

Bologna has a very lively cultural and social life, full of events and festivals. Some events that happen each year are related to ECCAR mission.

May

Human Rights Nights Festival

Film, art and music festival about human rights, aiming at raising awareness and taking actions on migration, cultural diversity, environment and active citizenship. The Festival is the highlight of an extensive work of permanent campaign to raise awareness on human rights, the environment and issues of plural diversity.

Web-site: <http://www.humanrightsnights.org/>

Inter-cultural lunch

Open inter-cultural lunch on the streets of the Cirenica district, with free world food .

Web-site: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1724193417861866/>

October

Terra di Tutti Film Festival

Terra di Tutti Film Festival began in 2007, with the vital aim of giving a voice to the many documentary makers who use the video medium as a form of critical expression, scrutinising the world and the issues that affect the countries of the southern hemisphere. Sponsored by two non-governmental organisations working towards international cooperation for development, GVC (Gruppo di Volontariato Civile) and COSPE (Cooperazione per lo sviluppo dei Paesi Emergenti), TTFB brings documentaries and social cinema from the global south to Bologna, with the aim of revealing the realities of life in these countries, of people and social battles that are often ‘invisible’ into discussion.

Web-site: <http://www.terradituttifilmfestival.org/>

Gender bender festival

Gender Bender is an international Festival introducing the Italian public to the new imagery related to gender identities, sexual orientations and body representations stemming from contemporary culture. Gender Bender offers a series of events ranging from film showings, to theatrical productions and dance performances, visual arts exhibitions, installation, round tables and conferences, live concerts and performances by musicians and djs, and clubbing events.

It is a real model of how differences can give a contribution to the construction of a more rich and welcoming society from the human, social and cultural point of view.

Web-site: <http://www.genderbender.it>

Other events always take place on 20th June (**World refugee day**) and in November for “**Bologna, City of children**” (events on the Rights of Children)