



THE HELLENIC CENTRE

Diary of Events January - March 2020



Unveiling the Law: Regulating the Dress of the Other
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For events **organised** by the Hellenic Centre, priority is given to our members.

Information on 020 7563 9833 or at membership@helleniccentre.org.

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Winter Term begins on **20/01/20**

Day and evening courses for groups and individuals taught by experienced, qualified tutors. Reasonable fees and a rich cultural programme to complement learning.

Information on 020 7563 9831 or at greekcourses@helleniccentre.org.

VENUE HIRE

Our stunning venue is available for both corporate and private hire all year round. From concerts to conferences, weddings and fashion shows our professional experienced events team is available to help you plan your perfect event. Information on 020 7563 9834 or at bookings@helleniccentre.org.

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Exhibitions by Greek and Greek Cypriot artists or foreign artists whose work is inspired by a Hellenic theme. Information on 020 7563 9836 or at christina@helleniccentre.org.

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Catering arrangements for cultural & corporate events. Information on 020 7563 9836 or at christina@helleniccentre.org.

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Please make a donation - Every single pound makes a tangible difference. Your support will sustain us into the future and enable us to continue providing high quality cultural, educational and fun events for a diverse audience.

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JANUARY

Friday 10 January, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre

Vasilopitta organised by the Macedonian Society of Great Britain. Further information: sec@macedonia.org.uk, www.macedonia.org.uk.

Saturday 11 January, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre

Viennese Waltzes - The Hellenic Centre's New Year Celebration What better way for a New Year Celebration than a piece of sweet orange flavoured Vasilopitta - our traditional New Year's cake - and a feeling of joy caused by the lively and uplifting tunes of Viennese Waltzes? Our recital, a programme of well-known waltzes performed by a piano trio of talented musicians - Warren Mailley-Smith, piano; Lucy Jeal, violin; Pavlos Carvalho, cello - promises to be an evening of sparkle and vivacity and the happy note we all need to start 2020. Tickets £15, Hellenic Centre Members and concessions £12; price includes live music and vasilopitta. Bookings: 020 7487 5060 or eventbrite. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

Friday 17 January, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre

Vasilopitta Greek Celebration for the New Year organised by Lykion ton Hellinidon London. Free entry for Members and Friends of Lykion ton Hellinidon London; bookings and further information: enquiries@lykiontonhellinidon.co.uk.

Saturday 18 January, 3pm to 5pm - The Hellenic Centre

Travelling to the Palaces of Knosos An interactive event in Greek exploring the myth of Theseus and the Minotaur for children 4-12 years old. Through role play the children will unravel Ariadne's thread, walk in the dark passages of the Labyrinth and meet the Minotaur. An art workshop will follow which will give all children the opportunity to create their own figures of Theseus, Ariadne, King Minos, Minotaur. Tickets for adults and children £5; adults admitted only if accompanying children. Bookings: 020 7487 5060 or eventbrite. **Organised by the Teachers of Paidohoros and the Hellenic Centre.**

Saturday 25 January, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre

Τραγουδώντας Σαραντάρη - Singing the Poetry of Sarantaris An event in Greek dedicated to the poet Giorgos Sarantaris featuring his poetry set into music with pianist and composer Nikos Laliotis and soprano Angeliki Ralli. A translation in English of poems sung and recited will be available. The event is dedicated to the memory of the late Dr Evi Kalodiki, who was a relative of Giorgos Sarantaris and a much supportive member of the Hellenic Centre. Free entry - optional donation appreciated; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

Sunday 26 January, 4.30pm - Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue, SW1P 1QW

Piano Recital with Louis Demetrius Alvanis Further information and bookings: www.chopin-society.org.uk.

Sunday 26 January, 5pm to 7pm - The Hellenic Centre

Εορτή των Ελληνικών και Χριστιανικών Γραμμάτων - Celebration of Greek and Christian Letters An event on the work of the Three Hierarchs. Free entry; booking essential: 020 7723 4787. Organised by the Archdiocese of Thyateira and Great Britain. **Supported by the Hellenic Centre.**



Monday 27 January to Thursday 27 February - The Hellenic Centre

One World and the Climate Change A photo exhibition by multiple award winning photographer Marina Antoniou. The exhibition includes photos from the Amazon rainforest, Antarctica and Greenland, Iceland, Greece, Africa, Europe and Asia. Some of the photos were previously presented in the Spain Biennale and received international distinctions. Meet the Artist: Thursday 6 February, 6.30pm-8.30pm. Free entry; for opening hours call 020 7487 5060. **Supported by the Hellenic Centre.**

GREEK LANGUAGE COURSES

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 4 February, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre

Reverie A visual dance theatre performance portraying narratives of the human condition by choreographers Georgia Tegou and Michalis Theophanous whose work is influenced by architecture, sculpture and the visual arts. *Reverie* is a deep dive into a world surrounded by archetypal images and symbols, revealing stories of darkness, irony, fantasy and humour. Through a narrative that follows the structure of a dream, where temporal flow is constantly interrupted, it aims to question our certainties and threaten our established logic. Duration 45/50 minutes no interval. Tickets £12, Hellenic Centre Members and concessions £10. Bookings: 020 7487 5060 or eventbrite. Supported by Arts Council England, Studio Wayne McGregor, SystemsLab and University of Roehampton. **Organised by dance-as-design and the Hellenic Centre.**



Monday 17 February, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre

Unveiling the Law: Regulating the Dress of the Other A panel discussion in English with Chryssoula Kapartziani - a lawyer with research interests in the Sociology of Law, Spyros Koulocheris - Head of Legal Affairs at the Greek Council for Refugees and Myrsini Pichou - specialist in the history of women's dress, on the different regulatory approaches in Europe to women's dress, in particular the veil in its different forms. The discussion will focus on the experience of Greece, which has no legislative prescriptions on the matter, and the consequences this has on the choices women, particularly refugee women, make. It will also explore the memory in Greece of the headscarf as a part of traditional dress and whether this affects public attitudes today and makes the Greek example inapplicable to societies with different traditions. A Q&A session will follow. Free entry - optional donation appreciated; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

Tuesday 18 February, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre

Generic Games: The Ending of Longus' Daphnis and Chloe, Again A lecture by Dr Calum Maciver. Free entry; booking essential: 020 7862 8730 or secretary@hellenicsociety.org.uk. Organised by the Society for the Promotion of Hellenic Studies.

Wednesday 19 February, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre

Where Oedipus Meets Agamemnon - Discovery of the City of Ancient Tenea Dr Elena Korka, Director of the excavation project of Ancient Tenea and Honorary General Director of Antiquities and Cultural Heritage of the Hellenic Ministry of Culture and Sports who has been systematically excavating the site of ancient Tenea since 2013 will talk about the elaborate domestic complexes discovered in 2018. Free entry; booking essential: admin@gacuk.org or eventbrite. Organised by the Greek Archaeological Committee (UK).

Thursday 20 February, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre

Tsiknopempti Celebration of the Greek Carnival with food, music and Greek dancing. Further information and bookings: enquiries@lykiontonhellinidon.co.uk. Organised by Lykion ton Hellinidon.

Tuesday 25 February, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre

Breast Rules: Towards a Sociology of the Nursing Woman in Late Antiquity and Early Byzantium A presentation by Dr Stavroula Constantinou and Dr Aspasia Skouroumouni Stavrinou from the University of Cyprus, on the latest research concerning the fascinating social history of breastfeeding in Late Antiquity and early Byzantium (1st c.-7th c. CE). This research has been undertaken in the framework of a project with the acronym MotherBreast, co-financed by the European Regional Development Fund and the Republic of Cyprus through the Research and Innovation Foundation. Free entry - optional donation appreciated; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the University of Cyprus (MotherBreast Project) and The Hellenic Centre.**

SOCIAL EVENTS

MARCH

[Sunday 1 March, 2pm to 4pm - The Hellenic Centre](#)

Greek Carnival Celebration for Children A family event where children will bake *laganes* - the traditional lent bread, make carnival related arts and crafts, dance the traditional *gaitanaki* and enjoy a fancy dress party. Tickets for adults and children over three £12, family of four £40; adults admitted only if accompanying children. Bookings: 020 7487 5060 or eventbrite. Activities delivered by the Hellenic Hub. **Organised by the the Hellenic Centre.**

[Monday 2 March, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre](#)

HC Kathara Deftera Celebration with Kourelou and London Greek Collective Greek Lent begins with a special event full of live traditional music from all over Greece, taramosalata, olives and flat bread baked specially for the day. Tickets £25, concessions and Hellenic Centre Members £22; price includes live music and a taster of homemade Greek vegetarian flavours. Bookings: 020 7487 5060 or eventbrite. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

[Friday 6 March, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre](#)

The Pittas Collection - Volume 2: Early Italian and Renaissance Works, Volume 3: The Mythological Paintings and Sculptures Dr Stefano G Casu, Prof Peter Humfrey and Dr Anthi Andronikou talk about the collection assembled over the past thirty years by Dr Andreas Pittas, one of the finest ever formed by a Greek Cypriot collector. Free entry - optional donation appreciated; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

[Friday 13 March, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre](#)

Recent Discoveries and the New Archaeological Museum at Aigai A presentation in English by archaeologist Dr Aggeliki Kottaridi and Prof Robin Lane Fox, University of Oxford. Free entry; booking essential: sec@macedonia.org.uk or eventbrite. Organised by the Macedonian Society of Great Britain.



Woman of Mykonos

[Monday 16 March, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre](#)

The Sun King and the Ottoman Empire: from Constantinople, via Athens, to Jerusalem Using unpublished archives and drawings, Dr Philip Mansel will talk about Louis XIV, his alliance despite the religious differences with the Ottoman Empire and the artists and scholars he sent round the empire, to buy antiquities and to record its people and monuments, including the Parthenon and the Greeks of the Empire. Free entry - optional donation appreciated; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

[Tuesday 24 March, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre](#)

We Are Made of Earth Writer Panos Karnezis reads from and discusses his new novel, with author and journalist Nadia Marks. Tickets £10; price includes a glass of wine and a copy of the book. Bookings: 020 7487 5060 or eventbrite. **Organised by Myriad Editions and the Hellenic Centre.**

[Saturday 28 March, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre](#)

Idolaters - Ειδωλολάτρεις A presentation in Greek of Natalie Katsou's new poetry collection *Ειδωλολάτρεις* - *Idolaters* comprising of talks by Dr Liana Giannakopoulou, Cambridge University and poet Charilaos Nikolaidis, a discussion with Natalie Katsou and writer Haris Psarras and readings by theatre director Anastasia Revi and actor Konstantinos Chatzikypriaios. Free entry - optional donation appreciated; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

Forthcoming: Papyrus Fragments - Lost Stories from Ancient Greece

[Thursday 2 April, 7pm - The Hellenic Centre](#)

Some parts of Classical Greek literature have survived only on papyrus fragments. The event will tell us the journey of these fragments and will show us how they have inspired members of a theatre group to create a new play. **More details in our April-August Diary of Events.**

CONFERENCE FACILITIES

Greek Dance Lessons organised by Lykion ton Hellinidon

Every Wednesday and Saturday
at the Crypt, St Sophia, Moscow Road, London W2

New term starts in January

Further information on
020 7229 4086 or dance@lykiontonhellinidon.co.uk

www.lte.london



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A copy of the Diary in larger print but different format available from our offices

The next issue of the **Diary of Events** will be published in **March 2020**

and will cover the period **April-August 2020**

Deadline for submitting information for this period is **Friday 28 February 2020**

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but must be booked in advance; a lift provides access to all floors, except the third floor

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