"Management and conservation in the historical villas and gardens of Rome: the perspective of today"

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Dr. Campitelli has directed restoration of the furnishings and grounds of Roman villas, among them Villa Borghese and Villa Torlonia; she was also responsible for the restoration and layout of Villa Torlonia’s Casino Nobile and Scuola Romana and Villa Borghese’s Carlo Bilotti Museum. Her publication, Villa Borghese: From a Prince’s Garden to a Park for Romans (Villa Borghese. Da giardino del principe a parco dei romani) received the Grinzane Cavour-Giardini Hanbury prize in 2004. Her most recent book, The Vatican Gardens: An Architectural and Horticultural History (2009), has been translated into English, French and Spanish. She was a 2001 Dumbarton Oaks summer fellow in Garden and Landscapes Studies, working on “The Genesis and the Models for Villa Borghese in Rome.”

Dr. Campitelli’s visit to Washington is being sponsored by the organization Scientific Methodologies Applied to Cultural Heritage (SMATCH). She will also be speaking on “Restoration of Historic Villas and Gardens of Rome” for the Italian Cultural Institute at the Italian Embassy, Thursday evening, November 15, at 6:30.