

ALUMNI eNEWSLETTER

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Season's Greetings and all the best for the New Year



Our 2024 Study Tour will be an escorted tour to Northern Italy from April 23 to April 29, 2024. We will be headquartered in Bologna known as the Fat City for its rich cuisine! We will stay in Bologna at the 4-star Royal Hotel Carlton in the center of Bologna, near the train station.

There will be day trips to Forli where Peter Trippi will offer us a guided tour of the exhibit he co-curated (Pre-Raphaelites: A Modern Renaissance). There will also be a day trip to Ravenna (a World Heritage site known as the capital of mosaics), and other places of interest as shown on the itinerary. The itinerary also includes information on costs, single supplements, meals, transportation, what's included and what is not, etc. Airfare is not included. The Travel Agent will assist those who need help in arranging flights, etc. Some are considering a pre-tour trip to Milan and the Lake District. The Travel Agent can help with that as well if requested.

Complete details are in the Alumni's eNewsletter No 46. Contact Alumni President David Lamdin at DALAMDIN@gmail.com (703-243-2350) for further info.

The hotel is requiring a non-refundable deposit by 12/20. That does not mean that people cannot sign-up after 12/20 or that they can't get a room in the HQ hotel, but to ensure a room with the group, best to get the deposit to the travel agent by 12/20.

The Alumni Associations organizes these Study Tours not only as an educational experience for our members, but also as a fund raiser for Summer School student scholarships. We sincerely request a tax-deductible donation of \$400 per traveler payable to the Alumni Association.

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FULL AND PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

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or contact the Summer Schools Administrator at admin@vsasummerschools.org.



This is Membership Renewal Season for the Alumni Association. Travis Brock Kennedy, the new Membership Secretary for the Alumni, is busy learning the membership software and processing renewals. For info on how to sign-up or renew your membership online, please visit and scroll down on the Alumni page on the VSA website at:

Alumni Membership - Victorian Society

Click on an amount that corresponds to the membership level and proceed to enter your credit card info. If you wish to contribute to a scholarship fund in addition to your membership level, click on CUSTOM AMOUNT, enter the total amount of your contribution plus the membership level, and then indicate to which scholarship fund you wish to donate.

Your <u>prompt</u> renewal using the Donate link is the fastest and easiest way to renew and is the easiest for our all-volunteer staff to process your renewal. If you prefer to renew by check, please print out and complete the Membership Renewal Form below, follow the instructions on the form, and mail it along with your check to the address indicated.

All donations are tax-exempt as provided by law. Donations at the Supporter level and above level are recognized in our eNewsletters and donations in any amount to the individual Scholarship Funds are also recognized.

Except for some required administrative expenses, all of your membership fees and donations goes to student scholarships. These scholarships mean so much to the students. We recently received these notes from students about the scholarship:

"I have no words to describe how happy I am, I never thought this could happen in my life, this is one of the best things that is happening in my life, it's a blessing for me. I'm very emotional. Thank you for everything."

"I would like to end by expressing my immense gratitude to the Victorian Society in America for their generous scholarship program. While I have been extraordinarily blessed in my academic and professional experiences, these endeavours have also contributed to financial hardship, and I would not have been able to participate in this program without the scholarship I received." In 2023, the Alumni Assoc donated \$24,000 for scholarships.

THANK YOU for your continued support.

Alumni Association of Th	e Victorian Society Summer Schools	
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