



# CONGRESS EUROPASSION 2011 CANTIANO (I) 28 APRIL, 2011 - 1 MAY, 2011

Dear Friends from the European Passion plays,

As scheduled, **Cantiano (I)** will be delighted to welcome next spring **the annual EUROPASSION Congress**. This will be an important moment for all the Passion plays that celebrate all over Europe the Passion of Christ. The organizers hope that this event will give the most groups possible the opportunity to meet and allow us to get to know each other much better.

The chosen period is the week soon after Easter **Thursday 28th April to Sunday 1 May, 2011**. For the first and last time in its history, our passion play, LA TURBA, will be repeated on **Friday 29th April, 2011**. We can understand that this period may be difficult for you but we hope that you will be able to attend this event.

The enclosed program has been thought to make your stay as comfortable as possible with a wide range of activities. We have planned a visit to Assisi, several pleasant gastronomy events and also a sacred musical concert concluding with high Mass. On Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>, April 2011, we also provide two interesting conferences on the social role of Passion plays.

Please find enclosed a registration form and some information about reaching Cantiano. We remain at your disposal for any further information you may require. Cantiano is a small village and has therefore a limited number of accommodation structures. That's why we kindly ask you to confirm rapidly in order to organize your stay in the best way.

We wish you again a good year 2011.

Best regards

LA TURBA/ Organization Team

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## Program

### Thursday 28 April, 2011

- 17:00 Registration
- 19:00 Welcome Buffet
- 21:00 To accommodation

### Friday 29 April, 2011

- 08:30 Visiting Assisi
- 10:30 Arrival in Assisi and visitation of the Franciscan places
- 12:30 Lunch
- 14:00 Departure
- 15:30 Arrival in Cantiano
- 16:30 Meeting of the European delegations with Responsible for the Art and Faith Department of the Pontifical Council for Culture
- 18:30 Buffet with Easter local gastronomy
- 20:30 **"La Turba, sacra rappresentazione del Venerdì Santo": Holy Friday performance with possible participation of guests (men/women of the people) with their own costumes**
- 23:30 Blessing of the actors in *Collegiata di S. Giovanni Battista* Church
- 24:00 Back to accommodation

### Saturday 30 April, 2011

- 09:00 For companions, guided trips to the nearby city of Gubbio or the possibility to choose freely from other nearby destinations (Urbino, Monastero di Fonte Avellana, Passo del Furlo)
- 09:00 Authorities official greetings
- 09:30 Europassion General Assembly
- 10:30 Conference on "social role of Passion plays"
- 12:30 Typical lunch with local gastronomy
- 14:00 Afternoon session (if needed) of the General Assembly works
- 16:00 "A visit through Cantiano, its churches and historic village center": a guided tour including a tasting of local Easter specialities
- 18:00 Sacred music concert in *Collegiata di S. Giovanni Battista* Church
- 20:30 Dinner with typical gastronomy
- 23:30 Back to accommodation

### Sunday 1 May, 2011

- 09:00 Gathering of the guests
- 09:30 High mass in *Collegiata di S. Giovanni Battista* Church
- 12:30 Cocktail before leaving

## How to get to Cantiano:

**Cantiano** is a small city in the hinterland of the Province of Pesaro and Urbino, in the Marche region, Central Italy. Since there is no unique airport in the surroundings, it will be impossible for us to provide a shuttle service. For larger groups and on request, we could consider the activation of such a service.

### By road

Cantiano is on the Via Flaminia between **Roma** (km 220) and **Fano** (km 60) where you can find the exit of the A14 Highway along the Adriatic Coast. ([www.viamichelin.it](http://www.viamichelin.it)). Those of you travelling with the help of a GPS system or with computerized maps can digit the address "Via del Mercato".

### By railway

From North or by the Adriatic Railway line, the nearest railway station is **Fano** (km 60). For those coming from South, the nearest is the **Fossato di Vico-Gubbio** railway station (km 30) on the Roma-Ancona line ([www.trenitalia.it](http://www.trenitalia.it)).

### By air

These are the nearest airports:

**Ancona-Falconara** (km 90) ([www.ancona-airport.com](http://www.ancona-airport.com))

**Rimini** (km 100) ([www.riminiairport.com/](http://www.riminiairport.com/)).

**Perugia** (km 60) (<http://www.airport.umbria.it/>)

But also:

**Forlì** (km 155) (between Rimini and Bologna) ([www.forliairport.com/](http://www.forliairport.com/))

**Bologna** (km 225) ([www.bologna-airport.it/it/?LN=IT](http://www.bologna-airport.it/it/?LN=IT))

**Roma Ciampino** (km 240) ([http://www.adr.it/static/it/portal/portal/adr/Ciampino/GB\\_Pastine.html](http://www.adr.it/static/it/portal/portal/adr/Ciampino/GB_Pastine.html))

**Roma Fiumicino** (km 260) ([www.adr.it/static/it/portal/portal/adr/Fiumicino/Leonardo\\_da\\_vinci.html](http://www.adr.it/static/it/portal/portal/adr/Fiumicino/Leonardo_da_vinci.html))

Cantiano is situated near some very famous touristic centres. You can reach, in more or less one hour, not only **Gubbio** (km 18) but also **Urbino** (km 45), **Perugia** (km 65), **Assisi** (km 65), **Rimini** (km 110), **San Marino** (km 110) or **Loreto** (135).