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**A FIERA FAVOURITE RETURNS!
2011 JOHNNY LOMBARDI CANADIAN ITALIAN SONG
FESTIVAL!**

(Little Italy, TORONTO) Enjoy *una bella serata* of contemporary and classic Italian songs right here at home! **On Saturday September 3**, talented, local artists will showcase their skills at the **2011 Johnny Lombardi Canadian Italian Song Festival**. The twenty chosen contestants will **perform a popular Italian song** accompanied live by the Festival Orchestra, lead by **Maestro Tony Padalino**. The top three and selected seven, will then be invited to submit and perform an original tune for a compilation CD produced by CHIN RADIO.

This annual Johnny Lombardi Canadian-Italian Song Festival has been in existence for **36th successful and enjoyable years!** It has truly become a staple part of the FIERA festival and a wonderful means of **preserving the Italian culture in Toronto**. The festival promotes and encourages local artists to showcase their talent and vie for the chance to win up to \$5,000 in cash, prizes and more! Traditionally held on the FIERA main stage at College and Palmerston Street, the Festival moved to the **famous Royal Theatre** – in the **heart of Little Italy** – just last year, in 2010. The **ambiance and history** of the Royal Theatre proved to be the perfect companion to the **vitality and energy** of the Johnny Lombardi Song Festival.

The Song Festival will be recorded for a CHIN TV special and all twenty contestants will participate!

In the midst of Little Italy's FIERA Italiana, enjoy performances from these singers and musicians and cheer on your favourite!

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