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VOLUNTEER FOR ITALY READS

Your international voyage will help others on theirs!
Watch what Italy Reads® and its volunteers do.

What is Italy Reads? JCU's English language community reading and cultural exchange program. It began in 2009 with a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts for a Big Read Rome. Since 2010, it's been JCU's Italy Reads.

Italy Reads thrives on the solid foundation of cultural exchange that has developed over the years.

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| 2009 <i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i> | 2015 <i>The Bluest Eye</i> |
| 2010 <i>Our Town</i> | 2016 <i>The Glass Menagerie</i> |
| 2011 <i>The Heart Is a Lonely Hunter</i> | 2017 <i>Selected Poems of Emily Dickinson</i> |
| 2012 <i>The Great Gatsby</i> | 2018 <i>Flannery O'Connor's Short Stories</i> |
| 2013 <i>The Namesake</i> | 2019 <i>Leaves of Grass</i> |
| 2014 <i>A Farewell to Arms</i> | |

Italy Reads 2020 Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring*

JCU students and faculty engage the local community, especially students and teachers in the over 60 participating Italian high schools, in discussions (in English) of American literature. Thousands of people have taken part in the program.



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What will you do as an Italy Reads® Volunteer?

- **visit** a few Italian high schools (with other volunteers) &
- **lead discussions** (in English) about the book (You'll get some training).
- **help** Italian high school students create 3' videos for the **Video Contest** (Fall volunteers)

Give about 6 hours to the program...and gain unique experience.

By volunteering, you:

- become more integrated into the Italian community
- consider your own country and its history from within an international context
- experience how foreigners interpret American culture
- meet Italians and form friendships that might follow you through your life's travels
- receive a **Certificate of Recognition** for your international resume.

How do I sign up?

- **Register** at: <https://forms.gle/d3hYM4BR7tT4s4vL6> Once in Rome, JCU will host an orientation reception for you and the other Italy Read volunteers and guide you from there.

Questions? Write to us at italyreads@johncabot.edu

Since 2009, hundreds of JCU Italy Reads Volunteers from universities across the US engaged in discussions in English with students of more than 60 Italian and International high schools and over 150 Italian public high school teachers.

Be part of a growing initiative shared with our partner universities!

Adelphi	Rider
Agnes Scott College	Rutgers
American University	Sacred Heart
American University in Dubai	Salve Regina
Auburn	Saint Joseph's
Azusa Pacific	Saint Leo
Baylor	Saint Mary's College of CA
Belmont	San Diego State
Binghamton	San Jose State
Brooklyn College	Skidmore College
Bryant	St. Edward's
Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo	St. Norbert College
CSU, Fullerton	St. Thomas
CSU, Longbeach	Stockholm
CSU, San Marcos	Stonehill College
Carleton College	Suffolk
Champlain College	SUNY Brockport
College of William and Mary	Texas Christian
Colorado State	Texas Tech
Cornell	Towson
Creighton	Tulane
CUNY Baruch College	UC Berkeley
Eastern Washington	U. of Arizona
Emory	California, LA
Georgian Court	Delaware
Grand Valley State	Delaware World Scholars Program
Hofstra	Kansas
Indiana	Louisville
John Cabot	Massachusetts-Amherst
Marquette	Miami
Mercer County Community	Minnesota Duluth
Michigan State	Notre Dame
Mount St. Mary's College	Rhode Island
Northeastern	San Diego
Northwood	U. of South Carolina
Notre Dame	Wisconsin-Madison
Oregon State	Vanderbilt
Pace	Virginia Commonwealth
Pedagogical	Washington and Lee
Quinnipiac	Willamette
Rhodes College	

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Read some (or all) of the work, attend a training session, and you're ready to have a unique academic experience at JCU!