

EVENTS IN FERRARA

FEBRUARY 2024

Il Castello di Carnevale - Carnival Time at the Castle

10th & 11th February Castello Estense

It is Carnival Time at the Castle but there is a problem – somebody has stolen the Carnival masks! Can you help Peter Pan, Cinderella and Anna discover who is the culprit? Join them on this fairytale adventure through secret kingdoms and meet magical creatures along the way! Don't forget to wear your Carnival costume!

Duration: 1 hour

Time slots to choose from: 10 a.m. 11 a.m. midday, 2 p.m. 3 p.m. 4 p.m. 5 p.m. or 6 p.m.

Tickets: Adult (11 yrs +) €10 Child (2- 11 yrs) €12 0 - 2 free

Tickets include: entrance fee, a show and a workshop for children where they will make a decoration to take home.

Important Information:

- This is an event which has been created for children but everyone is welcome!
- Please arrive 10 minutes before your booked time slot and wait at the Imbarcadero 1 of the Castle (inside the courtyard)
- Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult
- If possible please leave prams and pushchairs at the entrance

Please book: https://feshioneventi.it/prodotto/il-castello-di-carnevale-24/



'Art & Ciocc' Festival

8th - 11th February

Piazza Trento Trieste 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. (until 9 p.m. on Saturday)

The chocolate makers are on tour once again and will stop off in Ferrara to create a sweet weekend with market stalls full of every type of chocolate imaginable.

Love Walk

Sunday 11th February

Are you in love? (with your life, your partner, your children, your parents, your pets or a friend?.....) Why don't you join 'Ferrara Love Walk' to help raise money for the charity A.D.O. The money collected from this event will be given to this charity which helps provide palliative care for cancer patients. Each participant will receive a heart balloon on enrolment, a refreshment and a momento at the end of the walk.

Meeting at 10.30 a.m. under the archway opposite the Cathedral to pay and receive a balloon. **Departure at 10.45 a.m.** for a 5km walk (non-competitive) around the city centre.

Arrival back in the centre: 11.45 a.m.

Cost: €12 which will be donated to A.D.O.

To take part please book in advance at: https://feshioneventi.it/prodotto/love-walk-2024/ (It is also possible to join this event on the day but refreshments and the momentos are not guaranteed)

What's on at Teatro Nuovo?

Friday 2nd February at 9 p.m. 'La Bella Addormentata' - Sleeping Beauty Ballet

Saturday 10th February at 8.30 p.m. - 'La Famiglia Addams' – Family Addams

The Musical

Saturday 24th February at 9 p.m. - 'Neverland, L'isola che non cè...'

The ticket office is located inside the theatre and is open on:

Tuesdays, Wednesday, Fridays and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 4 p.m. – 7 p.m. Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The ticket office opens 1 hour before each show for any last-minute tickets on sale. To book online: biglietteria@teatronuovoferrara.com Tel: 0532 1862055



Casa Niccolini - Children's Library

Via Romiti 13 (in the city centre)

'Disegno Il Tuo Personaggio' - Draw your own character

Tuesday 20th & Tuesday 27th February from 5 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.

A creative drawing workshop for children aged 5 – 9 held by Andrea Pizzo.

Thursday 22nd & Thursday 29th February from 5 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.

A creative drawing workshop for children aged 10 - 13 held by Andrea Pizzo

These workshops are completely free. Places are limited so you must book in advance:

Email: info.nicolini@comune.fe.it or telephone 0532 41231

Palazzo dei Diamanti - Art Exhibition

Corso Ercole I d'Este, 21 Every day from 9.30 a.m. – 7.30 p.m.

This month marks the last opportunity to visit the popular art exhibition 'Achilles Funi. Un Maestro del Novecento tra Storia e Mito' which closes on Sunday 25th February. Tickets can be bought at the entrance and include an interesting audio guide available in different languages.

Jazz Club Ferrara

Via Rampari di Belfiore, 167 (Corso Porta Mare, 112)

Jazz concerts continue at the Torrione di San Giovanni – the historical tower at the end of Corso Porta Mare, at the start of Ferrara's Walls.

Email: jazzclub@jazzclubferrara.com

For further information telephone: 331 4323840 (every day from 12 a.m. - 10 p.m.)

February's Programme:

Friday 2nd - Ferdinando Romano - Invisible Painters

Saturday 3rd – Michael Formanek's Give and Take

Sunday 4th - Instantanea Clab

Friday 9th - Francesco Ponticelli - Megapascal

Saturday 10th - Antonio Faraò Trio

Sunday 11th - Biagio Marino / Zeno de Rossi - Duo

Friday 16th - Sandia

Saturday 17th Lanzoni Evangalista Ballard

Sunday 18th - La Grazia Dell'Informe

Friday 23rd - Cristiano Calcagne - Anokhi

Saturday 24th - Massimo Faraò Trio Meets Sandy Patton

Sunday 25th - Thunder Tiger



The wine bar opens at 7.30 p.m. where guests can relax and chat. It is also possible to have dinner at this time if you book in advance by telephoning the number above.

Concerts start at about 9 p.m. or 9.30 p.m. and are often followed by a jamming session. Visit their website below for more details about concert times and ticket prices: https://jazzclubferrara.com/concerti/

The first time you go, you have to purchase an annual membership card which can be bought directly at the entrance before the concert or online.

Love Candle Dinner at the Castle

14th February at 8.30 p.m.
Held at the Imbarcadero 1 of Castello Estense

Book now for a romantic candlelit dinner inside the beautiful setting of the Castle. Enjoy a delicious Valentine's Day themed menu accompanied by live music featuring a repertoire of the most well-known love songs ever written. The dinner, which is prepared and served by the 'Agriturism La Florida' includes:

- Savoury bignè with an orange salad
- Red pancakes with a mushroom and almond sauce
- Chicory and smoked cheese balls 'Bombettine' with a potato and rosemary side dish
- Chocolate cake with a melted centre

Cost: €45 per person

The price includes: table charge, water and a bottle of wine per couple.

The evening includes not only a romantic serenade by guest singers but also some romantic surprises and a little gift for each couple.

Hurry up and book as places are limited!

https://feshioneventi.it/prodotto/san-valentino-al-castello-24/

What's on at Teatro Comunale?

Corso Martiri della Libertà

4th February at 10.30 a.m. in the music rooms (Ridotto del Teatro) – 'Romantiche' - Lieder and chansons by composers from the 1800s.

5th February at 8.30 p.m. in the main theatre – Violin and Piano with music by Debussy, Grieg & Franck.



11th February at 4 p.m. in the main theatre – Mahler Chamber Orchestra with Mitsuko Uchida (Piano) and José Maria Blumenschen (First violinist) with music by Mozart and Widmann.

11th February at 10.30 a.m. in the music rooms (Ridotto del Teatro) – Soloists from the City of Ferrara's Orchestra with music by Schubert.

16th & 17th February at 8.30 p.m. 'Open' by Ezralow Dance Company

A patchwork of short stories created by Ezralow and his wife which provide an antidote for our complicated lives. He transports the spectators into a new dimension through his imaginative choreographies, where intensity and humour create an explosive mix of creativity and emotions.

Tickets for this performance can be bought online at:

https://www.teatrocomunaleferrara.it/biglietti/

Or by email: biglietteria@teatrocomunaleferrara.it

18th February at 10.30 a.m. at the Ridotto del Teatro – Ferdinando Scafati (Piano) with music by Schubert, Liszt, Weiber / Tausig

25th February at 10.30 a.m. at the Ridotto del Teatro – 'Fe Mu' - Violin, viola, cello, double bass and piano with music by Mendelsshon and Schubert

26th February at 8.30 p.m. at the main theatre – Padova and Veneto's Orchestra conducted by Marco Angus with music by Mozart, Stravinsky and Ravel

For further information about the above music concerts or to buy tickets, visit the website: https://ferraramusica.it/calendario/

What's on in Bologna?

La fabbrica del cioccolato' - The Chocolate Factory

Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th February Fico Eataly Food centre in Bologna

This is a fun event for children dedicated to the well-known story of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'. Brave children are invited to set off on a mission with Charlie to find some stolen recipes! If they succeed, they will win a golden ticket and be allowed to enter Willy Wonka's chocolate factory where they can help him make a magic drink and some sweets.

Meeting Place: entrance to Fico at the 'Albero della Vita'. The activity will take place in the Candy Area.



Choose your day and time:

Saturday 3rd at: 2 p.m. 3 p.m. 4 p.m. or 5 p.m. **Sunday 4th** at 11 a.m. midday, 2 p.m., 3 p.m. 4p.m. or 5 p.m.

The ticket includes entrance to Fico, the workshop and Golden Ticket for the children.

Cost: €12 children aged 2 - 11 years old

Maximum participants 30 children per group

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- One adult may accompany the child (free of charge). Any other adults must pay €5 per person which can be paid at the entrance.
- The main entrance to Fico can be accessed by Car Park 1 (P1)
- Luna Farm is not included in the price
- On Sundays, Fico closes at 6 p.m.

Carnival Summary

Carnevale is celebrated all over Italy in this period and nearly every city or town creates an event and activities for children. Some of the most famous cities get very crowded so if you are looking for a quieter and more child-friendly event then look out for posters advertising Carnivals in smaller locations or choose organized events where places are limited.

Bologna 11th & 13th February
Cento 28th January, 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th February
Comacchio 4th & 11th February
Ferrara 10th & 11th February
Poggio Renatico 18th & 24th February
Venice 27th January – 13th February