

"Between the past and the present... the roots of my future": a theatrical presentation organized and starring the children of "A. Oriani" of the 51st school district will be held tomorrow at 4:30 p.m. at the San Pietro a Patierno Athletics Center.

The final performance of the 5th grade students from the 51st *San Pietro a Patierno* school district who participated in the theatre group sponsored by the Naples International Airport will be held tomorrow.

The show, organized with the support of the *San Pietro Ward*, evokes local "sites of historical interest", and is divided into three distinct periods: the past, the present and the future. Each of these periods is represented by a different setting; of particular interest is the setting for the past represented by the area's original hamlet which provides the background for a mime and dance portrayal of the local history including the legendary visit of Saint Peter, the 17th century revolt of the local inhabitants and other historical events intertwined with scenes of traditional social, religious and economic activities.

The inception of the airport represents the bridge between the past and the present and serves as the background for all the major events which took place throughout the course of the past century. Through mime and dance, the students evoke episodes from the First World War, the ensuing transformation of the local social and economic fibre, the Second World War, the Nazi occupation, the partisan movement and post-World War II events.

The future is set in a computer room with many elements referring to the European Union. The atmosphere is filled with hope for mankind and reaffirms a sense of trust in the new evolving technologies.

The project involved 168 students in four extracurricular workshops (information technology, costume design, scenography and choreography) and was financed by Gesac BAA, the airport operator, as part of a large scale plan in favour of the local communities.