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WELCOME

“Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower.” (Camus)

First-press olive oil, truffles, porcini mushrooms, and all the film festivals you could want - November welcomes the cold weather with indulgent seasonal treats and cosy entertainment. There are fewer visitors in the streets, and although the daylight grows shorter, the lights of the city cast a warm glow after sunset. Explore the indoor galleries and theatres, savour rich Tuscan stews and roasted chestnuts, or even stay in with a humble supper of first-press Tuscan olive oil drizzled over toasted bread by the fireplace. During the day, enjoy the spectacular colours of the season as Florence turns her leaf towards the colder nights. Autumn is the time for savoury comforts and indoor cultural treasures. We hope you enjoy the aroma of white truffles, and the abundance of exhibits, music, and arts of all kinds on show around the city. With best wishes from SUZANNE, CORSO, BEI, EGLA, VANNI, ANNA PIA, RAFFAELLA, AND MARISA.

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BEST EVENT: DONATE NOW AND SUPPORT AILO'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

A NEW DATE AND A NEW LOCATION! This year we are holding our Christmas Bazaar at the Ippodromo at the Cascine! Quite the challenge! We are looking forward to introducing you to a new and exciting adventure at the Races. A message from Suzanne:



Ciao everyone! Yet again, we need your help. Every year, the American International Women's League ONLUS is organising their annual 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. To arrange the delivery of all your wonderful items, [please contact A.I.L.O. here](#). 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. 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.

Ciao,
Suzanne

BEST P&F RENTAL: A MODERN AND LIGHT APARTMENT IN ONE OF THE OLDEST PARTS OF FLORENCE

Via dell'Acqua is a narrow street in one of the oldest parts of Florence. It lies between Piazza Santa Croce and Piazza della Signoria, in the heart of the city. It is within a few minutes' walk to the Ponte Vecchio, Uffizi gallery and most of the city's museums and monuments. Nearby Via dei Neri is a fascinating



shopping street where Florentines go for the wine bars, restaurants, trattoria, grocery shopping and the numerous boutiques. A little further away is Sant`Ambrogio market, a post office and a gym. [More Photos and Information here.](#)

BEST TRADITION: ALL SAINTS DAY HOLIDAY, November 1

Celebrated throughout Italy, Halloween coincides with the major Catholic holiday celebrating the dearly departed and saints. The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church who have attained heaven. All Saints' Day was formally started by Pope Boniface IV, who consecrated the Pantheon at Rome to the Virgin Mary and all the Martyrs on May 13 in 609 AD. Boniface IV also established All Souls' Day, which follows All Saints. The choice of the day may have been intended to co-opt the pagan holiday "Feast of the Lamures," a day which pagans used to placate the restless spirits of the dead, now celebrated as Halloween. Many will make a long weekend out of the holidays this year and you will find lots of Italians out enjoying the city and the Tuscan surrounds. The celebrating of Halloween itself has only recently been adopted here, and is mostly just for children. On November 1st some museums will be closed, and public transport works on a festive schedule. Many stores will be closed. Enjoy the festive mood in the streets or time with family!

BEST MARKET: MERCATO TEDESCO DI NATALE OPENS THE CHRISTMAS SEASON, November 15 - December 21

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, and until 11pm on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

BEST FESTIVAL: 50 DAYS OF CINEMA FILM FESTIVAL AT CINEMA LA COMPAGNIA

The 50 Days of Cinema in Florence is "The festival of festivals" that brings cinema, in all its variety and splendor, to the city between October and December. An intense program, which holds together important and historic international festivals, for 50 days of culture, art, events, previews, meetings with directors and actors. The Festivals are held at the Cinema della Compagnia, in conjunction with other venues around the city on occasion.

dal 29 ottobre al 2 novembre – [France Odeon – Festival del Cinema Francese](#)

da 3 al 9 novembre – [Festival dei Popoli. Festival Internazionale del Film Documentario](#)

dal 12 al 16 novembre – [Lo Schermo dell'arte Festival di cinema e arte contemporanea](#)

dal 26 al 30 novembre – [Florence Queer Film Festival](#)

See the whole program [here.](#)

BEST DINING OUT: 7th EDITION OF IL GUSTO TOSCANO: TUSCAN TASTES ARE CELEBRATED AT IL CONVENTINO, Nov 8 and 9

Gusto Toscano is an unmissable event for discovering the region's finest food and wine products. It is not a trade fair, but thanks to its structure, with masterclasses and tastings, it is effectively a two-day cultural exploration of the region, traditional methods and the most innovative techniques. Over 30 producers, including winemakers, master distillers, and agri-food artisans, will enliven the spaces of Officina Creativa Lab by Artex c/o Conventino fuori le Mura - Via Giano della Bella 20, Florence - with many exceptional offerings. The event is open to the public and admission is free. This seventh edition features tastings and masterclasses led by renowned experts and sommeliers, from Leonardo Romanelli to Andrea Gori, from Barbara Tedde to Paolo Bini, as well as various biscuit, honey, and chocolate tastings. Participation in the events is free, but seating is limited. [Website](#).

BEST OF THE REST

THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD, Nov 2

The Changing of the Guard in many European cities is one of the unmissable events for visitors from all over the world. It is a ritual that is renewed periodically and for some special occasions of great emotional impact. The history of Florence certainly takes us back to the years of the Siege of 1529/30, when Charles V wanted to bring the Medici family back to Florence by besieging the city. Florence had its own city army and Palazzo Vecchio or della Signoria, the city's seat of administration and power, was protected by a military group of the Army of the Florentine Republic: the Fanti di Palazzo, a group formed specifically to protect the 'Palazzo', the seat of power. The Army of the Florentine Republic was, however, composed of numerous other military groups with different intrinsic characteristics, which on occasion substituted the Fanti di Palazzo themselves in this very important task. [Website](#).

THE JAPANESE FESTIVAL OF FLORENCE, Nov 22 and 23

The Centro Rogers will host the 26° edition of the Japanese Festival of Florence: an opportunity to immerse themselves in the rich Japanese tradition. There will be performances of martial arts, including Bushido, Aikido, Karate, Kendo, and Judo, tea ceremonies, calligraphy and ikebana workshops, as well as traditional dance and music performances. Organized by the cultural association Lailac, the festival has become a regular appointment that, this year as well, will offer high-level performances and unique entertainment. There will also be areas dedicated to Japanese food, with tastings of sushi, ramen, and other typical specialties, along with stands to purchase traditional crafts. [Website](#).

SYMPHONIC CHORAL CONCERT WITH THE LUIGI CHERUBINI CONSERVATORY ORCHESTRA AND CHOIR, November 3

On the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the Fondo Edifici di Culto (FEC), the Basilica of Santa Croce will host a symphonic choral concert with the Orchestra and Choir of the Luigi Cherubini Conservatory of Florence. The Program:

W.A. Mozart, Ave verum in D major, K. 618 and F. Schubert, Mass in C major, D. 452

Sara Pace and Terukazu Komatsu, conductors, Orchestral Conducting Class of Maestro Alessandro Pinzauti, Michele Manganelli, choir master

Angjela Ramaj, soprano, Viola Peruzzi, mezzo-soprano, Shunyao Li, tenor, Ouyang Zhiming, bass

More information and tickets at the [website](#).

FRIDA OPERA MUSICAL, AT TEATRO VERDI, November 7-9

Frida Opera Musical is an exciting performance that celebrates the life and art of Frida Kahlo, one of the most iconic and revolutionary figures of the 20th century. Through a fusion of music, dance, and theater, the show tells the story of the famous Mexican painter, her personal challenges, her passion for art, and her indomitable spirit. The lavish sets and captivating music will bring to life a visceral and fascinating journey into Frida's world, blending the realism of her experiences with the symbolism of her paintings. In the cast is the figure of La Catrina, portrayed by Drusilla Foer, who represents the iconography and popular culture of Mexico. Book tickets at the [website](#).

ONLY USATO: SECOND HAND AND VINTAGE MARKET AT MULTIPLE LOCATIONS AROUND FLORENCE, November 9, 16, and 23

With free entry, DJ sets, and drinks and food served up, this will be the best of the best of second-hand treasure hunting while surrounded by artisans in three beautiful venues: The Square, The Social Hub, and La Limonaia. A roving market that sets up in the most beautiful artistic locations around town, so you can experience green spaces and artisan creations alongside sustainable fashion! [Website](#).

NIGHTTIME OPENINGS OF THE VASARI CORRIDOR

From [The Florentine Magazine](#): Running every Friday evening through December 26 (excluding August 15), the Vasari Corridor, which reopened last December after 8 years, will host special nighttime visits. These guided group tours do not require a ticket to the Uffizi Gallery and offer a rare opportunity to experience the corridor's unique architecture and atmosphere after dark. Tours run from 7-11pm, with ten slots per group running every 20 minutes. The visit lasts approximately 45 minutes, and full price admission is 20 euro. Advance booking is required either online, via call center, or in person at the museum's ticket office.

MORE EXHIBITIONS AND CULTURAL EVENTS

CENTOVENTI : VILLA ROMANA 1905-2025, Until March 8

In celebration of the 120th anniversary of Villa Romana, the Museo Novecento presents the exhibition CENTOVENTI: Villa Romana 1905-2025. Villa Romana has established itself from the very beginning as a free and independent space, dedicated to artistic experimentation and international dialogue. Over time, it has supported young and innovative art, aiming to build new traditions through critical reflection on the past and present. The exhibition explores the ongoing dialogue between the residency on Via Senese and the city of Florence, highlighting Villa Romana's role in creating relationships, influences, and original visions, despite its seemingly peripheral location. Since 1905, the Villa has hosted artists and intellectuals who have transformed it into a laboratory of experimentation and openness to the contemporary world. [Website](#).

THE ROSE THAT GREW FROM CONCRETE, Until January 6

The Rose That Grew From Concrete" is a site-specific exhibition at the Museo Sant'Orsola in Florence, Italy, featuring works by 13 artists inspired by Tupac Shakur's poem and the concept of resilience. The show, which opened in September 2025 and runs until January 2026, transforms the historic, still-under-renovation ex-monastery into a space for contemporary art and cultural regeneration. The exhibition focuses on the site's history of occupation and abandonment, with artists reinterpreting cycles of construction and decay as a foundation for rebirth. [Website](#).

INSIDE PINOCCHIO – IMMERSIVE EXHIBITION, Until November 30

The Cathedral of the Image in Florence presents a new immersive exhibition dedicated to Pinocchio, the world's most famous puppet: Pinocchio. Inside Pinocchio - Immersive Exhibition is a perfect exhibition for the whole family that transforms Carlo Collodi's classic into an unprecedented experience. Inside Pinocchio tells the story of the wooden puppet born from the skill of the carpenter Geppetto (and from the pen of Carlo Collodi), who, thanks to the help of the Blue Fairy and the Jiminy Cricket, manages to grow up and finally become a real boy. [Website](#).

TOULOUSE-LAUTREC, A JOURNEY THROUGH THE PARIS OF THE BELLE ÉPOQUE, Until February 22

The Museo degli Innocenti is hosting an exhibition dedicated to Henry de Toulouse-Lautrec, the great painter, illustrator and graphic innovator born in Alby, France, in 1864. Visitors to the ancient and prestigious Museo degli Innocenti will be able to admire over 170 works by the French artist, some of which come from Hamburg and others from the Toulouse-Lautrec Museum in Albi. Recognised as someone who was able to capture the nightlife and bohemian spirit of Montmartre in Paris with an ironic and profound gaze, Toulouse-Lautrec was also able to show the dark side behind that glittering world. [Website](#).

PALAZZO STROZZI PRESENTS FRA ANGELICO: THE EXHIBITION, Until January 25

The Basilica di San Lorenzo complex host's Humanitas - La Forza dell'Amore, which presents Andrea Roggi's monumental bronze sculptures. The Tree of Life, a favorite subject for the Tuscan artist, is represented in his works through the union of matter and spirit: his human figures, embracing each other in a synthesis of strength and tenderness, look like tree trunks and their arms, turned towards the sky, become olive branches, while the roots, inserted into the globe, represent the deep and essential bond with nature. You can see the full exhibition using your ticket to visit the San Lorenzo Church complex.

OCEANS: DAVID DOUBILET AT VILLA BARDINI, Until April 12

Underwater photography comes to Florence with Oceani, the Italian debut of David Doubilet (New York, 1946), one of the world's most renowned nature photographers, at Villa Bardini. Doubilet, who has been collaborating with National Geographic since 1971 and is still active today at the age of 79, has explored the Earth's oceans for over half a century, becoming an international reference point in the field of underwater photography. His photographs combine aesthetics, science and storytelling, thanks in part to his invention of the over/under technique, which involves simultaneous shooting above and below the water's surface. [Website.](#)

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

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: Uffizi, Accademia, Bargello, Medici Chapels, Pitti Palace (all museums), San Marco, Palazzo Davanzati, Medici Villas. And civic museums: Palazzo Vecchio, Arnolfo Tower, Santa Maria Novella, Stefano Bardini Museum, Fondazione Salvatore Romano, Museo del Novecento, Brancacci Chapel in Santa Maria del Carmine. [More information here.](#)

NOVEMBER WISHES

May your troubles fall with the Autumn leaves and the season of change bring new beginnings for all.

All the best,

The Staff of Pitcher and Flaccomio

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CLASSIFIEDS



SALE – San Miniato Apt – Historic Center

First and top floor, refurbished, approx. 160 Sq. Mt. (1600 Sq. Ft.). plus 30 Sq. Mt. (300 Sq.Ft.) of terraces. 2 bed, 3 bath plus study on loft; quiet, high decorated ceilings views.

Asking Price 2,500,000 Euro



SALE - Monte San Savino Farm House - Tuscany

Free standing, refurbished stone house approx 360 Sq. Mt. (3600 Sq.Ft.), surrounded by 10.000 Sq. Mt. (2.5 acres) of garden. 6 Bed, 4 Bath, autonomous heating, pool.

Asking Price 870,000 Euro



SALE – Bagno a Ripoli Villa – 10 Km from Florence

Modern style free standing villa, approx. 450 sq. mt.(4500 Sq. Ft), and 5000 Sq.Mt. (50.000 Sq. Ft.) of garden. 8 bed, 7 bath, air conditioning, pool autonomous heating.

Asking price 2,200,000 Euro



SALE – San Niccolò' Apt – Historic Center

Ground floor, refurbished, approx. 200 Sq. Mt. (aprox. 2000 Sq. Ft.) and 175 Sq. Mt. (1750 Sq.Ft) of terrace and garden. 3 bed, 3 bath, quiet, views, 5 min walk to ponte vecchio. For more info please contact us directly.

Asking Price 2,600,000 Euro



SALE – Lungarno Apt – Historic Center

Top floor (69 easy steps), listed with the Fine Arts, approx. 140 Sq. Mt. (aprox. 1400 Sq. Ft.) and 10 Sq. Mt. (100 Sq.Ft) of terrace. 3 bed, 2 bath, quiet, and centrally located, some works required.

Asking Price 700,000 Euro



SALE – San Lorenzo Apt – Historic Center

Top floor, with elevator, listed with the Fine Arts, refurbished, approx. 140 Sq. Mt. (aprox. 1400 Sq. Ft.) and 10 Sq. Mt. (100 Sq.Ft) of terrace. 3 bed, 2 bath, quiet, and centrally located

Asking Price 690,000 Euro

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