

# Piccola Italia



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## FUN SUMMER CLASSES

### Three of the New Classes Coming this Summer



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### UPCOMING EVENTS

*June 1* : Registration Opens

*June 15*: 10% registration discount deadline

*June 7* : Festa della Repubblica  
RSVP online

*Aug. 15* : Ferragosto Toga Party

*For more information on these and other exciting classes, read the full description on page 5*



*ICC's President Roberto Ruocco visited our sister school "Il Sasso" in Montepulciano, Italy. Here he is with Heike Wilms.*



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# CARI SOCI,

Tra sbarchi continui d'immigrati, inizio del favoloso EXPO di Milano, e la preparazione di un nuovo Giubileo che porterà migliaia di turisti in Italia, il nostro vecchio paese sta ancora navigando orgogliosamente nel Mediterraneo.

Anche l'ICC sta navigando a gonfie vele con nuovi programmi, eventi ed insegnanti. Diamo il benvenuto alla nostra nuova direttrice dei corsi Michela Di Bella, navigata insegnante del centro, ed alla nostra nuova Vice Presidente Ilaria Tabusso e grazie di tutto il lavoro svolto a Rossella Broglia, direttrice dei corsi uscente.

Dopo il successo di questi eventi:

- "Fryderyk Chopin" di Angelo Bozzolini
- "Wine, cheese and Reveles: chiacchierata sul Don Giovanni"
- Forza Azzurri! Incontro con la nazionale Italiana di Hockey

Ci prepariamo a effettuare altri eventi:

- 7 giugno 2015 avrà luogo la tradizionale celebrazione della Festa della Repubblica Italiana.
- 15 agosto 2015 In collaborazione con la Little Italy Association, l'ICC parteciperà al Ferragosto Italiano.

E non solo:

- 27 giugno 2015 Cinema Italiano a Little Italy di Giuseppe Annino, direttore, incomincerà la splendida programmazione di splendidi film nello splendido scenario dell'Amici Park.
- 21 maggio San Diego Italian Film Festival presenta nuovi film nella contea di San Diego

Controllate la nostra web page per tutti questi eventi.

E che dire dei nuovi corsi del trimestre estivo? Non perdetevi l'opportunità di migliorare la conoscenza della lingua italiana.

Allora, felicità e serenità con l'ICC, la scuola del fare, energia italiana.

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Amongst the immigrants' continuous landings, the beginning of the Milan Expo, and the preparation of a new Jubilee which will bring thousand of visitors to Italy, the Old Country is still proudly navigating in the Mediterranean Sea.

The ICC as well is navigating fair winds and following seas with new programs, events and teachers. Welcome to Michela Di Bella, navigated teacher of the Center and to our new Vice President Ilaria Tabusso, and thanks to Rossella Broglia, outgoing class coordinator, for all her hard work done.

After these events:

- "Fryderyk Chopin" of Angelo Bozzolini
- "Wine, cheese and Reveles: chiacchierata sul Don Giovanni"
- Forza Azzurri! Celebrating the Italian National Field Hockey Team,

we will feature other events:

- June 7, 2015 Festa della Repubblica
- August 15, 2015 Ferragosto in collaboration of Little Italy Association.

And also:

- June 27 Cinema Little Italy of Giuseppino Annino will start
- SDIFF features new movie in the County of San Diego.

Check our webpage for all this events.

And what about our summer term courses. Don't miss the opportunity to better your knowledge of Italian.

Happiness and serenity with ICC, the School of doing, the Italian energy!

Roberto Ruocco – Icc President

# UPCOMING EVENTS

San Diego Italian Film Festival parades into summer with comedies, dramas and experiences which aim to please and to set the stage for more Italian passion. Take for example the next film at MOPA on May 21—, *La prima neve*, Andrea Segrè's most recent feature narrative – touching, gorgeous, delicate.

Or the June 11 film at La Paloma in Encinitas, *La mafia uccide solo d'estate*, a very funny film about a Forest Gump-like character fascinated by the Mafia from his childhood, who somehow manages to be at the scene of almost every major public catastrophe caused by mafia wars. A triumph of satire.

The festival is right now putting the final touches on its fall festival for a revelation in the power of modern Italian cinema – new, exciting, and enriching either for the laughs or the tears. Here are just a couple of the titles: *Zoran, il mio nipote scemo*, *L'Arbitro*, *Il venditore di medicine*. Dates are set: October 13 through October 24. And as always, the best party in town for the SDIFF Gala.

In addition to its regular monthly schedule and the fall festival, and to help celebrate the Balboa Park Centennial, the San Diego Italian Film Festival joins with the San Diego Asian Film Festival (Pacific Arts Movement) and the San Diego Latino Film Festival



*A scene from: "Dillo con Parole Mie"*

for a very special "International Series" in the Park. Beginning Thursday July 9, and continuing every Thursday through July 30, each festival will show a free movie at the park's Organ Pavillion; again, entry is free, just bring your own blanket to get cozy. Each festival will offer a feature film on a separate Thursday, and all three festivals will show shorts the final Thursday. All films will be in native languages with English subtitles. Make sure you put all these dates on your calendar – SDIFF always aims for a grand time, very Italian.

In the meantime check out the SDIFF website for news, schedules and other important information:

[www.sandiegoitalianfilmfestival.com](http://www.sandiegoitalianfilmfestival.com)



*A scene from: "La mafia uccide solo d'estate"*

## SAN DIEGO ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL

# ITALIAN ADULT LANGUAGE CLASSES

## SUMMER 2015

### Adult Classes Description

#### BEGINNER ITALIAN I - *for absolute beginners*

**Goal:** This course gives students the basic tools needed to successfully understand and communicate in Italian. At the completion of this course students should be able to greet others, introduce themselves, talk about themselves and others, and describe people, things, and places. **Grammar:** Pronunciation, subject pronouns, c'è (there is) and ci sono (there are), indicative present tense of essere (to be), avere (to have), articles, gender and plural of nouns, numbers 0-49

#### BEGINNER ITALIAN II - *for students with very basic knowledge of Italian*

**Goal:** this course builds on Beginner Italian I and provides students a stronger and wider skills set necessary to understand, speak, read and write in Italian. At the end of the course students should be able to talk about the Italian education system, to order and to talk about food and drinks, as well as discuss common activities, leisure time, trip planning, daily life. **Grammar:** reinforcement and practice of tenses of the indicative mood, irregular verbs in -are, prepositions, partitive, adjectives and adverbs of quantity.

#### INTERMEDIATE ITALIAN I - *for students with a fairly good command of Italian*

**Goal:** this course builds on Beginner Italian II and provides students a stronger and wider skill set necessary to understand, speak, read and write in Italian. At the end of the course students should be able to talk about the family and traditions, trip reservation and planning. **Grammar:** reinforcement and practice of tenses of the indicative mood; irregular verbs in -ere, -ire; possessive adjectives, direct pronouns, present perfect with essere or avere, reflexive verbs.

#### INTERMEDIATE ITALIAN II - *for students with a good command of Italian*

**Goal:** this course builds on Intermediate Italian I. At the end of the course students should be able to talk about money and work, media and movies. **Grammar:** reflexive verbs, indirect pronouns, imperfetto tense and the use of imperfetto versus passato prossimo, pluperfect tense and adverbs.

#### ADVANCED ITALIAN I - *for students with strong command of the language*

**Goal:** to give students the tools to be able to talk in detail about Italian fashion, free time and house and furniture. **Grammar:** the course will be focused on imperative and demonstrative adjectives will be studied, future tense, verb piacere, ne and ci, double pronouns.

#### ADVANCED ITALIAN II - *for students with strong command of the language*

**Goal:** to give students the tools to talk in detail about trades and professions, geographical descriptions, sports. **Grammar:** conditional mood, present and past, comparatives and superlatives, relative pronouns and indefinite pronouns, negative expressions, gerund and progressive form.

#### ADVANCED ITALIAN III - *for students with strong command of the language*

**Goal:** to give students the tools to talk in detail about health, environment; music, art and theatre. **Grammar:** remote past, verbs and verbal expressions with infinitive, subjunctive mood; present and past subjunctive of irregular verbs; conjunctions and subjunctive; subjunctive imperfetto and pluperfect; how to use all the subjunctive tenses in complex sentences.

### CONVERSATION CLASSES

Conversation club is your chance to practice the Italian language and build fluency and confidence while learning more about this beautiful and rich culture. This course is designed to teach practical and useful Italian conversation, both for everyday life, and for formal circumstances. The course focuses on conversation (fluency and confidence), speaking accuracy, vocabulary building, listening and comprehension, pronunciation and reading. Homework will be given.

**NEW! Conversation Club 1** – For students that have successfully completed Beginner 2 (or equivalent). To enroll in this course students should know verb to be and to have, articles, nouns, adjectives, prepositions, conjugation of regular verbs ending in -are, -ere, -ire, partitives and the conjugation of irregular verbs ending in -are. The topics covered in this level include greetings and presentations (both formal and informal), the city and how to ask and give directions, how to describe people and things, how to order your food, leisure time and hobbies.

**NEW! Conversation Club 2** – For students with a good command of the language that have completed Intermediate 1 (or equivalent). To enroll in this course students should know possessive adjectives and pronouns, irregular verbs ending in -ere and -ire, past tense with essere and avere. This level builds on the previous one and add two new topics, family and traveling, with real-life situations.

**NEW! Conversation Club 3** - For students with a very good command of the language that have completed Intermediate 2 (or equivalent). To enroll in this course students should know reflexive verbs, indirect pronouns, imperfect tense, pluperfect tense, adverbs. This level builds on the previous one and adds two new topics money and time and media.

## SPECIAL INTEREST CLASSES

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### NEW! A JOURNEY THROUGH ITALIAN ADVERTISING

This workshop is designed for everyone who is interested in learning about the evolution of Italian Advertising. From the Italian Carosello to modern advertising, you will learn how Italian TV Commercials have evolved. When someone mentions "Made in Italy," the mind almost automatically goes to fashionable clothing, luxurious accessories, delicious food and fine wines. It's also advertising: Calimero, the Mustache Man, Topo Gigio, Caballero and Carmencita, just to mention a few. Each character has become a legend. We will study a few case history that set the standard for advertising worldwide. The instructor will be conducting the workshop in Italian only, intermediate to advanced language proficiency level is recommended.

### NEW! CONVERSATION FOR YOU

A course focused solely on conversation. Short videos, images, short reading articles and other didactic tools will be used in order to enhance students' conversational skills. The material will be provided by the instructor. This course required Beginner II completed.

### NEW! GRAMMAR FOR YOU FOR BEGINNER I STUDENTS

A concentrated course focusing on grammar, reading comprehension, listening comprehension and conversation. It is addressed to students who have very little or no prior knowledge

of the Italian language. Among the grammar topics: verbs to Be and to Have, nouns and articles, plural forms, interrogative forms and much more. The material will be provided by the instructor.

### NEW! GRAMMAR FOR YOU FOR BEGINNER II STUDENTS

A concentrated course focusing on grammar, reading comprehension, listening comprehension and conversation. This course builds on Beginner Italian I. It is addressed to students who have a basic knowledge of the Italian language. Among the grammar topics: regular -ARE verbs, prepositions, partitives and much more. The material will be provided by the instructor.

### NEW! GRAMMAR FOR YOU FOR INTERMEDIATE I STUDENTS

A concentrated course focusing on grammar, reading comprehension, listening comprehension and conversation. It builds on Beginner Italian II. Among the grammar topics: possessive adjectives, possessive pronouns, irregular -ERE/-IRE verbs; direct and indirect pronouns and much more. The material will be provided by the instructor.

### NEW! GRAMMATICA... CHE PASSIONE

Are you finding yourself challenged with irregular verbs, passato prossimo, prepositions, or other aspects of Italian grammar? This grammar mini course will meet your specific needs and take your Italian to the next level through clear, comprehensive grammar exercises and activities designed with students in mind. This course is for high beginner-intermediate students. Material provided by the instructor.

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## REQUIRED BOOKS

### Grammar Classes Book:



Ciao! Book and CD by Carla Larese Riga  
Publisher: Heinle  
Edition: 7th ISBN-13: 9781428288379  
Order at: Major bookstores or online.

### Conversation Classes:

No textbook required - Instructional material will be provided by the instructor.

## Ferragosto Toga Party

Come celebrate Ferragosto's next big bash:  
"Pompeii: Little Italy's Toga Party."

The fun begins at 5:00 p.m. and won't let up until Midnight!

Grab a toga and drape it tastefully over your person. Secure at the waist with something rope-like.

Crown with foliage, and . . . Voila! You're ready to party like it's 79 AD.

Strap on your sandals and head down to Amici Park in San Diego's Little Italy for a rip-roaring, explosive good time!

**Saturday, August 15**

**5:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.**

**Amici Park- Little Italy**



Get your tickets at:  
<http://ferragostosd.org>

## Language Programs Dates

### Summer Quarter 2015:

July 6th - September 26th

**Registrations open on June 1st 2015**

### Fall Quarter 2015:

September 28th - December 19th

**Registrations open on September 1st 2015**



# Course Registration Form – Summer 2015

To enroll, please drop off, mail, or place this form in our mailbox **with payment**. Pre – registration is strongly encouraged since we attempt to limit class size.

- Please add me to your mailing list for information on Italian classes and cultural events
- I'd like to register for classes now as indicated below

Name: First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City and Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Specify:  New student  Returning student

### Register me for the following:

Class \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

### Alternatives—in case the above choices are full:

Class \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the boxes to indicate your selections and amount		check	
ICC Annual Membership >You must be a member to enroll in courses	Single	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$30
	Family	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$40
Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced Italian (textbook required: Ciao 7th Ed.)		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$165
Conversation Club I, II and III		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$165
Grammatica che... Passione!		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$72
Grammar for you		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$120
Conversation for you		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$120
Italy Today		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$90
Notizie dall'Italia		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$72
The Beauty of the Region		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$72
Conversing with Fables and Fairy Tales		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$108
Early registration discount (10% off class cost ) ONLY by June 15th, 2015. Please note that the 10% discount does not apply to the following classes: Italy Today, Notizie dall'Italia, Conversing with Fables and Fairy Tales, Grammatica che Passione, The Beauty of the Region.		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$_____
TEXTBOOKS (Please note: the ICC does not sell textbooks. Allow some time for ordering, buy your books early!) • <b>Ciao!</b> 7th Edition Book available for order at major bookstores and online. Please note that ICC does not sell textbooks. Allow some time for ordering, buy your books early			
TOTAL (have you checked the boxes to indicate your choices?)			
Paid by: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash \$_____ <input type="checkbox"/> Check #_____			\$_____

**<<< SEE NEXT PAGES FOR REFUND POLICY INFO >>>**

I acknowledge and accept the refund policy \_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Student* *Date*





## Italian Adult Classes – SUMMER 2015

Day / Dates	Class Title	Time	Weeks	Teacher	Price
<b>MONDAYS</b>					
08/03 - 09/28	<b>Grammar for you - NEW!</b> <i>(For interermediate I students) Material provided</i>	11:30am – 1:00pm	8	Eleonora	\$120
08/03 - 09/28	<b>Conversation for you - NEW!</b> <i>(Requires Beg. It. II ) Material provided</i>	1:30pm – 3:00pm	8	Eleonora	\$120
07/06 - 09/21	<b>Beginner Italian I</b>	5:50pm – 7:20pm	11	Carol	\$165
07/06 - 09/21	<b>Conversation Club I</b> <i>(Requires Beg. It. II)</i>	5:50pm – 7:20pm	11	Michela	\$165
07/06 - 09/21	<b>Intermediate Italian II</b>	5:50pm – 7:20pm	11	Gabriella	\$165
07/06 - 09/21	<b>Advanced Italian I</b>	5:50pm – 7:20pm	11	Simonetta	\$165
07/06 - 09/21	<b>Advanced Italian II</b>	7:30pm – 9:00pm	11	Simonetta	\$165
07/06 - 09/21	<b>Conversation Club II</b> <i>(Req. Inter. It. I)</i>	7:30pm – 9:00pm	11	Gabriella	\$165
07/06 - 09/21	<b>Beginner Italian II</b>	7:30pm – 9:00pm	11	Carol	\$165
07/06 - 09/21	<b>Intermediate Italian I</b>	7:30pm – 9:00pm	11	Michela	\$165
<b>TUESDAYS</b>					
07/14 - 09/22	<b>Beginner Italian II</b>	5:50pm – 7:20pm	11	Michela	\$165
07/14 - 09/22	<b>Beginner Italian I</b>	5:50pm – 7:20pm	11	Gabriella	\$165
07/14 - 09/22	<b>Intermediate Italian I</b>	7:30pm – 9:00pm	11	Gabriella	\$165
07/14 - 09/22	<b>Intermediate Italian II</b>	7:30 pm– 9:00pm	11	Michela	\$165
<b>WEDNESDAYS</b>					
08/05 - 09/23	<b>Grammar for you - NEW!</b> <i>(For Beginner I students) Material provided</i>	11:30am – 1:00pm	8	Eleonora	\$120
08/05 - 09/23	<b>Grammar for you - NEW!</b> <i>(For Beginner II students) Material provided</i>	1:30pm – 3:00pm	8	Eleonora	\$120
07/08 - 09/16	<b>Advanced Italian III</b>	5:50pm – 7:20pm	11	Simonetta	\$165
07/08 - 09/16	<b>Conversation Club III</b> <i>(Requires Inter. It. II)</i>	5:50pm – 7:20pm	11	Gabriella	\$165
07/08 - 09/16	<b>Beginner Italian I</b>	5:50pm – 7:20pm	11	Laura	\$165
07/08 - 09/16	<b>Beginner Italian II</b>	7:30pm – 9:00pm	11	Laura	\$165
07/08 - 09/16	<b>Intermediate Italian I</b>	7:30pm – 9:00pm	11	Gabriella	\$165
07/08 - 09/16	<b>Intermediate Italian II</b>	7:30pm – 9:00pm	11	Simonetta	\$165
08/26 & 09/2-9-16-23	<b>Italy Today - NEW!</b> <i>(For inter. &amp; adv. students) Material provided</i>	7:30pm – 9:00pm	5	Maria	\$90
<b>THURSDAYS</b>					
09/3-10-17	<b>A Journey through Italian Advertising</b> <i>(Intermediate &amp; advanced students)</i> <i>Registration via email only at info@icc-sd.org</i>	6:30pm– 8:00pm	3	Paola	FREE only ICC Members
<b>SATURDAYS</b>					
07/11 - 09/19	<b>Beginner Italian I</b>	8:50am – 10:20am	11	Ombretta	\$165
07/11 - 09/19	<b>Intermediate Italian I</b>	8:50am – 10:20am	11	Laura	\$165
07/11 - 09/19	<b>Advanced Italian II</b>	8:50am – 10:20am	11	Simonetta	\$165
07/11 - 09/19	<b>Conversation Club II</b> <i>(Req. Inter. It. I)</i>	8:50am – 10:20am	11	Laura	\$165

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SATURDAYS (continued)

09/5-12-19-26	Grammatica... che passione - NEW! (For high Beg. and Int. students) Material provided	8:50am – 10:20am	4	Silvia K.	\$72
07/11 - 09/19	Beginner Italian II	10:30am – 12:00pm	11	Ombretta	\$165
07/11 - 09/19	Intermediate Italian II	10:30am – 12:00pm	11	Simonetta	\$165
08/8-15-22-29	The Beauty of the Region - NEW! (For high inter. & adv. students) Material provided	10:30am – 12:00pm	4	Ombretta D'A.	\$72
7/11-18-25 & 8/01	Notizie dall'Italia - NEW! (For advanced students) Material provided	10:30am – 12:00pm	4	Diana	\$72
08/22-29 & 09/5-12-19-26	Conversing with Fables & Fairy Tales - NEW! (For inter. and advanced students) Material provided	11:00am – 12:30pm	6	Rossella C.	\$108

Classes meet once a week at the ICC — 1669 Columbia Street | San Diego, CA 92101 — unless otherwise specified.

No Class on: Monday September 7 (Labor Day)

## REGISTRATION & CLASSES INFO

**REGISTRATION** starts June 1st at the ICC, via website, or by mail, with completed registration form and payment.

**PAYMENT OPTIONS:** Credit card payments are accepted online through PayPal. Our office only accepts checks

**ICC MEMBERSHIP:** Current ICC membership (\$30 individual, \$40 family) is required to enroll.

**Early registration DISCOUNT:** Register before June 15th and get 10% discount off class cost. 10% discount does not apply to: “Italy Today”, “Notizie dall’Italia”, “Conversing with Fables & Fairy Tales”, “The Beauty of the Region” & “Grammatica... che passione”

**REFUND POLICY:** The ICC reserves the right to cancel or rearrange classes for any compelling reason. If ICC cancels a class, students can transfer to a different class or receive a full refund. Approvals for transfers will be based on course and space availability.

A \$25 processing fee for change of registration will be applied after the second day of class takes place. Classes missed are not prorated or refunded and no makeup class is offered for classes missed by the student.

The ICC refund policy with respect to tuition is as follows:

Withdrawal prior to the first day of class	100%
Withdrawal within the first week of classes	70%
Withdrawal within the second week of classes	50%
Withdrawal after the third week of classes	none

Please note that the request to withdraw from a class and receive a refund must be submitted in writing via e-mail to [info@icc-sd.org](mailto:info@icc-sd.org) within the tuition cancellation period.

For further information please visit our website at [www.icc-sd.org](http://www.icc-sd.org) or email us at [info@icc-sd.org](mailto:info@icc-sd.org) or call us at (619) 237-0601. ICC office hours are Monday through Wednesday from 5:30pm until 9:00pm and Saturday morning from 9:00am until 12:30pm.

# ITALIAN CULTURE

## Why do we celebrate Ferragosto in Italy?

The most awaited festival of the summer has origins in the history of ancient Rome. Later they become interwoven with the Catholic tradition.

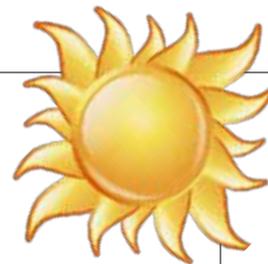
The name of this holiday comes from the Latin “feriae Augusti” (rest of Augustus), in honor of Octavian Augustus, the first Roman Emperor, from which the month of August takes its name.

It was a period of rest and celebration established by the emperor himself in a 18 B. C., derived from the tradition of Consualia - parties celebrating the end of the agricultural work, dedicated to Conso that, in Roman religion, was the god of the earth and fertility.

Read the full article about Ferragosto here:  
*5 Things to Know about Ferragosto from swide.com*  
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*Ferragosto, yesterday and today*



Throughout the Empire people organized festivals and horse racings, and farm animals were adorned with flowers. In addition farmers wished the best to their land-owners, in exchange of a tip.

From pagan festival to Catholic celebration:

This holiday was assimilated by the Catholic Church around the seventh century; when people began to celebrate the Assumption of Mary, a festivity that was fixed on August 15. The dogma of the Assumption (recognized as such only in 1950) states that the Virgin Mary was assumed, that is accepted, in heaven both with her soul and with her body.



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Saturday 8pm	July 25, 2015	<b>A Five Star Life</b>	Maria Tognazzi
Saturday 8pm	August 1, 2015	<b>Shun Li and the Poet</b>	Andrea Segre
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<b>NO MOVIE</b>	August 15, 2015	<b>Ferragosto celebration</b>	Little Italy Association
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Saturday 8pm	August 29, 2015	<b>Balancing Act</b>	Ivano de Matteo

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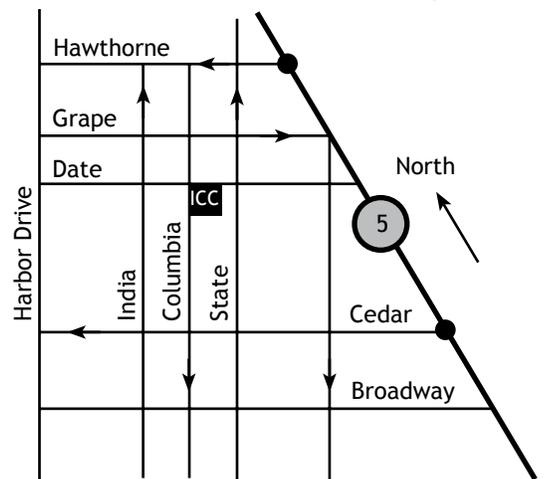
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