



Filitalia International & Foundation
Proudly Announces:



The 4th Annual HEROES AWARDS

Awarded to those individuals who have done recognizable contributions to our Italian Heritage & to other fields of significant Public Service.

For award Criteria please visit our website
www.filitaliainternational.org

Sunday, June 2nd 2024

La Festa della Repubblica Italiana

12:00 PM – 4:00 PM EST Ceremony/Festivities

At The

“M. Fabrizio & P. Nestico Center for Language & Culture”

1834 East Passyunk Avenue, Philadelphia PA, 19148

(Home of “History of Italian Immigration Museum”)

Buffet lunch, Hors D’oeuvres, Dessert, BYOB (wine only)

Guest Speakers

Corrado Altomare MD, FACOG, MSCP

Research from the STURP (*Shroud of Turin Research Project*)

RAISE A GLASS FOR OUR HEROES!

AND CELEBRATE 10 YEARS OF THE HISTORY OF ITALIAN IMMIGRATION MUSEUM!

DONATION \$50.00 PER PERSON (PHYSICALLY PRESENT)

MUST PAY IN ADVANCE.

HYBRID EVENT. ONLINE ATTENDANCE AVAILABLE!

IN PERSON ATTENDEE RSVP IS NEEDED BY MAY 26TH, 2024.

All Proceeds Benefit the History of Italian Immigration Museum, Scholarship Program, Language & Culture Program and Humanitarian Program (Christmas Seal to help families and children in need)

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[HTTPS://SQUARE.LINK/U/DTSV4ksX](https://square.link/u/DTSV4ksX)

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A 501 (C)3 ORGANIZATION

MAIL TO 1834 EAST PASSYUNK AVENUE PHILADELPHIA, PA 19148

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Filitalia International & Foundation
4rd Annual Heroes Awards
2 June 2024
Program

Masters of Ceremony, 12:15

Tucker Tavarone, *First VP South East Philadelphia (Cosmi) Chapter*
Nicola Pirone & Nicholas Santangelo, *Assistant Executive Directors*

United States and Italian National Anthems
Filitalia International Anthem, by Dr. Mary Rorro

Opening Remarks, 12:20

Saverio Nestico, *7th President*
Dott.ssa Gaia Pecci, *Vice Console, Consolato Generale Italiano, Philadelphia*

Presentation of Awards, 12:30 - 13:50

Saverio Nestico, *7th President*
Dr. Prof. Pasquale F. Nestico, *Founder*

Special Announcement, 13:50

“The Michael D’Alessandro Esq. Scholarship Fund”, Paula Bonavitacola, *6th President*
“The Paul & Nancy Panepinto Scholarship Fund”

Guest Speaker, 14:00

Dr. Corrado Altomare, *Research from the STURP (Shroud of Turin Research Project)*

Raffle tickets, 14:10

Tucker Tavarone and Nicholas Santangelo

Luncheon & Music and Group Photo, 14:15 - 16:00

Join virtually from all over the world <http://meet.google.com/txc-obxv-jkh>

Albo d'oro Premio Hero

ANNO 2020

PREMIATO	CHAPTER	PRESIDENTE
Loius Campione	South Philadelphia	Chris Puzano
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Lucia Errico	Salerno	Sara Carbone
Paolo Ascierto	Napoli	Michela Mortella

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Mattia Piccoli	Venezia	Romano Toppan
Angelo Pagliuca	Caracas	Ugo Di Martino

ANNO 2022

PREMIATO	CHAPTER	PRESIDENTE
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\$15,000.00

“Remembering a Loved One”
Signature Engraved Tile with logo
and message outside the History of
Italian Immigration Museum

1 year of advertising on all Filitalia
International's social media
platforms, il
Telegramma Newsletter and Radio
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Opportunity to display at all Filitalia
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1 cycle of Italian Language classes
(8 lessons)

Filitalia Christmas Seals Campaign
donation in your name

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AMICO DELLA FESTA

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AMICO DEL GALA

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UMILTÀ - GIUSTIZIA - ONESTÀ

28 Chapters in 4 different countries dedicated to promoting and preserving the Italian heritage, language, and customs all over the world.

BECOME A MEMBER



Want to help Italian culture and heritage thrive? We can't do it without your help! Become a member by filling out the application online!

Individual **\$25**

Family **\$40**

Free admission to the History of Italian Immigration Museum for Filitalia Members!

Want more glamour? Filitalia International Gala is for you! Awards, food, enlightening conversation, and networking opportunity!

Lend a helping hand this Christmas for our Annual Christmas Seal Program! Help us provide 100+ with gifts and children's toys.

LANGUAGE CLASSES

Lessons are held in person and/or online throughout the year, Filitalia International & Chapters offers 8 week sessions that are easy to manage and make learning Italian fun! Our language classes are taught by qualified Italian speakers who have a passion for Italy as well as teaching; they are patient and care about your progress in class. At the end of each session, we hold evaluations to ensure you are happy with our school of language and culture.

LANGUAGE CLASSES





HISTORY OF ITALIAN IMMIGRATION MUSEUM CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Personalized “Remembering A Loved One’s” tiles make great gifts. You can give a gift that will last years in the name of your spouse, family member, or yourself. Even have your company sponsor a tile and show your support for the preservation of Italian and immigrant culture in Philadelphia. Sponsor a tile to honor your culture and have the engraved name forever displayed on the sidewalk of South Philadelphia.

All engraving is limited to 6 rows high by 22 characters including spaces per row. Each granite tile is “12 x12”. These tiles honor the Italian culture and your family name will be forever engraved on the sidewalk of South Philadelphia. In doing so, you will be an integral part of this ground breaking endeavor. All proceeds go to benefit the expansion of the History of Italian Immigration Museum.



Dedicate your Remembering-a- Loved-One- Tile in the name of your parents, family heritage, business or organization. The engraved paver, forever displayed on the sidewalk in front of HIIM museum will last for generations to come.



HUMANITARIAN CHRISTMAS SEALS PROGRAM

In the true tradition of Filitalia International, we are committed to our Annual Christmas Seal Program. Will you please share your blessings with those less fortunate? Please open your hearts to help give those in need a Merrier Christmas. Please make a "tax exempt" donation today. For the last 10 years we have provided over 1,500 families with gift cards along with an abundance of toys for all children!

This year we are collecting new toys and new coats for children from 1 to 10 years old.

Annual "La Vigilia" Feast of the Seven Fishes and the Christmas Seals Program are presented by the Filitalia International Humanitarian Committee. All proceeds from our Seven Fish Dinner will benefit the Christmas Seals Program.

If you are unable to attend our dinner, you can still donate by sending your cash, check, new coat, and/or new toys to:

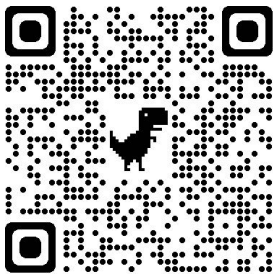
FILITALIA INTERNATIONAL & FOUNDATION HISTORY OF ITALIAN
IMMIGRATION MUSEUM
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INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE & SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

SCHOLARSHIPS



Since 1987 the Filitalia International Scholarship has awarded to so many young members of Filitalia International who show enormous passion in pursuing or continuing their education. Over 100 families have benefited from our commitment to higher education and the defense of the Italian language. The Scholarship Program is offered through the Filitalia Foundation, and supported by donations from our distinguished families. Applicants are evaluated according to academic ability, social awareness, knowledge of Italian language and appreciation of the Italian heritage. A GPA of 3.0 or higher is recommended. Scholarship applicants are judged by impartial members of the Language & Culture Committee. Amounts range from \$250 to \$1,000.

Filitalia International also offers several exchange program opportunities in the USA & Italy with the intent to help young members of Filitalia International to understand the Italian & American cultures and are looking for future career opportunities. The program is addressed to young members from 21 to 30 years old, undergraduate college students and graduated professionals. The exchange program will cover an internship of 2 weeks, and Filitalia will grant a \$500 maximum per participant as reimbursement of travel expenses, plus room and board reimbursement.

EXCHANGE PROGRAM



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Honorees

*Cavalier **Filippo Callipo**, Vibo Valentia, Calabria, Italia*

Imprenditore nel campo delle Conserve in particolare del tonno e del gelato.

E' patron di una delle piu' belle realtà sportive della provincia di Vibo Valentia e della Calabria, la volley Tonno Callipo.

Ha fondato il Movimento Io Resto in Calabria

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*Professoressa **Elsa Rita Rodríguez Mayolina**, Holguin, Cuba*

Insegnante e una lunga carriera nel campo della riabilitazione sociale e professionale svolta nelle istituzioni sanitarie pubbliche della provincia di Holguin, dove ha assistito persone bisognose.

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*Dottor **Francesco Marra**, Beltsville, Maryland, Stati Uniti*

Imprenditore dell'arte della pizza e della manifattura dei forni. Oltre 10 anni di esperienza nella leadership e nella gestione esecutiva di forni per mattoni artigianali produzione. Profonda conoscenza ed esperienza nei processi produttivi, nella stima, nell'approvvigionamento, produzione e garanzia della qualità.

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*Professoressa **Rosalba Rotondo**, Napoli, Campania, Italia*
Dirigente scolastico nel quartiere Scampia è una figura di riferimento nel panorama educativo italiano. E' stata insignita dal Presidente della Repubblica Sergio Mattarella, per decisione motu proprio, dell'onorificenza di Commendatore Ordine al Merito della Repubblica italiana
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*Avvocato **John Corritone**, Richmond, Virginia, Stati Uniti*
E' diventato uno dei più forti sostenitori della comunità italoamericana nel Commonwealth della Virginia. Ha dedicato gli ultimi quattro anni della sua vita alla causa della difesa dell'eredità di Cristoforo Colombo
Sponsorizzato dal Chapter di Richmond, Virginia, Stati Uniti,
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*Professor **Francesco De Luca**, Crotone, Calabria, Italia*
Ha effettuato donazioni di monete e reperti antichi - tra cui alcuni provenienti dal territorio, di notevole importanza per lo studio della civiltà pre-greche locali
Sponsorizzato dal Chapter di Crotone, Calabria, Italia,
Filitalia International



*Professor Dottor **Antonio Giordano**, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Stati Uniti*
Oncologo e ricercatore ha fondato la Institute for Cancer Research and Molecular Medicine (un'organizzazione non-profit che opera nei settori della ricerca clinica traslazionale)
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*Professor **Adriano La Regina**, Bojano, Molise, Italia
già Prof. ord. di Etruscologia e Antichità italiche alla Sapienza Università di
Roma; Presidente dell'Istituto Nazionale di Archeologia e Storia dell'Arte.
Sponsorizzato dal Chapter di Bojano, Molise, Italia, Filitalia International*



*Dottor **Corrado Altomare**, Hunderton County, New Jersey, Stati Uniti
Laureato in Medicina e Chirurgia in Italia, Medicina Interna presso gli United
Hospitals di Newark, NJ, e successivamente in Ostetricia e Ginecologia
presso il St. Joseph's University Hospital di Paterson. La sua passione per la
teologia, lo hanno portato a studi rilevanti sulla Sacra Sindone custodita a
Torino.*

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