

Celebrating Italy's 150th Anniversary...



Verdi: solo Risorgimento?



By Risorgimento, Italians mean the political and social movement that led to the unification of Italy's different states into one country. Verdi is considered the author of operas that sang the spirit of this development but this vision is too narrow. Verdi's operas are much more both from an artistic point of view and for the important role that his operas played in the history of Italy. Through the analysis of Verdi's *arie*, *duetti* and *cori*, Professor Luca Bonomi, President of the Società Dante Alighieri (Siena, Italy) will demonstrate how Verdi's operas influenced the birth of the new Italian Nation, its political values, social and moral principles, as well as aesthetic approaches.

When: Thursday, March 3d, 3.30 pm, Gh308

Light refreshments

Suoni, sapori, immagini e profumi di Siena

Any city in the world deserves more than just a visual approach; in fact one must use all five senses to better understand a city's atmosphere and traditions. This meeting will be a journey of Siena's sounds, scents, images, and flavors to discover the hidden secrets of this wonderful Medieval city.



Presenter: Luca Bonomi, President of the Società Dante Alighieri, Siena

When: Wednesday, March 2nd, 2 pm, GH308