

# New Italian Language Courses

Italian Language Course	Time	Period	No Lessons
Beginner I (Wed)	7:00 - 9:00 pm	From 2/10 to 22/1/2014	25/12/2013 and 1/1/2014
Beginner I (Tue)	10:00 - 12:00 pm	From 10/9 to 7/1/2014	1/10, 24/12, 31/12/2013
Beginner II (Thursday)	7:00 - 9:00 pm	From 29/8 to 12/12	19/9/2013
Beginner II (Saturday)	10:00 - 1:00 pm	From 21/9 to 23/11	
Beginner II (Friday)	2:00 - 4:00 pm	From 13/9 to 10/1/2014	20/9, 22/11 and 27/12/2013
Beginner II (Wed and Fri)	10:00 - 12:00 pm	From 4/9 to 30/10	20/9/2013
Beginner III (Saturday)	10:00 - 1:00 pm	From 30/11 to 15/2/2014	28/12/2013 and 1/2/2014
Beginner III (Friday)	7:00 - 9:00 pm	From 4/10 to 17/1/2014	27/12/2013
Beginner IV (Saturday)	2:00 - 5:00 pm	From 7/9 to 9/11	
Intermediate I (Saturday)	2:00 - 5:00 pm	From 23/11 to 8/2/2014	28/12/2013 and 1/2/2014
Intensive B1 (Mon & Thur)	10:00 - 12:00 noon	From 10/10 to 30/1/2014	14/10, 21/11, 23/12, 26/12, 30/12/2013 and 2/1/2014
Intermediate II (Tue & Thu)	2:00 - 4:00 pm	From 3/9 to 29/10	1/10/2013
Intermediate II (Saturday)	10:00 - 1:00 pm	From 12/10 to 14/12	
Intermediate III (Tuesday)	7:00 - 9:00 pm	From 3/9 to 17/12	1/10/2013
Intermediate IV (Saturday)	2:00 - 5:00 pm	From 7/9 to 9/11	
Intermediate V (Tue)	7:00 - 9:00 pm	From 3/9 to 17/12	1/10/2013
Intermediate V (Saturday)	2:00 - 5:00 pm	From 16/11 to 25/1/2014	28/12
Advanced I (Thursday)	3:00 - 5:00 pm	From 5/9 to 19/12	21/11/2013
Advanced II (Thursday)	3:00 - 5:00 pm	From 5/12 to 3/4/2014	27/12/2013, 30/1 and 6/2/2014
Parliamo in Italian (Thur)	7:00 - 9:00 pm	From 29/8 to 12/12	19/9/2013
Advanced V (Monday)	7:00 - 9:00 pm	From 21/10 to 17/2/2014	23/12, 30/12/2013, 3/2/2014

## Corso di mandarino / cantonese per italiani

### Corso di Mandarino per italiani

Gli orari del corso <b>Diurno</b>	Gli orari del corso <b>Serale</b>
Ogni mercoledì mattina dalle 10 alle 12 dal 4 settembre al 11 dicembre Totale 30 ore, 15 lezioni da 2 ore ciascuna HKD 3,300	Ogni mercoledì sera dalle 19 alle 21 dal 4 settembre al 11 dicembre Totale 30 ore, 15 lezioni da 2 ore ciascuna HKD 3,300

### Corso di Cantonese per italiani

Gli orari del corso <b>Diurno</b>	Gli orari del corso <b>Serale</b>
Ogni martedì mattina dalle 10 alle 12 dal 3 settembre al 17 dicembre Totale 30 ore, 15 lezioni da 2 ore ciascuna HKD 3,300	Ogni lunedì sera dalle 7 alle 9 dal 2 settembre al 16 dicembre Totale 30 ore, 15 lezioni da 2 ore ciascuna HKD 3,300

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# Newsletter

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THIS IS A  
MONTHLY  
NEWSLETTER  
FROM DANTE  
ALIGHIERI  
SOCIETY IN HONG  
KONG

DANTE ALIGHIERI  
SOCIETY IS AN  
ITALIAN  
CULTURAL  
SOCIETY THAT  
PROMOTES THE  
ITALIAN  
LANGUAGE  
STUDIES AND  
CULTURE  
THROUGHOUT  
THE WORLD.  
WE PROVIDE  
ITALIAN COURSES  
FROM BEGINNER  
TO ADVANCED  
LEVELS TO ADULTS  
AND CHILDREN.  
TO SUIT YOUR  
EXACT NEEDS,  
WE CAN ORGANIZE  
PRIVATE  
ONE-ON-ONE OR  
SMALL GROUP  
LESSONS AND OUR  
TEACHERS CAN  
ALSO TEACH IN  
YOUR COMPANY  
AND TAILOR-MAKE  
A COURSE TO SUIT  
YOUR NEEDS.



## An evening with Stefano BASSANESE on 24 July 2013 at Domani Restaurant

Our board member, Stefano Bassanese, delivered an interesting speech at his restaurant: "International Tourism: Why Italy?" First of all, we thanked Umberto Cesari for the wonderful wines, Antica Carte Pallavicina for the magnificent 24-month Parma Ham, Gourmet.it for the Parmigiano Reggiano and Academia Barilla for their support in the contents of the discussion ("International Tourism: Why Italy?"). And the dinner was designed by Domani Executive Chef Andrea Spagoni.

Elisa Messina and Angelo Paratico of Dante Alighieri Society presented Stefano to the 60 attending guests, Chinese and Italians. Here are some highlights of their presentation.

"Stefano is a pillar of the Italian community in Hong Kong. He is also a cavaliere of the Italian Republic, and acts as a sort of ambassador for what Italy can offer in terms of food, wines and hospitality."

Stefano was born in Trieste, where his family runs a restaurant, in Piazza Venezia. Carlo Leopardi - now living in Shanghai - was often there with his customers and described to him Hong Kong and China. Those were the years when the Taiwanese Evergreen shipping company bought the Lloyd Triestino and, because of this, more and more oriental people visited Stefano's Restaurant.

Stefano and Lorena, his wife - a world champion in hairdressing - landed here in 2007. Stefano then began working at Cinecittà with Paolo Fassina. From there he knew well the Italian community, getting more and more involved in it. Then he was transferred to Shangri-La and he later joined the DOMANI restaurant where he is still the manager. Stefano later joined the Fogolar Furlan and entered into the board of the Dante Alighieri Society, chaired by our Bruno Feltracco. Then he joined also the board of the Italian Chamber of Commerce.

His latest achievement is being part of the Academia Barilla's jury in Parma, which also sponsored our evening.

Stefano explained with data and numbers in hand to all the guests that Italy is one of the world superpowers for attracting tourism, but more has to be done in terms of hotels and infrastructure. The culinary tourism is a sector rapidly growing. More and more people are coming to Italy to enjoy our food and wines, not only to relax on our beaches or to visit museums."





## A night with Marino Sterle and Photo Contest Prize Award Ceremony in Collaboration with Domani Restaurant and Bibini Gelateria

It was our great honor and pleasure to have Mr. Marino Sterle, a very famous Italian photographer, to be our honorary guest for this Prize Award Ceremony. He awarded the winners and shared with us his personal experience as a professional photographer. Many thanks to Domani Restaurant for serving refreshments and drinks!!

The winners are as below:



Please visit our facebook page for more pictures: <https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.658856227475906.1073741837.198370340191166&type=3>

## “Una cartolina dalla Polonia” by Terry Kwong

One of our Dante Alighieri Members introduces us to the historical church in Poland!

### The Church of Saint Peter and Paul: Granting the Keys from Heaven Above and Earth Beneath

Coined as the “most beautiful church” by the locals in the City of Cracow, *Kościół Św. Piotra i Pawła* retains its aura of charm illuminating from its ornaments in Baroque style. The Main Altar and the portrait above: *Granting The Keys to St. Peter* is to be reflected simultaneously through the mirror above the entrance:

*Im Omnem Terram Exivit Sonus Eorum*

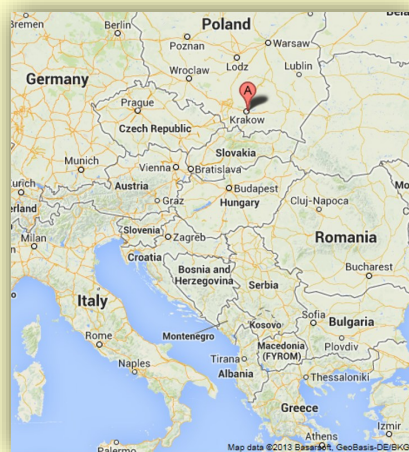
\*For visitors: To be seen with your attentive ears.



### The Old Synagogue: Where the Sound of Strings Echoing Within

Here in the Prayer Hall of the *Stara Synagoga* time standing still. In Kazimierz, the Jewish Centre of the City of Cracow, the acoustic echo within still has its unique resonance with the oldest synagogue's early-renaissance costume tailored by the Italian architect *Mateo Gucci* in the 16th century.

\* For visitors: An hour is to be reserved.



The photo of The Church is at the courtesy of The Church of Saint Peter and Paul (<http://www.apostolowie.pl/>), with acknowledgement of Father Marek Glownie, the Parish Priest of The Church of Saint Peter and Paul.

## “Una serata italiana con...”

Dante Alighieri is offering a great series of events called “una serata italiana con...” (An Italian Night with...) once a month and this is a great opportunity for you to meet famous and interesting Italians in Hong Kong!

### Ilaria Maria Sala in August

Date: Friday, 30 August 2013

Time: 19:00 - 20:30

Venue: Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong  
Free Admission

### Gianni Criviller in September

Date: Friday, 27 September 2013

Time: 19:00 - 20:30

Venue: Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong  
Free Admission

Registration:

[http://www.ladante.cc/event\\_registration.html](http://www.ladante.cc/event_registration.html)

Rally through the Goethe-Institut Hongkong and Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong



**Event:**  
Rally through the Goethe-Institut Hongkong and Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong

**Time:** 1 August– 15 September, 2013

**Participants:**  
Current students of the Goethe-Institut Hongkong and the Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong

**First Prize: Free Language Course!**

## Prendiamo un caffè

To boost your speaking abilities in Italian!

Level	Date	Time
A1	Thursday, 5 September 2013	19:00 - 21:00
A2	Thursday, 12 September 2013	19:00 - 21:00
B1	Thursday, 26 September 2013	19:00 - 21:00
B2 or Above	Thursday, 3 October 2013	19:00 - 21:00

Venue: Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong  
Fee: \$180 (Current DA Students :\$150) per Class

## The Italian Renaissance by Marta Marotta

Date: Friday, 6 September 2013

Time: 19:00 - 20:30

Venue: SICIS Showroom

Fee: \$80 (\$50 for current DA students and DA Members)

## History of Italian Coffee by Cristiano Maestrini

Date: Friday, 13 September 2013

Time: 19:00 - 20:30

Venue: Dante Alighieri Society in HK

Free Admission



## Opera Workshops by Peter Gordon

Why don't you learn the Italian language through an Italian Opera? A series of Opera Workshop by Peter Gordon will start again from September! These Opera workshops give you a clue of understanding an Italian Opera and will be a good opportunity to learn the Italian language without grammar things for beginners!

**Schedule:**

Bluffing your way to Opera: 11 September 2013

Easy Italian in Opera Arias and Duets: 16 October 2013

An Introduction to Puccini and his Operas: 6 November 2013

**Fee:** \$200 (current DA students and DA Members : \$180) per class and per person

**Place:** Unit A&B, 4/F Kiu Yin Commercial Building, 361-363 Lockhart Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong

**For registration and more information,** please visit our website: [http://www.ladante.cc/event\\_registration.html](http://www.ladante.cc/event_registration.html)