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## 39th Houston Italian Festival: All Things Italian in the Bayou City

by Lauren Preston

The Italian Cultural & Community Center (ICCC) will host the 39th Houston Italian Festival from Thursday, October 12 to Sunday, October 15, 2017, on the grounds of the University of St. Thomas.

Festa Italiana is an annual festival founded with the mission of celebrating Italian culture and heritage in the city of Houston. Recognized as a significant cultural event in the city, Festa Italiana has numerous activities to offer its guests.

This year's festival features live performances from DJ Italia, the Fab 5 (Beatle's Tribute Band), the Houston International Folk Dancing group, the Tarantellas Italian Folk dance group, and the nation's top Italian tenor Aaron Caruso.

The festival will also showcase film screenings, activities and cooking classes for children, wine and beer tastings, Italian language classes, Carranza puppet shows, interactive sidewalk art produced live by featured artist Carol Wells, and a classic car show on Sunday. Festival-goers also have the opportunities to compete in pasta eating contests, grape stomps, and a Bocce ball tournament as well as viewing submissions and winners of the amateur photography contest and I Madonnari Sidewalk Art Contest.

Friday night at the festival will take a western turn with Spaghetti Western night, featuring film screenings of *The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly* and *Once Upon a Time in the West* with live music from Last Chance, Houston's favorite country dance band. Visitors can wear a cowboy hat on Friday and receive a \$2 discount for on-site gate admission.

Proceeds from the Houston Italian Festival support the ICCC, the Italian language school, scholarships and many cultural events presented for the public each year.

### Event Details:

**Who:** Italian Cultural & Community Center

**What:** 39th Houston Italian Festival – Festa Italiana

**Where:** The grounds of the University of St. Thomas (3800 Montrose Blvd, Houston, TX 77006)

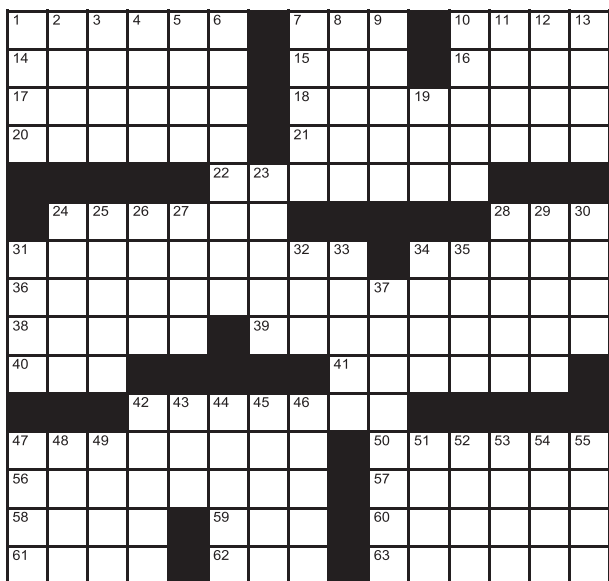
**When:** October 12 – 15, 2017: Thursday, October 12: 5pm – 10pm; Friday, October 13: 11am – 10pm; Saturday, October 14: 11am – 10pm; Sunday, October 15: 11am – 6pm

For more information or for a detailed schedule, visit: [www.houstonitalianfestival.com](http://www.houstonitalianfestival.com)

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE

#### Across

1. Temperate fruit tree
7. "48 \_\_\_"
10. City on the Yamuna River
14. Anatomical ring
15. "\_\_\_ Baby Baby" (Linda Ronstadt hit)
16. Cut short
17. Afternoon service (2 wds)
18. Affectionate name (plural)
20. South Carolina river
21. Awful
22. Native of Kigali, Africa area.
24. Covet
28. Marienbad, for one
31. Cloth hanging down at the back of a coat
34. Jellied garnish
36. Used to keep bugs away
38. Choppers, so to speak
39. Telephone sounds
40. Moray, e.g.
41. Appoints summarily
42. To cause sadness
47. Act of making something available
50. Mallets used by Judges
56. Opposite of enders
57. Lack of vigor
58. Enrich, in a way
59. After expenses
60. Firming muscles
61. Auspices
62. Oolong, for one
63. Meal



#### Down

1. Taps
2. Length x width, for a rectangle
3. Withdraw gradually
4. Announce
5. On the safe side, at sea
6. Rodent that hangs around water
7. Plantain lily
8. Second growth of grass or hay
9. Dig discovery: Var.
10. Be part of the cast of
11. Pat
12. Cambodian currency
13. \_\_\_ line (major axis of an elliptical orbit)
19. Victorian, for one
23. Bizarre
24. Charity, often
25. Artist's stand
26. "Let it stand"
27. Allergic reaction
28. All in
29. Christmas trees
30. "Hamlet" has five
31. Commend
32. "Fantasy Island" prop
33. "The final frontier"
34. A chorus line
35. Hogwash
37. Protract
42. Nursery rhyme food
43. Pillbox, e.g.
44. About
45. Slope of loose rock debris
46. Seed coat
47. "Cast Away" setting
48. Alone
49. Delhi dress
51. Soon, to a bard
52. Blow off steam
53. Arabic for "commander"
54. Ancestry
55. Dressing ingredient

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