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MEMORIES OF THE ITALIAN RESISTANCE

Coordinated by Claudio Fogu

Featuring Walter De Hoog aka “Tulipano”

Thursday, June 6, 1:30-4:30pm

Maravilla Clubhouse
 5486 Calle Real, Goleta

A closer look at the book *Tulipano*, written by Walter de Hoog.

Between September 8, 1943 (Armistice with the Allies) and April 25, 1945, Italy was engulfed in a civil war pitting the antifascist “Resistance” against a resurgent fascist state, the Repubblica Sociale Italiana (RSI) in Northern Italy. Over 100,000 Italians took up arms to help the allies liberate their nation from the Fascists and Nazi occupation forces, but many also fought on the side of the latter.



In the aftermath of the liberation a surge of pride and enthusiasm led a majority of Italians to identify with the “Resistance” (even if they had not fought in its midst), choose Republic over Monarchy (even if by a slight margin), and elect one of the commanders of the Resistance, and a moral symbol of antifascism, Ferruccio Parri, as their first Prime minister.

Between 1945 and 1947 Italy seemed poised to have a veritable resurgence witnessed and accompanied by the Neorealist aesthetics of *Open City*, and *Paisà*. It was a time of great expectations, fearlessness, and human solidarity, captured by an exceptional memoir by one of Santa Barbara’s own, Walter de Hoog, aka “Tulipano,” who fought with the Italian Resistance in Milan and through hair-raising circumstances survived the war, ending up joining Parri’s first government.

Professor Claudio Fogu, an expert in fascism teaching at UCSB, will discuss the historical context, both before and after, that can help situate and appreciate the uniqueness of Tulipano’s experience and also its more typical traits. Tulipano himself, Walter de Hoog, will read from his memoir and engage in a dialogue with Dr. Fogu and the attendees regarding aspects of his extraordinary life.

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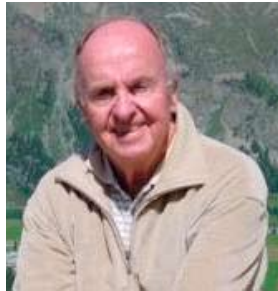
SUGGESTED READING

Tulipano-A Story of Wartime Italy by Walter De Hoog (\$11.95 at Amazon; \$9.75 on the Kindle)

Italiani Brava Gente by Claudio Fogo (attached)

BIOGRAPHY

Walter de Hoog was born in the Netherlands and grew up in Holland, Belgium, France, Spain and Italy. He emigrated to the United States in 1946, graduating from Dartmouth College with Phi Beta Kappa honors.



He spent the next forty years as writer-director-producer of documentary films for international audiences. Documentary subjects include *The Infinite Journey on Apollo 11* first moon landing. *The Berlin Wall*, *Robert Frost*, *Echoes of American History*, The book *Tulipano: A Story of Wartime Italy, 1944-45* will appeal to history students, World War II buffs, veterans, Italian and US/UK historians, and anyone who wants to understand what it was like living in Italy in that time of war. The original English language text was translated into Italian and published in Italy in 2009 under the auspices of Italy's National Institute for the History of the Liberation of Italy (Istituto Nazionale della Storia del Movimento per la Liberazione d'Italia - INSMLI)

VISTAS Winter/Spring 2013 Calendar

Seminar/Event	Inclusive Dates	Time	Venue
Lectures in Geology	Thurs, May 2, 9, 16	1:30-3:30pm	Goleta Library
Documentary Club*	Thurs, May 23	2:00pm	Maravilla Theater
Lawn Bowling	Sunday, May 19	2:00pm	MacKenzie Park
Memories of the Italian Resistance	June 6	1:30-4:30pm	Maravilla Clubhouse
Astaire & Rogers	Wed, May 22 & 29	1:30-4:30pm	Maravilla Clubhouse

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