November, 2017.

Dear Members and friends of Din l-Art Ħelwa,

We have a rich and exciting programme coming up for December. Take note in your diaries as each event is really worth attending and December is a busy month for us all. Some of the events coming up in January and February are also announced.

**Friday 1st December 2017 at 6.30 pm – Our Lady of Victory Church, Valletta**

**NATALIS JESUS CHRISTI 2017**

Church of Our Lady of Victory, Valletta

Exhibition of *bozzetti* by Melchiorre Cafà (1635-1667) on the 350th anniversary of his death

The wax *bozzetti* are kindly lent by
The Metropolitan Chapter, Mdina, Malta

Curators: Giuseppe Mantella and Sante Guido with Rev. Fr Edgar Vella
(Photos: Daniel Cilia)

THE ANNUNCIATION  
THE NATIVITY

Exhibited at Our Lady of Victory Church, Valletta, Malta. 1-12-2017 to 15-01--2018

Malta Metropolitan Chapter  Basilica Papale di Santa Maria Maggiore  Con il patrocinio dei musei vaticani

Giuseppe Mantella and Sante Guido will be present at the launch of the exhibition to give a talk about the discovery of these bas-reliefs by Melchiorre Cafà. They will also tell the fascinating story of this unfortunate genius of the Baroque age.

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TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2017 AT 7.30 PM – OUR LADY OF VICTORY CHURCH, VALLETTA

INAUGURAL CONCERT TO CELEBRATE THE RESTORATION OF THE 18C POSITIVO ORGAN AT OUR LADY OF VICTORIES CHURCH, VALLETTA

Organ & Vocal Recital- 5th December 2017, 7.30pm Hugo Agius Muscat, Organ, Joseph Lia, Baritone

Tickets are €20 per person and can be purchased from www.ticketline.com.mt or from Din l-Art Helwa on info@dinlarthelwa.org or from Our Lady of Victory Church, phone 99637409

Din l-Art Helwa thanks the Eden Leisure Group for making the restoration of the organ possible.

PROGRAMME

Pastorale (from Concerto per la notte di Natale) – Arcangelo Corelli (1653-1713)
Pastorale (BWV590), 2nd movement – Johann Sebastian Bach(1685-1750)
Quia fecit (from Magnificat, BWV243) – J. S. Bach (with baritone Joseph Lia)
Sonate d'Intavolatura per Organo e Cimbalo – Parte Prima – Domenico Zipoli (1688-1726)
- No. 7: Canzona in F major
- No. 14: All'Elevazione in C major
- No. 16: Pastorale in C major
Sonate d'Intavolatura per Organo e Cimbalo – Parte Seconda – D. Zipoli /..

- Giga (from Suite in G minor)
Vergin Tutto Amor – Francesco Durante (1684-1755) (with baritone Joseph Lia)
Fugue in G minor – Joaquín Martinéz de Oxinagas (1719-1789)
Sonata No. 6 (Fuga) in D minor – Luigi Grech (1804-1874)
Sinfonia Pastorale (2nd movement) – Emanuele Galea (1790-1850)
Ave Maria – Giulio Caccini (1551-1618) (with baritone Joseph Lia)
Sonata No. 5 in D major – Francesco Azopardi (1748-1809)

The Public are kindly asked to be seated by 7.15 p.m.

**Thursday 7th December 2017, 6.30 pm – Our Lady of Victory Church, Valletta**

Presentation of terracotta cribs by Architetto Antonietta Filangeri. Entry is free and light refreshments will be offered. Donations for the restoration and maintenance of Our lady of Victory Church are most welcome.
Thursday 14th Dec. 2017 - Din l-Art Ħelwa, 133, Melita Street, Valletta at 6.30 pm

Architect Prof. Christopher Grech presents ‘Vanishing Views’, a number of nineteenth century landscapes of Malta to show how our natural environment has been transformed in the intervening years. Christopher Grech is a UK registered architect who has worked at some of the UK’s leading architectural practices. In 1994 he embarked on a teaching career in the United States of America. Chris has now returned to live in Malta on a permanent basis after an absence of over thirty years. His presentation is influenced by the changes he sees around him. Entrance is free but donations to Din l-Art Ħelwa are appreciated.

Sunday 17th December 2017, 11 am – Our Lady of Victory Church, Valletta,

Christmas vocal choir by Cappella Sanctae Catharinae. Entry is free. Funds collected will be in aid of the restoration and maintenance of Our Lady of Victory Church, Valletta.
Thursday 11th Jan. 2018 – At Din l-Art Ħelwa, 133, Melita Street, Valletta, 6.30 pm, Architect Joanna Spiteri Staines will give a talk entitled ‘HOW BAGHERIA GOT BUGGERED’ wherein she likens the damage done to Bagheria, Sicily’s built heritage to the ongoing assault on our vernacular architecture.

Tuesday 23rd and Friday 26th January, 2018
Within the programme of the Malta International Baroque Festival two lunchtime concerts at Our Lady of Victory Church preceded by a short talk by former President of Din l-Art Ħelwa Simone Mizzi. More details to be announced later.

Friday 2nd February, 2018 – Our Lady of Victory Church A Harp recital by Silke Aichorn kindly sponsored by Mr. Heribert Grunert and Rotary Club Malta - More details will follow.

As you see this is a long and very varied programme. We thank you for your continued support and hope to see you during these coming events

Yours sincerely,
Patricia Salomone
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