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# INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL THE ARCHITECTURE OF PALLADIO

**2026**, 19 – 28 June | ITALY, VICENZA & VENICE **2027**, 18 – 27 June | UK, ITALY, LONDON & VICENZA

The intensive program is dedicated to the architectural genius of Andrea Palladio, taught by leading academics and practitioners. Practical modules offer participants both taught and hands-on experiences. Combining individual assignments, group work, and one-to-one support from tutors provides a unique learning experience for students and practitioners in art, design, and architecture of all levels of ability and knowledge. The course offers an exceptional opportunity to learn from Andrea Palladio's masterpieces in Vicenza, including the Basilica and the Teatro Olimpico, as well as the palaces of Barbaran da Porto, Chiericati, Thiene, and Valmarana, and his most influential villa, La Rotonda. Additionally, in Venice, the churches of San Giorgio Maggiore and Redentore. It is a training workshop designed to learn his secrets and gain practical advice on classical architecture and orders, offering an opportunity to develop and improve skills in observational and measured drawing, as well as traditional architecture.

Participants will enjoy the historic centre of Vicenza and stay at Palazzo Valmarana Braga, designed by Andrea Palladio and featured in his "The Four Books of Architecture."

#### LIVE AND DRAW TRADITIONAL AND CLASSICAL ARCHITECTURE

Palladian architecture, characterized by harmony, classical proportions, and innovation, has profoundly influenced Western urban planning and art, giving rise to the style of "Palladianism" that has spread throughout the world.

The course is dedicated to architectural design, beginning with the legacy of Andrea Palladio, and includes didactic modules that offer participants both theoretical lessons and practical experiences. These modules provide opportunities to practice drawing from life and learn traditional drawing techniques, as well as classical architectural composition.

#### Participants,

- will live in the heart of Vicenza and travel to Possagno, and Venice;
- will be able to perform architectural design according to Palladio's lessons
- will practice the technical representation of classical architecture;
- will receive tuition in hands-on skills, measured and freehand drawing, drawing skills, traditional techniques, and documentation projects;
- will be taught classical architecture principles, Renaissance orders, and their design features;
- will practice graphical assignments inspired by Andrea Palladio projects.

#### TENTATIVE PROGRAM, OCTOBER 2025

Visiting keynote speakers will deliver talks and share applied research on drawing, heritage, and design.

#### **SCHOOL VENUE**

Vicenza, located in the heart of the Veneto region, which includes Verona, Venice, and Padua. It is a city that perfectly embodies the meeting of history, art, and architecture. Recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1994, Vicenza is universally known as the "city of Andrea Palladio", in honor of the famous Renaissance architect who left some of his most iconic works here.

Vicenza, therefore, offers architecture students a real open-air laboratory. Studying in Vicenza means immersing yourself in the living history of architecture, among unique monuments and an urban fabric rich in suggestions.

<u>Vicenza can be reached via the airports of Venice, Treviso, Verona, Bergamo, and Bologna, as well as with high-speed train connections from Milan, Bergamo, Florence, Bologna, and Rome.</u>

#### **ENROLMENT**

The admission fee, including accommodation, **is 1400 euros** per person. The cost includes: educational activities in English, a welcome kit with a tour book, private tours, transfers to Venice and Possagno, museum tickets (Palladio Museum, Villa La Rotonda, Teatro Olimpico, Palazzo Chiericati, Antonio Canova Museum), welcome and farewell dinner, and **the extraordinary chance to be accommodated (in a shared apartment) at Palazzo Valmarana Braga in Vicenza, designed by Andrea Palladio**. (www.palazzovalmaranabraga.it)

The fee does not include any airport shuttle costs, travel tickets, or health insurance.

The cancellation fee is the entire admission fee, for latecomers' applications, after April 5th, 1.600 euros

#### **PATRONAGE**

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## **TENTATIVE PROGRAMME**

19 June (Fr.)	ARRIVAL IN VICENZA KICK-OFF AND ORIENTATION MEETING	PM (17:00) Meeting and registration PM (17:30). Opening Lecture: Classical or Non-Classical, that is the question PM (19:00) Sunset Welcome Aperitivo
20 June (Sat.)	THE CLASSICAL LEXICON	AM Lecture and studio: <i>Introduction to Classical Orders. My first order</i>

		Lunch break
		PM (14:30) Visit to <b>PALLADIO MUSEUM</b> (Palazzo Barbaran da Porto) <u>Field Assignment</u>
		TEATRO OLIMPICO (Andrea Palladio) PALAZZO CHIERICATI (Andrea Palladio)
21 June (Sun.)	THE ARCHITECTURAL ARCADIA	AM (09:30) Walk to the countryside  VILLA LA ROTONDA  Field Assignment  Lunch break  Field Assignment
22 June (Mon.)	PALLADIO. THE ORIGIN	AM (09:30) Introduction  BASILICA PALLADIANA  Field Assignment: The Invention of the  Serliana  Lunch break  LOGGIA DEL CAPITANIATO  Field Assignment: Architectural composition of a facade
23 June (Tue.)	THE ART OF ANTONIO CANOVA	AM (09:00) Departure to Possagno (Treviso) MUSEO CANOVA Field Assignment Museo Canova  Lunch break TEMPIO CANOVIANO (Antonio Canova) Field Assignment Tempio Canoviano PM (17.30) Departure to Vicenza
24 June (Wed.)	PALLADIO IN VENICE	AM (08:30) Departure to Venice PM (9.30) THE TALE OF VENICE AND THE RIALTO BRIDGE Field Assignment Lunch break PM SAN GIORGIO MAGGIORE CHURCH AND IL REDENTORE (Church of the Most Holy Redeemer)

		AM (10:30) Visit <b>Stone Workshop Morseletto</b>
25 June (Thu.)	THE STONES OF VICENZA	Lunch break (13:00-14:30)
		PM (14:30-15:00) Visit TEATRO OLIMPICO
		PM (15.00-18:00) <u>Visit</u> PALAZZO CHIERICATI
		<u>Field Assignment Under the portico, within the</u>
		<u>Island</u>
		AM Lecture and studio: <i>Graphic Palladio</i>
26 June (Thu.)	GRAPHIC PALLADIO	<u>Lunch break</u>
		AM Lecture and studio: Graphic Palladio
27 June	GRAPHIC PALLADIO	<u>Lunch break</u>
(Thu.)	GRAPHIC PALLADIO	PM FINAL REVIEW
		AM Departure
28 June	END OF THE PROGRAMME	Suggested visit (more information on request)
(Thu.)	LIVE OF THE FROGRAMME	Venice, Padua, and Verona
		Palladian villas on the river Brenta tour

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## **PROGRAMME CHAIR**

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