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tion regarding ICTP offices, Trieste and its surroundings. Open Monaays to hone: ext 219, at issues a "What's on this Weekend" sheet circulated on the campus by e-n, it issues a "What's on this weeksite, with an overview and suggestions of events and exhibitions in Trieste and the surrounding areas.

Visit Trieste

Some suggestions for places to visit while in Trieste

The Miramare Castle museum, an astonishing construction in white marble surrounded by lush vegetation, built for the Archduke Maximilian of Austria in is really close to the ICTP and is open every day from 9:00 to 19:00. The rooms, paintings, decor from the 1800s are beautiful and well preserved, don't miss it. The entrance ticket to the Castle costs Euro 6,00. Reduced entrance fee (4 euro) for EU citizens aged 18 - 25 or seniors in general (+ 65). Entrance to the surrounding park is free (Febuary open 8:00 - 17:00; March 8:00 - 18:00).

For more info: www.castello-miramare.it

The Duino Castle is another must: it is one of the most attractive castles in Europe and is still the official residence of the Torre e Tasso royal family. From its cliff top it overlooks a small fishing village and is surrounded by extensive gardens. Inside, you can see the furnishings, pictures, books and mementoes collected over centuries, visit its beautiful park and the World War 2 bunker. Visiting time period 11 Feb - 31 March, open only weekends from 9:30 -16:00. Take bus 51 (the airport bus). To arrange a guided tour call 040.208120. For more info: www.castellodiduino.it. Ticket price: euro 8,00 /pers. ICTP visitors euro 4,50 with Ictp badge. Extra visit of the "Old Castle" and the Dama Bianca rock costs euro 2. For more info: http://www.castellodiduino.it

**The Castle of San Giusto**, patron saint of Trieste, is located in the city itself. What we see today is a large fortress built between 1468 and 1636, although there were earlier Venetian battlements here and perhaps even earlier fortifications, it is thought there was an early bronze age hill fort (around 2000 BC) at the place of this castle. In the Middle Ages the venetians built another building. It was destroyed in the XIV century. Between 1468-1471 Fredrick III of Absburg built another construction. Inside the castle you can visit Casa del Capitano which houses a collection of weaponry and a collection of furniture. During the summer, exhibitions and concerts are held in the castle. Stroll on the ramparts of the castle to enjoy an extraordinary panorama of the city. At its foot, there is has a lovely cathedral (San Giusto's) which dates back to the fourteenth century and was built on the site of an Augustan temple over 2000 years ago. Open each day from 9:00 - 17:00; entrance fee: euro 4,00. Closely, there is the History and Art museum, open Tuesdays - Sundays, 9:00 - 13:00.

The Revoltella Modern Art Museum is a must, located downtown; it was founded in Trieste in 1872 by Baron Pasquale Revoltella who left his house to the city (located in Piazza Venezia) after he passed away. It still displays all the art works, furniture and books of his time. The main building was built in 1858 designed by Friedrich Hitzig and later on, in 1907 the City acquired the Brunner Building located nearby in order to expand the original collection. This building was completely used only since 1963, following the restructuring of Carlo Scarpa. The museum today is composed of three buildings, with main entrance from Via Diaz 27. It has a remarkable collection of modern art (1860 to 1970), baroque art and 1700s and 1800s furniture, located in a luxurious environment. Not to be missed! Only closed on Tuesdays, open from 10:00 - 19:00.

The Sartorio Museum is yet another stunning and interesting 18th century Villa located downtown that belonged to the Sartorio merchant family. There are beautiful rooms with antique furniture and important art collections, jewellery, furniture, silverware as well as many drawings by Tiepolo (XVIII century), a famous Venetian artist and a collection of many statues, porcelain, and objects. Ticket euro 5,50 + guided tour euro 2,70 (free for children under 5). For more info, call tel. 040 301479. The Sartorio is situated in Largo Papa Giovanni XXIII, n.1 - take bus 30.

**Visit the Giant Cave** (Grotta Gigante) The cave is considered the largest tourist cave in the world. It is situated on the Triestine Karst (Carso), half an hour from the city center. An exclusive feature of the cave is the horizontal pendulum, constructed by university researchers in order to calculate the slightest movements of the earth's crust. Visiting times until March 10:00 - 11:00 -12:00 - 14:00 - 15:00 - 16:00. Entrance ticket: euro 11/head for students under 26, or over 65; euro 8 for children aged 6 - 16, and euro 4,50 /person for a group of 15 with prior notification by phone or email). Take bus 42 from Piazza Oberdan and get off at Borgo Grotta Sgonico - proceed by foot for 5 minutes - follow road signs. For more info call/fax: 040.327312. Check website: www. grottagigante.it

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