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Italian Consulate Announces 18th International Week Of The Italian Language



*A week of activities, organized **Under the High Patronage of the President of the Italian Republic**, and in partnership with educational and cultural organizations, will celebrate Italian excellence in language, arts and [entrepreneurship](#).*

Boca Raton, FL – The Office of the Italian Consulate in Miami, under the leadership of the honorable **Consul General, Cristiano Musillo**, who started his tour of duty last August, has announced that a week-long celebration, the **18th International Week of the Italian Language**, will take place in various Florida cities from October 15 until October 22, 2018 during the statewide **Italian Heritage Month** celebration.

The week pivots around an educational initiative called **NETWORKshops**, whose activities are being planned with the support of **ODLI**, a Florida-based nonprofit organization that raises funds for Italian language education throughout the state. This is a project that showcases Italian excellence in language, visual arts and business and involves Italian artists who excel in various artistic mediums teaching and collaborating with high school and University students of Italian — from Carver Elementary school, Carver Middle school, Ponce de Leon Middle School, Metropolitan International School, iMater Charter Middle/High School, International Studies Charter School, International Studies Preparatory Academy, Palmetto Senior High School, Gaither High School, Somerset Academy Middle/High School, Florida International University, University of South Florida – in lab workshops. It also speaks more broadly to exciting collaborative opportunities and synergies that exist within the network of Italians that live in Florida and Italy to more broadly promote the Italian language and culture beyond just the Italian [community](#).

The artists include **Diego Santanelli**, a painter who works with natural enamels; **Paola Cassola**, an installation artist; **Marina Fonteyne**, a photographer and **Enrico Ostuni**, a video storyteller. In addition, a young Italian entrepreneur, **Matteo Achilli**, led a workshop on the development of startup projects in Italy that involve new technologies. This workshop project will be showcased during an exhibit at the University

of Miami's Korach Gallery. The opening reception for this exhibit on October 15 also marks the launch of the Italian Language Week.

Expanding on the network concept, the Consul and ODLI have organized additional activities in collaboration with **Dante Alighieri Society**, **Marangoni Institute of Miami** and the **Italian Studies Programs at Florida International University and Florida Atlantic University**. The week-long events will culminate and conclude on **October 19th with a roundtable discussion, "When I.T. makes the difference. Italian and new Technologies"** at the University of Miami. Representatives from various educational, cultural, artistic, scientific and business sectors will discuss how emerging technologies quickly connect individuals and organizations and create synergetic relationships and projects within and beyond the Italian network.

The schedule for the week is as follows.

MIAMI

Monday, October 15 | 6 PM | *Private by invitation*

Inaugural Exhibit – NETWORKSHOPS
Korach Gallery at the University of Miami
Exhibit ends October 20, 2018

Tuesday, October 16 | 7 PM

Conference: From the Divine Comedy to the Divine Internet
Dante Alighieri Society
300 Aragon Ave #250, Coral Gables, FL 33134

Wednesday, October 17 | 6 PM

Seminar "Bodoni's Fashion Evolution"
Istituto Marangoni Miami
3700 NE 2nd Ave, Miami, FL 33137

Friday, October 19 | 5-8 PM | *Private by invitation*

Roundtable: When I.T. makes the difference: Italian and New Technologies
Stanley and Jewell Glasgow Lecture Hall at University of Miami

Thursday, October 25 | 11 AM

Eurochocolate contest : il cioccolato parla italiano. Per il 25° anniversario del Festival Internazionale del cioccolato – Eurochocolate | (Eurochocolate contest: Chocolate speaks Italian. For the 25th anniversary of the International Festival of Chocolate)
Florida International University

BOCA RATON

October 3-31 | Various times

"Vivere all'italiana" Italian Film Festival
Performing Arts Building (PA 101)
Florida Atlantic University

Friday, October 19 | 6 PM

FlorItalians – Ritratti di Italiani in Florida
(Portraits of Italians living in Florida)
Culture & Society Building
Florida Atlantic University

Friday, October 19 | 7 PM

Director Andrea D'Ambrosio will present his documentary, "Biùtiful cauntri."
Performing Arts Building (PA 101)
Florida Atlantic University

TAMPA

Thursday, October 18 | 6-9 PM

“#CIAO ITALIA,” a short- movie by T. Thompson
Gaither High School

TALLAHASSEE

Wednesday, October 10 | 7 PM

“Vivere all’italiana” Italian Film Festival

Corpo Celeste

Ad occhi chiusi

All Saints Cinema

Monday, October 29 | 2-9 PM

Marathon reading of Dante’s Inferno — Volunteers will read all verses in Italian and English
Strozier Library at Florida State University

Credentialed members of the media are welcome at all events, but please contact Jenifer Mangione at 561.961.9136 or jenifer@jmvmediagroup.com to confirm and coordinate video and photography.



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ODLI is a nonprofit organization founded in 2012 to promote the Italian language in the United States. The organization does this with the support of and in partnership with the 450.3676 government of Italy. ODLI’s primary thrust is to bring Italian language education into the Florida school system by funding teaching posts. More information about ODLI can be obtained by calling 786.603.2400 or 305.or by email odliinc@hotmail.com.



The **Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation** has established the pillars for a new strategy for an integrated promotion of Italy around the world developing synergy between economic, cultural and scientific diplomacy and consular network and Italian Institutes of Culture. The main pillars are: 1.) Design 2.) Archeology and protection of cultural heritage 3.) Contemporary art around the world 4.) Italian language 6.) Invest your talent in Italy

7.) Fine Italian cookery around the world 8.) Cultural tourism 9.) Cultural and creative industries: cinema, audiovisuals and publishing
10.) Mediterranean 11.) Promotion of Italian science and research 11.) Integrated systems missions.