

2006 Annual Meeting Tours

(All tours are subject to change and cancellation.)

Included in Registration Package:

Exclusive CSAA Palazzo Colonna, half day tour with lunch (for spouses & guests only)

This morning tour will take you to the grand Palazzo Colonna, undoubtedly one of the finest and most beautiful private palaces in all of Italy and home to one of Rome's oldest and most patrician families. First begun in the 11th century the palace reached its present day splendor between the 16th and 18th centuries. The palazzo boasts an impressive collection of art including pieces by great masters including Carracci, Tintoretto, Ghirlandaio, Pinturicchio, Poussin and Veronese. This **private CSAA visit** will include the splendid Colonna Gallery and the beautiful wing of the old Palazzo known as the Princess Isabel Apartment, which has been residence of Cardinals, Popes and noble families and was occupied by Princess Isabelle Sursock Colonna until the late 1980s. If you are a cinema buff you may recognize the Sala Grande as the site where Audrey Hepburn meets the press in *Roman Holiday*. After viewing this magnificent palace, sip some wine and enjoy lunch at the Osteria Margutta, located on the same street where Joe Bradley (Gregory Peck's character in *Roman Holiday*) lived, the legendary Via Margutta 51. This cobblestoned street, lined with antique shops and art ateliers, is one of Rome's most bohemian streets and the historic home of the capital's artistic colony, famous during the 50's and 60s, for the jet setty artists who settled here and painted the local scenes. The intimate Osteria, a cross between a painter's studio and an art gallery, has always been the favorite place to eat for well-known artists, actors and movie directors, including Gregory Peck and the cast of *Roman Holiday*.