

ITANJ (Italian Teachers Association of NJ)  
and  
“The Joseph and Elda Coccia Institute  
for the Italian Experience in America”

present...

ITALIAN LANGUAGE & CULTURE  
COMPETITION 2021

*“Virtually Italian”*

*A Virtual, Student Showcase of Italian language performance skills*  
**Due Date: March 16, 2021**

**LEVELS:** Students from ALL LEVELS of ITALIAN may participate.

**PERFORMANCES:**

- **Original, student-created writing and presentation** of a topic in Italian culture **of your choice**. BE CREATIVE!

Some examples:

- Recorded Zoom sessions
- Comics
- Animation
- Live collage
- iMovie
- Performance
- Skit
- Interview

- Each School must submit a **recorded, video presentation in Italian** (virtual pair/group performance or solo). **No more than 5 performances** permitted per school.
- Performances will be judged based on the enclosed **Rubric**.
- Students are responsible for their own script, costumes, music, and props.
- The top **High School performances** and the top **Middle School performances** will be awarded a **certificate & monetary prizes (\$400 - 1st Place, \$250 - 2nd, and \$150 - 3rd)**.  
In addition:
  - **\$100** will be awarded to each Italian Program of the 1st Place Performances
  - **\$50** will be awarded to each Italian Program of the 2nd & 3rd Place Performances.

**TIME LIMIT:**

- Performances should **not exceed 5 minutes**.
- Deductions will be made if the performance exceeds the time limit.  
Please refer to the rubric for time limit deductions.

**LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT:**

- Performances must include an **oral component in Italian** in addition to any related accompanying materials, written and performed **by the students**.
- The students are expected to **memorize** their lines and not rely on reading lines during their performance, either from a written script or electronic device.

**SAFETY:**

- **MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING** when doing your presentations by keeping at least 6 feet apart from each other and wearing masks.
- **OR**, record your presentations separately and then edit into a single movie or recording (ex. iMovie).
- **KEEP IN MIND** - Solo OR Pair presentations may lend themselves better to staying safe.
- When wearing masks be sure to speak **CLEARLY** and **LOUDLY**.

**ENTRY SUBMISSION:**

- **E-MAIL SUBMISSIONS to [ILCCOMMITTEE@GMAIL.COM](mailto:ILCCOMMITTEE@GMAIL.COM) BY MARCH 16, 2021.** Each entry must also include the following: **NAME OF YOUR SCHOOL, STUDENTS' NAMES, TEACHER'S NAME, and PRESENTATION TITLE.**