

# **Upcoming New Italian Language Course**



Italian Language Course	Day	Time	Period
Beginner I	Friday	10:00 - 12:00	17 January 2014 - 9 May 2014
Beginner I	Wednesday	19:00 - 21:00	12 February 2014 - 21 May 2014
Beginner II	Tuesday	10:00 - 12:00	14 January 2014 - 13 May 2014
Beginner II	Saturday	14:00 - 17:00	18 January 2014 - 29 March 2014
Beginner II	Wednesday	19:00 - 21:00	12 February 2014 - 21 May 2014
Beginner II	Monday and Friday	11:00 - 13:00	10 February 2014 - 4 April 2014
Beginner III	Saturday	14:00 - 17:00	12 April 2014 - 21 June 2014
Beginner III	Friday	14:00 - 16:00	17 January 2014-9 May 2014
Beginner IV	Friday	19:00 - 21:00	7 February 2014 - 23 May 2014
Intermediate I	Thursday	19:00 - 21:00	9 January 2014 - 8 May 2014
Intermediate II	Saturday	14:00 - 17:00	15 February 2014 - 3 May 2014
Intermediate III	Saturday	10:00 - 13:00	4 January 2014 - 15 March 2014
Intermediate IV	Saturday	10:00 - 13:00	22 March 2014 - 7 June 2014
Intermediate IV	Tuesday	19:00 - 21:00	7 January 2014 - 29 April 2014
Intermediate IV	Tuesday and Thursday	14:00 - 16:00	21 January 2014 - 27 March 2014
Intermediate V	Tuesday and Thursday	14:00 - 16:00	1 April 2014 - 29 May 2014
Advanced I	Monday	19:00 - 21:00	6 January 2014 - 28 April 2014
Advanced II	Thursday	15:00 - 17:00	9 January 2014 - 8 May 2014
Parliamo in italiano	Monday	19:00 - 21:00	24 March 2014 - 14 July 2014
Parliamo in italiano II	Thursday	19:00 - 21:00	9 January 2014 - 8 May 2014

No lessons on 1, 28,29,30,31 January 2014, 1,2,3,4,5,6, February 2014, 5,18,19,21 March 2014, 1,6 May 2014, 2 June 2014 and 1 July 2014

# Children's Course Beginner IV (3 - 5 years old)





Fee: \$2,700 (\$2,400 for students registered at the Scuola Manzoni)

# **Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong**

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# Newsletter

# **Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong**

Event: Do you write? Do you dream of being a writer? -Getting to know Italian Noble Prize Grazia Deledda -

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THIS IS A
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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.

he City University of Hong Kong,
Department of English, will host an
overseas writing retreat in Sardinia,
in October 2014, which will feature
the world of Nobel Prize winner Grazia
Deledda. Ciriaco Offeddu—member of the
Dante Alighieri Society Hong Kong and
founder of the cultural platform Beyondthirtynine.com—will represent the City University to
assist in the organization of this important
event that will involve MFA faculty writers
and students, as well as other writers and journalists from Hong Kong.

In preparation of the overseas retreat, three events are planned in the next months. The first one will be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of January. Dante Alighieri Society presents: "Do You Write? Do You Dream of Being a Writer?" where Xu Xi, City University's Writer-In-Residence, will speak about what it takes to participate in the writing life, and Angelo Paratico will introduce Grazia Deledda and her work.

The second event will be held in Macau, possibly in March, and the third one in Hong Kong again, in May. This run-up to the Sardinian retreat seeks to achieve some important goals: a growing knowledge of Grazia Deledda's world, with a deep discussion of her collections of books; a wider view of the Italian literary movements and writers at the beginning of the twentieth century—some of them not well-known in Asia; the evolution of the one-shot planned retreat as an ongoing yearly appointment.

Dante Alighieri Society will follow the entire plan ahead, which represents a terrific link between Hong Kong and the Italian culture.

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#### The Italian Nobel Prize Writer, Grazia Deledda

**Born:** 27 September 1871, Nuoro, Sardinia, Italy

**Died:** 15 August 1936, Rome, Italy The Nobel Prize in Literature 1926 was awarded to Grazia Deledda "for her idealistically inspired writings which with plastic clarity picture the life on her native island and with depth and sympathy deal with human problems in general."

She received her Nobel Prize one year later, in 1927. During the selection process in 1926, the Nobel Committee for Literature decided that none of the year's nominations met the criteria as outlined in the will of Alfred Nobel. According to the Nobel Foundation's statutes, the Nobel Prize can in such a case be reserved until the following year, and this statute was then applied.

Grazia Deledda therefore received her Nobel Prize for 1926 one year later, in 1927.

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nobel prizes/literature/



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## Sardinian Party: Joint Event with City University of HK The Italian Nobel Prize Writer, Grazia Deledda

This event is the first of the program which will include two more presentations in March in Macau and in May in Hong Kong. Finally in October 2014 the City University of Hong Kong, Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing, will host an overseas writing retreat in Nuoro, Italy, which will feature the work of Nobel Prize author Grazia Deledda. During the event Xu Xi, City University's Writer-In-Residence, will first speak about what it takes to participate in the writing life. Then, Vice President of Dante Alighieri Society, Angelo Paratico, will do an introduction to Italian Noble Prize winner, Grazia Deledda. After the presentation we will be delighted to offer a delicious buffet of food and wines from Sardinia.

Event: Do you write? Do you dream of being a writer? -Getting to know Italian Noble Prize Grazia Deledda. -

Date: Friday, 17 January 2014

Time: 19:00 - 20:30

Venue: Ferrari Showroom, 60 Repulse Bay Road



Xu Xi 許素細 is the author of nine books of fiction and sessays. Recent titles include Access Thirteen Tales, the novel Habit of a Foreign Sky which was a finalist for the Man Asian Literary Prize

and an essay collection Evanescent Isles. A Chinese – Indonesian native of Hong Kong, she makes her home along the flight path connection New York and Hong Kong. From 2002 to 2012, she was on the faculty at Vermont College of Fine Arts MFA in Writing, where she served as faculty chair from 2009 – 2012. Since 2012, she has been Writing-in-Residence at City University of Hong Kong's Department of English where she established and directs the low residency MFA in Creative Writing. www.xuxiwriter.com

# DANTE ALIGHIERI SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP CARD 2014

It is our pleasure to invite you to join Dante Alighieri Society, the only official Dante Alighieri Society Hong Kong branch authorized by Società Dante Alighieri in

As you know, we organize a wide and interesting range of Italian language courses, unique cultural activities and events.

Year 2013 was a remarkable year for the Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong.

We are delighted to announce you the launch of our 2014 Membership Campaign with our new sponsors!

The Annual Dante Alighieri Membership scheme gives the school a tremendous support to all its activities.

Membership at Dante Alighieri Society helps you learn more about the Italian culture and traditions. For example, you will discover the secrets of Italian cooking with famous Italian Chefs and learn how to appreciate the Italian wines with well-experienced sommeliers. You can also enjoy special offers on Italian food, wines and household products throughout the year.

In return to your precious support, you will be entitled to a variety of exciting privileges and offers, which have been especially formulated for you.

We wish you health, happiness & a prosperous 2014! €

#### Our New Sponsors:

- Pizza Pala: 10 % discount on every box picked up at pizzapala
- Rosticceria Italiana Monteverdi: Fidelity Card for only Dante Alighieri Members
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- Si Mangia! Authentic Italian Cuisine : Complimentary bottle of Prosecco Valdobbiadene DOCG for every booking of 4 people.
- TO ITALY: Complimentary Italian short course:
- "Italian for Travellers" for customer from TO ITALY
- OTTO Lounge: 15% discount for events and private parties
- San Giacomo: 10% discount on food and wine products for minimum purchased of 600 HKD (Free Delivery)



# **Upcoming Cultural Events and Workshops**



#### "Una serata italiana con..."

### An Italian master gelataio

The fifteenth Italian Night with our special guest: Gelato Master, Paolo Predonzan from I-Scream Ltd.

Date: Friday, 28 February 2014

Time: 19:00 - 20:30 Free Admission

Venue: Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong

### Opera Workshop: Puccini's TOSCA

Date: Wednesday, 22 January 2013 Time 19:00 - 21:00

Fee: \$200 (\$180 DA Members and DA Students) Venue: Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong

For registration, please go to http://www.ladante.cc/event\_registration.html

Live from the Met in HD: http://www.themetinhongkong.info/



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#### **FUNDRAISING DINNER IN HONG KONG**

EMERGENCY HONG KONG is thrilled to announce Dr.Gino Strada's second visit to the territory for our annual fund raising event, to be held on Saturday, 22 February at Grappa's Cellar, Jardine House, Central.

For more information, please visit the website or send a message to info@emergencyhkg.org.



# **Exploring Italy!**

Do you want to know more about Italy??? This short course is the new thematic course suitable for all and no prior

\*The tasting food is generously

sponsored by Valdivia and

Castello del Vino

knowledge required! Date: 8, 15 and 22 February

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Time: 11:00 - 13:00

Course Fee: \$900 (\$780 for current DA Members) Venue: Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong



### **New Year Dinner 2014**

Date: Sunday, 19 January 2014 Time: 19:00 Place: Domani Restaurant, Level 4, Pacific Place,

88 Queensway, Admiralty, Hong Kong Cost: \$650 net

Participants will receive door gifts and stand a chance of winning our Lucky Draw prizes!!

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# Corso di mandarino e cantonese per italiani

# Mandarino Beginner II

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Durata del corso: Frequenza: Giorno di lezione: Orario:

Costo:

dal 22 gennaio al 14 maggio 2014 2 ore settimanali, per un totale di 15 lezioni mercoledì

dalle ore 19.00 alle ore 21.00 \$3,300

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Durata del corso: Frequenza:

dal 14 gennaio al 15 aprile 2014 2 ore settimanali, per un totale di 12 lezioni

Giorno di lezione:

dalle ore 10.00 alle ore 12.00 Orario:

Costo: \$2,640

Sconto del 20% ai soci Associazione Donne Italiane Per qualunque informazione scrivere ad: elisa@ladante.cc

