

TRIP TO DUINO/DEVIN CASTLE AND SLOVENIA, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND 2024, ORGANIZED BY THE SLOVENIAN SECTION OF IBBY

8.00 – Start from Trieste/Trst by bus

8.30 – Arrival to Duino/Devin castle, the famous fortress overlooking the Trieste/Trst bay where Rainer Maria Rilke wrote some of his famous Duino Elegies. Visit of the castle and the park.

Presentation of Slovenian author Marko Kravos and illustrator Jurij Devetak, both living in Trieste/Trst. Marko Kravos is also the President of the Slovenian Reading Badge Society.

10.00 – 11.00 We continue towards Gorizia/Gorica (IT) and into Nova Gorica (SLO). Mateja Gomboc, an author who is especially familiar with the history of the Gorizia/Gorica area and will be our tour guide, explains the cultural history of Gorizia/Gorica and Nova Gorica (on the bus), a short stop at the square where both Goricas meet.

11.00 – 12.30 Škrabec Library housed in the Franciscan monastery from the 17th century overlooking Nova Gorica. Tour of the library, the monastery and the garden. Presentation of three acclaimed Slovenian children's authors: Anja Štefan, Nataša Konc Lorenzutti, and Mateja Gomboc.

13.00 - 14.30 Lunch near Štanjel

14.45 – 16.00 Tour of the beautiful medieval Carst village Štanjel, the Štanjel castle and the Ferrari garden designed by architect Maks Fabiani. The highlight of the visit will be a storytelling event based on Slovenian folk tales, held either in the Ferrari Garden or in the Štanjel Castle, depending on the weather. The storyteller will be Špela Frlic, who is a performance storyteller, a storytelling teacher, and a children's author. Interpreting into English will be done by children's author, translator and stand-up comedian Boštjan Gorenc - Pižama.

16.45 Return to Trieste/Trst. Reception at the Slovenian Theatre in Trieste/Trst where an exhibition of Slovenian illustrations will be on display (moved here after the Bologna Book Fair). Refreshments will be available.

The language of the trip is English; presentations in Slovenian will be followed by interpreting into English.

Price: 100 euros

Registration deadline: July 15, 2024

Please register at: [REGISTRATION FORM](#)

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