

Course

Code

DA011422

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Session

**April Session** 

May Session

November Session

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Name

Beginner I

(Saturday)

Beginner III

(Saturday)

Beginner IV

(Friday)

Intermediate II

(Saturday)

Intermediate IV

(Saturday)

Intermediate IV

(Tue & Thu)

Intermediate V

(Tue & Thu)

Parliamo in Italiano

(Monday)

### **Upcoming New Language Courses and PLIDA 2014**

Time

10:00 - 13:00

14:00 - 17:00

19:00 - 21:00

14:00 - 17:00

10:00 - 13:00

14:00 - 16:00

14:00 - 16:00

19:00 - 21:00

Date

Wednesday, 9 April 2014

Wednesday, 21 May 2014

Wednesday, 19 November 2014

Thursday, 20 November 2014

For more information, please visit our website: http://www.ladante.cc/plida.html

No. of Lessons

From 22 February to

10 May 2014

from 12 April to

21 June 2014

from 14 February to

from 22 February to

10 May 2014

from 22 March to

7 June 2014

from 25 February to

17 April 2014

from 22 April to

19 June 2014

from 24 March to

14 July 2014

Level

B2 and C1

A1, A2, B1, C2

A1, A2 and B1

B2,C1 and C2

30 May 2014



Remarks

No lessons on

5 and 19 April 2014

No lesson on

19 April 2014

No lesson on

18 April 2014

No lessons on

5 and 19 April 2014

No lessons on

5 and 19 April 2014

No lessons on

1 and 6 May 2014

No lessons on

21 April and 2 June 2014

The Enrollment Period

from 17 March to 24 March 2014

from 24 April to 2 May 2014

from 24 October to 31 October 2014

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# Newsletter

## Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong

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## San Valentino



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.

id you have any plans for Valentine's Day or enjoy having a romantic dinner with your partner? Is there a special way of spending this time in Hong Kong?

The origin of St. Valentine's Day for the expression of love really isn't romantic at all -- at least not in the traditional sense.

The story of Valentine's Day began in the third century with an oppressive Roman emperor and a humble Christian martyr.

In Japan during Valentine's Day, it is only the women who give presents (mainly chocolates) to men, because it is said that Japanese women are usually too shy to express their love any other time of the year. It might not be true nowadays though... However, this was a custom, created by smart chocolate companies to boost their sales in 1958, and it was very successful not only in Japan but it is also poplar in many Asian countries now. Now the chocolate companies and famous restaurants in Japan sell more than half of their annual sales during the week before Valentine's Day. Men are supposed to return gifts to women on "White Day" (March 14th), a special day only celebrated in Japan.

But how about in Italy? Let's read this article about St. Valentine's day in Italian together! (The article is extracted from the textbook: OPERA PRIMA Volume 2 edited by Istituto Italiano di Cultura di Tokyo) 🙉

### San Valentino

La festa di San Valentino si festeggia il 14 febbraio ed è conosciuta e celebrata in tutto il mondo. Ouesta tradizione è stata diffusa dai monaci benedettini, per commemorare il ricordo del Santo Valentino (Terni 176- Roma 14 febbraio 273), detto anche San Valentino da Terni. Ma perché San Valentino è considerato universalmente il Santo protettore degli innamorati? Secondo la leggenda un giorno Valentino, durante una passeggiata, vide un ragazzo e una ragazza che litigavano. Andò allora verso di loro con una rosa e li invitò a tenere la rosa nelle loro mani unite: così i giovani si riconciliarono e chiesero a Valentino di sposarli. In Italia San Valentino si trascorre con la persona amata; di solito la sera si va al ristorante insieme e poi al cinema o a fare una passeggiata romantica. Gli innamorati si scambiano regali e biglietti d'amore e gli uomini regalano fiori e cioccolatini alle loro amate. Attenzione quindi: fare un regalo per San Valentino ha un significato molto speciale, non dimenticatelo!;)

#### Competa negli spazi!

- 1. La festa di San Valentino festeggia a febbraio.
- 2. San Valentino è festeggiato \_\_ tutto il mondo.
- 3. San Valentino da Terni è considerato il protettore innamorati.
- 4. In Italia San Valentino si trascorre \_ il partner.
- 5. In Italia a San Valentino gli innamorati si regali.



### (Non ci sarà lezione il 21, 28 aprile, 5, 12 maggio e 2 giugno) Totale 30 ore 15 lezioni da 2 ore ciascuna

HKD \$3,300

corso di cantonese per italiani Beginner I

Ogni lunedì sera dalle 19:00 alle 21:00

dal 3 marzo 2014 al 14 luglio 2014

**PLIDA 2014** 

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### **Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong**













### I pizzaioli Italiani: Fabio e Dario



o you want to enjoy an Italian Pizza which is made with Italian flour and extra-virgin olive oil??

You may find an artisanal roman pizza in Hong Kong! Their pizzas go through a long maturation process and the dough takes days to be ready. This is how they develop a tastier crust and a light yet crispy pizza. Why do they use Italian ingredients!? You can find the answer and the difference once you try it!

PizzaPala is the story of Fabio and Dario, two Italian friends who studied gastronomy at the Universty of Gastronomic Sciences in Italy and love good food.

During their school years, the two started to make artisa nal bread, pizza, beer, yogurt, gelato and pasta, just to name a few, simply for the pleasure of learning and discovering food sciences. In their spare time they would travel around Italy and the rest of the world to visit food artisans.

With their simple love for real food, the two decided to move to Asia a few years after and start PizzaPala, their first project in Hong Kong, which aims at making the best artisanal pizza in Asia.

Now delivery service is available only for Central, Admiralty and Wanchai Area. (Delivery charge \$50 for minimum order of 2 boxes but it'll be free if you order above \$600.)



PizzaPala became sponsor of Dante Alighieri Society Membership card from 2014 and you may take 10 % discount on every box picked up at any PizzaPala if you are our member!

## you are our member!

#### How to order?

Their Pizza is cooked in special Italian trays and to help you eat it and share it they cut it in slices!

1BOX = Half Tray = 6 slices for around 2 people

1 Full Tray = 12 slices for 4 to 5 people

#### Pizza Prices:

Margherita: \$140 for Box and \$280 for Full Tray Signature: \$200 for Box and \$400 for Full Tray Vegetarian: \$150 for Box and \$300 for Full Tray



#### **Locations:**

- Great Food Hall, Pacific Place Mall, Admiralty
- Fusion, Westland, Tai Koo
- Taste, Festival Walk, Kowloon Tong

For more information, please visit the website: http://pizzapala.com/Follow them on facebook: https://www.facebook.com/PizzaPalaHK





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### **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

Venue: Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong

Free Admission



#### A Fashion Brand Ambassador

The sixteenth Italian Night with our special guest: Mr. Diego Menarin from Christian Dior

Date: Friday, 21 March 2014

Time: 19:00 - 20:30

Venue: Dante Alighieri Society in Hong Kong

Free Admission

#### Art Workshop by Marta Marotta

The Art Workshop will come back in April!

Theme: Futurismo

Date: Thursday, 3 April 2014

Time: 19:00 - 20:30

Venue: TBC

Fee: \$80 (\$50 for Dante Alighieri Society Members)

#### Opera Workshop by Peter Gordon

Now Richard Wagner's "Lobengrin" comes to Hong Kong with the Hong Kong Arts Festival! We'll review the story and some of its background and the musical highlights.

Date: Wednesday, 19 March 2014

Time: 19:00 - 21:00

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

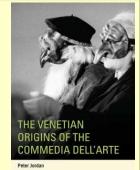
#### Book Presentation: "The Venetian Origins of the Commedia dell'Arte"

"The Venetian Origins of the Commedia dell'Arte" by Peter Jordan

Dr Peter Jordan – director, actor, composer, musician and author – was for many years an important member of the School of Drama in the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts, where he headed the Acting Department. Several of his productions have won awards, including: Les Miserables, Cyrano de Bergerac, The Visit and Ho Chi Minh in Hong Kong. Before his return to Hong Kong – his birthplace – he worked extensively in Britain and Italy, where he acted for TAG Teatro of Venice. He is a scholar of the Italian Commedia dell'Arte. His newly published book, The Venetian Origins of the Commedia dell'Arte, combines theory and practice of this

Date: Thursday, 6 March 2014 Time: 19:00 – 20:30 Venue: Dante Alighieri Society in

Hong Kong Free Admission



Registration:

http://www.ladante.cc/event\_registration.html

#### **European Higher Education Fair 2014**

Please come find us at the booth of Consulate General of Italy and you can take a free Italian Lesson on Saturday, 15 March 2014 from 15:30! Feel free to join us!

Date: 15 and 16 March 2014 Time: 11:00 - 18:00 Venue: Hong Kong Central Library in Causeway Bay

Free Admission

For more information: http://www.ehef-hk.org/

celebrated theatre form.



