



Bud Spencer



Zucchero



Leonardo Da Vinci



Pippo Baudo

Famous Italian People

ACTORS

Roberto Benigni is an Italian actor, director and producer. Benigni was born on October 27, 1952, in Arezzo, Tuscany, Italy. His most successful film was 1997's *La Vita e Bella* (Life is Beautiful), which he wrote, directed and played in. Benigni received the Academy Award for Best Actor for the film, and it also won a Best Foreign Language Film award.



Riccardo
Scamarcio



Carlo Verdone



Stefano Accorsi



Sophia Loren



Terence Hill



Luca Argentero

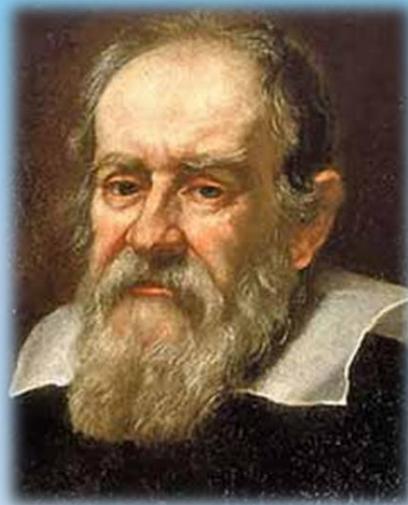
Scientists



Samantha Cristoforetti is an Italian European Space Agency astronaut, Italian Air Force pilot and engineer. She holds the records for longest single space flight by a woman (199 days 16 hours) and for the longest uninterrupted spaceflight of a European astronaut. She is also the first Italian woman in space. Samantha Cristoforetti is also known as the first person who brewed an espresso coffee in space.



Rita Levi Montalcini



Galileo Galilei



Cristoforo Colombo

Music

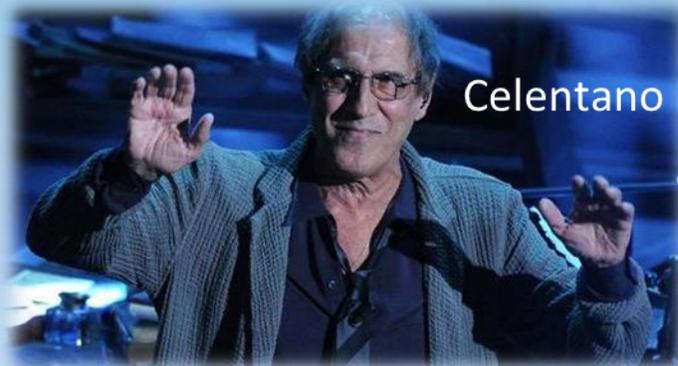
Lucio Dalla was a popular Italian singer-songwriter, musician and actor. He also played clarinet and keyboards. Dalla was the composer of "Caruso" (1986), a song dedicated to Italian tenor Enrico Caruso which has been covered by numerous international artists such as Luciano Pavarotti and Julio Iglesias. The version sung by Pavarotti sold over 9 million copies, and another version was a track on Andrea Bocelli's first international album, Romanza, which sold over 20 million copies worldwide. On the morning of 1 March 2012, three days before his 69th birthday, Dalla died of a heart attack, shortly after having breakfast at the hotel where he was staying in Switzerland, having performed in the city the night before. He was in the company of Marco Alemanno when he died. An estimated 50,000 people attended his funeral in Bologna.



Luciano Pavarotti



Laura Pausini



Celentano



Ligabue



Marco Mengoni



Tiziano Ferro

Athletes

Alberto Tomba is a former World Cup alpine ski racer from Italy. He was the dominant technical skier (slalom and giant slalom) in the late 1980s and 1990s. Tomba won three Olympic gold medals, two World Championships, and nine World Cup season titles: four in slalom, four in giant slalom, and one overall title. He was popularly called Tomba la Bomba ("Tomba the Bomb"). Alberto Tomba was born in Bologna and raised in Castel de Britti, a village in the municipality of San Lazzaro di Savena – an area without strong alpine traditions, but not far from the appenninic piste of Monte Cimone and Corno alle Scale. As a child, he participated in sports like tennis, soccer, and dirt biking, but he found that his greatest passion was for skiing.



Federica Pellegrini



Marco Pantani



Tania Cagnotto



Juri Chechi

Giulia Spiga
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