



## **XVIII AIMC CONGRESS**

**SICILY - M O N R E A L E**

**22 – 23 – 24 April 2024**

**Congress theme:**

**CONTEMPORARY MOSAIC – *new routes in evolution***

### **PROGRAM of the Congress**

**MONDAY 22 April 2024**

#### **TIMETABLE:**

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| -9.00' – 12.00'  | <b>RECEPTION AND REGISTRATION</b><br>Cinema Imperia Monreale                                            |
| -15.00'          | <b>OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE XVIII AIMC CONGRESS 2024</b><br>Cineteatro Imperia Monreale                  |
|                  | <b>INSTITUTIONAL GREETINGS</b>                                                                          |
| -16.00' – 18.30' | <b>SPEAKERS' PRESENTATIONS</b>                                                                          |
| -18.30' – 19.00' | <b>DEBATE</b>                                                                                           |
| -20.00'          | <b>INAUGURATION OF THE AIMC MEMBERS' EXHIBITION –</b><br>Chiesa San Gaetano, via fontana del drago, 101 |
| -20.30'          | <b>BUFFET</b>                                                                                           |

## **TUESDAY 23 April 2024**

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| -8.30' – 12.15'  | SPEAKERS' PRESENTATIONS                                                                   |
| -12.20' – 12.35' | DEBATE                                                                                    |
| -15.00           | Free afternoon to visit the terraces of the Cathedral and the Cloister of the Benedettini |

## **WEDNESDAY 24 April 2024**

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| -8.30' – 11.55'  | SPEAKERS' PRESENTATIONS                                                                     |
| -12.00' – 12.30' | DEBATE AND CLOSING OF THE CONGRESS WORKS                                                    |
| -15.00'          | <b>GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING OF THE AIMC MEMBERS</b>                                         |
| -20.00'          | GALA DINNER, Ristorante "La Macina" via duca degli Abruzzi<br><b>Folkloristic spectacle</b> |

### **Participation fee to the Congress (members and non members) and the exhibition: euro 150**

Above fee includes:

- Participation to the Congress
- Translation expenses
- Handling of the mosaic works
- Setting up the exhibition
- Exhibition catalog
- A buffet dinner
- A Gala dinner
- A folkloristic spectacle.

### **Participation fee ONLY to the Exhibition: euro 70**

Above fee includes:

- Handling of the mosaic works
- Setting up of the exhibition
- The exhibition catalog.

## POST-CONGRESS EXCURSIONS

**25 - 26 - 27 April 2024**

### **THURSDAY 25/04      MONREALE – CEFALU' – PIAZZA ARMERINA - MONREALE**

7.30' Departure by private GT bus from Monreale to Cefalù. A stop along the way. 9.30' arrival and visit to the historic center of the town and the Cathedral. 11.00' free time available. 12.00' transfer by bus for lunch in Piazza Armerina. 16.00' guided visit in Italian and English at the Villa del Casale. 18.00' return by bus to Monreale, arriving approximately at 20.30'.

The price includes:

- A/C Bus transfer
- Entrance to the roman Villa del Casale
- Guided visit in Italian/English at the Villa del Casale of Piazza Armerina
- Lunch in a typical Sicilian restaurant

**Participation fee on 40 persons' basis: - Euro 75**

### **FRIDAY 26/04      MONREALE –PALERMO - MONREALE**

8.30': Departure by private GT bus from Monreale to Palermo. 9.00' arrival, entrance to the Palazzo Reale and the Cappella Palatina (Royal Palace and Palatine Chapel), after that, a free walking tour of the historic center of Palermo: along the way you can admire Porta Nuova, the Cathedral, the churches of San Giovanni degli Eremiti and the Martorana, Piazza Pretoria, the Quattro Canti, the Ballarò Market, the Teatro Massimo. Free time with the opportunity to taste the delicacies of Palermo street cuisine. 18.00' return by bus to Monreale, arriving approximately at 19.00'.

The price includes:

- A/C Bus transfers
- Entrance to the Palazzo Reale and the Cappella Palatina

**Participation fee on 40 persons' basis – Euro 38**

### **SATURDAY 27/04      MONREALE – CITTA' DI TRAPANI – CITTA' DI MARSALA - MONREALE**

7.30': Departure by private GT bus from Monreale to Trapani. 10.00' arrival and guided tour in Italian and English at the Saline (salt-pans) and the historic center of Trapani. 13.00' lunch in a typical Trapani restaurant. 15.30' transfer by bus to Marsala and guided tour at the Stagnone and the historic center of the town. Free time available. 18.00' return by bus to Monreale with arrival at 19.30'.

The price includes:

- A/C Bus transfers
- Lunch in a typical restaurant
- Guided visits in Italian and English of the towns Trapani and Marsala

**Participation fee on 40 persons' basis – Euro 70**

**Registration (by October 30, 2023)**

Please fill in and send back the attached registration form by **October 30, 2023**

**Non AIMC members can also participate in the congress.**

**Payment (by November 15, 2023)**

Payment must be made via bank transfer, by **November 15, 2023**

**Bank transfer to:**

Beneficiary: G. Alvich – F. Urso

Banca Sella, via Umberto I Monreale

**IBAN CODE: IT02R0326843450052288679980**

**BIC SWIFT: SELBIT2BXXX**

The following must be written as the reason of payment:

PARTICIPATION (name surname) CONGRESSO MONREALE 2024

**(All charges are at the participant's expense)**

**Congress works**

The official congress languages are Italian and English.

**Congress theme: CONTEMPORARY MOSAIC – new routes in evolution**

**Presentations of the participants (by NOVEMBER 15, 2023)**

The AIMC members who intend to intervene as speakers, will have 15 minutes available and should deliver their speech in Italian or in English. The presentation must be sent in Word format to the following e-mail address: [congresso.monreale2024@gmail.com](mailto:congresso.monreale2024@gmail.com)

in the email title it must be written: the name and surname of the speaker and "CONGRESS PRESENTATION".

The presentations will eventually be selected. A summary of the presentation (in Word digital format), done by the speaker, will be published in the catalog and must be sent by **NOVEMBER 15, 2023**. This summary must not exceed the number of 4000 characters including spaces (4000 characters spaces included for the italian text + 4000 characters spaces included for the english text).

The speaker must send the summary of the presentation in both languages. (italian and english)

#### **Exhibition of the AIMC members' works**

All AIMC members, even those who do not participate in the Congress, can participate in the exhibition which will be held from **22 to 28 April, 2024**.

The works on display should preferably be unpublished. However, all submitted works will be exhibited.

#### **Work requirements**

The work must not exceed the size of 1 m<sup>2</sup> in maximum.

The wall mounted works must be fitted with hangers suitable for hanging. The sculptures must be self-supporting.

The works must bear on the back a label with : **author's name, title, dimensions, year of execution, technique and materials**.

#### **Shipping details (from 08 to 12 April 2024)**

**The work should arrive in Monreale from 08 to 12 April 2024 at: Chiesa San Gaetano, via Fontana del Drago 101 – 90046 Monreale (PA) ITALY.**

They will be received by the Organizational Manager for the set-up and shipment,  
dr. Mario Micalizzi phone +39 327 4571815

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All transport costs, (to and fro are borne by the participants in the exhibition.

**Return of the works (from 6 May to 10 May 2024).**

#### **Packaging, transport and personal delivery of the works**

All the works should arrive carefully packed so that they can be easily transported.

Packaging material must be reusable for the return of the works.

Hand- delivered works : by **April 21, 2024**

Personal collection of the work: Sunday **April 28, 2024**

**Exhibition catalog (by NOVEMBER 15, 2023)**

On the occasion of the Congress a color catalog will be published with a photograph of the work, a photograph of the artist and a biographical note in Italian and English.

Each participant must complete the TECHNICAL DATA SHEET and attach

- **A photo of the work in high resolution 300 dpi and jpeg format,**
- **A personal photo of the artist 6 cm x 6 cm (300 dpi resolution)**

To be sent by **NOVEMBER 15, 2023** to the following email address: [congresso.monreale2024@gmail.com](mailto:congresso.monreale2024@gmail.com)

The biographical note should be written in Italian and English and must not exceed 500 characters spaces included, for each language.

**All material, photos and texts must be sent to the following email address:**

[congresso.monreale2024@gmail.com](mailto:congresso.monreale2024@gmail.com)

A copy of the catalog will be offered to all participants of the congress.

Additional copies will cost € 25.

**Where to eat in Monreale**

Monreale has numerous dining facilities such as: bars, trattorias, rotisseries, pizzerias, restaurants, ice cream shops, easily accessible, where you can eat well even with spending a small sum of money. In addition, for AIMC members, by showing the Congress Badge, you can take advantage of a discount (the affiliated facilities will be communicated on site).

**Where to sleep in Monreale**

Monreale has several B&B and guesthouses, located in the historic center. These places can be easily contacted through the various online search engines, such as Booking, bb30.it etc.

**Booking advice**

Since April is a month when many tourists visit Monreale, it is advisable to arrange accommodation as soon as possible.

## **Summary of DEADLINES**

REGISTRATION FORM: by **October 30, 2023**

Payment: by **November 15, 2023**

PRESENTATION, TECHNICAL DATA SHEET, Artist and work PHOTOS: by **November 15, 2023**

Shipment of the work to Monreale: **08 – 12 April 2024**

Hand delivered works: **April 21 2024**

Return of the work: **06 – 10 May 2024**

The Presidents of the XVIII AIMC Congress

*Giovanni ALVICH*

*Francesco URSO*