# Museum of Resistance of Bologna

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE



Resistance is a complex phenomenon marking European history and representing, at the same time, the common democratic root of contemporary EU countries. Fascisms became a tremendous threat all over Europe during between the two world wars. In all the occupied nations, Resistance developed both spontaneously and in an organized way, so as to become not only a war to be fought with weapons, but also: refusal to obey; solidarity and assistance to those who were persecuted for political or racial reasons; and support to the democratic countries in the war actions. Resistance spread increasedly in spite of harder repression and terror.

The Museum, owned by the Municipality of Bologna, is located in the complex of the old Monastery of "S.Mattia". It houses several materials (documents, photographs, posters, multimedia products), relating to antifascism and Resistance in the City of Bologna as well as in Italy.

The Museum is managed by the Institute for History and Memories of '900 "Parri" of Emilia Romagna, hosted in the same complex. The Institute is in charge of cultural activities held in the Museum itself, and in the Library, with its Audio-visual and Didactic sections. It is also engaged in scientific activity of research and cultural promotion.

#### Our services (upon reservation)

- Guided tours
- Didactic Laboratory
- Outside itineraries
- Temporary Expositions
- Meetings and seminars
- Integrated itineraries (library, archive and video library)

### The plan of the Museum

- Room  ${\bf 1}$  : Antifascism before Resistance. Opposition to Fascism in Italy, repression and participation of the Italian antifascists in the Spanish civil war
- Room 2 : War and Resistance in Bologna. Everyday life in the 20 months' time between September 8, 1943 and Liberation
- Room 3 : Resistance in action. The protagonists, the settings and the phases of Resistance in the Bologna area  $\,$
- Room 4 : Video/camera : Multimedia laboratory
- Room 5 : The post-Resistance period. The life-cycle of an ideal and the construction of memory

#### Admission: free

Entrance for disabled: Via Sant' Isaia 16/a, Bologna

**Opening hours**: from Monday to Friday: 3.30-6.30 p.m. (open in the mornings only upon reservation for organized tours and school groups), on Saturdays 10 AM-1 PM.

Closed on Sundays and other official holidays, unless otherwise announced Information.

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