DANTE UNIVERSE — A 20+ YEAR CHRONOLOGY

From Vision to Cultural Platform

• **2004** — Development and writing of the live-action screenplay for Dante's Inferno began

FILM PRODUCTION

All films in the Dante Universe have been produced and directed by Boris Acosta.

• **2006** — *L'Inferno (1911)*: Restored

• **2008** — Cannes Film Festival premiere of *Dante's Inferno – Abandon All Hope.* Presented by Paul Lynch. A black and white documentary narrated by Golden Globe nominee Jeff Conaway. It features clips from the restored *L'Inferno (1911)* film and Gustave Doré lithographs

• **2008** — UCLA film screenings began with *Dante's Inferno – Abandon All Hope*. Q&A with Professor Emeritus Massimo Ciavolella and notable attendees, including Oscar-winning editor Thom Noble, cinematographer Chuck Shuman, and director Armand Mastroianni among others.

• **2008** — Boris Acosta accomplished a task that no Italian had been able to do in 700 years. He succeeded in having "Dante Alighieri pardoned from exile" after he petitioned it in a letter to Matteo Renzi, Florence's President at the time.

• **2009** — World premiere of *Dante's Inferno – Abandon All Hope* at the Rhode Island International Film Festival.

• **2009** — European premiere of *Dante's Inferno – Abandon All Hope* at Fantastik Film Festival in Lund, Sweden.

• **2009** — Dante art exhibition at the American Film Market.

• **2010** — Cannes Film Festival premiere of *Dante's Hell Animated*. Presented by Armand Mastroianni. Featuring Eric Roberts as Dante, Vincent Spano as Virgil and Silvia Colloca as Beatrice.

• **2010** — UCLA film screening of *Dante's Hell Animated.* Q&A with Professor Emeritus Massimo Ciavolella and attending celebrities, including director Armand Mastroianni and Shirley Brener, among others.

• **2011** — Pablo Atchugarry Foundation: *Dante's Inferno Art Exhibition* by Dino Di Durante and screening of *Dante's Hell Animated* featuring special guest celebrity Vincent Spano.

• **2011** — SettembreDantesco.com registered domain and website created.

• **2012** — Cannes Film Festival premiere of *Inferno Dantesco Animato*, featuring Vittorio Gassman as Dante and narrated by Franco Nero.

• **2012** — Sapienza Università di Roma screening of *Inferno Dantesco Animato* to close *Dante in Cinema,* a three-day event.

• **2013** — UCLA film screening of *Inferno Dantesco Animato*. Q&A with Professor Emeritus Massimo Ciavolella and attending celebrities, including director Armand Mastroianni and Nastassja Kinski, among others.

• **2014** — 72-piece Inferno art collection exhibition at San Diego Comic-Con.

• **2014** — *Inferno – The Art Collection* by Dino Di Durante published in books and e-books in English,

Italian and Spanish.

- **2014** — Beverly Hills Oscars Viewing Party Sponsorship of Children United Nations.
- **2015** — *Inferno – The Art Collection* by Dino Di Durante published in books and e-books in 30 additional languages.
- **2015** — Italian Cultural Institute of Los Angeles screenings of *Dante's Hell Animated* and *Dante's Inferno – Abandon All Hope*. Q&A with Professor Emeritus Massimo Ciavolella and attending cinematographer Chuck Shuman, Vincent Spano and Hélène Cardona, among others.
- **2016** — Development of the music video *Dante's Infernal Journey* began.
- **2016** — *L'Inferno (1911)*: Colorized
- **2017** — *Divine Journey* series began
- **2017** — *Dante's Inferno — Official YouTube Channel* created. Trailers and some films from the Dante Universe project.
- **2018** — Animation Day in Cannes: *Dante's Hell Animated* and *Inferno Dantesco Animato*.
- **2019** — Animation Day in Cannes: world premiere of *Dante's Infernal Journey*.
- **2020** — *Inferno Dantesco Animato* screening at the Ravenna Nightmare Film Festival.
- **2021** — *Dante's Glorious Return* - Presented by Franco Nero. A documentary concerning Dante's remains returning from Ravenna to Florence, released on our YouTube channel. Featuring an instrumental version of "Dante's Prayer" by Loreena McKennitt.
- **2021** — Museu de Arte Moderna do Rio de Janeiro: world premiere of *Dante's Glorious Return*, screenings of *Dante's Hell Animated, Dante's Infernal Journey* and *Dante's Inferno – Abandon All Hope*.
- **2021** — *Dante's Infernal Journey* music video released on our YouTube channel.
- **2022** — Research began on the *Dante's Hell Decoded* thesis.
- **2022** — Full production of the *Dante's Inferno Experience* Metaverse 3D Art Gallery began.
- **2023** — NFT production began
- **2024** — *L'Inferno (1911)*: Detailed Colorization
- **2024** — Development of Dante Coin began
- **2025** — Development of Art Coin began
- **2026** — *The Inferno Experience* narrated by Franco Nero and Jeff Conaway is released on our YouTube channel.
- **2026** — *Dante's Message to Humanity* music video released on our YouTube channel.
- **2026** — Dino Di Durante finishes 120 new Inferno paintings specifically for *Dante's Inferni* film.
- **2026** — *Dante's Inferni: From Darkness to Light* feature film, completed in September 2026 after 18 years of work. It is presented by Count Serego Alighieri, Dante's last descendant. It also features Eric Roberts, Adrian Paul, Martin Kove, Al Sapienza, Nia Peeples, Italian legend Franco Nero and Jeff Conaway, among many other notable celebrities.
- **2026** — *Inferno: The Art Collection – Comic* book to be published in English, Italian and Spanish.
- **2026** — *Inferno: The Art Collection – Coloring* book to be published in English, Italian and Spanish.

- **2026** — *Inferno – Prose Edition* by Dino Di Durante books to be published in English, Italian and Spanish.
- **2026** — *Dante's Inferni – The Symphonic Rock Opera*: Over 150 minutes of music.
- **2026** — *Dante's Hell Decoded,* a thesis by Boris Acosta, to be published as a book examining the geological aspects of a physical underground Hell.
- **2026** — Dante Universe App development began
- **2027** — Books and e-books featuring Dino Di Durante's 120 new Inferno paintings, to be published.
- **2027** — *The Divine Comedy - Inferno, Purgatory and Paradise*: A 100-Episode Television Series.
- **2027** — *Inferno – Prose Edition* by Dino Di Durante audiobooks to be published in English, Italian and Spanish.
- **2027** — *L'Inferno (Remastered) (1911)*: restored and colorized, with recitations of Dante's original poetry, added sound and appropriate music, and Italian narration by Franco Nero.
- **2027** — *Purgatorio– Prose Edition* by Dino Di Durante books to be published in English, Italian and Spanish.
- **2027** — *Dante's Purgatorium – The Symphonic Rock Opera*: Over 150 minutes of music.
- **2027** — *Paradiso– Prose Edition* by Dino Di Durante books to be published in English, Italian and Spanish.
- **2027** — *I Am Dante*: a visually immersive adaptation in which the viewer becomes Dante.
- **2027** — *Purgatorio – Prose Edition* by Dino Di Durante audiobooks to be published in English, Italian and Spanish.
- **2027** — *Dante's Paradisus - The Symphonic Rock Opera*: Over 150 minutes of music.
- **2027** — *Paradiso – Prose Edition* by Dino Di Durante audiobooks to be published in English, Italian and Spanish.
- **2028** — *Painting Dante's Hell* feature documentary. Dino Di Durante explains the hard task of not only interpreting Dante's Inferno but mainly visualize it and painting each passage of this fascinating story.
- **2028** — *Dante's Purgatorium - A Place Where Time Exists*. A feature film narrated by Jeff Conaway. Dante and Virgil exit Hell into Purgatory, a realm set upon a mountain of seven terraces, one for each type of sinner.
- **2029**— *Dante's Paradisus - The Realm of Eternal Love*. A feature film narrated by Jeff Conaway. Dante and Virgil arrive at the gate of Paradise, where they meet Beatrice, who becomes Dante's new guide as Virgil returns to Limbo.
- **2029**— Going to Hell feature documentary. Boris Acosta explains the hard work that took to produce all his films based on Dante's Inferno.
- **2030** — *Dante's Inferno 3D* - a live-action feature film. Dante goes on a journey to the worst of the afterlife, Inferno. He's guided by this hero Virgil, circle by circle, and all its subdivisions.

Boris Acosta — IMDb Profile
Complete filmography and production credits

Press & Critical Recognition
Over the years, Dante Universe productions have received reviews and media coverage from various publications and broadcasters.