# ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL USA

# of CLEVELAND April 8 – 16, 2025



Enjoy the local premieres of four recent Italian films and one short film program at the 2025 Italian Film Festival USA of Cleveland. All films shown in Italian with English subtitles, at the Strosacker Auditorium on the campus of Case Western Reserve University (CWRU). In collaboration with CWRU College of Arts & Sciences Department of Modern Languages and Literatures Program in Italian and the Program in Jewish Studies, Dept. of History, and Film Society. National Sponsor: Your Italian Passport.



# **GLORIA!**

Tuesday, April 8 • 7:00 p.m. ◆ Film Sponsor: Liberatore Landscape Construction LLC Director, Margherita Vicario, Drama, 2024, 106 min.

Late 1700s. Teresa is a maid in a religious institution for girls near Venice where residents are musically trained. One day, a local craftsman gifts the Institute a modern and immediately distrusted instrument: a piano! Teresa begins to explore the keys, unlocking her musical talents and attracting the attention of all.



#### LILIANA

Thursday, April 10 • 7:00 p.m.

Director, Ruggero Gabbai, Documentary, 2024, 97 min.

Liliana Segre retraces her extraordinary story, from her deportation to Auschwitz at the age of thirteen, to her nomination in 2018 to Senator for life by President of the Republic Sergio Mattarella.



# THE TRAINERS • GLI ADDESTRATORI

Monday, April 14 • 7:00 p.m.

Director, Andrea Jublin, Comedy, 2024, 100 min.

Pasquale dreams of owning a canine training center. He organizes a class but his flyer ends up being misunderstood by several parents who bring their unruly children to the week-long session instead of their dogs.



## A WORLD APART • UN MONDO A PARTE

Monday, April 14 • 9:00 p.m.

Director, Riccardo Milani, Comedy, 2024, 112 min.

After years of teaching in Rome, primary schoolteacher Michele Cortese moves to an idyllic village in the heart of the Abruzzo National Park to teach at a small school. But unwelcome news arrives: the school has failed to meet its student enrollment quota for the next year and will be forced to close. Thus begins a race against time to save the school...whatever it takes!



### SHORT FILM PROGRAM • PROGRAMMA DI CORTOMETRAGGI

Wednesday, April 16 • 7:00 p.m.

Comedy, Drama, 2024, 110 min.

Seven recent films—L'acquario, Nina, Love and Chewing Gum, Ronzio, Il taglio di Jonas, Superbi and Il Giardino delle Delizie—are in competition for your vote for best short film.



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