

The History Migration Center Cuggiono

The Church of S. Maria in Braida is located in the old historical heart of Cuggiono on the corner between via San Rocco and via Santa Maria. It is now deconsecrated, renamed "Le Radici e le Ali" it house the Center.



The church was built in 1777 by the Carisi family. This private building has always had a semi-public character. Processions would stop there and during the second half of the 1800s it was used as a female church recreation center. After the death of the Carisis, the estate was inherited by the nobles Oltrona Visconti then by the Lurani family and eventually by counts Mapelli who sold it in the 1980s to a realtor.

Today it belongs to the building cooperative "Unacoop" who has entrusted it to the **Ecoistituto della Valle del Ticino** to use it for cultural purposes and for the establishment of the **History Migration Center**.

The center will preserve books, photographs, documents, newspapers, letters, films and all the materials donated by the children and descendants of the migrants so necessary to retrace the history of our migration.

The space will also feature meetings, conferences, reunions and it will be made again available to the people of Cuggiono.

The restructuring works are financed through voluntary involvement and private donations.

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