

Supporting Italian Arts, Culture, and Language Since 1953

The Italian Cultural Society of Washington D.C. has the pleasure to offer a free promotional program of Italian Language and Culture to private and public schools in the Washington D.C. area. We do this thanks to contributions from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Embassy of Italy in Washington D.C.

The objective of our courses is to develop comprehension and speaking skills. Children will learn the language through traditional methods, reading and writing, but also by playing and moving, including the Total Physical Response approach. They will learn Italian culture and traditions by creating artwork, singing songs, listening, watching videos, and through other activities appropriate for their age. Children and teens will be properly stimulated to develop a positive attitude towards the learning of the Italian language.

At every age, learning Italian is not only learning a language; it opens a world of beauty, creativity, love for art, architecture, music, history, literature, design and cuisine. Our goal is to educate students to appreciate culture and beauty, to be curious and to have an open mind. Culture is part of each curriculum, from Pre-K to High school. Older students will be exposed to the language while learning Italian lifestyle, through Cinema, European Art, History, Archeology, Geography and Cooking.

Founded in 1953, The Italian Cultural Society of Washington D.C. is a non-profit organization that promotes Italian language and culture in the Washington, D.C. area and in the USA. We do this primarily through the <u>Italian Language</u> <u>Program</u>. Today, our school counts over 2,000 enrollments per year. Our instructors are native Italians and trained to teach Italian as a second language. Some have a PhD or MA and all attend periodic training.

The ICS organizes <u>cultural events</u> every month, and <u>special events</u>, including an annual <u>Gala</u>. We also offer a <u>scholarships program</u> to award students who excel in Italian, classics, art, science and music. ICS members include Italians, Italian Americans and Italy's sympathizers. We work in collaboration with the Italian Cultural Institute and with the Education Office of the Embassy of Italy.

REGISTER TO OUR COURSE with Maestra Fiorenza Castelli

Pre-K-2nd grade or 3-5th grade, on Wednesdays, from September to December.

In order to register, please send an email to j.rota@italianculturalsociety.org, indicating

- Your name, telephone number, email address,
- Name, age, grade of your child, who is allowed to pick up your child.
- Allergies, Other information we need to know

Grazie!