





ART AND EXHIBITIONS



ASTI - PALAZZO MAZZETTI Until May 20th

ALEPPÓ. COME E' STATA UCCISA UNA CITTA

The exhibition curated by the journalist Domenico Quirico is dedicated to the drama of the inhabitants of Aleppo from 2011 to 2016. Visitors will meet the student, the sniper, the migrant, walking through city spaces recreated with multimedia installations. March 17th – July 15th ALIGHIERO BOETTI. PERFILOEPERSEGNO

The artist born in Piedmont is one of the most important and creative authors of the 20th century. The theme of the exhibition is inspired by an artist's phrase: "What the biro represents for a Westerner, is embroidery for an Afghan, which, as an over-individual memory, contains parts of the collective biography". The aim is to examine the relationship between the West and the East thanks to written and embroidery

Opening times: Tue-Sun 10.30am-6.30pm



ASTI – FONDAZIONE GUGLIELMINETTI

Until March 4t

OMAGGIO A PIO PIA (ASTI 1900-1958), DIPINTI

On the 60th anniversary of Pio Pia's death, exhibition dedicated to the artist who was influenced by the masters of the second half of the 19th century related to the wellknown school of Barbizon: views of nature and Asti landscape, portraits and compositions can be admired.

From March 10th to April 29th OMAGGIO A SERGIO ALBANO (Torino 1939-2008). DIPINTI

Opening of the exhibition dedicated to Sergio Albano, ten years after his death. MUSEO EUGENIO GUGLIELMINETTI



Info: fond.eugenioguglielminetti@gmail.com; www.comune.asti.it



ASTI – MUSEO DIOCESANO March 2nd - April 15th



Info: http://museo.sicdat.it



March 18th – May 1st IL NARCISO INCANTATO - 9th Edition

Fifty thousand ornamental bulbous plants in the centuries-old park of the castle in Piea: narcissus, tulips, hyacinths, fritillaries, muscari armeniacum... await you. Among the news, exhibition of the paintings by Giacomo Grosso. On Sunday 25th at 4pm, the first event with the spring awakening, the Savoy dances and tableaux











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vivants with the countess of Castiglione.

Opening times: Mon-Fri 2.30pm-6pm; Sat, Sun, holidays 10.30am-7pm Info: +39 0141 901641; +39 392 6194165; www.castellodipiea.com



April 14th

THEATRE SEASON

March starts with dance: on Saturday 10th, Balletto Teatro of Turin presents "Il corpo sussurrando"; on Wednesday 14th Massimo Lopez and Tullio Solenghi with a great show that will donate laughs and emotions to everybody. On Saturday 24th, contemporary prose with "La Cerimonia"; on 28th Paolo Hendel, another great actor, will take us into the future with the comedy "Fuga da Via Pigafetta". At Spazio Kor, on March 2nd and 3rd at 9pm, Soli in Scena with Sonia Bergamasco performing in "II Ballo" based on the story by Irène Némirovsky. Info: +39 0141 399057-399040; <u>www.comune.asti.it</u>

ASTI - PALAZZO OTTOLENGHI, SPAZIO KOR, TEATRO ALFIERI April 24th
PAROLE D'ARTISTA

At Spazio Kor, on March 7th and 8th, the show "La buona educazione" by the Piccola Compagnia Danmacco. On 9th at 9pm the same company presents "Esilio". Info: +39 0141 399057-399040; www.comune.asti.it; +39 335 6706269; www.teatrodidioniso.it; www.spaziokor.it

ASTI – SPAZIO KOR Until April 22 STAGIONE PUBLIC

Many events, meetings and theatre show: on Sunday, March 25th at 9pm, "Esemplari femminili", result of the encounter between the choreographer and Italian performer Francesca Penzo and Israeli Tamara Grosz.

Info: +39 0141 399057-399040; Spazio Kor +39 349 1781140; www.spaziokor.it

ASTI – TEATRO DELLA TORRETTA Until March 24

The amateur theatre ends with two classics: on March 10th "Andy e Norman" performed by the company C'era L'Acca; on Saturday 24th "Fiore di Cactus" performed by the company Spasso Carrabile.

Info: +39 335 5200801; spassocarrabile@libero.it; fuoridiquinta-asti@libero.it



COSTIGLIOLE D'ASTI Until April 20^{ti}

The theatre season in Costigliole d'Asti presents on March 3rd "Il medico per forza" by Molière. Start of the show at 9pm and After Theatre at the Cantina dei Vini degliacerbi.it, info@teatrodegliacerbi.it

Until April 21st U NOS TEATRO 20

The vernacular theatre at Teatro San Giuseppe proposes on Saturday, March 17th at 9pm, "Prontozio ho un problema" performed by the Alla Madonna company . Info: www.comune.fontanile.at.it; biblioteca.fontanile@yahoo.it



MONCALVO Until April 14th

TEATRE SEASON - PROSE

On Saturday 10th, in the smallest Italian town, Massimo Bagliani with "Non toccatemi Rossini": you will discover many aspects of Rossini's life in an entertaining way; on March 23rd, the show "Chanson d'Amour".

Info: +39 0141 1720695; +39 373 8695116; info@arte-e-tecnica.it

NIZZA MONFERRATO Until April 21st THEATRE SEASON

On Tuesday 13th, the amusing pièce "Boomerang" with Amanda Sandrelli: the show will target the family, the main institution of our society. On Monday 19th, the comedy freely based on the film "Viktor, Viktoria" performed by Veronica Pivetti. Info: +39 0141 1720695; +39 373 8695116; info@arte-e-tecnica.it











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SAN DAMIANO D'ASTI Until May 10^t

THEATRE SEASON 2018 - TEATRO D'ARGENTO

On Thursday, March 8th, Luigi Pirandello's voice lives again in a fascinating concert of words and music "Il Fiore e alter storie". On Thursday, March 22nd, the mythical Trelilu with the premiere "Ma si che so".

Info: +39 0141 1720695; +39 373 8695116; info@arte-e-tecnica.it

CULTURAL EVENTS



PASSEPARTOUT EN HIVER



On Sundays at 5.00 pm, the Library Auditorium becomes a parlour where you can listen, meet and discover new topics. Also this year, each artist will perform flanked by a painter from the CNA Artisti, who will offer the graphic interpretation of the proposed theme. Here is the program of the month: on Sunday 4th, Gianni Cervetti and Mario Renosio ("Compagno del secolo scorso") and on Sunday 11th Manuela Caracciolo, Alexander Macinante and Federico De Martino ("Una serenata per New

Info: www.bibliotecastense.it

ASTI – PALAZZO OTTOLENGHI Until April 12^t ASTI IN CONCERTO

On March 24th at 9.15pm, at Palazzo Ottolenghi, "La Trota" with musics by Hummel and Schubert performed by the Quintetto Pianoforte e Archi of Teatro Regio Orchestra from Turin.

Info and reservations: +39 0141 538057; +39 346 5761400;

www.filarmonicoastigiano.com



ASTI – SALA PASTRONE

Until April 6^t

IL TE' DELLE CINQUE - BORN IN THE U.S.A. IL CINEMA, GLI EROI, LE

The fortnightly film exhibition (on Fridays at 3pm and 5.30pm accompanied by tea and biscuits) reflects on the protagonists of contemporary US cinema. Here are the scheduled films: on March 9th "Moonlight" three Oscar Award winner and on the 23rd "Loving", based on the story of the Loving spouses.

Until March 27







Regarding the event dedicated to restored films: on March 21st, the adorable and touching "Visages Villages" directed by Agnès Varda with the artist and film maker JR: a comparison between two generations in a deep and ironic journey through rural France in the name of art.

Info: +39 0141 399057; info@circolovertigo.it

ASTI - SALA PASTRONE March 5th

LE NUOVE LETTURE DEL LUNEDI'

Last appointment at 6.30pm with Francesco Visconti and the readings dedicated to the theme "the others"

Info: +39 0141 399057-399040; www.comune.asti.it



In the brand new and large space of the former gym Muti, meetings and cultural exchanges, music events, readings, meetings with writers, creative talents and

For the program: www.fuoriluogoasti.com

ASTI – SPAZIO KOR March 16th

LE SFIDE DELLA FEDE 2017-2018

Events with shows and meetings dealing with the spiritual and cultural challenges of

















our times. On March 16th, at the Library of the Episcopal Seminary, "Ave Maria", a concert of sacred and spiritual music, between ancient and modern, classic and popular.

Info: +39 339 2532921; www.teatrodegliacerbi.it

ASTI - FONDAZIONE GUGLIELMINETTI March 1^s

LOREDANA FURNO

At the Guglielminetti Foundation in Palazzo Alfieri at 5pm, "La danza oggi: appunti di danza classica e moderna", meeting with Loredana Furno, choreographer and director of Balletto Teatro of Turin.

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Until May 17th

CONFERENZE SOCIETA' STUDI ASTESI





CISTERNA D'ASTI – CASTELLO CITTATTIVA – DIRITTI VERSO IL 2018

On March 3rd at 4pm, Giovanni Tesio talks with Alessandro Cerrato about the book on Primo Levi and Holocaust entitled "Primo Levi. Ancora qualcosa da dire. Conversazione e letture tra biografia e invenzione".

Information and other events: www.scuolealmuseo.it/blogdidattica/

FONTANILE - BIBLIOTECA CIVICA

Until May 20th

– INCONTRI CON L'AUTORE – GIOVEDI' DELLA CULTURA LIBERAMENTE

On Thursday afternoons at 3.30pm, in the small municipality lying in the Unesco hills, conferences and book launches.
On March 11th, I Rudi Mathematici present: "Storie che contano: problemi immaginari

per matematici reali".

Info: www.comune.fontanile.at.it; biblioteca.fontanile@yahoo.it

MONTIGLIO MONFERRATO Until April 21 MONCIRCO

Contemporary circus at Montexpo in Montiglio Monferrato. On Friday 16th at 9pm and on Saturday 17th at 3pm, "Panni Sporchi": the shadows of the past come back to give life to a mad and sensual game.

Info: www.moncirco.com; +39 347 7670394



Erca, the most ancient association in Nizza Monferrato with headquarters at the ex Chiesa della Trinità, organizes several events during the course of the year. On March 9th, the meeting with Carlo Migliardi, author of "Qualcosa in comune": a story made of three destinies that intertwine and meet during an unexpected journey. On 16th, presentation of "L'Fund'd Nissa"; on 23rd, Angelo Caimi with "Wolfelin": the historic novel takes place between Lombardy and Piedmont and is inspired by the battle of Legnano in 1176.

Info: www.ercanizza.com

HILDREN EVENTS



ASTI - PALAZZO MAZZETTI Until May 13^t

PALAZZO MAZZETTI FOR KIDS

Let's get ready for Easter with "Variopinte uova" on March 11th: Children from 4 to 12 years of age are invited to decorate eggs with precious materials. Appointment at 5.30pm.

Info and programs: www.palazzomazzetti.it; reservations +39 0141 530403

ASTI - MUSEO PALEONTOLOGICO

March 3rd

ROBOTICA FOR KIDS &TEENS

The museum hosts the workshops held by the young Valeria Cagnina and the space engineer Carlo Fiori with flight simulator: robotics will be presented to children from 5 to 13 years of age with an amusing and interactive approach. Harry up and book!













Info and reservations: +39 340 3506539; www.museodeifossili.org;

TRACCE VICINE DI MARI LONTANI

A day for families among the fossils of the Paleontological Museum and the Nature Reserve of Valle Andona and Valle Botto: learn while having fun with workshops and digging simulations.

Info and reservation: +39 340 3506539; www.museodeifossili.org;

enteparchi@parchiastigiani.it

ASTI – TEATRO ALFIERI Until March 11 DOMENICHE A TEATRO

Last two appointments for children (and their families): on March 4th, the instructive piece "Siamo fatti di stelle" by Teatro degli Acerbi and, on 11th, "Pinocchio", a show suitable for everyone because Pinocchio is basically in each of us. Info: +39 0141 399057-399040; www.comune.asti.it



ASTI - SALA PASTRONE Until March 10^t

LA FABBRICA DI CIOCCOLATO

The film exhibition taking place on Saturday afternoons presents "Coco" by Lee Unkrich and Adrian Molina on Saturday 3rd: on 10th, "Bigfoot junior" by Jeremy Degruson and Ben Stassen. Appointment at 3.30pm. Info: +39 0141 399057-399040; www.circolovertigo.it/sala-pastrone/

COSTIGLIOLE D'ASTI March 18th DOMENICA A TEATRO

Theatre for families at 4pm with "Bimbincoro - Un incontro di voci bianche" performed by children of the "Le 7 note" chorus – Symphóniam Association. Info: www.teatrodegliacerbi.it; info@teatrodegliacerbi.it

HISTORICAL RE-ENACTMENTS



MONASTERO BORMIDA **POLENTONISSIMO**

In the beautiful square of the castle in Monastero Bormida the ancient tradition of the Polentone repeats itself as usual on the second Sunday of March. The event originated from propitiatory ceremonies is linked to the arrival of the so-called "magnin", who tinned pots, and to Marquis Del Carretto's generosity, who gave polenta, onion omelette and sausage to a group of starving tinkers; they thanked the village by giving an enormous copper pot as a present. This pot is used today for cooking the polenta, which is served to the public after the historical parade. On this occasion, the streets of the historical centre are enlivened by the recreation of ancient works, flag throwers, antique market and exhibition market of the Comunità Montana. On Monday 12th, at the castle, the traditional "Polentino". Info: Municipality +39 0144 88012 www.com



March 10th

FEUDO D'MAREJ - CAVALIERI DELLA TRIPPA E DEL TOMINO

A praise for traditional good food with a rich menu; lard and black bread, fresh and spicy tomini del Ciambellano (cheese), pressata di trippa del Gran Maestro (tripe), cheakpea soup with croutons, tripe stew with onions, dessert and local wines. At the end, the guild of "Good Living" will elect the Ciambellano (Chamberlaine) and the Gran Maestro 2018 (Grand Master).

Info: Municipality +39 0141 938170; www.prolocomaretto.it



ASTI - ALBA March 23rd – 25th LA DOLCE VALLE

Spring donates us all a "Sweet" weekend; in Asti and Alba, the most beautiful streets, squares and historic buildings will become a "delicious theater", where visitors can taste typical and local products (hazelnuts, chocolate, honey, nougat, cakes and biscuits ...) accompanied by Asti DOCG and Moscato d ' Asti DOCG. Sensory and experiential workshops, artistic, cultural as well as food and wine events are on schedule too.

Info: www.astidocg.it; www.ladolcevalle.it











FOOD AND WINE FESTIVALS



ASTI - FRAZIONE MOMBARONE March 4th

SAGRA DELLA POLENTA 46th Edition

Like every year, the food festival in this small hamlet of Asti accompanies the last remnants of Carnival. From 3pm parade of folk groups with a marching band, then distribution of polenta and wine.

Info: +39 349 2352886

MOMBARUZZO FRAZIONE BAZZANA March 10th

GLI GNOCCHI - CENA DEL MAIALE

A place where people should go at least once in a lifetime to taste the specialties of the Monferrato lands and get involved by the happiness of the guests and the beauty of the UNESCO hills.

Gnocchi with sausage, cotechino, Fritto Misto Bazzanese (mixture of fried meat), blood sausage with polenta and the unmissable amaretti of Mombaruzzo! Info and reservations: +39 340 9010431; +39 0141 721908



"FESTA DELLE FRITTELLE"

Delicacy to the mouth and eye, the pancakes meet the taste of children and adults and are even more appreciated in this period of the year. Moreover, a chance to visit an unspoilt corner of the Langa Astigiana.

Info: Municipality +39 0141 718280; Pro Loco Association +39 0141 718333; www.comune.rocchettapalafea.at.it





SAN DAMIANO D'ASTI March 18th and 19th

FIERA DI SAN GIUSEPPE

The Fair of San Giuseppe, one of the oldest fairs in Piedmont (1597), and the first fair of the year in the province of Asti, opens the spring season. The traditional market takes place in the streets and squares of the historical centre with more than 300 stalls displaying arts and crafts, gardening tools and delicacies. Info: Municipality +39 0141 979056; www.comune.sandamiano.at.it

SPORT EVENTS



CASTAGNOLE MONFERRATO

March 25th

CAMMINARE TRA LE VIGNE DEL RUCHÈ

Start at 2.30pm for this 9-km hike in the beautiful Unesco hills on dirt roads or low-speed roads.

Info and registrations: www.camminarelentamente.it:camminarelentamente2@gmail.com

MOMBARUZZO - BRUNO

April 2nd

CAMMINATA DI PASQUETTA TRA LE COLLINE UNESCO

A walk organized by Mombaruzzo and Bruno with the cooperation of CAI Asti along the new paths around the villages in the Unesco hills; packed lunch or chance to have lunch in Mombaruzzo with the Pro Loco Association and visit the historical center and the local producers, for a special Easter Monday made of art, nature and ... amaretti

Info and reservations: +39 338 4611719; +39 333 2149027 (evening); info@caiasti.it; www.caiasti.it

CARNIVAL



ASTI March 11th CARNEVALE ASTIGIANO

From 10am, in Piazza San Secondo, opening of the food stands, Maschere Astigiane and entertainment in the streets of the town centre. Circus performances before and after the parade starting from Piazza Santa Caterina and arriving in Piazza San Secondo where Angel Wings and Asti Spumante will be distributed.

Corsione closes the Carnival celebrations with the Carnevale Vecchio on March $18^{\text{th}}.\,$

For programs or changes: $\underline{www.astiturismo.it}$











EASTER EVENTS

The traditional "Canto delle uova" is back in the hills around Asti. In the nights of Lent, groups of young people used to walk from one courtyard to another and sing traditional songs receiving eggs as a present. Appointment on March 9th, 10th, 16th, 17th and 27th in Castiglione (a hamlet of Asti), and on 13th, 15th, 17th, 20th, 23th, 25th, 27th in Vigliano d'Asti.

Info: www.astiturismo.it

ANTIGNANO March 30^t

On Good Friday Antignano proposes the Way of the Cross. The village centre turns itself into Jerusalem how it was supposed to be 2000 years ago with many of the inhabitants representing the characters of the Gospels. The re-enactment is divided in two parts: the first one with scenes of the Last Supper, the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus' agony, the Sanhedrin trial of Jesus and Pilate's Court. The second one with the Procession to Calvary along a path leading to the main square of the village where, beside the church, the Crucifixion of Jesus takes place. Info: Pro Loco Association +39 347 3863164; www.viacrucis.it

CASTAGNOLE MONFERRATO March 29 A PASIUN AD GESU CRIST

Like every year, the Holy Thursday is back with a torchlight procession, theatrical and musical performances, the display of a tree symbolizing Christ and the participation of the whole community.

Info: www.comune.castagnolemonferrato.at.it

ASTI - WEEKLY MARKET Every Wednesday and

Saturday

ANTIQUE MARKETS

Moncalvo: March 4^t

Nizza Monferrato:

Asti: March 25th

March 18^t

SAN DAMIANO D'ASTI March 29th and 30

FRADIZIONALE DISTRIBUZIONE DEI CARITUN

The "caritun" is unleavened bread that reminds the escape of the Jews from Egypt: still today, it is cooked in ancient wooden molds from the 18th century and sold on the parvis of the Confraternity of Saint Joseph church. Once, bread was made by the brothers and distributed to the poor, today it is made by local bakers and sold. The proceeds are given to the confraternity for its needs.

R AND EASTER MONDAY IN THE HILLS AROUND ASTI



In Asti, on Easter and Easter Monday, Vespa Meeting "Pasquetta in Vespa con gli Alfieri" and open museuums.

Regarding excursions or picnics: guided tour at Santa Maria di Vezzolano in Albugnano at 3pm; "Merendino - Fritto Misto non stop" in Bazzana di Mombaruzzo: barbecue in Montafia and Pino d'Asti; Antique Market in Berzano San Pietro; a 6-km walk with lunch in Cisterna d'Asti; the usual walk in Cantarana ("Itinerari Cantanaresi"), the Spring Festival in Vinchio.

For updates and changes: www.astiturismo.it

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