

# Italian OPERATIC Experience®

## THINGS YOU MUST BRING

### FOR STUDY:

- Your own **Aria Book** with a copies for the accompanist. (Copies are expensive not readily available)
- Your own **Scene Book** with a clear copy of each of your scenes
- **Notebook** for Italian Class
- An **Italian Dictionary** for Class
- Pencils, Pens and Note books
- 3 hole punch (light weight)

### Useful Things to Bring

- Electric Converter (Italy electronics)                      Bug repellent (mosquito) Portable Clothes Line  
Nail Polish & Remover
- Hair Dryer (220W)    Beach Towel (light weight)
- Hair products    Bathtub Drain Stopper
- Sun Screen    Walking Shoes
- Alarm Clock (small travel) to make sure you are on time for Italian class!

### Money

- **Money to be saved to pay for utility costs if renting an apartment**
- Money for laundry.\*\*\*
- Money for Internet Store (IOE students & Faculty a discounted rates).
- Money for Excursions and travel before & after course
- There are many Banks (6) in Urbania and it is best to use your own Bank Card to have money exchanged or to get more money
- It is also smart to have Euros before you leave so upon arriving you do not have to exchange at the airport as these exchange rates are very high
- It is also suggested that you have more than one way to be able to get money.



## THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT URBANIA

### Quiet Time in Urbania”

- During the hours from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the town or when you are at home with your family please remember this is **quiet time**. You may go out and about but stores are often close for lunch! The Scuola is open, **THERE WILL BE NO SINGING or WARMING UP at this time!**

### Also after 10:00pm

- Those of you living with a Family, be sure you are courteous to your family members! Tell them if you have rehearsal and will not be there for meals, or if you will be out late. Ask them what time they would want you to come home?
- Excursions: There are 2 planned excursions to cities of Art around Urbania that costs 10 to 15 euros and are not compulsory
- If a participant stays with a family it will cost an additional 4 euros per load to wash your clothes payable to the family. This is something you can work out with them.
- There is a laundry mat to do laundry (don't know costs) There is a **Code of Conduct** which all students must strictly follow.
- There are 2 Pharmacies in Urbania (Farmacie)
- Bus Station (AutoBus Stazione) Buses from all over Italy – schedules are ever changing best to go to get information.
- TAXI Service – there is a taxi service and the secretary at Scuola Italia will help you with this.
- Rentals of Auto's & Bicycles are available, see secretary at Scuola Italia
- Tennis at BARCO costs are €2 to 3 per hour
- Exercise Classes are available – ask at Scuola Italia
- Swimming at the BARBO is the public pool Scuola Italia has the times & costs
- You must become aware of military time 24hour clock At 13:00 is our 1:00pm
- Look at or buy Rick Steve's Travel Book on Italy
- If you plan to travel on your own...buy a good map of Italy and get a map of the city you want to visit. Important to know where you are.

### A Word of Advice

In ROME as other large cities. Be careful of pick pockets. Especially in train stations, Airports, on the buses or metros. Be aware of your surroundings and those in your surroundings. Never leave your bags unattended as they will disappear!

Other great helpful websites to look at before you leave!

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We will be in contact with each one of you regarding your specific clothing items to bring for Scene work and for the Performances.

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