American Celebration of Music in



An exclusive concert series for choirs





Shaped by a unique blend of Greek, Arab, Norman, and Roman influences, Sicilian culture has left an indelible mark on Western history, art, and architecture. The island's vibrant tapestry of civilizations has created a sensory experience unlike any other, with a richness in history, beauty, and artistic expression that rivals the finest in Europe. The creative spirit that once flourished in ancient Syracuse and Palermo continues to thrive, evident in the island's stunning cathedrals, mosaics, and vibrant festivals.

Sicily's deep connection to music and performance remains strong. The island has long welcomed musicians from around the world, and American ensembles are no exception. Through the American Celebration of Music in Sicily, choirs, orchestras, and bands have the opportunity to perform in Sicily's breathtaking venues — from ancient Greek theaters to baroque churches — bringing modern interpretations to an audience steeped in centuries of musical tradition.

A musical journey through Sicily is an immersion into the heart of Mediterranean culture, where every note carries echoes of the past. The island's musical legacy includes not only its influence on Italy but also on the wider world, with the sounds of Sicilian folk traditions and classical influences resonating across time. Here, the heritage of great musicians and composers is celebrated in a land that has always embraced the power of music to inspire, unify, and tell the stories of its people.

S. Eustachio

"THANK YOU for an awesome tour of Italy! Please know that I am, yet once again, blown away with how well everything went and how well this tour was managed. You guys really are amazing, and on behalf of the 81 of us in Italy, I want to say THANK YOU!"

Marc Foster, Director High Point University







"It was the best trip I've taken with a student group in my fifteen years of leading tours. We were able to sing during mass at St. Peter's Basilica, perform a concert at St. Ignazio's on his feast day, sing in a Florentine church designed by Brunelleschi, and perform our finale concert in Vivaldi's church overlooking the water in Venice. These experiences will stay with me and my students for years to come!"

Daniel Wesley, Director Lexington Christian Academy Chorus

"We were all in awe just being in Italy. There were many wonderful things to take away. We enjoyed singing spontaneously at the Pantheon, experiencing the wonder of the Sistine Chapel and basking in the glow of the majestic statue of David."

Kabanya Vinson, Choir Director Ray of Hope Christian Church Choir

## The MCI Difference

Music Celebrations International (MCI) provides customized tours (stateside & abroad), festivals, collaborations, world-class clinicians, premier venues, and so many exciting possibilities to explore for your ensemble!

Partnering with MCI will provide you and your ensemble with:

- 30+ years of experience
- The best trained and most knowledgeable staff in the industry who have produced over 2,000 concert tours to Europe
- Dedicated Concert Managers who coordinate all the venues and promotion so you can focus on the music!
- Offices and personnel in Rome, Zurich, Prague, Vienna, and London
- Staff comprised of musicians, music educators, and travel industry experts
- FREE Director Preview Tours so you can experience Italy before you travel







## FREE DIRECTOR PREVIEW TOUR Italy June 22-29, 2025

You are invited to join us as we experience the breathtaking sites of Rome, Vatican City, and Florence! Join us in a spectacular Preview Tour of Italy for music directors. This is an incredible opportunity to become familiar with the highlights of an Italian concert tour in advance of your group's participation.

Highlights include touring Rome including the Vatican Museum, exploring Florence, and visiting Cremona, known around the world for its tradition of stringed instrument production.



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## sample performance itineraries in Sicily



**Tour 1 - 6 Nights / 8 Days** 3 nights in Palermo, 2 nights in Taormina 1 night in Siracusa



**Tour 3 - 8 Nights / 10 Days** 3 nights in Rome, 1 night in Naples, 1 night in Palermo, 3 nights in Siracusa



**Tour 2 - 7 Nights / 9 Days** 4 nights in Palermo, 1 night in Reggio Calabria 2 nights in Matera

These and all other tours may be viewed on our website at www.musiccelebrations.com. Fully-customized tours may also be created to meet your specific needs and interests.

Contact one of our trained and experienced Tour Consultants to explore itinerary ideas and cost estimates.

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