

Florence Art History Class: Masterpieces and Monuments with Renaissance Art Historian Elaine Ruffolo elaineruffolo.com

# **Course Description:**

The course is intended as an in-depth study of art and architecture of the Italian Renaissance, with a special emphasis on Florence. Each class is devoted to a single topic or decorative complex. All classes are held on-site in a museum, piazza or monument in Florence.

Class Dates:	
Wednesday, October 9	Thursday, October 10
Wednesday, October 23	Thursday, October 24
Tuesday, October 29*	Thursday, October 31

# **Field trips:**

Ravenna: Monday, December 2\*\* Assisi: Monday, December 9\*\*

**Class time**: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

# **Contact:**

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## Fees:

The fee for all six classes is 420 Euros. If you choose to participate on a drop-in basis, the cost is 75 euros per class. Payment is due at the beginning of class in cash (please try to put in an envelope labeled with your name). You can also pay via Zelle (use elaine.ruffolo@gmail.com). If you pay directly on my website using a <u>credit card</u> please be sure to add 3% (77 Euro per class or 432 Euro for the entire series). Fees include: entrance fees, donations, tips, headsets and instruction.

**Useful information:** You may want to purchase a <u>PassePartout card</u> which is good for entry to the Uffizi, Palazzo Pitti and Boboli Gardens for one year. Pass is 71 euros and you can get more information <u>here</u>. The office is located at the Uffizi and opens at 10am.

## **Suggested reading:**

John T. Paoletti Gary M. Radke, Art in Renaissance Italy (5th edition). Painting and Experience in 15th century Italy, Michael Baxandall, second edition Richard Turner, The Renaissance in Florence: the Birth of a New Art, Everyman Library. (Available at the Paperback Exchange on Via delle Oche 2).

## Visits:

## Wednesday, October 9: Medieval Florence and the Rise of the City-State

Meet at the column in Piazza della Repubblica at 9:45 Piazza della Repubblica, towers, Palazzo Davanzati, SS Apostoli Entrance fees: 6.00 Euro for Palazzo Davanzati **Total class fee: 81 Euros** 

### **Thursday October 10: Franciscans and Dante's Florence**

Site visit: Santa Croce and Dante Walk 10:00 am meet in front of the Basilica of Santa Croce 8 Euro entrance fee Santa Croce **Total class fee: 83 Euros** 

### Wednesday, October 23: The Hounds of the Lord and the Black Death

Site visit: Santa Maria Novella and Orsanmichele 10:00 am meet in front of the Basilica of Santa Maria Novella 8 Euro entrance fee Santa Maria Novella and 8 Euros Orsanmichele **Total class fee: 91 Euros** 

#### Thursday, October 24: The Young Michelangelo

Site Visit: Casa Buonarotti and Bargello Meet at the entrance of the Bargello, Via del Proconsolo Entrance fees: 10.00 euros for the Bargello and 8 euro for Casa Buonarotti **Total class fee: 93 Euros** 

### Tuesday, October 29: Evening at the Uffizi

Site Visit: 6:30-9:30 pm Uffizi Gallery (meet at door number 1 outside the museum). 24 Euros entrance fee and reservation or free with an Uffizi pass. (This class is limited to 20 participants, please let us know ahead of time if you have an Uffizi pass.) Entrance fee: 30.00 (entrance fee and group supplement) Total class fee: 105 Euros

# **Thursday, October 31: Piety and Patronage Site visit: San Marco and the Sant'Apollonia** Meet at the museum of San Marco, Piazza San Marco.

Entrance fee: 10.00 Euro at San Marco Total class fee: 85 Euros

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\*The visit to the Uffizi is in the evening to try and avoid crowds \*\*The cost of the day trip to Ravenna and Assisi is about 240 euros each per person depending on the number of people attending. We need a minimum of 15 to run the trip.