

# International Circus Festival of Italy

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**Countdown: - 37 days to the Festival**

## In October, Latina’s Circus ring will be privileged with the presence of two important names from Italian Circus: Tommy Cardarelli and Andrea Giachi.

The ‘Giulio Montico Cultural Association’ has organised and produced the largest world-level Circus event in Italy, now famous worldwide, for the last 20 years. We’ve achieved this thanks to top level performers in our competitions, to the two juries composed of prominent international personalities, and by gaining the interest of Circus and live performance companies and individuals around the world. But most of all, we are proud to vaunt the skilful work and input of two exceptional Circus professionals: Tommy Cardarelli, who is our incomparable ‘Ringmaster’, and Andrea Giachi, who is the ‘voice’ of our Festival.

**Tommy Cardarelli** is a member of the famous Italian Circus family ‘Togni’. Tommy discovered his love for the Circus at a very young age, starting off as an assistant stage hand and then going on to perform as an artist. Versatility, daring and a disposition for hard work quickly earned him a place as a “swing” in the “American Circus” where, over time, he developed his artistic side in a variety of numbers, including aerial acts and in “Alta Scuola” numbers with horses. At only 19, Tommy began working as a Ringmaster. This became his main role, and he has worked in that capacity for many of the most important International Circus Festivals during his long and successful career, including working as co-Ringmaster for four editions of the “International Circus Festival of Monte- Carlo”, ringmaster of seven editions of the “Circo Massimo” Italian TV show, seven editions of the International Circus Festival of Grenoble, and of all of the Circus Festivals produced over the years by Moira Orfei. Tommy Cardarelli is assisted in his role of Ringmaster by two experts in the field: Fabrizio Montico and Ruby Merzari. **Fabrizio Montico**, son of Giulio and Vice-President of the ‘Giulio Montico Cultural Association’, is the Production and Technical Director of the Festival. **Ruby Merzari**, a member of one of Italy’s most important Circus families, gained his skills while working with Moira Orfei’s Circus, and is today an experienced national and international Circus professional.

**Andrea Giachi** is a fifth-generation circus artist. Andrea was born on February 26th, 1969 in Pesaro, where his parents, both celebrated and versatile artists themselves, were working for the Circo Darix Togni. It was thanks to them that Andrea was able, from a very young age, to develop his love of the circus arts, achieving excellence in acrobatic disciplines such as the trapeze and the Wheel of Death. During his artistic career Andrea also developed notable skills in horsemanship, performing Alta Scuola numbers with the renowned Casartelli family in the ring of the famous Circo Medrano. It was with an equestrian number that

Andrea and his family performed at the International Circus Festival of Monte Carlo, winning the prestigious Clown d'Or. After 15 years of performing in the ring, Andrea continues his involvement with the Circus, working within the logistics and administrative sphere of the Circo Medrano. "The presence of Andrea Giachi in our Circus ring guarantees absolute professionalism and competence, and his curriculum speaks for itself. His assured presence is always awaited with pleasure", says Fabio Montico, General Director of the Festival. Andrea has elegantly and efficiently fulfilled the role of official presenter of the 'International Circus Festival of Italy' since 2005.

**Calendar of shows:**

Thursday October 17 October – 10.00 (matinée) and 21.00 (show A)

Friday October 18 – 10.00 (matinée) and 21.00 (show B)

Saturday October 19 – 16.30 (show B) and 21.00 (show A)

Sunday October 20 – 15.30 (show A) and 19.00 (show B)

Monday October 21 – 20.30, Gala Show and Awards Ceremony.

The shows 'A' and 'B' are both different, but of the same high quality as regards artistic skill and technical prowess. There are two shows because of the number of performers in the competition. The 'Special Guests' of the Festival will be appearing in every show, 'A' and 'B'.

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