

ITALY IN TRANSIT **IV INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM**

JANUARY 31- FEBRUARY 1, 2020 | Performing Arts Bldg. (PA 101), FAU Boca Raton

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2020

5 PM - **Opening of the IV International Symposium:** Greetings of Bret Danilowicz, FAU Provost; the Honorable Consul General of Italy in Miami, Cristiano Musillo and Maria Rosa Borghi, Director of Education, Italian Consulate in Miami

5:30 - 6 PM - **"Italy in a Frame:"** Photo Award for students of Italian K-12, Eufrazio Volpe, Loggers' Run Middle School and West Boca High School

6 - 7 PM - **Venice and Its Disappearance:**
Chair: *Ilaria Serra, FAU*

Nuccia McCormick, Sister Cities International and Ermelinda Damiano, City of Venice:
How Venice Became Fort Lauderdale's Sister

Nicole Barilla, FAU Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow and Nick Christodoulides, FAU School of Architecture: **Studying in a Sinking City**

Len Treviño, Florida Atlantic University, International Business: **Venice under Siege**

7 - 8 PM - **Michele D. Serra New Italian Film Series:** Philippe Apatie, Venice: **Venice in a Frame: Juggling With Beauty**

Reception

SYMPOSIUM SUPPORTED BY JOHN D. CALANDRA ITALIAN AMERICAN INSTITUTE, NY, AND FAU'S AMERICAS INITIATIVE

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2020

9 - 10:15 AM - Greetings of COMITES - ODLI - and FATI: **Italian/American Education**
Chair: *Antonietta Di Pietro, FATI*

Nicoletta Sorice, FAU: **Sibilla, Grazia and Nicoletta: Autobiography of an Italian American Graduate**

Italian Class: Talya, Heidi, Rosie, Gabriela, Ryan, Angelo and Daniel: **FlorItalians: Portraits of Italians in South Florida**

Pietro Porcella, Broward Schools, Journalist: **Italian and American Public Schools: a First-Hand Experience**

10:15 - 10:30 AM - Coffee Break

10:30 AM-12:10 PM - **Italian Americana:**
Chair: *Taylor Hagood (Ph.D. Comparative Studies)*

Anthony Tamburri, John D. Calandra Italian American Institute, Queens College, CUNY Signs and Significance in Italian/American **Cinema: Code-switching in Dinner Rush, Big Night, and Mean Streets**

Laura E. Ruberto (in absentia), Berkeley City College, and Joseph Sciorra, Queens College, CUNY: **"Columbus might be dwarfed to obscurity": Italian Americans' Engagement with Columbus Monuments in a Time of Decolonization**

Anthony Riccio, Photographer, New Haven, CT: **From Italy to the North End of Boston**

Simona Grillo, University of Rome, La Sapienza: **The Italian American Dream: Nick DiTempora**

12:10 - 1:20 PM Lunch

1:20 - 2:40 PM - **"Mario Mignone" Session on Italian American Literature**
Chair: *Viviana Pezzullo (FAU)*

Luigi Fontanella, Stony Brook University **The God of New York**

Domenica Diraviam, Ph.D. in Comparative Studies, FAU: **Translations and Transmutations: Examining A Son of Italy**

Warren Kelly, FAU English Department **John Ciardi's Translation of Dante's Commedia: a New Consideration**

2:40 - 4 PM - **Italians in the World:**
Chair: *Odra Dorante (FAU)*

Jane Day, Palm Beach Landmark Preservation **Dreaming of Gondolas: Italian Memories in Palm Beach Architecture**

Anthony Valerio, Wesleyan University **Anita Garibaldi: Her Peppino and the Making of Italy in South America**

Angelo Bribiesca, MA in Comparative Literature: **Italian - Pinocchio Giramondo**

4 - 4:10 PM - Coffee break

4:10 - 5:30 PM - **Traversing Italy:**
Chair: *Marianna De Tollis (FAU)*

Emanuele Pettener, FAU: **From New England to Appennino. Interview with Novelist Paolo Ciampi**

Donata Carelli, University of Tor Vergata, Rome: **Secret Ninfa: The Writers' Garden**

Myriam Ruthenberg, FAU: **Kossi Komla Ebri: From Togo to Italy**

5:30 - 6:50 PM - **Italy in Evolution:**
Chair: *Federico Tiberini (FAU)*

Ellen Nerenberg, Wesleyan University **'The Revolution will be Televised': The Young 'American' Pope, Paolo Sorrentino, and the scandals and miracles of the Roman Catholic Church**

Elizabeth Petersen, FAU: **Plural Identities in Gais, Sud Tirol**

Patrizia La Trecchia, University of South Florida: **Environment and Civic Engagement in Ermanno Olmi's Eco-Food Documentary Terra Madre**

7 PM - Dinner, Living Room Theater

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

For information, call **561-297-0286** or email **iserra1@fau.edu**

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