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**SPECIAL EDITION OF LA PICCOLA CUCINA “A QUATTRO MANI”**

**WHAT:** Boost your child’s interest in Italian culinary arts, traditions and language with the Special Edition of *La Piccola Cucina*, Cultural Culinary Experience for Children, this April at the ICCC of Houston. *La Piccola Cucina* is a program dedicated to children aged 5 to 12 years old, aimed at teaching the Italian language, the metric system, and the basics of nutrition, as well as promoting the many Italian regional culinary traditions.

The April special edition will be a unique experience “*a quattro mani*” where the child will have the opportunity, for the first time ever, to attend the class with one member of their family. This session of *La Piccola Cucina* will take place on April 26<sup>th</sup> at the ICCC, 1101 Milford, and the young chefs will learn how to prepare: “*I Baci Perugina*”, popular Italian chocolate bonbons.

This successful program is designed and directed by Tiziana Triolo, Director of Programs and Marketing at the *Italian Cultural & Community Center*. “Through this program”, explains Tiziana Triolo, “children learn about cooking but also meet additional didactic and pedagogic objectives”. “This educational program is now attracting the interest of the Houston Independent School District schools. For example, on April 16<sup>th</sup> we hosted a private session of *La Piccola Cucina* for the students of Pin Oak Middle School and they literally had a blast by discovering the authentic Italian culinary traditions and the Italian language as well”, further adds Tiziana Triolo.

These classes are the perfect occasion for children to learn how to prepare authentic Italian recipes under the guidance of Tiziana Triolo and learn more about Italian language and traditions.

The Italian Cultural & Community Center is a 501c3 whose mission is to preserve, celebrate and advance Italian culture and heritage. To learn more about Italian Cultural & Community Center’s multiple programs and offerings visit our website: <http://www.iccchouston.com/>.

**WHO:** Italian Cultural & Community Center

**WHEN:** **Saturday, April 26, 2014**  
**11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**WHERE:** Italian Cultural & Community Center  
1101 Milford  
Houston, TX 77006

**PRICE:** Children: \$30 for ICCC Members, \$50 for Non-Members  
Adults: \$20 for ICCC Members, \$40 for Non-Members  
Price includes: Apron, chef’s hat, cooking tools, ingredients, recipes and curiosities about the dish.

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