



**Marco Gemelli**, born in Penne (PE) in 1983, began studying Classical Accordion at the age of 7, under the guidance of M<sup>o</sup> Claudio Calista. After the premature death of M<sup>o</sup> Calista he continued his studies with M<sup>o</sup> Cesare Chiacchiaretta and he graduates with the highest marks and praise at the Conservatory "Luisa D'Annunzio" in Pescara under the guidance of M<sup>o</sup> Claudio Jacomucci.

He was the winner of the First Prize Absolute in numerous national and international competitions: Capistrello (AQ), Morro D'Oro (TE), Magliano dei Marsi (AQ), Baragiano (PO), Caramanico (PE), Latina, Rieti, Lanciano (CH), Montese (MO), Termoli, Loreto Marche (AN), Poggio Rusco (MT), Spoltore (PE), Tollo (CH).

In 2003 he won the prize as best Italian participant at the International Competition "Città di Castelfidardo".

In 2004 and 2006 he was chosen as Italy's representative at the CIA - IMC - UNESCO Classical Accordion World Cups held in Pontarlier (FRANCE) and Asker (NORWAY) respectively.

He has a constant concert activity both as an accordionist and bandoneonist who has led him to perform at the most important national and international festivals such as "MusicaRivaFestival", "Mozartian Week", "In Sounds of Places", Brindisi Classica, Friends of the Music of Ragusa, Ente July Music Trapanese, Classical Etruria, Brianza Classica, Castelfidardo International Festival and Prize, etc ...

He has collaborated and has performed with various orchestral and chamber ensembles like the Accord'Ance Quintet, the Orchestra of Italian Switzerland, the Alma de Tango Orchestra, the Cuarteto del Misterio, the Consonant Quartet of the Bacau "Mihail Jora" Philharmonic (Romania), the Trio Sin Palabras, the Bajan Trio, the Portango Quartet, the Philharmonic Orchestra of Calabria and the San Remo Symphonic Orchestra.

He is the creator and artistic director of the "International Accordion Week".

He is accordion's teacher at the Music School of San Giovanni Teatino (CH), at the Comprehensive Institute of Spoltore (PE) and at the "Istituto Superiore di Studi Musicali "P. I. Tchaikovsky" of Nocera Terinese (CZ).