

Heritage Choir Newsletter #2 – Rome, Italy

It's Wednesday, October 9th, during your 2019 Rome, Italy Performance Tour. During your Guided Tour you will visit Piazza Navona.....



What is a piazza? Merriam-Webster Dictionary states: pi·az·za – *noun* - an open square especially in an Italian town

A *piazza* is an open public square in Italy, usually surrounded by buildings. The Italian *piazza* is the center of public life. You'll often find a cafe and a church or town hall on the main *piazza*. Many of Italy's towns and cities have beautiful main squares with decorative statues or fountains.

Piazza Navona

Piazza Navona is one of the largest and most beautiful piazza squares in Rome with three impressive fountains, including la Fontana dei Quattro Fiumi with its large obelisk at the centre.

Elliptically-shaped piazza, built on the site of an ancient Roman chariot-racing stadium is one of modern Rome's premier gathering points; famous baroque fountain, Fountain of the Four Rivers, by Gian Lorenzo Bernini; notable baroque church, Sant'Agnese in Agone, designed by Francesco Borromini and Girolamo Rainaldi and the place to enjoy the legendary chocolate *tartufo*—little bomb of chocolate-truffle ice cream.

Next, you will visit the Fountains at Piazza Navona..... **to be continued in next week's Newsletter.**

Rome “Fun Fact”

#2 All Roads Lead to Rome.... By the early fourth century, the Romans had built a road network of 53,000 miles throughout the empire. Each Roman mile was about 1,000 paces (about 4,800 feet) and was marked by a milestone. Hence the proverb “All roads lead to Rome.”