



## HALLOWEEN IN FERRARA & NEARBY

### LAST-MINUTE NEWS

### OCTOBER 2023

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#### **‘WANTED – Brave Children with Sharp Teeth!’**

*Saturday 28th October at 10.30 a.m.*

*Biblioteca Bassani – Library*

*Via Giovanni Grosoli, 42*

A spooky story time at this library with fun games and puzzles to solve!

*Suitable for children aged 5+*

*Please book 0532 797414*

*Email: [info.bassani@comune.fe.it](mailto:info.bassani@comune.fe.it)*

#### **‘Zucca in Festa’ - Pumpkin Food Festival**

*21st, 22nd, 28th & 29th October 2023*

*Ostellati (near Ferrara) Via Argine Mezzano, 14*

*Saturday at 7p.m., Sunday at midday and 7 p.m.*

An excellent festival in a local village which celebrates one of Ferrara’s beloved products and key ingredients in its delicious cuisine. Pumpkin is used in soups, risottos, sauces and desserts and most famously in Ferrara’s pumpkin filled pasta called ‘Cappellacci’. Visit this food fair for a taste of autumn!



## **Horror Candel Night & Aperitif**

*Saturday 28th October*

*Villa Beatrice d'Este, Via Genola 7 in Baone*

*Colli Euganei (province of Padova) about 1 hour away*

This beautiful villa in the Euganei hills, with a breathtaking panorama, is the location for a Halloween-themed candle-lit evening with an aperitif and concert. This haunted villa and eerie music is the perfect setting for a chilling evening!

*The aperitif starts at 8.15 p.m. followed by a concert at 9.15 p.m.*

*Cost €25 per person which includes 2 glasses of wine, the aperitif and concert*

*Let the staff know of any food allergies in advance*

*To book: <https://feshioneventi.it/prodotto/horror-candle-night/>*

## **Escape Castle – ‘The Vampire Awakens’**

*Castello Estense*

*31st October at 8.30 p.m.*

You are invited for a spooky dinner at the castle where only ingenuity and bravery can save you from the eternal curse of the vampire! Tests, potion making and rituals are just some of the challenges which you must face along with four unnerving encounters with foul creatures from the ‘other side’. Come if you dare!

Dinner is provided by the Florida Farmhouse and includes:

- Savoury pumpkin cake with cheese
- Bewitched pumpkin lasagna and a ‘white’ ragù sauce made with sausages
- Roast meat with apples and a side dish
- Pumpkin ‘Tenerina’ cake
- Water and a bottle of wine per 4 people is included

The menu can be altered if you have any allergies. Let the staff know at the time of booking.



**Cost:** €35

**Dress code:** Halloween costume

Places are limited so book soon! <https://feshioneventi.it/prodotto/halloween-castello-2023/>

*N.B. This event has been created for adults however, children are welcome (they will not be frightened). A children's menu is available on request.*

## **Il Parco Incantato 'Il Mistero della Strega Sgranocchia'**

### **The Enchanted Park**

*31st October*

*Parco Massari at 3 p.m.*

Join Witch Sgranocchia in her enchanted park where she needs your help to complete a dangerous potion then, and only then, will all be revealed! Are you ready to do some magic?

- The activities last approximately 1 hour and are suitable for children aged 3 – 10
- One parent is asked to stay in the vicinity of the park.
- Tickets cost €12 per child which includes the activities, a special snack and entertainment. Adults are free.
- A maximum of 30 children per activity so please book. Choose your time slot: 3 p.m. 4 p.m. 5 p.m. or 6 p.m.
- Children are asked to come dressed up in a Halloween costume.

To take part, go to:

<https://feshioneventi.it/prodotto/parco-strega-sgranocchia/>

**SEE OCTOBER'S NEWSLETTER FOR OTHER HALLOWEEN  
EVENTS TAKING PLACE IN FERRARA**





## Halloween in Comacchio

### ‘At the Edge of Darkness’ & ‘Dark Valley Festival’

*28th, 29th, 30th & 31st October*

The village of Comacchio, near Ferrara, is really well organized at Halloween. It becomes an open-air theatre with shows, concerts, entertainment, parades and competitions for everyone to enjoy..

‘**The Dark Valley’ Halloween Festival** is a music event which is taking place over three days in an enormous tent in Via dello Squero. Guests include ‘Shiva’ on 28th, a comedy show (with seating) on 29th and on the 31st Fabri Fibra an Italian rap artist along with other guests with music from the 90s.

Concerts start at 6 p.m. and finish at 4 a.m. For tickets visit the website

[www.angelipierre.it/eventi/dark-valley-halloween-festival-a-comacchio-ferrara/](http://www.angelipierre.it/eventi/dark-valley-halloween-festival-a-comacchio-ferrara/)

‘**At the Edge of Darkeness**’ is the title of the 4-day event with street entertainers, travelling shows, parades, horror scenes set up around the village, competitions and fun activities which create a fantastic Halloween atmosphere. Here is the programme below

### PROGRAMME:

#### **Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th October**

At the Clock Tower in Via Cavour (Torre dell’Orologio) -

***Dance of the Gigantic Spheres performance***

Historical City Centre - **Halloween Parade** (which you can watch and take part in)

#### **Saturday 28th, Sunday 29th & Monday 30th**

In Piazzetta Trepponti - **The City of Horrors “The Awakening of the Cursed Pirates”**.  
**Visit this city if you dare!**



**Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th from 2.30 p.m. to 8 p.m.**

**Monday 30th from 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

At the Clock Tower in Via Cavour - **‘School of Little Monsters’ where children and families can do:**

- Pumpkin carving workshops with special prizes
- Face painting (also in Via Muratori from 3 p.m.)
- Watch the ‘Dance of the Gigantic Spheres’

In the Historical City Centre:

- **Watch and take part in a special Halloween Parade**
- **Take part in a fun ‘Trick or Treat’ at 3.30 p.m.**

**Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th at 5 p.m. 6.30 p.m. and 8 p.m.**

At the Museo Delta Antico, Via Agatopisto - **‘Il Vampiro del Museo’ (The Museum’s Vampire’) A sand art performance**

Via Buonafede starting at 7 p.m. - **Ghostbusters Cosplay**

**Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th at 9 p.m.**

**Monday 30th at 8 p.m.**

At the Clock Tower in Via Cavour - **La Casa delle Favole Animate’ – House of the Animated Fairy Tales. Come a listen to some haunted tales!**

**Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th at 8 p.m. & 10 p.m.**

Piazzetta Trepponti – **Watch a spooky parade ‘Three-Metre Demons’**



## Halloween - Tuesday 31st October

At the Clock Tower in Via Cavour - **watch the 'Dance of the Gigantic Spheres'**

Join the 'School of Little Monsters' from 2.30 p.m. to 8 p.m. and take part in:

- **Face painting at 3 p.m. (and in Via Muratori at 3 p.m.)**
- **Pumpkin carving and award ceremony at 8 p.m.**
- **The House of the Animated Fairy Tales at 9 p.m.**

Historical City Centre - **Halloween parade**

- **'Trick or Treat' at 3.30 p.m.**

Piazzetta Trepponti - **Visit the City of Horrors - 'The Awakening of the Cursed Pirates'**

- **Watch a spooky parade 'Three-Metre Demons'**
- **Join in and watch 'Chaos in Hell' at 11 p.m. Only the force can restore order!**

Museo Delta Antico, Via Agatopisto, at 5 p.m., 6.30 p.m. & 8 p.m.

- **'Il Vampiro del Museo' – 'The Museum's Vampire' sand art performance**

Along the canals

- **Entertainment from 6.30 p.m. onwards with mischievous goblins**
- **Miwa Street Band Cartoon with lots of superheros at 7 p.m. & 9.30 p.m.**

Via Buonafede starting at 7 p.m. - **Star Wars Cosplay**

Piazzale Luca Danese at 11.50 - **Luck arrives from the sky 'Look for your present'**