

Keep the flame of Italian culture burning brightly give generously to the casa this holiday season

Dear Friends of Casa Italia:

Christmas is a time for giving, as we all know, and charity begins at home.

Casa Italia has faithfully served as a home for the Italian-American community for almost two decades, and now we're asking the community to open its heart in return.

The Casa is a treasure trove of culture, boasting museums and exhibits, classes and concerts, programs and services that enrich and delight. We're also a haven for the community, providing a variety of spaces for everything from offices and meetings to family events and major summer festivals.

If you've ever passed through our gates to brush up on your language skills, attend Mass in Italian, learn to make pasta from scratch, receive help with your pension, enjoy a classic Italian film, play bocce or soccer, enjoy a concert or book reading, or walk in procession in honor of your patron saint, you know what a precious resource the Casa is.

The best way to say "Grazie!" for this priceless gift is to give as generously as you can this holiday season.

Please know that your donation is fully tax-deductible, and that you'll be playing a pivotal role in preserving our beloved community and culture for generations to come.



Yes! I want to keep Casa Italia going strong!

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A home for all seasons











Casa Italia has kept the flame of Italian culture burning brightly for nearly two decades.

Winter, spring, summer or fall, you can find an endless array of programs and resources at the Casa that are sure to entertain, inspire, assist and enrich.

We offer language classes for children and adults from September to May, and a language and culture camp for kids in June and July.

We screen Italian and American films in the fall and spring; mount an art exhibit in August; and host classes, performances and presentations throughout the year.

Concerts and patron saint celebrations light up the Festival Center during the warmer months, while soccer matches and bocce tournaments range across the grounds.

Revelers dance the night away at our Ballo Sotto le Stelle in August, our vocal scholarship winners put on a spectacular show in November, and our yuletide traditions are brought vibrantly to life at our Christmas Village in December.

Our Cultural Center boasts a library, art gallery, museums, exhibits and an amazing replica of St. Peter's Basilica, and a moving and informative veterans museum nestles on the third floor of the Office Center.

Mass is celebrated in Italian every Sunday, free assistance is offered to Italian pensioners Monday through Friday, and radio programming is recorded for broadcast on a daily basis.

Countless middle and high school students have embraced our heritage thanks to the tours we conduct, and more than a dozen organizations call Casa home.

Put it all together and you have a true treasure trove of italianità. To share in these riches, we encourage you to visit www.casaitaliachicago.org.









