



The Sicilian Puppet Theater of Agrippino Manteo (1884-1947)

The Paladins of France in America

By Jo Ann Cavallo

Pub Date: 01 October 2024 **BISAC CATEGORY:** LITERARY CRITICISM /

Binding: Paperback European / Italian PERFORMING ARTS /

Price: £25.00 / \$35.00 Puppets & Puppetry, PERFORMING ARTS /

\$35.00 Theater / Playwriting

ISBN: 9781839993947 **BISAC CODE:** LIT004200

BIC CODE: DD

Extent: 328 pages **RIGHTS**

Size: 153 x 229 mm / **Exclusive:** WORLD

6 x 9 inches

Series: Anthem World Epic and Romance

Experience the magic of Sicilian puppet theater through the life and works of preeminent Catanese-American puppeteer Agrippino Manteo. Translations of selected plays are accompanied by comparative analyses uncovering how Manteo's scripts creatively adapt Italian Renaissance chivalric poems and later prose compilations.

This study reconstructs the history of the Manteo family marionette theater in New York City, provides translations of eight selected plays and 270 extant summaries, and offers comparative analyses uncovering how Agrippino Manteo's scripts creatively adapt Italian Renaissance chivalric poems and nineteenth-century prose compilations.

Readership

This book should appeal to those interested in comparative literature, especially epic and romance; theater; puppetry; adaptation studies; oral traditions; folklore; Italian-Americana; American history; immigration studies; and medieval, Renaissance, and modern Italian studies.

Contents

List of figures; Acknowledgments; Foreword by Alessandro Napoli; Preface; Introduction; Part One The Sicilian Puppet Theater of Agrippino Manteo and Family; Part Two Select Plays from the Paladins of France Cycle; Conclusion; Appendix 1: Marionettes owned by the Manteo family in the 1980s; Appendix 2: Manteo marionettes donated to the Italian American Museum in 2010; Appendix 3: Extant publications from the library of Agrippino Manteo; Appendix 4: Paladins of France scripts in the handwriting of Agrippino Manteo; Appendix 5: Agrippino Manteo's summaries of plays in the Paladins of France cycle; Appendix 6: Select Characters from the Paladins of France Cycle; Appendix 7: Manteo family genealogy; Works Cited; Index

About the Author(s) / Editor(s)

Jo Ann Cavallo (Ph.D., Yale, 1987), Professor of Italian at Columbia University, has published widely on Italian chivalric epic, including *The World beyond Europe in the Romance Epics of Boiardo and Ariosto* and *The Romance Epics of Boiardo, Ariosto, and Tasso: From Public Duty to Private Pleasure*.

Ordering in North America, Latin America and Caribbean	Ordering in the UK/Rest of the World	Ordering in Australia
Ingram Publishers Services (US) 1 Ingram Blvd. Mail stop #512 Lavergne, TN 37086, United States Tel: +1 866 400 5351 ips@ingramcontent.com	Ingram Publishers Services (UK) 1 Deltic Avenue, Rooksley Milton Keynes, MK13 8LD United Kingdom Tel: +44 (0) 1752 202300 Fax: 01752 202330 IPSUK.Orders@ingramcontent.com	NewSouth Books C/O Alliance Distribution Services (ADS) 9 Pioneer Avenue Tuggerah 2259 NSW, Australia Tel: +61 (02) 4390 1300 Fax: +1800-66-44- 77 adscs@alliancedist.com.au