



Above: View of Rome

Below: Tiber River; Mouth of Truth

Rome, Italy

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With the Jennings Family Global Mathematics Fund Award I had the chance to travel to Rome, The Eternal City, for a study abroad opportunity. I took a cultural class on Italian Food at the Lorenzo de Medici Institute where I learned about Italian food through the environment and sustainability. I got to taste food from different regions of Italy, and learn about how they are made or processed using natural resources. I got to travel around Rome and visit monuments I've always wanted see. I had such a great time in Italy and I want to thank the Jennings Family for this opportunity.

View of Rome



Pyramid of Cestius





The Pantheon

The Pantheon is a church that was completed around 127 AD. It has a dome shape that was built with different materials, the lightest being at the top. I visited on a tour, and also it was easily found through wandering.



- Photos starting with top left and going around:
- Outside of the Pantheon
 - Top of the dome
 - Fountain in the same plaza
 - Inside of the Pantheon
 - Statue of Lady Margherita





The Colosseum



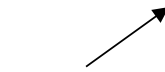
Place where Julius Caesar was believed to be stabbed



The Colosseum and The Forum
Visiting these two areas was breathtaking. The Colosseum is much larger than I thought, and the Forum is very distributed but preserved, surrounded by modern buildings.



The Forum





The Trevi Fountain

I visited the Trevi Fountain many times. To make a wish you must put your back to the fountain and throw your coin back. I did this wrong the first time, but I corrected myself later.



The Spanish Steps are located in Piazza di Spagna. It was very close to school, and I was excited to go here because it was where one of my favorite movies, the Lizzie McGuire Movie, was filmed.

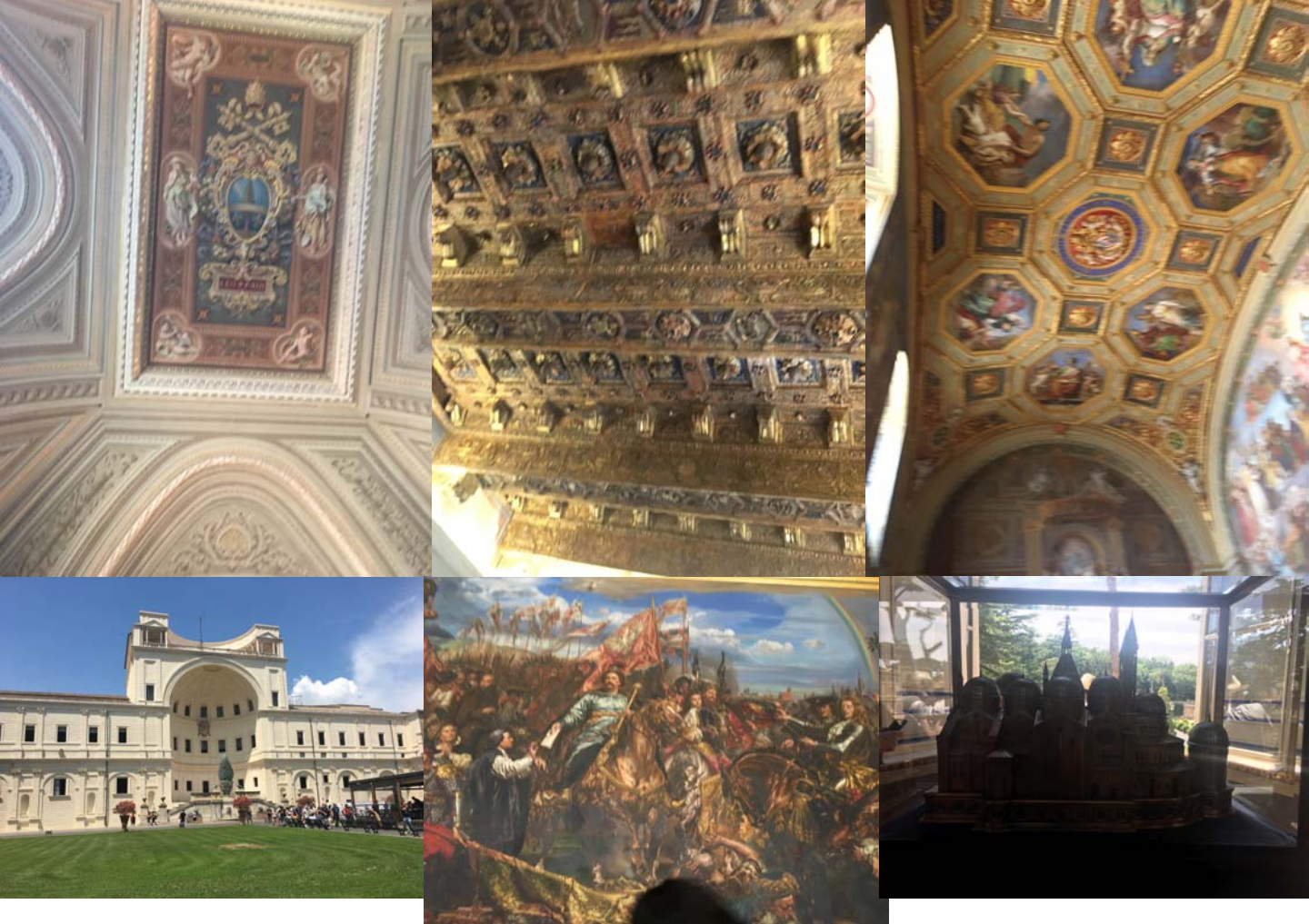
The Spanish Steps





Italy's Republic Day
I was lucky enough to be in Rome on June 2nd, Italy's Republic Day. There was a big parade in Piazza Venezia with military personnel, marching bands, and ended with planes releasing colored powder that matches their flag! I was very familiar with the plaza by the end of my trip because I transferred buses here to get to school.





Vatican City

I've heard it being called the smallest city in the world. Vatican City is independent from Rome, whilst still being in Rome. It's the home of the Sistine Chapel and Saint Peter's Basilica. People can visit on certain days to get a blessing from the Pope. The museum's artwork is beautiful, especially the Sistine Chapel.

Above: Artwork from the Museum

Below: Saint Peter's Square





An Italian vender is invited for to stay for a couple of months and sell their foods. When I went they had Piadinas.

Eataly

Taking a course on Italian food means visiting a place with Italian food. My teacher took our class to Eataly, an Italian supermarket. There are many smaller divisions of Eataly around the world, however the biggest one is in Rome. It has 4 floors and sells specialties from around the country. The best olive oil, the best pasta, and the best cheese can all be found here!

Signs like this could be found all over teaching you about how something is produced



Palazzo Vecchio



Florence Cathedral



Art inside Palazzo Vecchio



Me in Palazzo Vecchio's tower

Weekend Trip to Florence

The program I went through had an excursion to Florence. I visited many places and saw famous artworks!



Me and The David

Boboli Gardens



Boboli Gardens



!Food!

(Pizza, Pasta, Dessert, and more
Pasta)

