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## Fiorello is doing **good**. A lot of good.

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JUST ONE EVENING DEVOTED ENTIRELY TO HAITI. IT'S A SELL-OUT, BUT WE HAVE **60 TICKETS RESERVED FOR READERS**

In August, after the tragic earthquake in central Italy, Rosario Fiorello posted a video on social media warning against impromptu fund-raising campaigns. They may be inspired by the best intentions but all too often the funds collected end up being reduced by "unexpected" costs and expenses. Fiorello is a man who doesn't mince his words and is accustomed to making his views heard, awkward as they sometimes are. But he's also an artist who, when he decides to devote his time and energies to a cause, does so wholeheartedly. One cause that Fiorello has supported for years now is Father Rick Frechette's mission in Haiti. Father Rick is a doctor and missionary who's been working in the front line in Haiti with international organisation "N.P.H. – Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos" for over 30 years. Fiorello was NPS's testimonial in the video

produced after the catastrophic earthquake in 2010 to invite donations for the "Francesca Rava Foundation – N.P.H. Italia Onlus" organisation. The Foundation is the Italian branch of NPH, which for over 60 years has been caring for orphaned and disadvantaged children in countries in the Caribbean and in South America. When the earthquake struck, the Rava Foundation helped save many lives and alleviate the disastrous conditions in Haiti.

### **Rava Foundation brings help after Hurricane Matthew**

Saint Damien's hospital, the only children's hospital in Haiti, was built in 2006 and now helps 80,000 children each year. It plays a vital role in Haiti, especially after the island's fragile equilibrium was overwhelmed by the devastation brought by Hurricane Matthew which, in addition to hundreds of deaths, caused incalculable damage.

All this makes Fiorello's new efforts on behalf of the Foundation all the more valuable. He takes to the stage on Saturday 22 [October] at the Teatro della Luna in a show whose proceeds – thanks not least to support from Banca Banor, which is covering the technical costs – will be entirely dedicated to the project to set up a cancer centre and paediatric surgery department in Saint Damien's. The tickets have sold out but we have 60 reserved for Vivi Milano readers.

### **Songs, monologues and gags**

Fiorello's time is completely taken up by the new series of "Edicola Fiore" for Sky (with around 50 instalments, it will keep him busy until December). But for one evening he'll be back on stage, live, and completely for free, showcasing all his talent as an entertainer with a gift for improvisation. Fresh from the overwhelming success of his recent tour with "L'Ora del Rosario" (more than 100 sell-out dates all over Italy, and with some appearances abroad too), Fiorello is back in the limelight. He'll be wowing the audience with his unmistakable entertainment style, featuring a stream of monologues, anecdotes and gags interspersed with songs: swing and pop, covers and mash-ups, improvisation and medleys.

**FIORIELLO FOR CHARITY – TONIGHT, 22 OCTOBER, AT 21:00 AT THE TEATRO DELLA LUNA, VIA GIUSEPPE DI VITTORIO 6, ASSAGO. Tel: 02.54.12.29.17**

**SOLD OUT**