

ART in ITALY Trip - February 2018



Join art teachers Susanne Maxwell and Lauren Bartone for a 12-day trip to Italy. We are excited to be offering a new opportunity for RHS Fine Art students to expand their creative and cultural perspectives with an art focused trip to Florence, Rome, and Pompeii. Students will visit cultural treasures such as the Sistine Chapel at the Vatican, the Colosseum and the Uffizi galleries in Florence. We will learn about the cultural achievements of the Etruscan, Roman, Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque eras in Italian history while sampling the best gelato and pizza in the world.

- Who:** We have 20 spots for students who will be a junior or senior next year and will be enrolled in a RHS Fine Art class. We will hold a waiting list for students that don't make the first fifteen.
- When:** February 14th – February 24th, 2018. You will miss three days of class before break and come back on the last Saturday of break.
- Transport:** We will fly from SFO to Florence and then from Rome back to SFO. Once in Italy we will travel by train between cities and bus for excursions. When we are we will walk almost everywhere we go. You should plan to walk multiple miles everyday. Walking in a city is one of the best ways experience a city and will give us lots of opportunities to to photographs, see and make art.
- What:** This will be a creative, inspiring adventure! We will be viewing the art of Italy in and out of museums, making art, drawing, painting, taking photos, and soaking in the art and culture! We will exploring Italy's historical sites and museums, recording and sharing what we see!
- Itinerary :** Basic Day: breakfast, excursions, lunch, free time, excursions, Dinner, recap the day, review tomorrow, Relax time at hotel, sleep!! Bedtime 10-11pm. We will be up early, wear comfy shoes, bring camera, small sketchbook & open your eyes!.
- Day 1 - We depart SFO and our adventure begins! Including a creative plane packet!
- Day 2 - Hello Tuscany! A grand view from San Miniato & Piazzale Michelangelo a review our adventure!
- Day 3 - Florence: Bargello, Palazzo Vecchio, di Santa Croce, Pazzi Chapel, Photos, Sketch, Explore!
- Day 4 - Florence: Mercato San Lorenzo, Centro Storico Medici Chapel,, Art, Food, Explore!
- Day 5 - Siena: Italian train to the walled town of Siena for a full day of exploration, food, art and discovery!
- Day 6 - Florence: The Uffizi, Campanile and so much more!
- Day 7 - Morning in Tuscany then Train to Rome (2 hours)
- Day 8 - Pompeii: Day Excursion To Naples Archeology Museum & Pompeii - and of course Napoli

Pizza!

Day 9 - Rome: Ancient - the Forum, Colosseum, Ruins and Santa Maria Basilica

Day 10 - Rome: Byzantine to Renaissance at the Borghese Gardens and Museum, Trevi Fountain, Gelato!

Day 11 - Rome: Vatican Tour - the Sistine Chapel, Bernini Colonnade, St Peter's, special dinner together

Day 12 - We say our morning farewells to Rome and head back to SFO

Return: We will collect and share our favorite photos, works of art and special moments with a coffee table book and a local exhibition of our adventures!

School: You will miss three days of school. This will be a board approved field trip and is accepted by the school for an excused absence. You will need to have all the required paperwork in by Oct 1, completely filled out and signed. It is required you are in good standing in all your classes (C or above).

Trip Costs: Estimated cost is \$3500.
*Final costs are dependent on the size of our travel group and variable exchange rate. 12 day trip expenses include flight, hotels, museum and historical site tickets, art activities, travel between airports and cities, chaperone costs and breakfast and six group dinners. Students will be responsible for paying for their own lunches, six dinners and snacks, (i.e. gelato). They will also need passports, an international texting plan, and spending money for souvenirs / gifts.

Payment: Make checks out to "Redwood High School". Please note on your check that it is for the "RHS Art in Italy Trip" and your student's name.

*** First deposit of \$350 is due with sign up on June 1st, 2017. (This is non refundable.)

Second deposit of \$1575 is due on August 15th, 2017.

Final payment of \$1575 is due on November 1st, 2017.

Alternative payment plans are available.

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Info meeting: For students - lunch on Friday May 19th, 2017 in photo room 521, upstairs room in the Art Building.


For parents - Thursday May 25th, 2017, 7 - 8pm in photo room 521, upstairs room in the Art Building.

Website info: <http://www.redwoodvisualarts.org/art-in-italy-trip-2018.html>

AP ART HISTORY WORKS WE WILL BE SEEING...

Students on this trip will get to see 24 of the works they are required to know on the AP Art History exam. This is in addition to the countless other masterpieces of the Graeco-Roman, Byzantine, Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque and Neoclassical periods. By getting to spend time in the UNESCO World Heritage sites of, Florence, Rome, (and a day trip to Pompeii,) students will build an unforgettable understanding of the context in which such works of visual, architecture and culture were created.

*Works marked with an asterisk are one of the 250 required works for the AP Art History Exam.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -<i>David</i>,* by Donatello at the Bargello -<i>Palazzo Rucellai</i> *(the facade) by Leon Battista Alberti -<i>Pazzi Chapel</i>*, by Filippo Brunelleschi at Santa Croce -<i>Madonna and Child with Two Angels</i>* by Fra Filippo Lippi at the Uffizi -<i>Birth of Venus</i>* by Sandro Botticelli at the Uffizi -<i>Venus of Urbino</i>* by Titian at the Uffizi -<i>Entombment of Christ</i>*, by Jacobo da Pontormo at Santa Felicità -<i>David</i>, by Michelangelo at the Accademia -<i>Holy Trinity</i>, by Masaccio, at Santa Maria Novella -<i>Baptistry Doors</i>, Lorenzo Ghilberti, at the Duomo -<i>Duomo Campanile</i>, by Giotto -<i>Cupola of the Duomo</i>, by Brunelleschi - Too many other works to list here | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> .-<i>Temple of Minerva</i> (Veii near Rome, Italy), sculpture of Apollo -<i>Santa Sabina</i> <i>Sistine Chapel</i> ceiling and altar wall frescos, Michelangelo <i>School of Athens</i>, Raphael <i>Calling of Saint Matthew</i>, Caravaggio <i>San Carlo alle Quattro Fontane</i>, Francesco Borromini -<i>Ecstasy of Saint Teresa</i>, Gian Lorenzo Bernini -<i>Seated Boxer</i> -<i>Head of a Roman Patrician</i> <i>Augustus of Prima Porta</i> <i>Colosseum (Flavian Amphitheater)</i> <i>Forum of Trajan</i> <i>Pantheon</i> <i>Ludovisi Battle Sarcophagus</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -<i>Doryphoros</i> (Spear Bearer), Archeological Museum -<i>House of the Vettii</i> -<i>Alexander Mosaic</i> from the House of the Faun, Pompeii |

Payment Options

June 1st, 2017 - \$350 Deposit (This deposit is nonrefundable.)

- One Payment: June 1st - \$3500.00
- Two Payments:
August 15th - \$1575.00
November 1st - \$1575.00
- Three Payments:
June 1st - \$1050.00
August 15th - \$1050.00
November 1st - \$1,050.00
- Four Payments -
June 1st - \$787.50
August 15th - \$787.50
September 15th - \$787.50
November 1st - \$787.50

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Things to Do / Things to Have -

- **Valid Passport** : Make sure your Passport will be valid for at least 3 months beyond our trip date. If you do not have a Passport or it needs to be updated you should start that process NOW. It takes 6-8 weeks to get your passport, and there is often a wait time to get an appointment to apply for one. We will need 2 clear photocopies or scans of your passport by early fall to finalize reservations.
- **Photocopy of Medical Card**
- **Photocopy of Credit Card in sealed envelope** : This envelope will stay here at school and will not be opened except in the case of an emergency. Envelopes will be shredded after we return.
- **Sign and Return Field Trip Permission Forms** : These will be due in the fall semester.
- **International Phone Plan** : You do not need a lot of minutes but having a working cell phone becomes very important for communicating with each other. Being able to text is the most important and useful for us to all stay in communication and safe.
- **Luggage that is easy to carry** : You will have to carry everything you bring. In some cases you may have to walk a fair distance with your bags. So make them easy to carry or roll.
- **Shoes that are comfortable to walk in** : We will be walking A LOT. It is essential that students have shoes that can handle this.
- **Keep In good Academic Standing** : Administration has the right to pull a student from a trip due to school behavior issues with NO REFUND.
- **Debit Card with Chip** - although it will be helpful for students to have some cash, (Euros), a debit card is the best way to carry your money.

May 25th, 2018

Dear Travelers and Parents,

We are happy to be setting off on our trip to Italy under the auspices of the Global Studies Program with the Tamalpais Unified High School District. As you know, this is a school field trip and all school rules are to be followed. If you are unclear about school rules, a copy may be picked up in the main office. There are, however, two potential problems that are not covered. They are curfew and inappropriate sexual behavior. For the safety of the students and the successful continuation of this program, students must behave responsibly. The evening curfew will be determined each day by the teacher chaperones according to the activities planned for that day and the next. Generally, all of us be back in the hotel by no later than 10:00pm in order to prepare for early morning activities. When students are exploring on their own they must be in groups of four or more and must apprise the teacher chaperones of their proposed plan and get their approval.

Students who break school rules (including those pertaining to drugs and alcohol), fail to be in by curfew, or engage in inappropriate behavior, are subject to at least a one day suspension upon returning to Redwood. Additionally, students will lose the privilege of exploring on their own and will spend all of the following day or days with a chaperone. In the case of a serious infraction, the student will be sent home at parent's expense. We want both parents and students to be well informed about what is expected of them.

Lauren Bartone and Susanne Maxwell

We have read this letter and have had the opportunity to ask questions and clarify any confusion. We agree to follow all school rules and the additional expectations outlined above.

Parent/Guardian Signature/ Printed Name

Student Signature/Printed Name