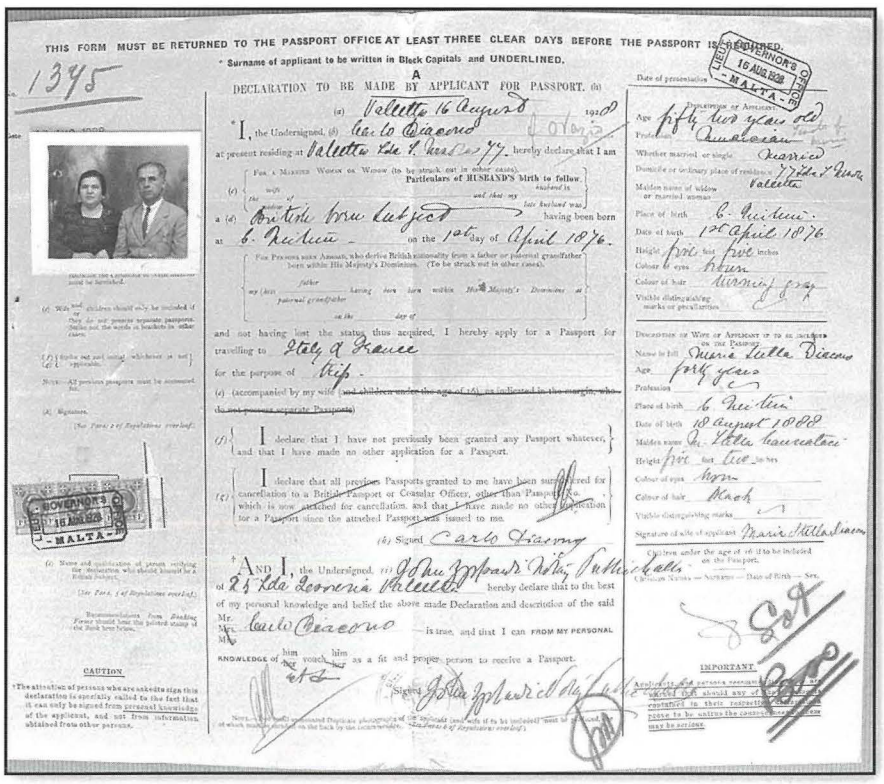
# CARLO DIACONO - 75 SENA MINN MEWTU
## Kompożitur B'Rabta Mal-Festa tal-Madonna tal-Ġilju

Peress li mis-snin tmenin 'il quddiem fil-festa tal-Madonna tal-Ġilju ma baqgħetx tindaqq mużika ta' Diacono, ftit jafu r-rabta mill-qrib bejn dan il-kompożitur kbir u din il-festa. Għal għexieren ta' snin Carlo Diacono mexxa l-mużika fil-festa tal-Madonna tal-Ġilju. Mhux biss, iżda fid-19 ta' Mejju 1935 hu esegwixxa għall-ewwel darba l-Antifona *Beata Mater*, miktuba apposta għall-festa tal-Madonna tal-Ġilju, u li tħabbetet għall-ewwel darba fil-knisja tal-Imqabba fil-festa tal-Ġilju. Meta l-*Cappella Diacono* ma baqgħetx tagħti servizz fil-festa tal-Madonna tal-Ġilju ġiet addattata l-mużika ta' *Beata Mater* għall-kliem tas-Salvatur ta' Hal Lija. Minn dakinhar *Beata Mater* saret magħrufa bħala *Surgite*. L-anzjani tagħna jiftakru wkoll il-kor tat-tfal li kien jinġabar u l-mużika mill-isbaħ tal-*Laudate* għall-festa tal-Ġilju.

Diacono li twieled fl-1 ta' April 1876 iddistingwa ruħu bħala wieħed mill-iprem kompożituri ta' mużika sagra f'pajjiżna. Ikkompona ħafna mużika sagra u l-opra *L'Alpino*. Il-mużika tiegħu għadha ssaħħar lid-devoti f'diversi festi f'pajjiżna.

Biex infakkru l-75 sena mill-mewt ta' dan il-kompożitur kbir li ħalla din id-dinja fil-15 ta' Ġunju 1945 qed nippublikaw dokument mill-Arkivji Nazzjonali. Dan hu applikazzjoni tal-passaport li Diacono għamel fis-16 ta' Awwissu 1928 sabiex flimkien ma' martu jżur l-Italja u Franza. Minkejja li kien Żejtuni dak iż-żmien Diacono kien joqgħod f'numru 77, Sda Sant' Ursola, l-Belt. Għal aktar informazzjoni dwar ir-Rabat ta' Diacono mal-Imqabba ara l-artiklu ta' Noel D'Anastas, 'Mill-memorji ta' Ġużeppi Farrugia, mużiċist li ħabb l-Imqabba' f'din l-istess ħarġa tal-Programm tal-festa (Paġna 203).



THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO THE PASSPORT OFFICE AT LEAST THREE CLEAR DAYS BEFORE THE PASSPORT IS REQUIRED.

* Surname of applicant to be written in Block Capitals and UNDERLINED.

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DECLARATION TO BE MADE BY APPLICANT FOR PASSPORT. (b)

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(a) Valletta 16 August 1928

I, the Undersigned, (b) Carlo Diacono

at present residing at Valletta Sda S. Ursola 77 hereby declare that I am

(c) a (d) British born subject having been born at Rabat on the 1st day of April 1876.

and not having lost the status thus acquired, I hereby apply for a Passport for travelling to Italy & France

for the purpose of trip.

(e) (accompanied by my wife ~~and children under the age of 16, as inserted in the margin, who do not possess separate Passports~~)

(f) I declare that I have not previously been granted any Passport whatever, and that I have made no other application for a Passport.

(g) I declare that all previous Passports granted to me have been surrendered for cancellation to a British Passport or Consular Officer, other than Passport No. which is now attached for cancellation, and that I have made no other application for a Passport since the attached Passport was issued to me.

(h) Signed Carlo Diacono

AND I, the Undersigned, (i) John Joseph Mark Vella Bellia of 25 Sda Leonora Valletta hereby declare that to the best of my personal knowledge and belief the above made Declaration and description of the said Mr. Carlo Diacono is true, and that I can FROM MY PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE of him vouch him as a fit and proper person to receive a Passport.

Signed John Joseph Mark Vella Bellia

Date of presentation 16 AUG 1928 GOVERNOR'S OFFICE MALTA

Age fifty two years old

Whether married or single married

Domicile or ordinary place of residence 77 Sda S. Ursola Valletta

Place of birth Rabat

Date of birth 1st April 1876

Height five feet five inches

Colour of eyes brown

Colour of hair dark grey

Visible distinguishing marks or peculiarities

Name to be inserted Marie Stella Diacono

Age forty years

Profession

Place of birth Rabat

Date of birth 18 August 1888

Maiden name Sa Stella Gauci

Height five feet two inches

Colour of eyes brown

Colour of hair black

Visible distinguishing marks

Signature of wife of applicant Marie Stella Diacono

Children under the age of 16 if to be included on the Passport.

CAUTION

IMPORTANT

Marie Stella Diacono



*Radd-il ħajr:*
*Mro Ray Sciberras*
*tal-informazzjoni dwar l-Antifona*
*Beata Mater.*