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Buffalo's Italian Cultural Center Celebrates the Best of Buffalo Architecture with New Exhibit

All 42 original watercolors of Italian American artist Dr. V. Roger Lalli now on exhibit

BUFFALO, New York - The [Centro Culturale Italiano di Buffalo](http://www.ccibuffalo.org) (CCI Buffalo) is proud to cut the ribbon on its inaugural exhibit: *Buffalo My City, The Watercolors of Dr. V. Roger Lalli*.

For the first time in nearly a decade, the full collection of watercolors by Dr. V. Roger Lalli is on display in the Jackie Vito LoRusso Gallery at the Centro Culturale Italiano di Buffalo. *Buffalo My City* features 42 master watercolors of different buildings and locations around the 42 square miles of the city of Buffalo.

6:00 pm February, 24th, 2022: CCI Executive Director John Vecchio, Dr. Lalli's children Maria Lalli Brown & Roger Lalli, former Mayor Anthony Masiello, County Executive Mark Poloncarz, David Granville, and other dignitaries will be present to provide brief remarks and cut the ribbon on the new exhibit.

"Dr. Lalli's collection is a beautiful and technically spectacular tribute to the city of Buffalo," said **Executive Director John Vecchio**. "We are honored to celebrate his work and offer them to the community for a new generation to enjoy."

"We are thrilled to be able to celebrate both the talents of an Italian American artist and the architectural beauty of the city. Seeing these pieces in person for the first time absolutely blew me away- it's almost impossible to believe they're watercolors because of how technically skilled and detailed they are" said **Deputy Director Lindsey Lauren Visser**.

The exhibit will be on display through the spring of 2022 and can be viewed during the CCI's hours of operation. Docent-guided tours are available on Thursdays and Saturdays or by special appointment. For more information please visit www.ccibuffalo.org.

About Centro Culturale Italiano di Buffalo:

The Centro Culturale Italiano di Buffalo is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization founded by Dr. Francesco Giacobbe and his late wife, Renata Giacobbe in 2010. For over ten years, the CCI has been sharing and promoting education, history, and inspiring current and future generations within the Buffalo community. CCI Buffalo's mission is to preserve and promote Italian culture, heritage and language through educational opportunities and community engagement in the Western New York region. For more information visit, ccibuffalo.org.

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