

**MINI "AURA" AT "ROMA PER 2"
SCHOOL OF LIFE AND VALUES, UNITED BY A COMMON OBJECTIVE.**



In this project, three completely different people; **Ettore Dottori, Franco Costa, and Libero Riera**, are united by a common objective.

Ettore Dottori, a professional skipper who has competed in four Minitransats, (as well as ocean races) with hulls measuring

6,50 meters, has created this project for young explorers. This didactic and educational project, is aimed at elementary and middle schools, through a direct contact which exists between a navigator and his boat. Including subjects such as history, geography and natural sciences, children, teachers and parents have the possibility to get closer to (in a playful way), the many aspects that the sea and oceanic navigation can offer.

Franco Costa, the internationally famed artist, has dedicated a large part of his life's work to sport themes and in particular, sailing. In fact, he was the official artist of numerous America's Cups, the Volvo Ocean Race Around the World (ex-Whitbread), and the Daimler Chrysler North Atlantic Challenge. His commitment is not only to promote sailing, and supporting some of the sailors, but he's also involved with children, being that they are our future. "2000 children for the year 2000" is only one example of the many humanitarian initiatives that he has promoted. On this occasion, Todini & Todini, the art workshop, on Via Capo le Case 59-60, 00187, in Rome, is displaying a large collection of his silkscreens, dedicated to sailing.

Libero Riera, accountant and founder of the offices of Riera & Partners of Munich (in Bavaria), and Brescia, is involved in internationalizing companies. He's active in various humanitarian projects, in particular with the environmental group MARE. In the developing field of alternative energy, he participates in the research project at the University of Munich (LMU). He's competing in the "Roma per 2" together with Ettore, to confirm his love for the sea, and for sailing, which he considers a humble and balanced tool to get closer to the sea.