

## “Mona Lisa unveiled” at Miami’s Freedom Towers

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The Miami Dade College (MDC), the city of Miami, Galleria Ca’ d’Oro and the city of Margherita di Savoia are currently presenting an exhibition at Miami’s Freedom Towers. The event is entitled “Mona Lisa Unveiled” and is running until 7 October.

“Mona Lisa Unveiled” highlights the numerous reinterpretations of the famous portrait, from the 16th century to today. For the occasion, one of the most renowned reinterpretations of the painting, *Nude Mona Lisa* by Salai, Da Vinci’s favourite student, will come from Italy.

All of these works are now assembled in this unique exhibition, aiming to document and compare numerous versions around the world. The exhibition in Miami was organised in the framework of the Galleria Ca’ d’Oro’s mission to import Italian art to the US. The exhibition has a significant meaning for Gloria Porcella, director of Galleria Ca’ d’Oro, since her grand-father, Amadore Porcella, had studied the potential origins and attributions of *Nude Mona Lisa* during his career as an art critic at the *Osservatore Romano*, the Vatican’s journal. Gloria keeps up the family’s tradition and played an important role in making the exhibition travel out of Italy. Moreover, she made sure that contemporary art was also featured in the event, highlighting new artists who have reinterpreted the famous portrait.