

## NEWS RELEASE



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## One Month Until Second-Annual “Ferragosto”

Little Italy’s highly anticipated Venetian Masquerade to take place on August 13, 2011 and give attendees a night where “everyone is Italian.”

### WHAT:

In exactly one month, hundreds will take to Little Italy’s Amici Park for the second annual “Ferragosto.” This year’s whimsical theme, “Venetian Masquerade” will attract guests, dressed in their chicest cocktail attire to celebrate Little Italy’s take on the Italian holiday “Feraie Augusti.”

Recently announced is the building of a 100 foot canal with a floating gondola right in the middle of Amici Park. Just the touch to give guests the feeling of being in the middle of Old Venice without having to leave San Diego!

Ferragosto guests will indulge in delicious fare from some of San Diego’s hottest eateries and bars. Participating restaurants include **Francesca’s, Toast Enoteca & Aqua al 2, Craft and Commerce, Mona Lisa, La Foccacia, Osteria Origano, Cupid’s Catering, Tre Porcellini, Tommy V’s Chop House, Vigilucci’s, Buon Appetito/ Sogno DiVino, Solare, Bencotto Italian Kitchen, Papalecco, Davanti Enoteca and Old Venice.** Libations will be provided by wine sponsor **Gallo, Karl Strauss Brewery,** and traditional limoncello and prosecco from **Pueblo Partners Trading.**

Additional events include the annual Venetian costume contest. KUSI’s Alexis DelChiaro, KPRI Radio Personality Chris Cantore and NBC’s Jodi Kodesh will appear as judges for the contest and will channel their Italian roots. Guests are encouraged to channel old Venice with their attire for a chance at some fabulous prizes. The annual silent auction and raffle give guests more chances to win prizes including tickets to the Super Bowl or a getaway to Venice.

Additional entertainment will be provided by the Anthology House Band will take to the stage in Amici Park to get guests on their feet and dancing the night away!

This event raises critical funds for **Washington Elementary School, Little Italy Association and Our Lady of the Rosary.**

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**WHEN:** Saturday, August 13, 2011 from 6:00 pm to 11:30 pm

**WHERE:** Amici Park—1700 Block corner of Date St. and State St. adjacent to Washington Elementary School.

**TICKETS:** Tickets are available for purchase by visiting [www.ferragostosd.org](http://www.ferragostosd.org) or by calling (619) 234-4820. There are four ticket levels; General admission tickets are unreserved tickets and grant full access to the restaurant buffet cost \$100. Reserved tables of 10 give your party a guaranteed table and permit full access to our restaurant buffet cost \$1,000. Within the four ticket levels are two VIP options that ensure you will be treated like a Venetian aristocrat! Single VIP Table Service gives full-personalized food table service and three drink tickets and cost \$150 each. Doge's VIP Service puts guests in the middle of all the action from dancing to the Parade of Costumes. Doge's VIP service includes table service for all bar and restaurant offerings and three drink tickets and costs \$1,500 for a table of ten.

**Event proceeds benefit the Little Italy Association, Washington Elementary School, and Our Lady of the Rosary Church.**

**INFO:** Visit: [www.ferragostosd.org](http://www.ferragostosd.org) or call (619) 234-4820.

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