The International Development Office

Presents

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The following program is offered to LUISS international students, showing important artistic places that are usually closed to the public or almost unknown by the citizens and tourists of Rome. These visits show a secret side of Rome, inside private palaces, down into underground sites and behind locked doors. For the discerning students that want to really discover the Eternal City, it will give them an idea of how Roman people used to live and provide insight into the creation of masterpieces.

All the visits will be guided by Costantino D’Orazio, art historian and author of the bestsellers:

“The keys to open 99 secret places in Rome” and

“Caravaggio revealed. The mysteries behind his masterpieces”.
Saturday, October 18, 2014 – 3:30 p.m.

**THE SECRET ORATORY OF SS.QUATTRO CORONATI**
where the power of the Popes began

A few meters away from the Coliseum, a little community of nuns still live and preserve the complex of SS. Quattro Coronati (Four crowned saints), a mysterious group of saints that have never been clearly identified.

Hidden within the medieval structure of the convent, the Oratory of Saint Silvester contains rare frescoes recounting the legend of the Donation of Constantine, in which the Roman Emperor handed over temporal power to the Christian church. We will walk through the church, the oratory and also tour the cloister, which contains many ancient Roman relics.

Meeting point: Via dei SS. Quattro 20, in front of the Monastery (metro B stop: Colosseo or bus no. 53 – bus stop Porta San Giovanni – then walk 50mt)

Entrance fee: 3 euros
Satuday, November 8, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

AN ANCIENT PHARMACY IN TRASTEVERE
a place to heal bodies and souls

Right above the entrance of this pharmacy, there is a notice stating that the medicines for the body have no effect unless they are accompanied by a cure for the spirit.

Yet the fame of this place and the popularity of the monks was not due to their sermons, but to the amazing pharmaceutical lab they had set up in the heart of Trastevere.

Meeting point: Piazza Santa Maria della Scala (bus no. 116 – bus stop Giulia/Polverone - then walk 500mt across the river)

Entrance fee: 5 euros
Saturday, November 22, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

THE ART COLLECTION OF DORIA PAMPHILJ FAMILY
the secret saga of an ancient noble clan

Doria Pamphilj Palace is one of the few ancient residences of Rome that is still owned by the same family that built it. It hosts a wonderful collection of masterpieces by Caravaggio, Raphael and Bernini, displayed in an amazing painted gallery. The visit will take you inside the palace and through the engaging history of this family, whose origins date back to the XII century.

Meeting point: Via del Corso 305 (near Piazza Venezia – there are a number of buses, or metro B to Colosseo)
Entrance fee: 7.50 euros
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