

LET'S NAME NAMES! SOUTH-EAST LODIGIANO

Pizzighettone – October 27th and November 6th, 2011

What: **Middle** and **Modern Ages history**.

Where: **Terranova dei Passerini** (Lodi, Italy) – Polifunzionale Hall
(2, Via Brera).

How: **conference**.

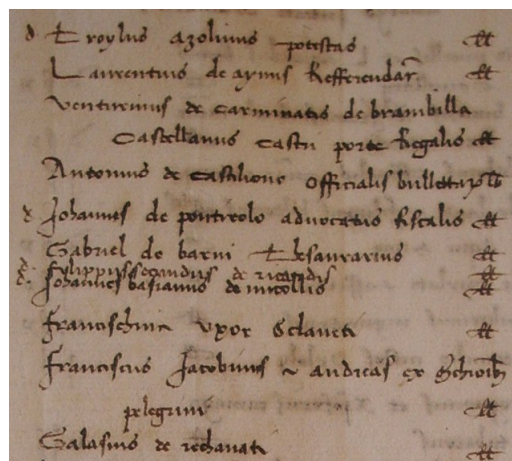
When: **October 27th, Thursday**, at **21:00** and (repeat)
November 6th, 2011, Sunday, at **17:30**.

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Let's name names! South-East Lodigiano (Facciamo nomi e cognomi! Sud-Est Lodigiano) is the title of the **conference** programmed in **Terranova dei Passerini** (Lodi) on **October 27th, Thursday**, at **21:00** and (repeat) **November 6th, 2011, Sunday**, at **17:30**.

The meeting will analyze **history, origins, meanings** and **relations** of **names** and **surnames** in the area of the **lower Lombardy** included among the Adda and Po rivers and the Via Emilia, corresponding about to the old Lodi territory subdivision of the "Episcopato di Sotto di Strada Cremonese".

Conceiver and leader of the meeting historian **Davide Tansini** (associated of the "Istituto Italiano dei Castelli" and of the "Istituto per la Storia dell'Arte Lombarda")



who will bring to the attention of the public aspects, characteristics and peculiarities of the **research** about names and surnames in this zone of the **lower Lodigiano**.

Above all, the surnames: in their **distributions, frequencies, variations** and **substitutions** they tell the history of a territory and of its people from Middle to Modern Ages till today. Not accidentally they're fundamental for present every-day life, too: they appear on official deeds and documents, distinguish people from each other, allow them to identify and recognize themselves, coming to pass their memory for centuries, too.

But it won't be a meeting based on etymology and philology only. Indeed, the crucial point of the conference will focus on discovering how in the space of a surname you can find **old crafts, military invasions, territorial colonizations, ethnic migrations, personal attitudes**, even **insults and epithets** more or less collective.

[Tansini's](#) speech will occupy itself with not one but **various cultural aspects: art, economy, religiousness, society, territory**, even **anecdotes, cooking** and **curiosities**, in an involving divulgation way the historian has yet tested for years.

From his speech it will spring the description of a **complex** but **fascinating in its variety past**, full of **meanings** and of **values** made more



interesting by the fact in names and surnames it's possible to find till today **animated and felt aspects**: quest for a **social status, immigration** and **emigration, economic performance, racism, ethnic and religious identity, marginalization, politic changes**.

They're lights and shades of a past which helps to **reflect on the present** and to **understand** it: *Let's name names! South-East*

Lodigiano (organized in collaboration with the [Communal Administration of Terranova dei Passerini](#)) will try to make **rediscovered** this important memory through an aspect of the history part itself of the present.

Useful information

Let's name names! South-East Lodigiano initiative will take places in Terranova dei Passerini (Lodi) on **October 27th, Thursday**, at **21:00** and (repeat) **November 6th, 2011, Sunday**, at **17:30** by the **Polifunzionale Hall** (2, Via Brera – near nursery school). The initiative will take place in a **covered and heated room**. Duration: about 70 minutes. **Free and gratis participation**.

How to reach Pizzighettone.

- **Car. A1** Milan-Neaples (“Autostrada del Sole”) **Casalpusterlengo** exit; **SS9** Rimini-Milan (“Via Emilia”) **Terranova/Bertonico** exit; **SPexSS234** Pavia-Cremona (“Codognese”) **Crema/Castiglione** exit; **SPexSS591** Bergamo-Codogno (“Cremasca”) **Fornaci/Terranova** exit; **SP26** Lodi-Castiglione d’Adda **Terranova/Casalpusterlengo** exit. Parking-places (within 200 m): Via Brera, Via IV Novembre, Piazza Falcone e Borsellino.

Lets name names! South-East Lodigiano (Facciamo nomi e cognomi! Sud-Est Lodigiano) is organized by [Davide Tansini](#) in collaboration with the [Communal Administration of Terranova dei Passerini](#) (Lodi). The activity nor has neither proposes profit aims. Mentioned dates, hours and places can undergo cancellations and/or variations without necessity or responsibility of forewarning by [Davide Tansini](#).

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