

Arte e Vino - A celebration of life in colour !

Frascati (May 24, 2011)—**Nicola Simbari**: “Arte e Vino” is the first major exhibition of work by this important Italian painter for over 25 years. Opening at Scuderie Aldobrandini, Frascati, on the 26th September until 2nd October the Exhibition will show many **Simbari** paintings and his famous ‘**Retablos in Silkscreen**’. Some of **Simbari’s** most exciting works, that have confirmed him as the celebrated International Artist he is today, will be on show. **Simbari** moved from Rome to **Castelli Romani** buying a vineyard, following his love of the wine making business.

The exhibition “**Arte e Vino**” is a celebration of Nicola’s love of life and shows works from throughout his career, which confirms **Simbari** as

“The Magician of Colour and Light”,

The exhibition will be held in the magnificent surroundings of the “The Stables” of the Villa Aldobrandini, in Frascati, This historical villa is set into the hills behind Frascati and belongs to one of the most important old Roman families.

“**Arte e Vino**” also launches a new wine from the vineyard of **Cantina Cerquetta**, Monte Porzio Catone, a family owned vineyard who have been making wine in the hills of the beautiful Castelli Romani, since 1793. Their new red wine label will incorporate **Simbari’s** iconic work “Lovamoor” – The Lips, from the Crazy Horse Saloon Collection – Paris 1978.

About **Nicola Simbari**:

Though born in San Lucido, Calabria, Nicola Simbari was raised in Rome, where his father was a master builder for the Vatican. Simbari won a scholarship at the age of 13 to the Accademia delle Belli Arti. In the late 1940s he began devoting himself to painting in his first studio in Via del Babuino, in central Rome. He developed a distinct style stemming from his life, nature, and the Mediterranean, impressions which abstractly reflect themselves in the purely vivid and passionate colours of his work. Simbari's originality and commercial appeal brought his art to exhibitions in London, Paris, New York and Los Angeles by the 1950s, solidifying his international reputation.

web: www.simbari-diaries.com

About **Cantina Cerquetta**:

Originated in Monte Compatri, the vintner Vincenzo Ciuffa, has an age old history and an important tradition of wine making. Today, the fourth generation of the Ciuffa family continues this tradition, with pride and care, producing the best Frascati wines in the area.

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General Information: **Admission:**
free

Hours: 27th Sept – 2nd October 2011
Monday – Sunday: 10.00 until 17.00