



## The Dante Alighieri Society of BC

Invites you to  
a Q&A with  
**UBC Prof. Daniela Boccassini**

### FROM DOOM TO BLOOM: DANTE'S TEACHINGS FOR (OUR) TROUBLED TIMES



Answering five basic questions (or more, depending on your willingness to ask), **Daniela Boccassini** will highlight for us Dante Alighieri's extraordinary poetic and existential achievements. His world-famous *Commedia*, composed seven hundred years ago in Italy during times of hardship, resonates more than ever today with the ring of truth. Depending on our willingness to listen, Dante's words of wisdom are there to help us see through today's uncertainties, and fearlessly so. His insights are a potent antidote to our growing sense of gloom.

An expert on Dante and the Medieval Mediterranean world, **Dr. Daniela Boccassini** teaches in the Italian program at UBC. She is also one of the directors of the Jung Society of Vancouver.

*We will share some light refreshments and some conversation to end our evening.*

*At the meeting you will have a chance to activate your membership in the Dante BC for 2018. The funds that we collect from memberships are used to advance our mission of promoting the language and culture of Italy. The Society is not subsidized by the Italian government and all of our work is by volunteers. Your membership confirms our common enthusiasm for the promotion of "l'Italianità". Dues are \$30 annually. If you will be visiting Italy next year, a Dante membership card gives discounts at famous museums, theatres and events in Italy. Learn more about membership benefits at: [www.dantesocietybc.ca](http://www.dantesocietybc.ca)*

**Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at 7:00 pm**

**The Roundhouse, Room B, 181 Roundhouse Mews, Vancouver**

**Access parking from Davie Street beside the Urban Fare store**

**The Yaletown-Roundhouse Skytrain station is**

**100 metres away on Davie Street**

RSVP at [info@dantesocietybc.ca](mailto:info@dantesocietybc.ca) Registration is required.

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