

Happy 20 with a lot of news from Italy

Post by “michelepinto” of July 20, 2019 at 3:50 AM

Hallo everybody!

I'm silent from a while here because I'm organizing the first epicurean festival. I have the complete program.

1° FESTIVAL EPICUREO

"Amicizia, filosofia della felicità"

Senigallia 30/08-01/09

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PROGRAMMA

VENERDÌ 30 AGOSTO

DAL 28 AL 31 AGOSTO

17-23

Palazzetto Baviera (Sala ex archivio)

IL GIARDINO DI EPICURO - O EPIKOUROU KÉPOS

Mostra a cura di **Sandro Borzoni**:

- Esposizione del busto di Epicuro scolpito dall'artista senigalliese **Monica Rafaeli**
- Esposizione del pendaglio ispirato al maialino di Ercolano realizzato dall'orafa **Catia Coacci**
- Esposizione dei disegni dell'artista **Salvo Baglieri**

DAL 26 AL 30 AGOSTO

9.00 -13.30 e 15.30 - 19.00 (venerdì 9.00 -13.30)

Mediateca Comunale

MOSTRA FOTOGRAFICA: AMORE/AMICIZIA /BELLEZZA /FELICITÀ
Percorsi fotografici

A cura dell'Associazione **Carlo Bugatti Amici del Musinf**

GIOVEDÌ 29 AGOSTO

22.30

Anteprima Cinema Gabbiano

- Proiezione del Cortometraggio di **Andrea Carli** dedicato a Felicità e Amicizia
- Proiezione del documentario di **Alain De Botton** "Filosofia una guida per la felicità - Epicuro sulla felicità"
Ingresso 1€

17.00

Palazzetto Baviera Stanza ex archivio

PRESENTAZIONE DELLA MOSTRA

Inaugurazione con le artiste **Monica Rafaeli** e **Catia Coacci** e con il curatore **Sandro Borzoni**

18.00 - 20.00

Raffaello Hotel

LA FELICITÀ È SEMPLICE SEMPLICE

Presentazione del Libro "Fascino del Giardino" di **Grazia Talia Calvi**

EPICURO MAESTRO ZEN

Presentazione del libro "Epicuro di Samo, maestro ZEN" con il monaco **Zen Salvatore Shogaku Sottile**

LA FELICITÀ NON HA SESSO

Perché Epicuro per primo aprì la sua scuola alle donne?
Con la professoressa **Angela Sinicato** e, in collegamento Skype, **Angela Lombardo**

VIAGGIATORI E STANZIALI

La globalizzazione, l'Ellenismo e la risposta di Epicuro: dialogo tra moderno e antico con il professor **Roberto Contessi**

21.30

Area Archeologia La Fenice

SENIGALLIA SOTTERRANEA

Lecture dal "De Rerum Natura" di Lucrezio Voce: **Catia Urbinelli** con **Chiara Avati**, violino e viola **Martina Giulianelli**, Violino
A cura del **Teatro Nuovo Melograno**

SABATO 31 AGOSTO

7.00

Bagni Marta 53

IL MARE E LO ZEN

Meditazione Zen

A cura del monaco **Zen Salvatore Shogaku Sottile**

COLAZIONE GRECA

Colazione con gli attanai al miele a cura di **Co' magnam stasera?**

11.00 - 12.30

Raffaello Hotel

AMICIZIA, VIA PRIVILEGIATA ALLA FELICITÀ

Con la Ricercatrice in filosofia Politica **Elena Irrera** dell'Università di Bologna

SCIENZA E FELICITÀ

Cosa dice oggi la scienza sulla felicità.

Con **Tommaso Panajoli** divulgatore scientifico del Museo del Balì di Calcinelli di Saltara (PU)

GLI STUDI EPICUREI A SENIGALLIA

Considerazioni su Rodolfo Mondolfo del Professor **Vittorio Mengucci**

13.30

Sepia by Niko

NUNC EST BIBENDUM

Rivisitazione della cucina greca

A cura dello Chef **Niko Pizzimenti**

17.00

Libreria Ubik

UNA SETTIMANA EPICUREA

Presentazione del libro "Lezioni di Felicità" con l'autrice **Ilaria Gaspari**

18.30 - 20.00

Raffaello Hotel

EPICURO MATERIALISTA METAFISICO

Presentazione del libro di **Goffredo Coppola** "Vita di Epicuro" con **Roberto Paradisi**

I BENI DELL'ANIMA SONO DA PREFERIRE A QUELLI DEL CORPO

Democrito: maestro del Giardino ante litteram

A cura del professor **Sandro Borzoni**

L'EREDITÀ DI ENOANDA

Un viaggio nelle rovine di Enoanda e sulle testimonianze di Diogene

A cura di **Harold Roig i Gorina**

21.30

Piazza Roma

EPICURO NEL SUO TEMPO

Incontro con il filosofo **Roberto Radice**. A cura di **Fabrizio Marcantoni**
Libreria UBIK

(in caso di pioggia l'incontro si terrà al Palazzetto Baviera - Sala conferenze)

23.30

Caffè Pasquini

AUT BIBAT AUT ABEAT

Disquisizione sui vini della tradizione greca e latina

DOMENICA 1 SETTEMBRE

<https://www.epicureanfriends.com/thread/1054-happy-20-with-a-lot-of-news-from-Italy>

Sottopasso via Mamiani

ISTRUZIONI PER LA FELICITÀ

INAUGURAZIONE DEI GRAFFITI DEI WRITER DEL GRUPPO JASSART

Nel corso del 6m-Italy da in Licia (oggi in Turchia), Diogene, un vecchio filosofo epicureo, desiderava condividere la felicità che la filosofia di Epicuro gli aveva procurato ma si accorse che le persone che avevano bisogno di felicità attorno a lui erano troppe perché potesse parlare con ciascuno di loro singolarmente, così per tutti i suoi

There will be a lot of short lessons about Epicurus (30 minutes).

There will be a launch based on the few writings of Epicurus about food. The painting of a subway with some sentences of Epicurus like in Enoanda, reading of Lucrezio and more.

I really hope who is not too far ([Elli](#)) will come and enjoy us!

Then a goldsmith my friend realised a silver piglet inspired from Orace and the piglet founded in Ercolano.

"If you want to have a laugh, come and see me!

I will welcome you in splendid form



More news here: <http://epicuro.org/il-maialino-di-catia-coacci/>

And then I published my book: <http://epicuro.org/timoteo-e-dafn...ndo-di-epicuro/>

Hope to listen you soon!

Post by “Cassius” of July 20, 2019 at 5:42 AM

Wow that is great Michele!

Do you happen to have a form of the program on a web page that we can run through Google translate when we post on English pages?

Also, looking forward to an English translation of your book some day!

Post by “Cassius” of July 20, 2019 at 6:17 AM

Being a Roman history fan I had to look up the history of the location, so this would have been known to the ancient Epicureans as "Sena Gallica":

"Senigallia was first settled in the 4th century BC by the gallic tribe of the Senones who first settled this coastal area . In 284 BC, the settlement was taken over by Romans, who established the colony Sena Gallica there. "Sena" is probably a corrupted form of "Senones" and "Gallica" (meaning "Gaulish") distinguished it from Saena (Siena) in Etruria.

In the prelude to the battle of the Metaurus between Romans and Carthaginians in 207 BC, Sena Gallica was the southernmost point of Carthaginian General Hasdrubal Barca's invasion of Italy. Senigallia was ravaged by Alaric during the decline of the Roman Empire and fortified when it became part of the Byzantine Empire. It was again laid waste by the Lombards in the 8th century and by the Saracens in the 9th. It was one of the five cities of the medieval Adriatic duchy of Pentapolis. "

Post by “Martin” of July 20, 2019 at 9:19 AM

Happy Twentieth!

Post by “Joshua” of July 20, 2019 at 10:56 AM

You've been keeping busy! Looks great, I hope everyone has a good time!

Post by “Hiram” of July 20, 2019 at 11:10 AM

Nice to see this! I hope you take pictures and post a full report so that I can post it on SoFE website!

Post by “Cassius” of July 20, 2019 at 12:10 PM

And video too!

Post by “michelepinto” of July 21, 2019 at 4:29 PM

I'll translate the program in English tomorrow.

I'll start again translating my book after the festival, in September.

All you Cassius wrote about Senigallia is correct. We have an archaeological area in town and there we'll read some of Lucretius.

I'll take a lot of pictures and videos. I'll write a report and Sandro, a friend and an Italian Epicurean, will realize a book with all the relations. We are planning to establish an Association.

Post by “Cassius” of July 21, 2019 at 6:05 PM

Outstanding Michele! Keep us posted and good "luck" with all these projects!

Post by “Cassius” of July 21, 2019 at 10:01 PM

Michele - [I was posting earlier today about the Boscoreale cup](#), and noting how frustrating it is that we don't have images for the full cup. If you happen to think of it and the occasion arises, it would be tremendously good if somehow we could get a 3d scan of it so that people could print their own duplicates. I know you have a lot on your mind but if the occasion arises to talk to anyone who might be able to help, please let us know!

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Of course I wouldn't even consider planting in your mind that a 3d scan of the Epicurus Hermarchus and Metrodorus busts from Herculaneum would make the world of Epicurean 3d scan / printing complete! 😊

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Trade shows

28 - 31 August - 17-23 Palazzetto Baviera (Sala ex archivio)

The Garden of Epicurus - O Epicourou Képos

Exhibition curated by Sandro Borzoni.

Exhibition of Epicurus bust sculpted by the artist Monica Rafaeli from Senigallia.

Display of the pendant inspired by the Herculaneum piglet made by the goldsmith Catia Coacci.

Exhibition of drawings by the artist Salvo Baglieri.

26th - 30th August - 9.00 am - 1.30 pm and 3.30 pm - 7.00 pm (Friday 9.00 am - 1.30 pm) -
Municipal Media Library

Photo exhibition

Love / Friendship

Beauty / Happiness

PHOTO PATHS

by the Association Carlo Bugatti friends of Musinf

Thursday 29 August - Preview

22:30 Cinema Gabbiano

Before happiness

Projection of the short film by Andrea Carli dedicated to Happiness and Friendship. Projection of the documentary by Alain De Botton "Philosophy a guide to happiness - Epicurus on happiness"

Admission € 1

Friday 30 August

5.00 pm Palazzetto Baviera Ex-archive room

Presentation of the exhibition

Inauguration with the artists Monica Rafaeli and Catia Coacci and with the curator Sandro Borzoni.

18:00 - 20:00 Raffaello Hotel

Happiness is really simple

Presentation of the Book of Charm of the Garden of Grace Talia Calvi.

Epicurus Zen master

Presentation of the book "Epicurus of Samos, master ZEN" with the Zen monk Salvatore Shogaku Sottile.

Happiness has no sex

Why did Epicurus first open his school to women? With Professor Angela Sinicato and, in connection with Skype, Angela Lombardo.

Travelers and Stancials

A comparison between today's globalization and that of the Hellenistic Age and the positions of Epicurus with Professor Roberto Contessi.

21:30 Archeology Area La Fenice

Underground Senigallia - Readings from De Rerum Natura di Lucrezio

Voice: Catia Urbinelli, with Chiara Avati, violin and viola and Martina Giulianelli, Violin. By the Teatro Nuovo Melograno.

Saturday 31 August

7:00 Marta Baths 53

The sea and Zen

ZEN Meditation by Zen monk Salvatore Shogaku Sottile

(following)

Greek breakfast

Breakfast with honey addicts by Co 'magnam stasera?

11:00 - 12:30 Raffaello Hotel

Friendship, a privileged way to happiness

With the Researcher in Political Philosophy Elena Irrera of the University of Bologna.

Science and happiness

What science says about happiness today. With Tommaso Panajoli, scientific communicator of the Museo del Balì in Calcinelli di Saltara (PU).

Epicurean studies in Senigallia

Considerations on Rodolfo Mondolfo by professor Vittorio Mengucci.

13:30 Sepia by Niko

Nunc est bibendum

Greek cuisine revisited by chef Niko Pizzimenti

Menu:

- Trio of Babaganoush, beetroot, tzatziki with Greek pita and gyros of piglet
- Grilled Saganaki (cheese) and sunflower honey
- Grilled squids with broad bean cream
- Mousse du yougurt Greek style Santorini

Wine: Verdicchio

40 € (reservation required at 338.4485682)

17:00 Ubik Bookstore

An epicurean week

Presentation of the book "Lezioni di Felicità" with the author Ilaria Gaspari

18:30 - 20:00 Raffaello Hotel

Metaphysical materialistic Epicurus

Presentation of the book by Goffredo Coppola "Life of Epicurus" with Roberto Paradisi.

The assets of the soul are to be preferred to those of the body

Democritus: teacher of the ante litteram Garden by professor Sandro Borzoni.

The legacy of Enoanda

A journey through the ruins of Enoanda and the testimonies of Diogenes, curated by Harold Roig i Gorina

21:30 Piazza Roma

Epicurus in his time

Meeting with the philosopher Roberto Radice.

Curated by Fabrizio Marcantoni - UBIK Library.

(in case of rain the meeting will be held at Palazzetto Baviera)

11:30 pm Pasquini Coffee

Aut bibat aut abeat

Discussion of Greek and Latin traditional wines

Sunday, September 1st

11:00 Underpass via Mamiani

Instructions for happiness

Inauguration of the graffiti of JassArt group writers who report Epicurean's phrases on friendship.

In the second century AD in Enoanda in Lycia (now in Turkey), Diogenes, an old epicurean philosopher, wanted to share the happiness that Epicurus's philosophy had provided him but he realized that the people who needed happiness around him were too many for him to talk to each of them individually, so for all his fellow citizens, for the foreigners who visited the city and also for posterity, he had the cornerstones of the Epicurean philosophy engraved on an enormous wall.

A part of that wall has come down to us and it is thanks to Diogenes of Enoanda that we can read some works by Epicurus that would otherwise be lost and better understand his thinking.

Some guys did the same. They replaced the chisel with spray cans, but the desire for happiness remained unchanged.

12:00 Raffaello Hotel

The garden still flowers

Conclusions by Michele Pinto

Post by “michelepinto” of July 23, 2019 at 9:20 AM

This is the program of Epicurean Festival in English. 😊

Post by “michelepinto” of July 23, 2019 at 9:24 AM

[Quote from Cassius](#)

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All this objects are conserved in important museums. I do not think it will be easy to have permission to scan them...

Post by “Cassius” of July 23, 2019 at 9:32 AM

1 - Thanks for the English transcription!

2 - Yes you are right about the difficulty. It is probably going to take a sympathetic scholar like Bernard Frischer or similar to get permission to do that and publish the scans. I know that these museums are protective of their "rights" in these images, but surely if "copyright" protection has expired on anything, it has expired on objects two thousand years old! 😊

Post by “Elli” of July 24, 2019 at 5:32 AM

What a great news. Does this event hold/happen for the first time ? Michelle you made me really happy and wishing to all of you to have for this event such a success for becoming also an institution that will be followed by the people every year.

As for my presence at this event, sorry it is not possible, since this period of time my son will be married, and a lot of supportive issues for that day have to be done by me too.

Cassius the museums protection laws did not expire. They are still nowadays, as they also forbid the visitors taking pictures of the finds inside the museums. I think it is the same in the museums of the USA. We are in their disposal, maybe in their research on the marketing, if they will have sufficient income of the reproducing of copies of the finds, for the purpose to buy them as individuals. Museum's goal is the profit and the income, what else could be ? Since, the expenses for the excavations, for paying salaries of workers, archeologists, safe-guards, the sculptors for making copies of the finds, as well as, for all the expenses of the buildings of the

museums are enormous.

The only we have to do is to make through emails for sending many requests to the managers of the museums (usually the managers are archeologists that working for the state), asking for the reproduction of our epicurean finds and to declare them that we are many buyers, from all over the world, that have a willing to buy them through internet and an eshop.

Post by “Elli” of July 24, 2019 at 6:46 AM

A notice by me to the author of the book. Dear Michelle, I read in the synopsis of your book this sentence: "un incontro impossibile fra due grandi spiriti, quello greco, ancora pagano, e quello cristiano".

I totally agree with you that the "incontro" (encounter) and the mixture between them is impossible.

Grande spirito cristiano, that means : The great spirit of christianism. I have a question : Which were these ideas that came by christianism to be considered from epicureans as great ?

quello greco, ancora pagano that means : That greek one, still pagan. This characterization for the greek cosmotheasis as paganism and the people as pagans, as well as, idolatres show how disrespectful were the people who tried to keep their customs. All these characterizations came by christianism and the christians.

But anyway, according to "the encounter between them is impossible", me, as a greek epicurean, addressed to them, I would like to say: What those gypsies and shepherds of the dessert are able to teach me, on how to milk goats and sheep? Who were those that were searching for 40 years a land that was so near by to them, and they called it "EDEN" ? They say that this word "EDEN" derived from the word "HEDONE" and means "delight/pleasure". They were searching for pleasure for 40 years, and it was in front of them, but still they give me the impression that are searching pleasure till our days. 😊

Here is an interesting article on the webpage of YSEE, by a historian Chris Aldridge <https://www.ysee.gr/aldrige.html>

Post by “michelepinto” of July 24, 2019 at 10:18 AM

[Quote from elli](#)

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<https://www.ysee.gr/aldridge.html>

You should read the last book of Catherine Nixey. The Darkening Age: The Christian Destruction of the Classical World.

In my book I'm trying to explain that both Christians and Epicureans talk about friendship and love. But Epicureans must think about it. Christians have just to have faith. And this is probably the cause Christians won. Think about everything, be ready to explain our reasons is far harder than saying: "God said that". And people are lazy and sometimes stupid too.

Thank you for reading.

Post by "michelepinto" of July 24, 2019 at 10:19 AM

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As for my presence at this event, sorry it is not possible, since this period of time my son will be married, and a lot of supportive issues for that day have to be done by me too.

I wish your son joy and happiness!
And I wish you to come to Senigallia in 2020 festival!

Post by "Elli" of July 24, 2019 at 1:45 PM

"Christians and Epicureans talk about friendship and love. But Epicureans must think about it".

Christians and their cousins i.e. the Abrahamic monotheistic religions may speak for "friendship" and "love" but their "friendship" and "love" has a virus that is capable enough for leading to the disease and the collapse of any healthy body inside any society. Christians speak for "friendship" and "love" hypocritically since, inside them is a hidden egoism, and a huge selfishness which is due to their fears of god and death. These fears make them thinking and

acting, like the reptilian brains, and in two ways: either to attack to their opponents and destroy them, or to be hidden for acting with cunning as their double spy Saul of Tarsus acted. This hidden huge selfishness, in psychological terms, is their depression and it is against the goal of pleasure, and the enjoyment of life that leads the majority of them to apathy and anesthesia (waiting for their salvation by their saviors/leaders that with their laws and their symbols had exterminate day by day through the idealism, the greek scientific/materialistic spirit of Epicurus, inside the schools, universities, academies, courts, ministries, etc etc), and the worse consequence of these fears, it is the commitment of suicide and of themselves and any of the society they live. This is the general picture of the society the christians build and its suicide is the break of its coherence, through their movement from a fantastic world to another fantastic world, the asceticism of the numerous of monks and priests inside the monasteries, and churches, and in the end when the reality comes for showing its harsh face, they are the same that lead the societies to the decadence and the destruction.

"Christians have just to have faith. And this is probably the cause Christians won".

For their faith, and its consequences, I explained as above, that is on fears. As for the victory and the won... I wonder what they really won ? Pride, respect, dignity, eudaemonia, pure pleasure, freedom, bravery, isonomia, isigoria, isigonia, isokratia, isopsyfia, and isotimia ? Someone has to be blind to not see to where they lead our western societies: to a caricature of Democracy for which they're boasting about and around, for spreading and this motto as the coldman sucks said it : "we do God's work", for leading the societies to the worse that are the endless debts that give birth to the ideologies of fascism and its barbarism.

"Think about everything, be ready to explain our reasons is far harder than saying: "God said that". And people are lazy and sometimes stupid too".

Yes, laziness, lethargy, anesthesia, and stupidity these were the main issues that Epicurus fought against in his era that the phenomena were similar like today, but not so damaging than today due to the monotheistic religions and the motto "we are doing God's work". No, the greeks did not say "gods says this and that". They said we say this and that and we are doing this and that. Man is the measure of all things - Protagoras. For this reason, Epicurus won the day, and every brave spirit was an epicurean and in Greece and in Rome. There were numerous of Epicureans and Gardens all over the ecumene. But christians' and Judaistic religions' battle was not Man to Man, but was a battle with cunning that lead to the destruction of all the ancient temples and those symbols that led the humans to lose their identity and pride of what they really were and what was their real goal in their one and unique life.

On friendship and love, we the epicureans we do not think about anything more or less, since we grasp the concept of the words directly and without mistake along with its first principle that is the common benefit and the common goal of pleasure that sprung from inner self-sufficient man spontaneously and automatically, like the swerve that is our freedom and bravery to choose with cleverness among many options. The opportunity is here and now, and it has to not

be lost again. The opportunity is for a transvaluation to all the fake values, because without Epicurus and his greek spirit, we will be lost again in the darkness of the abyss as it has been lost in the medieval ages.

P.S. Dear Michelle, many thanks for your efforts to spread the right message of epicurean philosophy, and I hope in the festival there would be a reference to some of my above thoughts, by honest men and women as speakers.



When human life – before the eyes of all – lay foully prostrate upon the earth, crushed down under the weight of religion, which glowered down from heaven upon mortal men with a hideous appearance, one man — an Hellene — first dared to lift up his mortal eyes and stand up face-to-face against religion. This man could not be quashed either by stories of gods or thunderbolts or even by the deafening roar of heaven. Those things only spurred on the eager courage of his soul, filling him with desire to be the first to burst the tight bars placed on Nature's gates.

Post by “michelepinto” of July 26, 2019 at 5:43 AM

[Quote from elli](#)

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Elli you can be sure it will be!

Post by “Elli” of July 26, 2019 at 5:57 AM



Bravissimo mio amico italiano Michelle, tu sei un autentico discendente di Lucrezio.