

Peppino Impastato was born in Cinisi (Palermo) from a mafia family on 5th January 1948.

He became a journalist and he decided to fight against mafia.

When he was 20 years old he founded the radio station called "Radio aut"; he attacked the mafia, in particular the boss Gaetano Badalamenti (called sarcastically "Tano seduto") for the construction of the airport of Punta Raisi.

The most followed program was *Onda Pazza in Mafiopoli*, a satirical broadcast in which Peppino was mocking mafia.

In 1978 he was in the list of Democrazia Proletaria in provincial elections, but he did not have time to know the results because, after several warnings he had ignored, he was assassinated in the night between the 8th and 9th May.

His assassins staged an attack: his body was tied to the railroad tracks and detonated. In this way it seemed a suicide and they even destroyed Peppino's image.

It was only through his mother and his brother's precious research activities that his death was finally declared a mafia execution.