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ASPECTS OF ITALY Talks by three members

Wednesday 13th September 2017 at 7.30pm

The Assembly Room, Council House North Street, Chichester Members £9.00 Non members £10.00

The Making of a Modern Mosaic is an illustrated talk by Barbara Shepherd. A day trip to Ravenna inspired Barbara to learn more about the ancient craft of creating glass mosaics. Following a course at West Dean she went to Ravenna with her tutor to undertake a weeklong course in a specialist mosaic studio. She will talk about her project and compare a modern technique with the traditional Double Reverse Ravenna Method which has been used since Byzantine times.

Dolomites – Mountains of Character is an illustrated talk by Mike Evans. The Dolomites is an area of Italy dominated by majestic mountains. Its drama and beauty have been the backdrop for wonderful skiing holidays for Mike and Jo with friends and family. Mike will give an illustrated talk to include some history and culture - but mostly to show the splendour of those mountains.

Montalbano's Sicily is an illustrated talk by Howard Bottomley. The Sicilian detective Salvo Montalbano has become a cult figure as a result of Andrea Camilleri's crime novels and the related television dramas. Howard will talk about the area of south-east Sicily where the stories are based and will show pictures of the lovely Baroque towns where the films are shot.

Bruschette and a glass of wine will be served after the talks.