

## PRESS RELEASE

# International House Museum Days

An inclusive event for global house museums

April 5 - 6, 2025

The National Association of Case della Memoria (Florence, Italy) in collaboration with the International Council of Museums committees DEMHIST (International Committee for Historic House Museums) and ICLCM (International Committee for Literary and Composers' Museums) is pleased to announce the launch of the first International House Museum Days dedicated to houses of memory and personages.



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## HOUSE MUSEUMS OF MEMORY AND PERSONAGES

The National Association of Case della Memoria founded the Italian Days of Houses of Memory, and 2024 saw the third edition of the successful event that attracted the participation of 25 thousand visitors in its organization of 130 houses across 18 Italian regions. By collaborating with the ICOM international committees, the aim is to reach an even wider audience by partnering with similar institutions worldwide, in order to create a network promoting house museums on an international scale. **International House Museum Days will feature house museums from around the world each holding special programming on April 5-6 2025 dedicated to the event.**

"We hope for great participation in the inaugural edition of the International Days," states Adriano Rigoli, president of the National Association of Case della Memoria and Chair of the ICOM-ICLCM committee. "We endeavor to demonstrate to

international cultural and political institutions, especially within the European Union, how beautiful, numerous, and significant the homes of illustrious individuals representing our culture are. This is a shared culture, as great artists, musicians, scientists, and writers from various countries have influenced one another".

Marco Capaccioli, vice-president of the National Association of Case della Memoria explains, "our goal for 2025 is to broaden our scope to further enhance house museums and their invaluable heritage, through this event we will achieve a result that exceeds our expectations".

"Italy has been the birthplace of great artists who, with their literary, poetic and musical work, have marked not only our history but also that of the Western Countries", says Emma Nardi president of ICOM. "The greatness of these characters often makes us forget that they had a daily life, that they lived problems and passions like any human being. House museums allow us to discover an intimate and moving aspect of the artists and scientists who lived there, to share not only their sublime works but also their often painful human condition. When I visited the small house in Mont-Louis, where Jean-Jacques Rousseau stayed around 1760, I was moved by the modest room and the small desk at which the Genevan philosopher wrote so many masterpieces. The event organized by the National Association "Case della Memoria" with the contribution of the ICOM International Committees DEMHIST (Demeures Historiques) and ICLCM (International Committee for Literary and Composers' Museums) is a very good example of international cooperation. I wish the best success to the international event that will take place in April 5th and 6th 2025".

"ICOM-DEMIST is thrilled to take part in this event. The National Association of Case della Memoria has long been an institutional member of DEMHIST, so we are excited to collaborate with them and our colleagues at ICLCM in our joint mission to promote awareness of historic house museums, " says Timna Seligman, Chair of ICOM-DEMIST. "We hope that with our participation, the event will have an even wider reach and audience, including house museums across the Americas, Asia, Africa, and Australasia, as well as in Europe."

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