

2023 KICKOFF PROGRAM
24th ANNIVERSARY OF
OCTOBER ITALIAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Monday, October 2nd, 6pm

House Chambers, MA State House ~ 24 Beacon Street, Boston, MA

6pm

Guests proceed to State House Chambers and be seated

6:15pm

Welcoming Master of Cerimonies	Hon. Ronald J. Mariano, Speaker of MA State House
Color Guard Call to Order	Middlesex County Sheriff's Dept ~ Capt. John Panaggio
Pledge of Allegiance	Sal DiDomenico, MA State Senator
National Anthems of Italy & USA + 1 additional song	Coro Dante, Chorus of Dante Alighieri Society of MA led by Nathaniel Meyer, Musical Director
Blessing	Fr. Michael DellaPenna, OFM, St. Leonard's Church
Welcome and Recognition of Italian-American Organizations	Italian Heritage Month Committee President, Richard J. Vita, Esq.
Reading of 2023 Proclamation	Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll
Greetings & Remarks	Hon. Michelle Wu, Mayor of the City of Boston
Recognition of Legislative and Constitutional Officers	Hon. Paul J. Donato, MA State Representative
Greetings & Remarks	Arnaldo Minuti, Consul General of Italy in Boston Rodolfo Viscomi, State President of the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America

Scholarship Presentations

Presentation Adelaide Guarracino, CASIT President
OIHM Founders' Scholarship to
Alexa Dhaliwal, Woburn Memorial HS

*Hon. Aaron Michliewitz NEMPAC Scholarship
in loving memory of his mother
Geraldine Marshall*

*Joseph J. Albanese Scholarships
in loving memory of his father Charles C. Albanese
and his mother Madeline A. Albanese to*
Teddy Lusinski & Catherine Crane,
Malden Catholic HS

Honorees

Anna Quadri Guy A. Carbone, Esq.
*2023 Lifetime Achievement for Service to the
Italian-American Community Award*

Nadia Di Carlo Dr Carolyn R. Bertozzi, Nobel Laureate in Chemistry
2023 Lifetime Achievement in Science and Medicine Award

Hon. Ronald J. Mariano Hon. Robert A. DeLeo, Former Speaker of MA State House
2023 Lifetime Achievement in Public Service Award

Closing remarks Hon. Ronald J. Mariano, Speaker of MA State House

*Refreshments by Sammy Carlo's Catering, courtesy of Consul General of Italy in Boston
Musical Entertainment provided by DJ Rocco Mesiti, Dolce Vita Radio*