



EVENTS IN FERRARA

MARCH 2024

Paying Homage to the Dukes of Ferrara

10th, 17th, 24th March & 1st, 7th, 14th, 28th April & 1st May 2024

Piazza Castello at 11 a.m.

This event is the introduction to the Renaissance 'Palio' games which will be taking place later on in May. The eight teams or 'Contrade' of the city present themselves to the Duke of Ferrara by putting on short dances and flag-throwing exhibitions in the piazza. You can watch the parade and presentation for free, but to get a good position you need to arrive early.

Ferrara in Jazz

Jazz Club, Torrione San Giovanni, Corso Porta Mare 112

www.jazzclubferrara.com

Jazz concerts and jamming sessions continue this month. **Here is the programme:**

Friday 1st at 9.15 p.m. – Toninho Horta Quartet

Saturday 2nd at 9.15 p.m. – Ethan Iverson Trio

Sunday 3rd at 9 p.m. The Knights of the Cornetto

Friday 8th at 9.15 p.m. – Alex Hitchcock Dream Band

Saturday 9th at 9.15 p.m. Eternal Love People

Sunday 10th at 9 p.m. – Testa No!

Friday 15th at 9.15 p.m. – Aaron Goldberg Trio

Saturday 16th at 9.15 p.m. – Marco Copland Quartet Someday

Sunday 17th at 9 p.m. 'eKPYrotic'



Friday 22nd at 9.15 p.m. – Bobby Watson New Quintet

Saturday 23rd at 9.15 p.m. – Miguel Zenon Quartet

Sunday 24th at 9 p.m. – Gino Robair ‘Radical Divination’

Friday 29th at 9.30 p.m. – Tom Ollendorff Hopen House

Saturday 30th at 9.30 p.m. Maria Pia De Vito ‘This Woman’s Work’

- **N.B.** *You need to have a guest pass in order to enter the club which can be bought at the entrance on the night of the concert. This lasts 1 year.*
- *To find out more about ticket prices, visit the website. (They cost around €15)*
- *If you wish to eat dinner at the club before a concert starts, book by telephoning 331 432840 (between midday and 10 p.m.)*

La Furiosa – Bike Ride

Sunday 10th March

Departure: Piazza Trento Trieste at 9.30 a.m.

This event is an organized 67km traditional bike ride to discover the beauty of the Ferrarese countryside while reliving the emotions of cycling without the modern comforts of gears and professional tyres (see the rules below).

There is one stop off along the way for a delicious refreshment of local meats, pumpkin quiche, asparagus, local cheeses and Ferrara’s famous bread. Here, you can admire the orchards, fields and riverbanks which define the local area.

The return journey will of course take cyclists along the majestic River Po and the historical city walls until their arrival in the centre where there will be a rich buffet awaiting hungry participants at the Castle.

This long bike ride is geared towards adults but during this weekend in Piazza Trento Trieste there will be a vintage bike exhibition and a ‘GymKhana’ for children where they can try out a fun obstacle course on their bikes.

If you wish to take part, there are some rules to follow:

- Only cyclist with bikes made before 1987 can participate. Therefore mountain bikes for example are not admitted. This is because it is a historical event with a vintage theme.
- It is compulsory to wear suitable cycling clothes e.g. fitted trousers, jumpers, a helmet, scarves and accessories.
- You have to have a health certificate from your doctor*
- You have to fill in the enrolment form*



- Enrol on the website. The quicker you do this, the cheaper it is. However, you can also enrol on the day but you may not be guaranteed the 'kit'. There is a €10 insurance fee for the day.
- Once you have enrolled, you can collect your 'kit' on Saturday 9th at the headquarters in Via Borgo Leone, 28 from 2 p.m. – 6 p.m. or on 10th between 7 a.m. & 9 a.m.

**These can be downloaded and filled in from the official website (also available in English).*

Biblioteca Casa Niccolini – Library

Via Romiti, 13 (city centre)

‘Amiche tra le pagine’

From 13th February to 9th March

A display of books and other materials celebrating important women who have contributed to the arts, sciences, sport, literature and who have fought for women's freedom and rights.

‘Viaggio nel Cielo stellate con Davide Formenti’ – ‘A Journey among the stars’

Thursday 14th March at 5.30 p.m.

In this exciting workshop Davide Formenti will talk about the constellations, how you can observe and recognise them. This will be followed by lots of science experiments and a special star projection onto the ceiling of the library.

Suitable for children aged 6+

This event is free but places are limited so it is compulsory to fill in and send the online form (‘Modulo online’) found here <https://archibiblio.comune.fe.it/event/1895/3573/alla-scoperta-delle-costellazioni>

For further information: 0532 41231 Email info.niccolini@comune.te.it

‘La Scatola dei Giocattoli’ – ‘The Toy Box’ by Claude Debussy and André Hellé

Saturday 16th March at 10.30 a.m.

Irene Berti will tell Debussy's famous story of the tin soldier who falls in love with a doll, accompanied by a flute, toy piano and some special puppets. At the end of the performance everyone will be invited to play Mozart's musical dice game which was invented in the 1700s.

This workshop is free. Booking is not required.



Testaperaria Bookshop

Via De' Romei 19A

Monday 11th, 18th & 25th March at 5.30 p.m. - **'Roberto Racconta'**

Roberto Agnelli, a member of Smiling International School, is ready to tell you lots of exciting stories about friendships.

Saturday 16th March at 10.30 a.m.

'L'isola del Nonno' written by Benji Davis and read by Roberto Agnelli.

Suitable for children aged 3+

Duration: 40 minutes

To book a place: 0532 202823 or email info@testaperaria.it

Cost: free offer

Teatro Comunale

Corso Martiri della Libertà, 5

Tel: 0532 202675

Email: Biglietteria@teatrocomunaleferrara.it

Wednesday 6th March at 8 p.m. - 'Alice in Wonderland Reloaded'

Circus/Theatre Elysium

Tuesday 19th March at 8.30 p.m. - 'The Soloists of the City Orchestra of Ferrara'

Music by Walton and Poulenc conducted by Stefano Cardi

Saturday 23rd March at 8.30 p.m. - 'SWAN LAKE or the Song'

Rome's Ballet Company

Teatro Nuovo

Piazza Trento Trieste, 52

Info@teatronuovoferrara.com

Tel: 0532 1862055

16th March at 9 p.m. - 'The illusionist of Dance in 'H2O Mix'', RBR Dance Company

27th March at 9 p.m. - 'Carmen' a passionate story of love, betrayal and death.

Milan's Ballet Company

'Granfondo Del Po' 9th Edition – Professional Cycling Race

Sunday 17th March

Meeting place: Largo Castello

Departure: at 9 a.m.

<https://www.granfondodelpo.it/granfondo/programma/>



If you are interested in participating in a professional cycling race then visit the official website above. The last day for enrolling is on Saturday 16th March. On this day, roads around the city centre and leading in and out of Ferrara may be closed temporarily.

Palazzo dei Diamanti – Escher

Corso Ercole I Este, 21

23rd March – 21st July 2024

9.30 a.m. – 7.30 a.m. Every day

For the very first time in Ferrara, Palazzo dei Diamanti will host the work of the Dutch artist Maurits Cornelis Escher, a visionary artist from the 1900s.

Tickets cost €13 for adults, €11 for children aged 6 – 18, over 65s and students and include an audio guide. Tickets can also be bought online with a extra charge of €1. A family ticket is also available.

What's on in the Delta? Argenta's Valleys Events

Spring is in the air! It is the perfect opportunity to visit the Delta de Po and get to know the Valleys of Argenta and its inhabitants through a variety of interesting excursions to choose from below.

Prices: €8 Adults, €5 Children aged 6 - 12, Free Children aged 0 – 5
(unless stated otherwise)

Meeting point: Museo delle Valle, Via Cardinala 1/C, 44011 Campotto, Ferrara
(unless stated otherwise)

To Book: 0532-808058 or Email: info@vallidiargenta.org

In case of cancellation, visitors must notify the museum at least one day before otherwise tickets will not be refunded.

Sunday 3rd at 10 a.m. Walking in the Valleys of Argenta

A 5km guided walk in the beautiful protected nature reserve to discover typical flora and fauna unique to this freshwater area.

Duration: 2 ½ hours



Sunday 10th March at 10 a.m. Who Flies in the Valleys of Argenta?

Discover the birds which live and visit these valleys with an expert birdwatcher.

Sunday 17th March at 10 a.m. The Secret Buildings of the Ancient Reclamations

A guided tour of the hydraulic buildings and equipment used during the reclamation of the swamplands. Learn about the history of the territory, its industrial archaeology and its current events on this excursion.

At 3 p.m. a guided tour of the Reclamation Museum.

Cost: €6 full price, €4 concessions (also for visitors who participated in the morning's excursion)

Meeting point: Museum of Reclamation, Strada Saiarino 1, Argenta, Ferrara

Saturday 23rd March at 3.30 p.m. Photo Excursion By Car

This is an exciting excursion for photograph lovers! Join professional photographer Sergio Stignani who will guide you through this beautiful landscape at sunset, help you find the perfect photo opportunities and give you handy tips along the way.

Cost: €10 full price, €8 concessions

Sunday 24th March at 10 a.m. Bicycle Ride in Spring

Enjoy a 12km guided tour of the valleys by bike discovering the wildlife, scents and colours with the arrival of spring!

Bike rental €6

Easter Weekend

Saturday 30th at 3.30 p.m. The Colours of Spring

Enjoy a spring walk in the Valleys of Argenta and get to know more about the wildlife and fauna found in this area.

Sunday 31st March at 3.30 p.m. A Wolf for a Friend

A special hike in the valleys dedicated to learning about wolves, which have recently been seen in this area.

Monday 1st April at 3.30 p.m. To Each his own Egg

A fun guided tour for adults and children in the valleys and woods to learn about the variety of eggs belonging to different birds found in this habitat.



Monday 1st April at 10 a.m. Cycling in the Argenta Valleys

Enjoy a 12km guided tour of the valleys by bike discovering the wildlife, scents and colours with the arrival of spring!

Bike rental €6

Primavera Slow

Starts on 22nd March 2024

Discover more about the Po Delta Park and its surroundings through this annual event 'Primavera Slow'. The start of Spring sees a variety of birds arrive in the Delta and a splash of colour as a variety of plants and trees bloom. The Delta del Po Park promotes a 'slow' tourism that respects the environment, landscape, traditions, local uses and typical products. There are a variety of excursions, boat trips, photography opportunities, bird watching tours, cycling trips and horse riding available. Visit this website to find out more: <https://deltadelpo.eu/it/offerte>