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Save Venice: San Sebastiano Church & the Veronese Frescoes


A city worth saving, Venice is a repository of countless artistic and architectural treasures. Among these treasures is the 16th-century Church of San Sebastiano, located in the Dorsoduro area, and the amazing artwork you will find within. San Sebastiano houses three large canvas frescoes by Veronese, which narrate the Old Testament story of the Esther. A vast and beautiful decorative wooden ceiling provides a worthy backdrop for these priceless works. Today you have the chance to participate in an outing that contributes directly and transparently to the fund that will restore them. You'll transfer to the Dorsoduro quarter by boat; then walk along narrow paths and passageways to reach the Church of San Sebastiano. This is where you will learn about the collaborative effort undertaken by the Save Venice organization, Venetian authorities, restorers and donors to restore both the church and its frescoes. Save Venice's engagement with San Sebastiano began in 2007, and has included extensive pre-restoration studies with a photogrammetric survey, pigment analysis, and trial cleaning of Paolo Veronese's works. Minor structural problems were corrected in the attic above the nave, ensuring the structural stability of Veronese's decorative ceiling. When the restoration is complete, visitors will once again experience the church exactly as Paolo Veronese intended—an interior space unified by pictorial decoration that brilliantly brings to life the messages in the narrative paintings. The church also houses works by Titian and Tintoretto but it is Veronese, perhaps not surprisingly, who is entombed here—a fitting end to the decades he spent decorating the church. Stroll with your guide back to the pier where a private boat waits to transfer you back to the ship.

SPECIAL NOTES

TOUR INCLUDES

DRIVER & GUIDE
HALF DAY TOUR