



**DIMENSIONE  
LIRICA**

## **STATUTE OF THE CULTURAL ASSOCIATION DIMENSIONE LIRICA**

### **Art.01 - Constitution, denomination and location**

Is hereby founded, in accordance with article 36 and following of the Civil Code, the non-profit Association named "DIMENSIONE LIRICA", hereafter referred to as "Association". The Association has its seat in Venice, Castello 5601.

### **Art.02 - Goals**

The Association pursues the following goals:

1. Spreading and broadening the knowledge of Venetian culture, its music and art in general.
2. Being a place of encounter and gathering to promote cultural exchange between people, institutions and associations, even foreign.
3. Allowing the realization of cultural events such as, but not only, concerts, operas, ballets, theatre representations, etc.
4. Promoting cultural initiatives such as: art exhibitions, debates, conferences, publications, music recordings.
5. To pursue its social goals the Association will be free to operate in its seat and in other locations.
6. To reach its aim the Association may also open profit-making activities to serve its members through internal dealing.

The Association is non-political and non-religious.

To achieve its social goal the Association will be free to start any initiative, even supported by experts.

It may also cooperate with other associations and institutions, public or private, Italian or foreign.

### **Art.03 - Duration**

The duration in time of the Association is undetermined.

### **Art.04 - Members - Membership and admission fee**

There is no limit to the number of members. All citizens, with no distinction of gender, race, religion, political belief, who intend to follow the principles and the goals of the Association, can join.

The admission of the members is defined by the following conditions:

1. Presentation of the membership request to the President, specifying one's personal data.
2. Payment of the admission fee, as fixed annually by the Board of Directors.

The acceptance of the membership request happens when the membership request is signed by the President or by one of the other Directors, who is taking the Director's place.

The delivery of the membership card defines the enrollment in the Association, thus conferring the title of "Member".

### **Art.05 - Will of association**

Membership is free and voluntary, but it has to abide by the Association's Statute, its internal rules and the decisions taken by the competent bodies.

Members are required to pay the admission fee and possible integrations of the common funds through extra-ordinary contributes.

#### **Art.06 - Rights of the Members**

All members have the right to:

1. Join all social activities;
2. Receive the membership card from the Association;
3. Be involved both, actively and passively, in the elections to all social charges.

The membership expires due to exclusion, withdrawal, or failure to pay the membership fee.

The Board of Directors will exclude the members who will damage, materially or morally, the Association.

All members will be free to withdraw at any time.

The membership fee is strictly personal and not transmissible to others.

#### **Art.07 - Estate and finances**

The Association's sources of assets are:

- a) Annual membership fees;
  - b) Donations, grants and bequests from private people, companies and institutions, both private and public, Italian and foreign;
  - c) Income from initiatives created or promoted by the Association;
- Any deposit made by expired, dropout or deceased members will not be refunded.

#### **Art.08 - Bodies of the Association**

The bodies of the Association are:

- a) The Assembly of Members;
- b) The Board of Directors
- c) The President

#### **Art.09 - Assembly of Members**

The Assembly is convened by the Board of Directors in case of necessity and at least once a year within 4 months from the end of the social year, to approve the final account.

The convocation is made known through a summon notice, posted on the Association's board at least 10 days in advance.

The Assembly of Members has the duty to:

1. appoint the President and the members of the Board of Directors;
2. approve the final account, decide on the destination of possible remnants or deficits;
3. approve the internal regulation;
4. discuss any other issue that falls under its authority according to the Statute, the law or that is presented by the Board of Directors, or else, by at least 2/3 of the members.
5. discuss the modification of the Constitutional Act or the Statute of the Association.
6. discuss the dissolution of the Association, the appointment, the retraction and the powers of the liquidators.

When first summoned the Assembly is valid if attended by the majority of registered members; for a second convocation the Assembly will be valid whichever the number of the participants is. In both, first and second convocations, decisions are taken with a majority vote among the attendees.

The dissolution of the Association and the devolution of its funds must be voted positively by at least 3/4 of the registered members.

#### **Art.10 - Course of the Assembly**

The Assembly is chaired by the President or by the Vice President or, in their behalf, by a member appointed by the attendees.

The President verifies the convocation's regularity, the Assembly's constitution and the right to intervene.

A secretary is appointed by the Assembly, to write the meeting's minutes if required by the attendees. The minutes will then be subscribed by the President.

#### **Art.11 - Board of Directors**

The Association is ruled by a Board of Directors, that grants the ordinary and extra-ordinary administration of the Association.

The Board is made up by a President and a variable number of councillors -between a minimum of 3 (three) to a maximum of 7 (seven) elected by the Assembly.

The president and the Directors have to be elected among the members.

In its first meeting the Board of Directors names within itself a Vice President.

The Vice President collaborates with the President and substitutes for him in case of absence or impediment.

The Board can also delegate some of its assignments to one or more of its members.

The mandate of the President, the Vice President and the other Board members, all re-eligible, lasts 2 (two) years.

#### **Art.12 - Convocation of the Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors is summoned by the President in case of necessity, in case at least 3 Members present a motivated request and at least once a year within 4 months from the end of the social year, to approve the final financial and economical balances, which will be forwarded to the Assembly of Members for approval.

The convocation is made known through a summon notice, posted on the Association's board at least one day in advance.

#### **Art.13 - Duties of the Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors has the duty to:

- run the Association;
- issue the Rules considered useful for the Association's functioning;
- find the funds required to meet the Association's goals;
- convene the Assembly;
- determine the value of the membership fee to be presented to the Assembly for approval.
- prepare the financial and economical balance to be presented to the Assembly for approval.
- nominate competent scientific committees to study, develop and realize possible special initiatives.
- deliberate on any relevant issue concerning the Association.

#### **Art.14 - President and Board of Directors**

The President of the Association, elected by the Assembly, is the President of the Board of Directors.

The President legally represents the Association in front of thirds and on trial and holds the social signature; he summons the Board of Directors and looks after the execution of the deliberations coming from both, the Assembly and the Board; in exceptional circumstances the President exerts the powers of the Board, with the exception of a ratification during the first Board meeting.

The President has the power to open, manage and close bank accounts and/or other forms of financings from banks or others.

The Vice Presidents substitutes for the President in case of absence or impediment.

#### **Art.15 - Social year - Final account**

The social year ends on December 31st, every year.

The Board of Directors must present to the Assembly for approval the final account within 4 (four) months from the end of the social year.

The distribution, even indirect, of profit, surplus, funds or capitals among the members is strictly forbidden during the whole existence of the Association, except for particular cases enforced by law.

#### **Art.16 - Modification of the Statute and Dissolution of the Association**

To modify the actual Statute, dissolve the Association or appoint its liquidators, all decisions are taken by the Assembly, as stated in Art.09 of this Statute.

Any positive balance, as well as the remaining estate, have to be passed to other non-commercial institutions acting on similar values or having public utility, except for different destinations enforced by law.

**Art.17 - Reference**

Regarding the cases that are not mentioned in this Statute we refer to the Civil Code and to the existing laws.