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Visiting the Pauline Chapel







Walter Smithe and Steve McCormick reading at the opening Mass at San Luigi dei Francesi.



Patrons visiting the Carriage Museum



Visiting the
Restoration
Laboratories





**This is the tapestry the Illinois Patrons are restoring
in honor of Archbishop Cupich.**





**"Miriam Dances to the Sound
of the Tambourine"**

**This painting is being restored by
Cynthia & Robert Piech.**



"Isaiah and the Cloud"

**This painting is being restored by
Donna Nelson Stride.**





Lunch in the Casina of Pope Pius IV





Fantastic views from the Pope's balcony!











A day in Oriveto









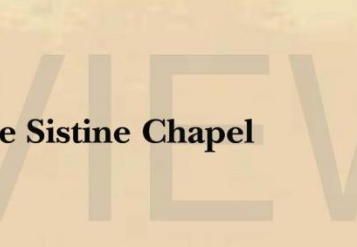






Wednesday audience with Pope Francis





An evening in the Sistine Chapel











Beautiful private Gala in the Pinacoteca Museum with Cardinal Bertello.



Enjoying the evening in front of Carravaggio's "Deposition"



Spending time at the American Academy







Enjoying the rooftop of the Minerva!



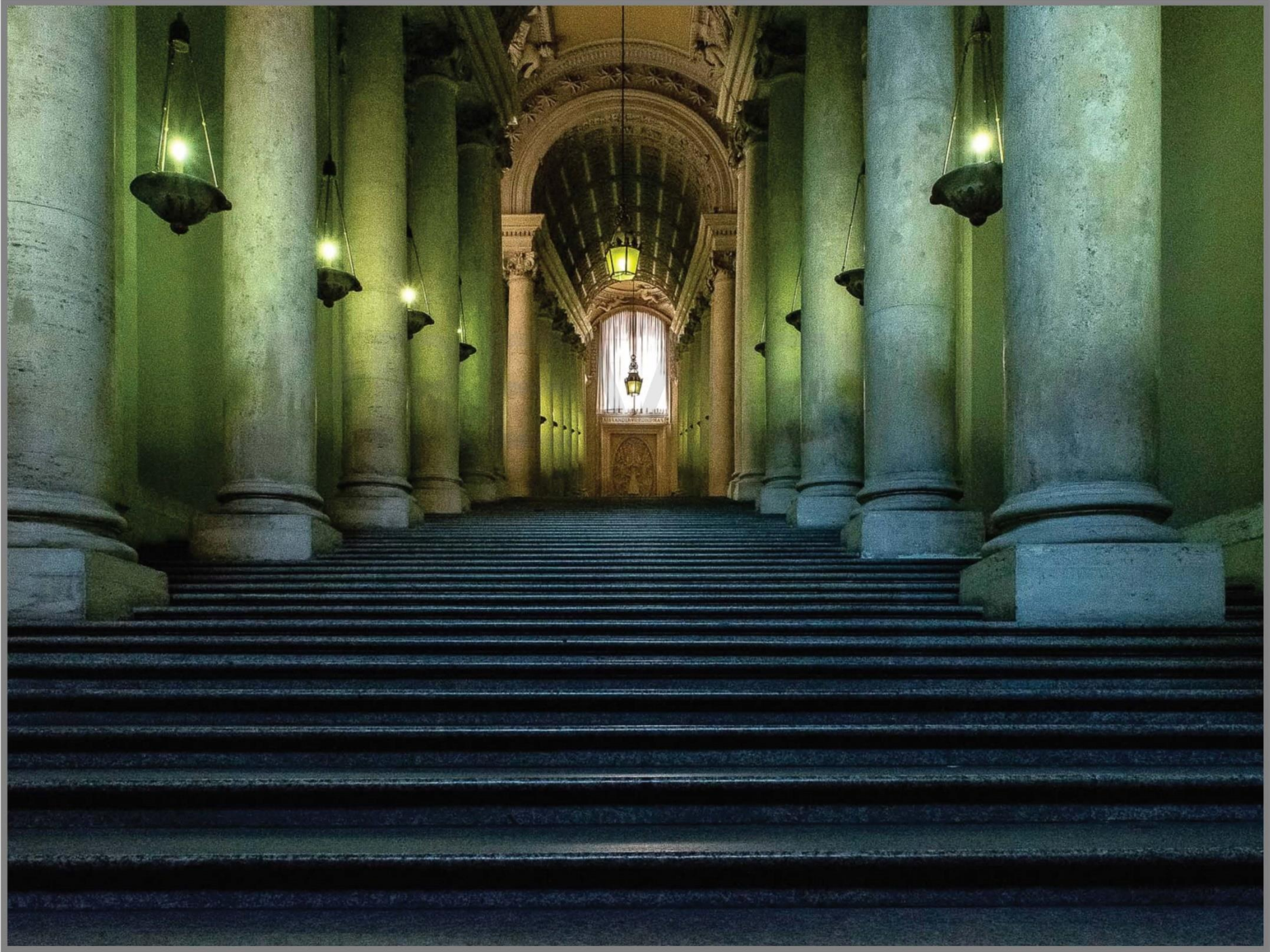






















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