## THE GARIBALDI MEUCCI MUSEUM

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## NEW!!! ITALIAN CULTURE SPRING LECTURE SERIES

6 Week Program Starting March 19, 2022

**Saturdays 9:00 am - 10:30** 

Presented by Professor Leonini

Professor Leonini received his B.A Degree at St. John's University, a Master's Degree at Fordham, and completed 30 credits toward a PH.D Degree at New York University. He taught history for the NYC Department of Education for 32 years. He has also taught Italian language and culture at St. Joseph Hill Academy on Staten Island. He is presently teaching and lecturing at the Garibaldi/Meucci Museum, and Casa Belvedere. He has appeared on Italian TV, radio, and American TV.

## Italian Cultural Contributions to Western Civilization

**Legacy of Rome:** Assimilation of Italic native tribes, absorption of Phoenician, Etruscan, and Greek influence into Roman culture; Roman architecture, building innovations, introduction of the modern calendar, Roman law, and the relationship between the Roman Republic and the U.S. constitution.

**II Middle Ages**: Salerno and Bologna first medical and law school universities. Creation of the musical notation script and Dante's classical writings gave birth to "Standard Italian". Resumption of trade leads to the growth of a capitalistic society and the birth of a new class of wealthy merchants and a moneyed economy.

**III Renaissance:** Take a journey through the Renaissance fueled by new wealth and explore the development of "humanism" in all aspects of social/artistic life. Enrichment in the arts and learning; music, exploration, social etiquette, science, Italian cuisine, political science, and biological sciences will be discussed.

**IV Post Renaissance:** Modern penology- Cesare Beccaria "The crime should fit the Penalty", court room procedures, etc. Modern electricity, the invention of the battery, creation of the piano, violin, viola, cello and Cristofori's Stradivari.

**V Modern Italian Contributions:** Development of "Early Childhood Learning", invention of the radio, telephone and the founding of the atomic age. Neorealistic Cinema (post-WWII) and Italian contributions to fashion "La Moda Italiana, is world famous.

Registration for the 6 Week Lecture Series is \$125 Members & \$135 Non-Members Send Check made out to the Garibaldi-Museum, 420 Tompkins Ave., Staten Island 10305 Call 718-442-1608 to Pay by Credit Card.

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