

# FLORENCE BIRTHPLACE OF THE RENAISSANCE

Respected local presenter Bob Poczík will take participants on a virtual tour of Florence, Italy today and during the Renaissance. The program will trace the roots of Florence back to ancient Rome when Julius Caesar established a garrison city at the site of modern-day Florence.

The Florentine Renaissance was a period of intense artistic activity, fueled by the patronage of wealthy families like the Medici. DaVinci, Michelangelo, Raphael, Botticelli, and Donatello flourished in Florence and laid the foundation for much of Western art.

The program will feature three great masterpieces of Renaissance Italy - Leonardo DaVinci's Mona Lisa, Michelangelo's David, and Brunelleschi's Dome over the Cathedral Santa Maria del Fiore.

**Monday, September 29 at 7:00 pm.**

**Registration begins September 15.**