

## BLACK HISTORY MONTH FLORENCE III EDITION

### READINGS AND DIALOGUE WITH WRITERS

February 5, 6:00 pm, Villa La Pietra  
**Ishion Hutchinson**, Poet, American Academy in Rome  
**Geronimo Johnson**, Writer, American Academy in Rome

### COMMON THREADS: CLOTH, COLOR, AND THE SLAVE TRADE IN EARLY MODERN KONGO AND ANGOLA

February 13, 6:00 pm, Villa La Pietra  
**Cécile Fromont**, The University of Chicago  
 Organized with the Acton Lectures

### BLACK ITALIANS: A HISTORY THAT STILL NEEDS TO BE WRITTEN

February 14, 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Mauro Valeri**, Ufficio Nazionale Antidiscriminazioni Razziali, Dipartimento per le Pari Opportunità della Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri  
*(in Italian with English translation)*

### 'L'ITALIA NON E' UN PAESE METICCIO': RACISM AND BELONGING IN CONTEMPORARY ITALIAN POLITICAL DISCOURSE

February 26, 7:15 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Angelica Pesarini**, NYU Florence

## EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION

### WORKSHOP: BEING TOGETHER IN OUR DIFFERENCES

March 19-20, 4:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Dipti Desai**, New York University  
**Jessica Hamlin**, New York University

### JEWISH STUDIES

#### THE LANGUAGE OF THE JEWS OF ISLAM: THE HISTORY AND POLITICS OF JUDEO-ARABIC

February 28, 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Benjamin Hary**, New York University  
**Marcella Simoni**, Ca' Foscari University of Venice and NYU Florence

## MAPPING CONTEMPORARY FLORENCE

### THE CONTEMPORARY IN FLORENCE (NYU Florence students only)

February 6, 7:00 pm, Le Murate. Progetti Arte Contemporanea  
 A visit to the exhibition *Adrian Paci. Di queste luci si servirà la notte*  
**Gianni Barelli**, Contributing artist  
**Valentina Gensini**, Artistic Director, Le Murate. Progetti Arte Contemporanea

### DAWN OF A NATION. FROM GUTTUSO TO FONTANA AND SCHIFANO

(event tbc)  
 April 24, 6:00 pm, Palazzo Strozzi

## MIGRATION IN A GLOBAL CONTEXT

### THE GAME: MIGRANT LIFE ON THE BORDER OF EASTERN EUROPE

A Dialogue and Exhibition Opening  
 February 20 at 6:00 p.m. - Villa Sassetti  
**Mario Badagliacca**, Photographer

### ENCOUNTER THE BLACK IN THE MEDITERRANEAN BLUE

April 12 at 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Wole Soyinka**, Writer  
**Leoluca Orlando**, Mayor of Palermo (tbc)

### MADE IN ITALY OR MADE IN CHINA? CHINESE-ITALIAN CULTURAL IDENTITIES IN THE AGE OF MIGRATION AND GLOBALIZATION

May 2, 6:00 pm, Villa La Pietra  
**Gaoheng Zhang**, University of British Columbia  
**Valentina Pedone**, University of Florence  
 Organized with the Acton Lectures

## MUSEUMS, MEMORY AND POLITICS: EDUCATING ABOUT 'DIFFICULT KNOWLEDGE'

February 19, 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Joyce Apsel**, New York University  
**Davide Lombardo**, NYU Florence  
**Amy Sodaro**, Borough of Manhattan Community College, City University of New York  
**Roy Tamashiro**, Webster University

### ARE THE ARTS ESSENTIAL? (NYU Florence students only)

April 26-28, full day conference, Villa Sassetti

## IN DIALOGUE WITH WRITERS

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### AN ENCOUNTER WITH JOHN FREEMAN AND NADIFA MOHAMED

February 15, 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**John Freeman**, Editor and Artist-in-Residence, New York University  
**Nadifa Mohamed**, Writer  
**Alessandro Raveggi**, NYU Florence

### TEA WITH POETS

March 29, 5:30 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Kevin McFadden**, Poet  
**Elisa Biagini**, Poet, NYU Florence

### WRITERS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

April 19-23, Villa Sassetti  
 A series of talks by internationally renowned writers organized with PEN International

## ETHNIC RECOGNITION POLICIES WORKSHOP (NYU Florence students only)

February 22-23, full day workshop, Villa Sassetti  
**Cyrus Samii**, New York University  
**Elisabeth King**, New York University

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## YEAR OF REVOLT: 1968/2018

### WOMEN IN REVOLT 1968-2018

February 7, 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Catharine Stimpson**, New York University

### THE FEMINIST REVOLUTION IN ITALY

February 8, 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Ida Dominijanni**, Journalist, activist and scholar  
**Debora Spini**, NYU Florence

### 1968 IN FILM

March 5, 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Vito Zagarrìo**, NYU Florence

### 1968 IN FILM SCREENINGS

March 10, 7:00 pm, Teatro della Compagnia  
**Vito Zagarrìo**, NYU Florence

### THE ORPHANS AND THEIR LEGACY: ITALY AND THE MEMORY OF 1968

March 20, 7:15 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Luisa Passerini**, University of Turin and European University Institute  
**Davide Lombardo**, NYU Florence

### 'THE MARCH OF THE MILLENIALS': AMERICAN AND ITALIAN STUDENT ACTIVISM TODAY

April 17, 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
 A forum of Italian and American students involved in activism on campus and off  
**Natalia Piombino**, NYU Florence

### DAWN OF A NATION. FROM GUTTUSO TO FONTANA AND SCHIFANO

(event tbc)  
 April 24, 6:00 pm, Palazzo Strozzi

### 1968 THEMED PARTY (NYU Florence community only)

May 9, Villa Sassetti

## GENDER BASED VIOLENCE

### VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

May 10, full day conference, Villa Sassetti  
**Debora Spini**, NYU Florence

### TRAFFICKING IN WOMEN FROM NIGERIA TO ITALY: A CRISIS OF MODERN SLAVERY

May 10, 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Cindy Dyer**, Vital Voices Global Partnership  
**Evon Idahosa**, PathFinders Justice Initiative

## THE MIDDLE EAST

### THE MIDDLE EAST NOW FESTIVAL

April 10-15, Locations around Florence

#### NYU FLORENCE STUDENT JURY PRESENTS THE FESTIVAL PRIZE FOR BEST SHORT FILM

April 15, 9:00 pm, Teatro della Compagnia

#### OTHER EVENTS TO BE ANNOUNCED!

### JEWISH STUDIES

#### ISRAEL AND PALESTINE AT 70: 1948 AND THE BEGINNING OF THE ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CONFLICT

March 21, 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Arturo Marzano**, University of Pisa  
**Marcella Simoni**, Ca' Foscari University of Venice and NYU Florence

## EU IN FOCUS: WHAT IS THE EU? WHY DOES IT MATTER?

### INTRODUCTION TO EU INSTITUTIONS AND DECISION-MAKING

February 12, 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Nicolò Conti**, Unitelma Sapienza University of Rome and NYU Florence

### THE HISTORY OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION AND THE COMMON MARKET

February 13, 12:00pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Davide Lombardo**, NYU Florence

### EU IN FOCUS POLICY FOCUS AREA I: BREXIT

February 20, 12:00pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Tim Oliver**, London School of Economics and Political Science

### EU IN FOCUS POLICY FOCUS AREA II: MIGRATION

February 27, 12:00pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Leila Hadj Abdou**, European University Institute

#### EU IN FOCUS WORKING GROUP (NYU Florence students only)

**REVIEW SESSION**, March 1, 6:00pm, Villa Sassetti

**FINAL PRESENTATION**, March 6, 6:00pm, Villa Sassetti

**TRIP TO BRUSSELS**, March 10-13

## ITALIAN POLITICS

### ITALIAN POLITICS ADESSO!: AN INTRODUCTION

February 26, 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Alessandro Chiamonte**, University of Florence and NYU Florence  
**Roberto D'Alimonte**, LUISS Guido Carli Rome and NYU Florence

### INSIDE ITALIAN POLITICS

April 12-13, full day conference, Villa Sassetti  
**Alessandro Chiamonte**, University of Florence and NYU Florence  
**Roberto D'Alimonte**, LUISS Guido Carli Rome and NYU Florence  
**Nicolò Conti**, Unitelma Sapienza University of Rome and NYU Florence

## POLITICAL PARTIES IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

March 22-23, full day conference, Georgetown University, Villa Le Balze  
 Organized with Georgetown University

### POLITICAL PARTIES IN THE FACE OF POPULISM AND ANTI-PARTY SENTIMENT

March 22, 6:00 pm, Villa Sassetti  
**Julia Azari**, Marquette University  
**Seth Masket**, University of Denver  
**Gianluca Passarelli**, Unitelma Sapienza University of Rome  
**Antonella Seddone**, University of Turin  
 Moderated by **Hans Noel**, Georgetown University