

THE NEW ITALY GIORNALE



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Dear members and friends of New Italy,

As Christmas approaches we are putting out a call for:

- volunteers to help keep our museum gift shop open more days
- Christmas shoppers looking for a unique gift and
- green thumbs to grow Italian heirloom plants for us to sell

Casa Vecchia (“Old House”)

At “Casa Vecchia”, our museum gift shop, we have just unpacked a new range of specially imported Italian cook books, religious jewellery such as Ghirelli, Murano glass and cloisonne rosaries, kitchenware and other gifts, which you can now purchase along with our souvenirs, CDs, cards, books and local arts and crafts.

The New Italy Museum is run by volunteers. Income from Casa Vecchia helps us maintain the museum complex, which is a labour of love for New Italy descendents and supporters. The gift shop is located in the New Italy Museum Complex where there is also a café and gallery. The opening hours are 10am – 3pm. The vision is to:

- sell items that share the story of New Italy and Italian Culture
- import an exclusive range of Italian giftware
- provide a memorable shopping and cultural experience

Calling for volunteers to join the Casa Vecchia team

By volunteering you can enjoy being part of a community activity, meeting other volunteers and visitors to the complex and sharing the story of New Italy. We offer rewards and incentives for our volunteers.

If you are interested in helping us look after our museum shop please give us a call. We need people who can volunteer on regular days (weekly or monthly), or on occasional days.

Seeking green thumbs with Italian heirloom plants

We are introducing Italian and New Italy heirloom plants to sell at Casa Vecchia. Do you have plant stock originating from New Italy such as grape vines? Are you willing to take cuttings and raise them or be a foster carer to raise stock at your own home? Other Italian style heirloom plants such as rosemary, oregano, lavender, figs, olives, mulberries etc. would also be appreciated.

Please contact us at info@newitaly.com.au or call Gail Williams on 6682 2675 if you would like to find out more about volunteering for Casa Vecchia, or lending your green thumbs, to help support the New Italy Museum Inc.

