



Antonino Caponnetto – Mediterranean Award

HISTORY

In 1996 the Fondazione Mediterraneo has founded the **Mediterranean Award** (along with its various sections) which is granted yearly to personalities of the political, cultural, scientific, social and artistic world who have contributed with their action to reduce tensions and start an upgrading process of cultural differences and shared values in the area of the Greater Mediterranean.

This Award is considered one of the most prestigious acknowledgements in the world.

The Award has developed as follows:

In 1996 and in 1997 the Fondazione Mediterraneo granted the Sarajevo Award to poets of the Balkanic area.

In 1998 the sections Peace, Culture and Laboratorio Mediterraneo International Award have been instituted. The latter is granted every year to the best short film chosen by an international jury during the Trieste Film Festival (since 2010 this award has been included in the section Mediterranean Cinema Award).

In 2001 the section Art-Creativity and the special edition of the twenty year anniversary of the Mediterranean Award in 2015 was instituted.

In 2002 were instituted the sections Diplomacy, Institutions, Media and Silver Dolphin.

In 2003 were instituted the section Cinema, Mediterranean Award "Special Edition" (granted every two years to personalities and institutions which have given a great contribution to spreading culture and social solidarity) and "Medal Honour" of the Mediterranean Award (granted to institutions and individuals having distinguished themselves in the course of the year for the promotion of peace in the Greater Mediterranean). In 2004 the section Science and Research was instituted.

In 2005 were instituted the sections Architecture and Euro-Mediterranean Award for Dialogue between Cultures (the latter was instituted by Fondazione Mediterraneo in partnership with the "Anna Lindh" Euro-Mediterranean Foundation for the Dialogue between Cultures – the Fondazione Mediterraneo being Head of its Italian Network).

In 2007 the section Mediterranean Book Award, acknowledgment granted for translation, publication, promotion, circulation of literary works on the two shores was instituted.

In 2008 the section Social Solidarity and in 2009 the section Environment and Co-Development was instituted.

In 2010 the sections Ambassador of the Mediterranean, Inter-Faith Dialogue, Economy and Enterprise, Energy and Sustainable Development, Cultural Heritage, Community Service, Civil Society were instituted. In the same year it was also decided to dedicate three awards to the memory: "Raffaele Capasso" Mediterranean Award for Legality, "Angelo Vassallo" Mediterranean Award for Environment and Co-Development and "Rita Allamprese" Mediterranean Award for Children.

Since 2010 the Mediterranean Award is represented by the "Totem for Peace" by the sculptor Mario Molinari.

In 2011 it was decided to dedicate the Mediterranean Award for Science and Research – instituted in 2004 – to the memory of Mario Condorelli and was instituted the Mediterranean Award for the Motorways of the Sea to the memory of the ship-owner Guido Grimaldi.

In 2012 was instituted the section Mediterranean Award for Archeology to the memory of Marcello Gigante.

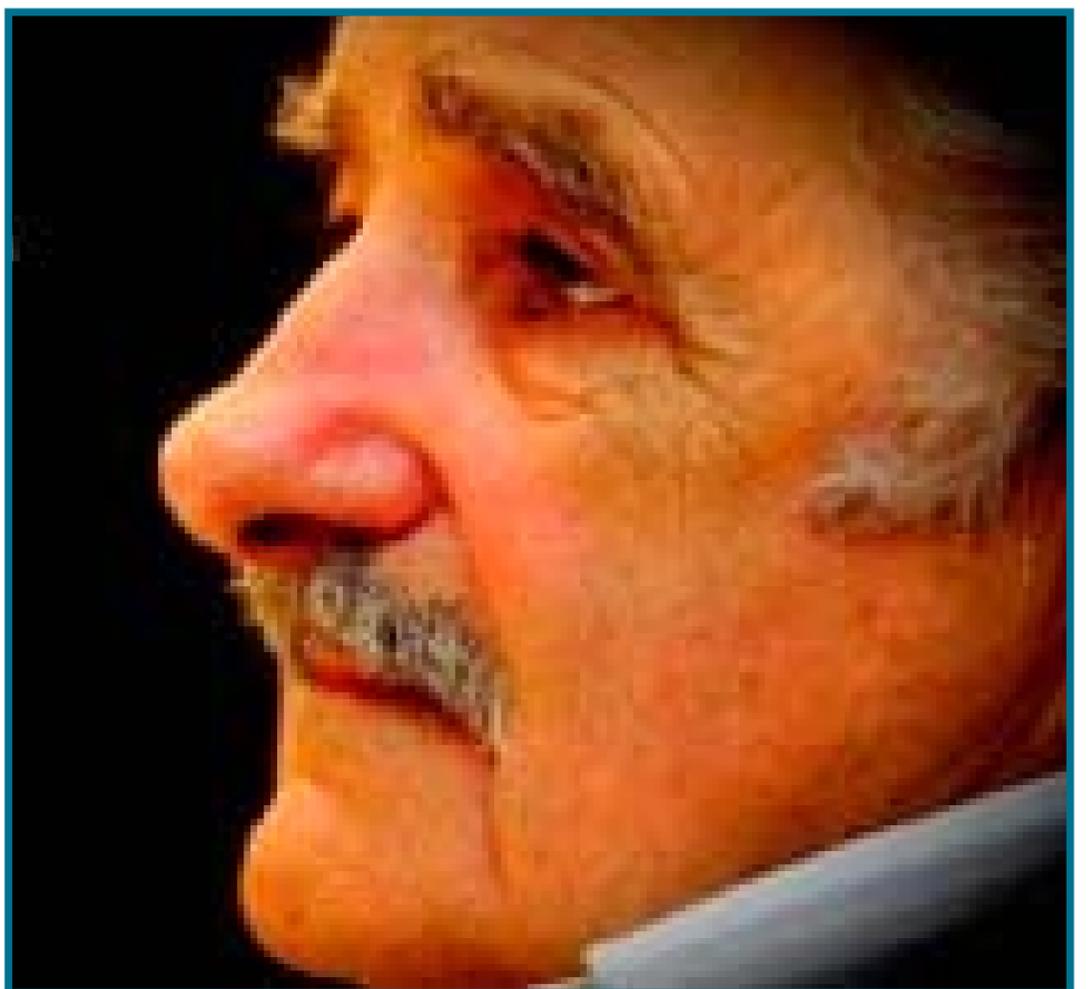
The 2013 Mediterranean Awards are conferred



Isola di Iampudusa – Mediterranean Award



Mahmūd Abbās (Abū Māzen) – Mediterranean Award



José Mujica – Mediterranean Award

THE WINNERS:



PEACE
ISOLA DI LAMPEDUSA
(ITALY)

For the high symbolic value, integration and coexistence with thousands of dispossessed – in search of dignity, life and future – with which the inhabitants of Lampedusa have twisted relationships of solidarity and friendship, creating a great hybrid of civilization.

For the action taken in favor of human rights and the defense of the natural environment as a tool for dialogue and cooperation between peoples.

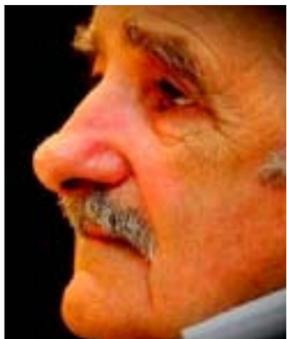


SPECIAL EDITION
MAHMUD ABBAS (ABU MAZEN)
(PALESTINE)

President Mahmud Abbas (Abu Māzen) has been the architect of constructive dialogue in the fraught peace process between Israel and Palestine.

Thanks to his commitment, together with that of the entire Palestinian population, he has succeeded in achieving the grant of Observer State for Palestine before the United Nations, laying down the foundation stones for statehood of the State of Palestine, so that it can be free to enjoy its own territory in a spirit of peace and cooperation with its neighbouring States.

As an accomplished negotiator, he has taken dialogue beyond the confines of those involved the Peace Process itself, successfully advocating that the only way forward is through peaceful coexistence both in the Middle East and throughout the rest of the world.



INSTITUTIONS
JOSÉ MUJICA
President of Uruguay
(URUGUAY)

The President of Uruguay, José Mujica, is a virtuous example of dedication to the “Common Good” helping the most vulnerable and needy members of society. In a world that is increasingly mobbed by self-interest where every social, political and religious space abounds with “Love for Power”, he has been able to give a voice, sense and strength to the “Power of Love”. This means living humbly and showing through his acts that power need not change people, but can even reveal their deeper essence.



INTERRELIGIOUS DIALOGUE
IN MEMORY OF
CARDINAL CARLO MARIA MARTINI
(ITALY)

Cardinal Carlo Maria Martini was certainly a bright star of the highest calibre whose genius enlightened the Church and illuminated the furthest horizon to embrace all humanity. He was able to talk to people from outside the Catholic Church, regardless of their faiths (Jewish, Protestant, Orthodox, Islam or even agnostic or atheist).

He was a father of the Church and an illuminated Guide revealing universal truths and leading an exemplary life. He was not only an intelligent and learned scholar of biblical studies but also a passionate Evangelist who always steered clear of partisan interests, enlightening his fellow men with the warmth, love and truth that guided his choices. In a society that is still lost in the wilderness of material desires, his testimony was that of beauty, openness and nobility of spirit. He lived and taught us how to live and interpret our daily lives so that the Mystery of Life could be revealed to us.



DIPLOMACY
IN MEMORY OF
CHRIS STEVENS
US Ambassador to Libya
(USA)

For his innovative action in USA Mediterranean policy especially in Libya, where he was Ambassador. As an enthusiastic supporter of the Arab World, where he cultivated his love for Arabic and Muslim culture and society, he made every effort to accelerate the democratization process opening the door to freedom and justice.

His premature death caused by a senseless act of terrorism that had nothing to do with the values of the Arabic and Islamic world galvanizes us in our efforts to accompany the Arabic countries on their difficult yet inexorable path towards democracy.



“RITA ALLAMPRESSE” FOR CHILDREN
TUNISIAN NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR INFANCY
(TUNISIA)

Founded on 21 May 1948, the Tunisian National Organization for Infancy (ONET) has enabled thousands of Tunisian children from poor families to benefit from support and recreational activities throughout the year.

ONET has pioneered the establishment of Municipal Councils for Children and promoted the setting up of the Tunisian Youth Parliament, as well as developed links and friendly relations with numbers children’s, youth and cultural organization in Mediterranean and European countries. As a member of the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), ONET defends the rights of children at national and international institutional levels.



MEDIA
ALESSIO ROMENZI
War photographer – Reporter
(ITALY)

For having contributed to the dissemination through his images of the truth of events in the tormented Mediterranean region. In particular, his reports from Syria have allowed us to comprehend the extent of the civil war which had become a crime against humanity.

His concise reports represent a historic testimony, in order that we may “Never Forget” such great human tragedies and they serve as an example for those who wish to promote dialogue and peace.



CULTURE
ANTOINE NASRI MESSARRA
Professor- Journalist
(LEBANON)

An intellectual and a professor at several European universities, President of the Lebanese Political Science Association, through his many publications Antoine Nasri Messarra has promoted the dissemination of culture as a tool of dialogue and peace in the Mediterranean and throughout the world.

His publications on Religion and Politics in Arab Political Systems (1993); the Democratic Construction (1995) and Tomorrow’s Citizen (3 vol., 1995-1998) are central to understanding cultural evolution in Arab countries.

As a member of the Consultative Council of the Annan Lindh Foundation, he has laid down the guidelines of a new cultural challenge in the Arab Spring countries.

His action is a point of reference for those who rely on culture for building democracy and a future for young people.



CULTURAL HERITAGE
ICOMOS – CONSIGLIO INTERNAZIONALE DEI MONUMENTI E DEI SITI
(ITALY)

The Consiglio Internazionale dei Monumenti e dei Siti (ICOMOS) is a global NGO whose mission is to promote, conserve, utilize and valorize monuments and sites.

Thanks to its actions, the evolution and circulation of ideas promote a new sensitivity towards the use of cultural heritage in the Mediterranean and the rest of the world. Diversity, collegiality and impartiality are the fundamental values which lie at the heart of exchange between countries of the North and South throughout the world. Renewed solidarity channeled through young people will contribute to the indispensable process of sensitization and education towards the conservation of monumental heritage.



“RAFFAELE CAPASSO” FOR LEGALITY
FONDAZIONE ANTONINO CAPONNETTO
(ITALY)

For its activities in disseminating the principles of legality against any form of organized crime or criminal activity, especially in school and among young people.

The Fondazione Antonino Caponnetto continues to apply the principles adopted by the renowned judge throughout his life and work by promoting initiatives and publications focusing on young people and preparing them to become the protagonists of the future based on the principles of sobriety, solidarity and deeply rooted in legality at all levels of society.



EUROMED AWARD
TEATRO VALLE OCCUPATO
(ITALY)

The Awards Ceremony was held in Cyprus on 10 November 2012 at the UNESCO Auditorium, University of Nicosia in the presence of the Heads of the National Networks of the Anna Lindh Foundation. Participants at the ceremony included Andreu Claret, Director of the Anna Lindh Foundation, and Michele Capasso, President of the Fondazione Mediterraneo, who handed this accolade to Sylvia De Fanti and Simona dell’Acqua, representing the Teatro Valle Occupato Theatre Group. This year, the theme for the Euromed Award was “Youths for change, social justice and co-development”.

President Michele Capasso expressed his satisfaction for the acknowledgement emphasizing that the nomination of the “Teatro Valle Occupato” was launched by the Fondazione Mediterraneo itself and has been agreed by the members of the 43 Euromed member countries.



ENERGY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
ENI
(ITALY)

ENI is a total energy-based company committed to increasing its activities in research, transport, transformation and sale of petroleum and natural gas and its history is firmly rooted in the Mediterranean. Day after day, men and women from Eni continue to develop their passion for challenges, progress and excellence. Their fundamental values are directed towards people, the environment and integrity.

This is why the Mediterranean Award for Energy and Sustainable Development has been awarded to Eni.

THE WINNERS:



ART AND CREATIVITY
IN MEMORY OF
LUCIO DALLA
Singer songwriter
(ITALY)

His artistic temperament above all found its expression in the "Sea", the Mediterranean, which he travelled upon so many times, and where he found inspiration for his most beautiful and universal compositions. The Mediterraneanity of Lucio Dalla transpires and gathers force in a mix of sounds, cries, whispers, musical murmurs, verses, grimaces, warbling and emotions which are deeply touching, leaving a pallet of indelible colours that communicate in other languages whose origins are found in different cultures, traditions and faiths.



MEDAL OF HONOUR
IN MEMORY OF
MELISSA BASSI
Student
(ITALY)

The Fondazione Mediterraneo decided to award the Medal of Honour of the "Mediterranean Award 2013" to the memory of Melissa Bassi and dedicate the "Totem for Peace" to her memory. Lest we forget!



MEDAL OF HONOUR
GIOSUÈ STARITA
Mayor of Torre Annunziata
(ITALY)

For having contributed to the creation of the "Totem for Peace", a universal symbol of dialogue and cooperation among cities and peoples of the World, which was erected in the city of Torre Annunziata.



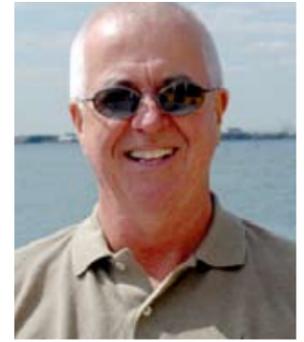
MEDAL OF HONOUR
FOR ARCHITECTURE
FILIPPO CANNATA
(ITALY)

He has been incisive and profession in the execution of his architectural work as well as in his relationships with light. His works, especially the "Light of the Mediterranean", are permeated with "Mediterraneity" and combine the culture of architecture with rigour and lighting technology in compliance with the memory of place, the utility of spaces and the needs of individuals.



MEDAL OF HONOUR
NICOLA PARISI
Mayor of Buccino
(ITALY)

For having contributed to the creation of the "Totem for Peace", a universal symbol of dialogue and cooperation among cities and peoples of the World, which was erected in the town of Buccino (Antica Volceij).



"ANGELO VASSALLO"
PER L'AMBIENTE E IL CO-SVILUPPO
TOM FOX (USA)

Per il suo impegno nella salvaguardia dell'ambiente e la costruzione di coalizioni e per il suo importante lavoro di diffusione della cultura del mare. Un esempio educativo per le generazioni future e da trasmettere a tutti i Paesi del Mediterraneo, al fine di diffondere i valori dell'amore per il mare e la tutela del suo habitat.



CINEMA
DEDA
(**ASPETTANDO MAMMA/
WAITING FOR MUM**)
by **NANA EKVIMISHVILI**

At the Trieste Film Festival, with whom the Fondazione Mediterraneo has been collaborating since 1995, the 2013 Mediterranean Cinema Award for the best short film was awarded to "Deda" (Waiting for Mum) by Nana Ekvimishvili. The film focuses on a man's voice calling his mother and was awarded by a jury of young people.



CINEMA
VINCENT DIEUTRE

Vincent Dieutre ha vissuto a New York e a Roma prima di dedicarsi al cinema. Autore di numerosi scritti sul legame tra il cinema e l'arte contemporanea, insegna al dipartimento di cinema dell'Università di Parigi VII. Da cineasta esplora il «confine tra documentari e auto-fiction».

La Fondazione Mediterraneo gli attribuisce questo riconoscimento per aver creato un sistema poetico personale e umanista, capace di reinventare la scrittura di sé nella solitudine, nella separazione e nel ripiegamento, sopperendo in questo modo al bisogno umano di essere percepiti dall'Altro per sentirsi vivi. Il cinema di Dieutre è prima di tutto parola, una parola che riempie e personalizza anonime stanze di un hotel come intere città.



SOCIAL SOLIDARITY
ASSOCIAZIONE
JERRY ESSAN MASSLO
President Renato Natale
(ITALY)

For their efforts to integrate migrants in the geographic area of Agro Aversano and for their commitment to civil action for the promotion of fundamental rights and asserting social justice. The association was founded in memory of a south African immigrant who was killed in Italy and it bears testimony to the civil commitment against any form of abuse of power in affirmation of the rights of the most vulnerable in our territory where the Camorra is rife.



SOCIAL SOLIDARITY
GENERAL UNION
OF CULTURAL
CENTERS – GAZA
(PALESTINE)

For having contributed to integration and cooperation among young people in Palestine and other countries by undertaking precise actions to restore dignity and prestige to Palestine, as well as giving hope to young people for a future with peace, solidarity and mutual respect. Undertaking careful reforms for the inclusion of young Palestinians is just one concrete example of good practice.



MEDAGLIA D'ONORE
PER I SERVIZI SOCIALI
ISTITUTO PROFESSIONALE
"MORVILLO-FALCONE"
DI **BRINDISI**
Preside Rosanna Maci
(ITALIA)

La Fondazione Mediterraneo ha consegnato all'Istituto il Premio in memoria della studentessa Melissa Bassi barbaramente assassinata. La Preside dell'Istituto, Rosanna Maci, ha espresso il proprio riconoscimento per questo Premio e la sua personale ammirazione per l'attività svolta in questi anni dalla Fondazione Mediterraneo, aderendo al progetto elaborata da quest'ultima di realizzare il "Totem della Pace" a Brindisi, dedicandolo a Melissa Bassi.

The winners of the Mediterranean Award 1996–2013

Mahmūd **Abbās** (Abū Māzen), Ivano **Abbruzzi**, Gorge **Abela**, Mohamed-El Aziz Ben **Achour**, S.M. Rania **Al-Abdullah**, 'Ala **Al-Aswani**, **Al-Bayane**, Pierluigi **Bersani**, **Al-Hayat**, Wijdan **Al-Hashemi**, **Al-Jazeera**, Lenin **Al-Ramly**, Beshir **Al-Sibai**, Fiorenzo **Alfieri**, **Ansamed**, Casa editrice egiziana **Afaq**, **Apele tac – Silent river** (cortometraggio), Viktor **Asliuk**, **Associazione “A Ruota Libera Onlus”**, **Associazione Italiana “Amici del Presepio”**, **Associazione “L’Altra Napoli Onlus”**, **Associazione “Marseille Esperance”** – Sindaco Jean Claude **Gaudin**, **Associazione “Jerry Essan Masslo”** – Presidente Renato **Natale**, **Associazione Scuola di Pace**, **Atelier du Caire**, André **Azoulay**, Melissa **Bassi**, Antonio **Bassolino**, Ernest **Beach**, Mohamed **Bedjaoui**, Corrado **Beguinet**, Eugenio **Bennato**, **Biblioteca Nazionale d’Algeri**, Carl **Bildt**, S.M. Hussein **Bin Talal**, Pino **Blasi**, Irina Gueorguieva **Bokova**, Leonzio **Borea**, Antonio **Borrelli**, Dee Dee **Bridgewater**, Andra **Bucci**, Tatiana **Bucci**, Paolo **Bufalini**, Federico **Bugno**, Pino **Cacozza**, Filippo **Cannata**, Pasquale **Cappuccio**, Fabrizio **Carola**, Aníbal **Cavaco Silva**, Hamid **Chabat**, Elias **Chacour**, Sergio **Chiamparino**, Don Luigi **Ciotti**, **CNRS – Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique**, Hillary **Rodham Clinton**, **Città di Napoli**, **CNN**, Lady Yvonne **Cochrane Sursock**, **Combatants for Peace**, Mario **Condorelli**, Giuseppe **Conte**, **Corriere della Sera**, Pat **Cox**, Maria Grazia **Cutuli**, Lucio **Dalla**, Massimo **D’Alema**, Mahmoud **Darwich**, Luigi **de Magistris**, Roberto **De Simone**, Beatrice **di Borbone delle Due Sicilie**, Vincent **Dieutre**, Vittorio **di Pace**, Lamberto **Dini**, Pier Giovanni **Donini**, Shirin **Ebadi**, Hasna **El Becharia**, Ibrahim **El Moallem**, **El Mundo**, **El Pais**, Adel **El-Siwi**, **ENI**, **Città di Ercolano**, Recep Tayyp **Erdoğan**, Krisztina **Esztergályos**, S.E. 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