

NOVEMBER 30TH

NYU - Casa Italiana Zerilli Marimò - 24 W 12th St, New York, NY 10011

6:30 pm SEMINAR PART. 1

LIBERTY MEETS ITALIAN GRACE. CONVERSATIONS AROUND THE TIMELESS WORK OF GRAZIA DELEDDA (in English)

Institutional greetings and introduction by **Anthony Muroi**, Journalist and writer. Artistic Director Institutional Committee Deledda 150-anniversary, **Alessandro Crocco**, President Com.It.Es New York, and NYU Casa Italiana Director **Stefano Albertini**.

Sardegna, land of myth and space of absolute existence. Grazia's World between conflicting codes and concrete universals.

Dino Manca, Professor of Linguistics and Italian Philology, Department of Humanistic and Social Science - University of Sassari

Grazia Deledda in America: the myth reborn. From memory of the past to the challenge of a new book.

Angela Guiso, Essayist, Literary Critic, Columnist

Ivy

Excerpt read by **Delissa Raynold**

Translating Deledda

Martha Witt, Author, Professor of creative writing at William Paterson University
Mary Ann Witt, Professor Emerita North Carolina State University

Around the dinner table with Grazia

Excerpt read by **Delissa Raynold**

Knowledge Crisis Resolution: Grazia Deledda, a well-rounded learning experience.

Simonetta Milli Konewko, Associate Professor and Director of the Italian Program Department of Global Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Q&A moderated by NYU Casa Italiana Director **Stefano Albertini**

DECEMBER 1ST

Italian Cultural Institute - 686 Park Ave, New York, NY 10021

11:00 am

Seeds of the future in the timeless work of Grazia Deledda (in Italian)

An event dedicated to the teachers and students of the Middle and High Schools italophone students.

Introduction by journalist and writer **Anthony Muroi**, Artistic Director of the Institutional Committee for the 150-anniversary of Grazia Deledda

Matteo Porru, author of novels, essays, and short stories, screenwriter, and playwright. Named by Italian journalists as one of the 25 most promising people in the world under 25 years of age. Among his awards is the 2019 Campiello Prize for Young Writers.

Ilaria Muggianu, essayist, journalist, playwright, television scriptwriter, and Deledda's expert. She writes the regular column *Class Readings*, focussing on secondary and university education, for the daily *La Nuova Sardegna*.

Moderator: **Stefania Puxeddu**, bilingual educator and teacher, founder of *Intaliano - Bilingualism in New York*.

At the end of the round table, teachers and students will be invited to interact with **Alexa skill "Words of Grazia"**, a service that allows participants to hear reading selections and discover the settings of Grazia Deledda's novels through voice messages accessible globally.

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Italian Cultural Institute - 686 Park Ave, New York, NY 10021

5:30 pm SEMINAR PART. 2

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Institutional Greetings by: Min. Plen. **Fabrizio di Michele** Consul General of Italy in New York, and Prof. **Fabio Finotti**, Director of Italian Cultural Institute in New York.

Introduction by journalist and writer **Anthony Muroi**, Artistic Director of the Institutional Committee for the 150-anniversary of Grazia Deledda.

Neither fair nor witch. The Welfare of Grazia Deledda. A sociosemiotic journey into the functional eroticism of the Queen of the Mediterranean
Ilaria Muggianu, essayist, journalist, playwright, and television scriptwriter

Freely chosen. Women in the work of Grazia Deledda.

Duilio Caocci, Lecturer and researcher of Italian and Sardinian Literature, Department of Humanistic Studies, University of Cagliari

Il Paese del Vento: Deledda's commentary on a woman's upbringing and political subtext.

Chiara Fabbian, Clinical Professor and Director of the Italian Program Department of Hispanic and Italian Studies, University of Illinois at Chicago

From Island to Continent and never back again.

Sonita Sarker, Chair of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies and English Macalester College, St. Paul, Minnesota

Q&A moderated by **Leide Porcu** psychotherapist/psychoanalyst. Com.It.Es. New York

7:30 pm SCREENING

GRAZIA DELEDDA THE REVOLUTIONARY

(2021, documentary 53' - Italian with English subtitles)

by **Cecilia Mangini** and **Paolo Pisanelli**

Produced by **ISRE Sardegna**, in collaboration with **OfficinaVisioni**

A cinematic journey that brings to life the world of Sardinian writer and ethnographer Grazia Deledda through unpublished documents and manuscripts. Grazia Deledda was a revolutionary. She went beyond the confines of male-dominated culture and followed her creative path as an artist and woman.