

Art in Italy-2010- with Dr. Lynda McIntyre-

* Preliminary Itinerary

- Tue.- May 25 -** Depart for Italy
- Wed.- May-26** **9:20 AM:** Arrive in Italy and transfer to VIAREGGIO hotel, HOTEL LIBERTY for private bus from MILAN MALPENSA AIRPORT
Late in afternoon a trip to local Art Supply Store
7:00 PM Get acquainted Party and Orientation
- Thr-May-27** **9:00AM** Classes Begin
1:45 Meeting
- Fri.-May-28** **8:50 AM** Meeting
- Half Day Guided Excursion to LUCCA, a charming town surrounded by a circle of walls perfectly kept, dating back to the 16th century. During the visit we will stop by the house where the famous composer Giacomo Puccini was born and grew up, the beautiful church San Michele and the Cathedral, both in a typical Romanesque art style. Painting, Sketching, etc.
- Sat.-May-29** **7:30 AM** Meeting at the Railway Station. Full Day Excursion to FLORENCE. Meeting with the Guide at the Railway Station and guided Tour in Florence, the artistic soul of the Renaissance Italy with its treasures: the Arno River, Ponte Vecchio, Uffiz Museum, the Baptistery, the Giotto Bell Tower, the Pitti Palace...and free time for shopping and wondering around.
- Sun.-May-30** Free Day for individual's excursion or swimming, painting, and sketching...
- Mon.-May-31** **7:50 AM:** Meeting at Railway Station
8:00 AM: Departure of the train to La Spezia at 8:50. Connecting train to Riomaggiore at 9:54
Guided Trekking on the striking Ligurian coast. Painting at famous and beautiful Cinque Terre.
- Tue.-June 1 -** Free Day for individual Excursions or Painting
- Wed.-June 2-** **8:45 Am** Meeting at Lazzi Bus Station. Half-Day Excursion to PISA.
Visit the Leaning Tower and the beautiful Wonderies Square,with the Cathedral Bapistry and the Cemetery. The whole complex of monuments is indelible proof of the glorious past of Pisa as a Maritime Republic. Free time for wandering around, painting sketching, etc.
- Thr-June 3-** An informal trip to FLORENCE by train, perhaps to see Masaccio and discover the glory of the city's famous masterpieces of art and architecture. An opportunity for pursuing your own interests. (This is an optional trip. Students pay their own way.)
- Fri.-June 4-** Free Day for individual excursions, or painting, and sketching, etc.
- Sat.-June 5-** Free Day for individual excursions, or painting and sketching, etc.
- Sun.-June 6 -** **7:50 AM:** meeting at Viareggio's Railway Station and train till PORTOVENERE, a lovely place dominating the Gulf of LaSpezia with the ruins of a temple maybe dedicated to Goddess Venus. Here we can start the trekking till Monterosso, calling at Manarola, Comiglia, Vernazza.
- Mon.-June 7** **8:45 AM:** Meeting at Viareggio CLAP Station. Half-Day Guided Excursion to PIETASANTA, famous for its sculpture. Visit to a Sculpture's studio with foundry and visit to a mosaic studio, painting, sketching.
- Tue.-June 8-** **9:00AM-** Full Day Excursion to SIENA and SAN GIMIGNANO, crossing the wonderful Landscape of the Chianti Region. Local guide to Siena illustrating its wonderful monuments: the famous "Piazza del Campo" with its unusual shell shaped square . It is the place where twice a year the world famous "Palio" (a horse tournament) takes place, the Joy Fountain by Jacopo della Quercia, the

marble Cathedral dominating the town, etc., later in the afternoon transfer to SAN GIMIGNANO, surrounded by gently rolling hills,dotted with vines and olive trees. Its 14 gray stone towers are set on a hilltop enclosed within an outer wall including five gates. Visit to the Cathedral, the Piazza della Cisterna (the well), etc. Possibility of tasting the world famous Chianti Wine” Vernaccia di San Gimignano”.

Wed.-June 9- Free day for the last sketching or shopping or individual visits.
In the Evening : Pizza Party at Pizzeria LA CHIESINA in Viareggio (Including One Starter, Pizza, Dessert Bier or Wine)

Thr.-June 10- Departure from the Hotel to return to USA.

- Itinerary and trip cost subject to modification
- Trip cost \$3998 dbl.occup. / Single Supplement Option Available

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

1000 deposit due by-	December 1, 2009
1500 2 nd payment-	March 25, 2010
1498 balance -	April 10, 2010

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