



Newsletter ~ Spring 2022

Dante Alighieri Society of Pueblo

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Mission Statement

The mission of the Dante Alighieri Society of Pueblo, Colorado is to promote and preserve the Italian language, culture and customs in Pueblo and Southern Colorado regions.

To achieve this mission, the following goals are set forth:

To award scholarships to Pueblo area senior high school students to continue the study of the Italian language at the university level and to sponsor cultural and social activities to enhance the Italian American community.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

40th SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS CELEBRATION

The Pueblo Country Club May 1st @ 12:00 PM

OPERA RECITAL

Green Mountain United Methodist Church 12755 West Cedar Drive, Lakewood, CO May 15th @ 3:00 PM

SUMMER FESTA

LaTronica's 1143 E. Abriendo Ave, Pueblo CO August 18th @ 6:30 PM

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Ciao Fratelli,

With the dreaded Covid cases down and mask restrictions relaxed we can return to long time Dante events that have been put on hold. In addition, Pueblo Dante is a major sponsor of the vaunted DaVinci exhibit coming to the Sangre De Cristo Arts and Conference Center in June.

The first event on our agenda is the popular Scholarship luncheon, Sunday May 1st at the Pueblo Country Club. With one of our missions of keeping the language alive, Dante is the only organization tying the awarding of our scholarships to proficiency in the Italian language. Not enough can be said about the great work done by Donna Stutzman and Dr. Chris Picicci, not only on this project but for all they do to keep the language alive in Pueblo. On August 18th at 6:30PM we will once again host the Summer Festa at Latronica's which is simply a wonderful way to celebrate Italian food and music.

Another exciting project benefiting our Italian heritage is being conducted by the Pueblo Sister Commission with whom we have a close relationship. Four of our board members are also board members of that commission. That commission is embarking on a project to paint murals representing Pueblo's six sister cities on the Arkansas River Levee. Artist Azaria Mendoza and her team will be painting them. Two of those cities are Bergamo, Italy and Lucca Sicula, Sicily. The project will commence sometime in late spring or early summer and be completed by summertime 2023. A major event, hopefully including representatives from all those cities will be held at that time. Dante was instrumental in the establishment of both those cities as Sister Cities for Pueblo.

The Pueblo Dante is also co-sponsoring with the Denver Dante a concert in May at the Green Mountain Church in Denver featuring Italian singers Angela Papale and Fabio Mara. A limited number of complimentary tickets are available. Contact me at mikeadino44@gmail.com if you are interested. It will be a busy spring and summer! We hope to see all of you at these events!

Michael G. Salardino, President

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The Dante Alighieri Society of Pueblo

Proudly Announces Its 40th Annual Italian Language

Scholarship Awards Celebration

To Be Held

Sunday, May 1, 2022, at 12:00 pm

At

The Pueblo Country Club

3200 8th Avenue Pueblo, Colorado

The Presentation of Scholarship Awards, Congratulatory Remarks, And Person of the Year Award will be Followed by the Little Italy Buffet

You and Your Guests are Cordially Invited to Participate in this Most Important Function of Our Dante Alighieri Society

Cost \$30 per person, \$15 for children 5 to 12

Complimentary luncheon for scholarship winners

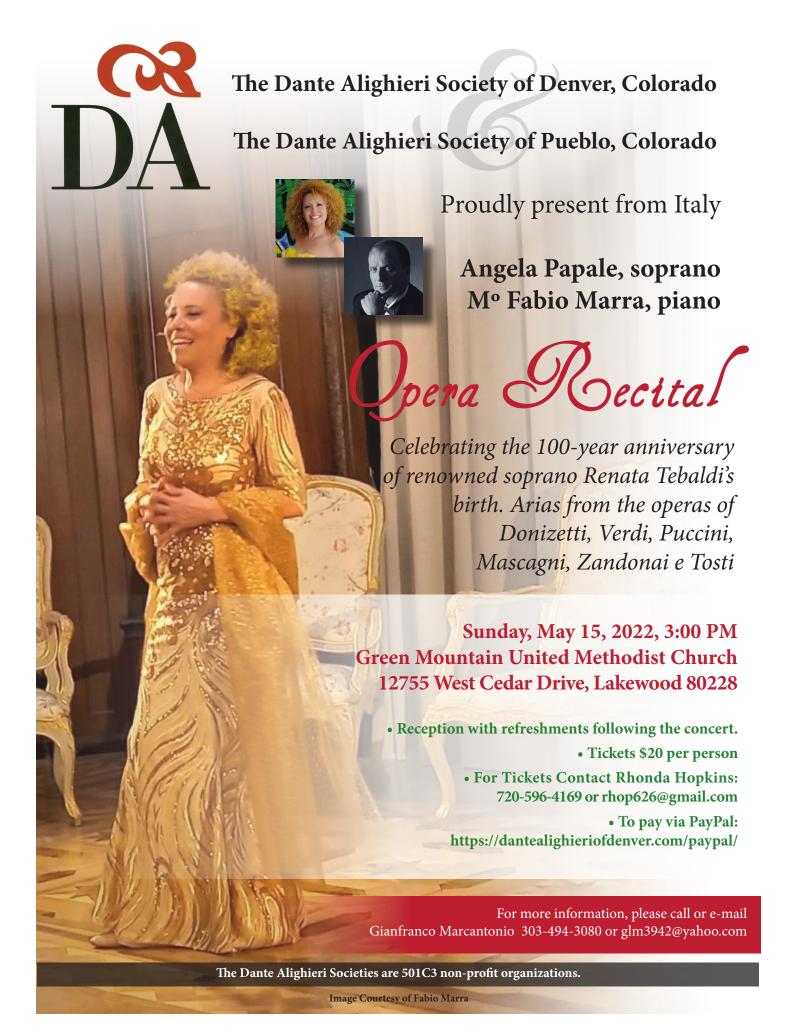
Please call Dorothy DeNiro at 719-544-0704 by Thursday, April 21 for reservations.

All proceeds to benefit the Dante Alighieri Society of Pueblo Scholarship Fund.

Please plan to pay by check or cash at the door.

If you are unable to attend and wish to send a tax-deductible contribution to the Scholarship Fund, please send a check to:

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