)

MONTERIGGIONI: 19th CORRI SULLA FRANCIGENA

November 12

Text from: discovertuscan.com

Another way to follow in the footsteps of the pilgrims towards Rome

For all those who love doing some genuine sport and movement, and then indulge themselves in a few culinary excesses, Corri sulla Francigena is an running event: an itinerary dedicated to one of the many off-the-beaten tracks of Tuscany that will lead you to suggestive landscapes and marvellous panoramas, along the ancient Francigena road. The race is a non-competitive family fun run, so you could also take part just for enjoying the locations in this beautiful area of Tuscany.

[Official link](#)

SAN GIMIGNANO: CASTAGNE E VINO NUOVO

Every Sunday in Nov and Nov 1st

Text from: discovertuscan.com

Chestnuts and red, red wine in the square

In San Gimignano, it's time for chestnuts and the new wine! As of tradition, the Loggia del Comune in Piazza del Duomo (Cathedral square) will be housing the gastronomic event par excellence of the fall season: Castagne e Vino nuovo (Chestnuts and new wine)

[Official link](#)

LUCCA: COMICS & GAMES (GOLD)

November 1 - 5

Text from: discovertuscan.com

In Lucca it really is all fun & games

The [Lucca Comics and Games International Convention](#) is "THE" convention which celebrates cartoons and comics, with no limit on time or space.

[Official Website](#)

ORBETELLO: CORRI NELLA RISERVA

November 19

Text from: discovertuscan.com

Discover the Natural Reserve of Feniglia

The trail is one the dirt roads of the Reserve Feniglia, an uncontaminated environment and the perfect place for those on foot, by bike ... or even the animals to roam freely. Considered a fairly easily, you can

run or pedal your way through the pine forests, sometimes finding yourself face to face with deer, squirrels, pheasants, flamingos and maybe even a "cinghiale" (wild boar).

[Official link](#)

AREZZO: MERCATINO DI NATALE |

November 18 - December 26

Text from: discovertuscany.com

A night of lanterns

Open from November till December this Christmas market in Arezzo features a tradition from the land of the "Tirolesi" with decorations, gift items, typical products from the north and special events, like that on the 26 of November when the guests are invited to launch candle lit lanterns...and of course, make a wish.

[More Christmas Markets in Tuscany](#)

CINGIANO: GUSTATREKKING

November 12

Text from: discovertuscany.com

Discover the Maremma through your 5 senses

Walking your way through colors, fragrances and the flavors of the land. The trail will take you through the vineyards, fields and forests throughout the Maremma. In November the will be heading over towards Civitella Paganico and the Festa del Buco Unto...what a great way to combine the landscape with the flavors of Tuscany!

[For More Info](#)

CIVITELLA PAGANICO: FESTA DEL BUCO UNTO

November 11 - 12

Text from: discovertuscany.com

First press olive oil festival

This is a manifestation dating back centuries ago that is deeply rooted in the ancient traditions of the town. It's a sort of food festival dedicated to the tastes of Fall, like the new oil and wine that also offers music, typical markets and fun for everyone! Are you maybe wondering what Buco Unto is? Local inhabitants of Civitella Paganico picked up this nickname for their oily pant bottoms. How did this happen? It is said that when people, men in particular, went to Holy Mass and kneeled down to pray, their greased shoes always dirtied their pants, and thus leaving their bottoms oily ;-).

[Official link](#)

ROCCALBEGNA: RITO DELLA FOCARAZZA

November 24

Text from: discovertuscany.com

Set the night on fire

Another manifestation that is strongly tied to local cultural identity is Rito della Focarazza, that takes place every year in Roccalbegna on the 24th and 25th of November. It's a sort of competition among the contrade (quarters) of the city, that will try to get to the stollo, an oak beam erected in the middle of the focarazza, in English: a woodpile set alight, and steal it for their own rione, making their way through the streets of Roccalbegna.

MONTEMURLO: FESTA DI OLIO NUOVO

November 11 - 12 & 20

Text from: discovertuscan.com

The adventure begins at the antique castle "La Rocca"

Montemurlo near both Prato & Florence will be home to the New Oil Festival, an event dedicated not only to this typical product, also known as liquid gold, but also aimed to offer photo and art exhibitions, traditional dinners and much more.

[Official link](#)

LIVORNO: MARE DI VINO

November 18-19

Showcasing the wines Livorno & the Costa degli Etruschi

Over 3000 square meters of exhibition space featuring the wines from Bolgheri and Val di Cornia, as well as those from Montescudaio, Riparbella and the area of Terratico di Bibbona and the Islands of Elba ad Capraia. In addition to the wines there will be a space dedicated to stands about the olive oil from these areas. Don't miss your chance to widen your horizons and taste some great wines.

[Official link](#)

LUCCA: IL DESCO

November 18 - December 19 (weekends only)

Text from: discovertuscan.com

The flavors & know-how of Lucca in exhibition

Among all the places hosting a wine-and-food festival in November, Lucca could not obviously miss out! Il Il Desco - Sapori e Saperi Lucchesi, in fact, is taking place at the Real Collegio in the very heart of the city, every weekend: it's a fair dedicated to food which will highlight typical local products and offer culinary workshops for both children and grown-ups, tasting stands and more. Food won't be the exclusive protagonist of this event, where art and culture will also play a very important role.

[Official link](#)

ANGHIARI: FESTA DI SAN MARTINO

2nd weekend of November

Text from: discovertuscan.com

And handmade pasta and meat sauce

Festa di San Martino e dei Bringoli, held annually in Anghiari, attracts tourists from everywhere in Tuscany thanks to the “bringoli”, a type of handmade spaghetti prepared with water and flour then served with a mushroom or meat sauce. You will also find stands with grilled sausage, chestnuts, local wine and more.

POGGIO: NATALE AL POGGIO 2017

November 18 - 19

Text from: discovertuscan.com

5th Edition of Christmas Magic in Tuscany

This quaint little town not far from Casole d'Elsa opens its city streets to 50 select artisans with an air of festival and Christmas. Join in the holiday fun savor typical Italian, Tuscan and even local specialities, visit the incredible museums and admire the art and treasures of the city while taking an opportunity to do some holiday shopping

[Official link](#)

INVITATION TO NEWSLETTER READERS

INVITATION TO NEWSLETTER READERS AND FRIENDS:

The Pitcher & Flaccomio Newsletter would like to invite readers and friends of readers to submit announcements of upcoming events that may be of interest to visitors and residents of Florence and Tuscany, provide shopping tips, and/or comments on what’s “right” or “wrong” in Florence (or the Newsletter). We can’t promise to put every announcement in the newsletter, but we appreciate your support, interest and messages.

Please send an email to info@pitcherflaccomio.com or newsletter@pitcherflaccomio.com

NOVEMBER WISHES

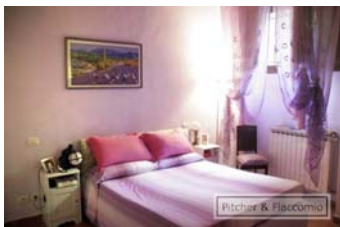
Wishing you fragrant white truffles with freshly pressed olive oil, to share over warming winter dinners with your family and loved ones,

All the best,

The Staff of Pitcher and Flaccomio

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SALE – Santa Croce – Historical Center

Ground floor, perfect conditions, 110 Sq. Mt. (aprox 1100 Sq. Ft.). 3 Bed, 2 Bath. Autonomous heating, good as investment.

Asking price 245,000 Euro



SALE – Piazza Liberta' Apts – Historical Center

Refurbished apartments in a nice elegant building ranging from of aprox. 80 Sq. Mts (approx. 800 sq. ft.), to aprox. 250 Sq. Mt. (2500 Sq. Ft.). High decorated ceilings, elevator, air. conditioning and autonomous heating.

Asking price 350,000 Euro



SALE – Farm House Complex – 2 Km South of Florence

Free standing farm house, in great conditions, aprox. 450 Sq. Mt (4.500 Sq. Ft.) with aprox 3 hectares (9 Acres) of garden and land; 7 bedrooms, 5 bathrooms; Quiet, private and close to Florence

Asking Price 2,000,000 Euro



SALE – Bagno a Ripoli - Rosano – 15 Km from Florence

To be totally refurbished farm complex, for a total of approx. 500 sq. mts (approx. 5000 sq. ft.), surrounded by aprox. 4 hectares (12 acres) of graden and land; water and electricity already in place

Asking price 550,000 Euro



SALE – Bolognese Villa – 10 Km from Florence

Free standing villa in great conditions, approx. 400 sq. mts (approx. 4000 sq. ft.) surrounded by 1000 Sq. Mt. (10.000 Sq. Ft.) of garden. 5 Bed, 4 bath. Autonomous heating, south exposure and views.

Asking price 1,250,000 Euro



SALE – Bagno a Ripoli Villa – 3 Km from Florence

Free standing modern villa, 440 sq. mt. (aprox. 4.400 sq. ft.) surrounded by 4.000 Sq. Mt (40.000 Sq. Ft.) of garden. 5 bedroom 5 bathrooms, autonomous heating, air conditioning, car parking; stunning views over Florence.

Asking price 2,700,000 Euro



SALE – Chianti Portion of House – 15 Km South of Florence

Free standing on three sides, in good conditions of aprox. 120 Sq. Mts (approx. 1200 sq. ft.), plus 20 Sq. Mt (200 Sq. Ft.) of barn and 4 hectares (12 acres) of land. 2-3 Bed, 1 bath. Autonomous heating, garage.

Asking price 390,000 Euro