

**THE CITY OF GARDONE RIVIERA AND IL VITTORIALE DEGLI ITALIANI
FOUNDATION ANNOUNCE THE MARRIAGE AND CIVIL UNION CONVENTION**

GETTING MARRIED AT IL VITTORIALE

I toss all my flowers from Il Vittoriale to you, so that they may be intertwined with the ceremonies for this rite of love and pride.

Gabriele d'Annunzio

Gabriele d'Annunzio would have certainly rejoiced in seeing the abode he had built as a monument to his "inimitable life" become the stage for the emotion that, more than others, he had extolled with his poetic works.

Il Vittoriale degli Italiani Foundation and the City of Gardone Riviera have in fact stipulated the much awaited convention for the celebration of weddings and civil unions on the premises of what has gone from being the "extreme legacy of the Vate to the Italian People" to the most visited home-museum in Europe.

Gaining back its original spaces thanks to the *Riconquista* project and having broadened its collection of artworks over the years (so much so as to be considered an actual outdoor contemporary art museum), Il Vittoriale can now serve as the venue for marriage celebrations. These may be held in the Auditorium, over which hovers the two-seater airplane that accompanied the Vate during his famous flight over Vienna; and its Loggiati, overlooking the home of the Poet, from which one may enjoy a marvellous view of Lake Garda.

A convention further to the countless requests put forward by Italy and foreign countries, asking to celebrate wedding rites in a venue where nature, history, poetry and art are perfectly joined together as one.

*"We shall welcome all those who wish to be joined in marriage here, at Il Vittoriale, with all the splendour that Gabriele d'Annunzio would have set aside for his most beloved guests", said **President Giordano Bruno Guerri**. "And we shall offer all the enchantment of a place like none other in the world, just like their love: a gem nestled in the crown of Lake Garda and of Gardone Riviera."*

*"A wedding ceremony set in an enchanting venue, with the certainty of conveying unique and unforgettable emotions", commented **Andrea Cipani, Mayor of Gardone Riviera**.*

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