

# Italian Culture at Ibis

## History, Art, & Architecture

**Tour Italy from the comfort of your Club!**  
**Dive into the rich history of Italy, learn about Italian art and architecture, and explore it's unique culture.**

**Ten Italian Cities with Dr. Rocky Ruggiro:**

This course will examine the unique artistic and historical identities of ten Italian cities that helped shape the course of Western civilization from Antiquity through the early modern period.

**Modernity and Tradition in Italian Art with Dr. Mary Ann Calo:**

The course will examine the development of modern art with an emphasis on characteristically Italian modern movements, as well as the involvement of Italian artists in the international art scene.

**Women and Men in Post-War Italian Cinema with Dr. Peter Weller:**

In this course, four legendary film directors sail us through the revelation of female / male dynamic impelled by the jolt of a devastated but subsequent self-examining post-war Italy.

**The Chymical Wedding: Alchemy and Art, Medicine and Magic in the Middle Ages and Renaissance with Dr. Jeremy Wasser:**

Lectures will examine how alchemical practitioners conceived of disease and how they attempted to use alchemy to “transmute” patients back to health. We will trace the roots of modern chemistry and medicine back to their alchemical origins.

**Eleonora of Toledo: Graces, Gifts and Gardens in Medici Florence with Dr. Meghan Callahan:**

we'll explore how Eleonora's Spanish heritage affected her role as Florence's first lady, and how she adapted to her new city. As a noblewoman and Duchess, Eleonora was expected to demonstrate grace and decorum.

**Live Language Course with Dr. Erin McCarthy King:**

This is a thematic language course, focused on the vocabulary helpful for traveling in Italy. This course will help you to navigate buying tickets, booking lodging, and ordering at restaurants in Italy.



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**Tour the art history of Italy from the comfort of your Club! This second series of history lectures will focus on the arts!**

**Antiquity to the Medici with Dr. Rocky Ruggiro:** This course traces the art, architecture and historical events in Italy from Roman Antiquity through the early Renaissance

**Constantinople to Caravaggio with Dr. Rocky Ruggiro:** This course explores the circumstances and events that surrounded the fall of Constantinople and its effects on the Renaissance culture of Italy, with particular emphasis given to Florence and Rome..

**Discovering Donatello: His Life, Works, and Legacy with Dr. Rocky Ruggiro:** This course will focus on the extraordinary artistic genius of the 15th-century sculptor Donatello.

**The Divine Michelangelo: His Life and His Works with Dr. Rocky Ruggiro:** This course examines Michelangelo's epic life using milestone works of art and architecture to illustrate the chapters of his artistic biography.

**The Genius of Leonardo da Vinci with Dr. Rocky Ruggiro:** This course focuses on the extraordinary artistic genius of Leonardo da Vinci.

**Italian Masterpieces with Dr. Rocky Ruggiro:** This course explores those artistic masterpieces that serve as milestones of the Italian Renaissance and also in the development of Western art and architecture.



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