



THE HELLENIC CENTRE

Diary of Events September - December 2022



Christoforos Savva: Unbound
7 December 2022 to 29 January 2023

THE HELLENIC CENTRE



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GREEK LANGUAGE ONLINE COURSES

AutumnTerm: **3 October to 16 December 2022**
Day and evening courses for groups and individuals taught by experienced, qualified tutors. Reasonable fees and a rich cultural programme to complement learning. Enquiries 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. Visit www.helleniccentre.org; enquiries 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. Enquiries on 020 7487 5060 or at info@helleniccentre.org.

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Detailed listings on all Hellenic Centre events at www.helleniccentre.org.

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 21 September, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

Apollo Cokkinis: Proud Greek, Proud Briton: From Odessa and Smyrna to London and Dorking Alan Charlton, CMG, CVO and former British diplomat will present his book *Apollo Cokkinis – From Odessa To Dorking, An Extraordinary Life* (published June 2022) and will talk about the amazing life of Apollo John Cokkinis, son of international Greek opera singers with whom he travelled widely as a child. Free entry; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

Wednesday 28 September, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

Smyrna On My Mind Presentation and launch of George Galdies's book; a collection of his late father's thought-provoking memories of Smyrna in the 1920s, and the author's own narratives on growing up in the Izmir of the mid-twentieth century. Tickets via Eventbrite £10, £5 Hellenic Centre Members. Further information: www.levantineheritage.com; secretary@levantineheritage.com. Organised by the Levantine Heritage Foundation.

Thursday 29 September, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

St Theodore of Tarsus, Archbishop of Canterbury, and Abbot Hadrian A talk by historian Michael Wood. Further information: info@anglohellenicleague.org. Organised by the Anglo-Hellenic League.

OCTOBER

Monday 3 October, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

The Refugee Lesson: Life in Kokkinia Among the Mikrasiates of 1923 An illustrated presentation by Prof Renée Hirschon about life in Kokkinia/Nikaia, a settlement created to house Orthodox Christians expelled from their homeland through the Lausanne Convention of 1923. Free entry; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

Friday 7 October, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

Story telling in Mathematics Ioanna Georgiou will discuss some of the stories that have been used in teaching and workshops, and that feature in "Mathematical Adventures!" and "Peculiar Deaths of Famous Mathematicians", her two illustrated children's books with special focus on Greek mathematicians. Free entry; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

Thursday 13 October, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

How will Technology Continue to Impact Our Everyday Lives? A panel discussion by the Hellenic Tech Network. Speakers include: George Papadopoulos, Dimitris Alexandridis, Dr Zoi Alexopoulou and Irene Stylianou. Moderated by Marina Antoniou. Free entry; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

Friday 14 October, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

Thessaloniki during the Byzantine Era An illustrated lecture organised by the Macedonian Society of Great Britain. Further information: www.macedonia.org.uk, sec@macedonia.org.uk.

Sunday 16 October, 4pm – The Hellenic Centre

Tears, Treachery... and Just A Little Murder Dame Siân Phillips and Stephen Greif give voice to the different responses of male and female figures in Greek literature as they experience the big emotions like love, desire and hate. Tickets £20; bookings on 020 7487 5060 or Eventbrite. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

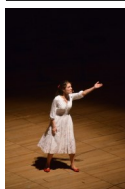
Friday 21 October, 7.15pm – The Hellenic Centre

Byzantine Music: an Ode to God and its Path through Time A talk in Greek and English with live chanting organised by Omilos Ekspiretiton. Free entry; bookings: 07960 797435 or info@omilos-ekspiretiton.gr

GREEK LANGUAGE COURSES

Thursday 27 October, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

Bouboulina Screening of the film (Kostas Andritsos, 1959, b/w, 80 mins) with an introduction by Dr Lydia Papadimitriou. Free entry; further information: chs@kcl.ac.uk. Organised by the Centre for Hellenic Studies at King's College London, the Society for Modern Greek Studies. **Supported by the Hellenic Centre.**



Saturday 29 October, 2pm to 3.30pm – The Hellenic Centre

SMYRNA DAY: The Promise - An Asia Minor Story A powerful and evocative story inspired by interviews conducted with Asia Minor refugees, written and performed by the award-winning international performance storyteller Anna Conomos-Wedlock. *The Promise* is a story suitable for both adults and children over the age of 7. Tickets: adults £10, children £7; combined ticket with the *Songs of Asia Minor* recital £20, Hellenic Centre Members and concessions £18. Bookings: 020 7487 5060 or Eventbrite. **Organised by The Hellenic Centre.**

Saturday 29 October, 5pm – The Hellenic Centre

SMYRNA DAY: Songs of Asia Minor A recital performed by the Kyriakos Gouventas Collective. Kyriakos, the “genius of the violin” will be joined by guitarist-producer Pavlos Melas, brilliant santur prodigy Ioanna Riga and an amazing group of guests. Tickets: £15, Hellenic Centre Members and concessions £13; combined ticket with *The Promise* £20, Hellenic Centre Members and concessions £18. Bookings: 020 7487 5060 or Eventbrite. **Organised by The Hellenic Centre.**

NOVEMBER

Monday 7 November, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

The Nicosia Airport – A Photographic Journey A projection of photos by Marina Antoniou capturing the current state of the airport interior, the surrounding area as well as the abandoned Cyprus Airways passenger plane. Free entry; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

Thursday 17 November, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

Life After Life: Greeks of Istanbul Film screening of *Life After Life: Greeks of Istanbul* by Dr Gonul Bozoglu and Cem Hakverdi and a follow-up discussion with Dr. Bozoglu who produced and co-directed it. Dr Bozoglu will also talk about the ‘memory map’ project she has been developing as part of her research, a repository of histories and memories of the Greek ‘Rum’ Community of Istanbul. **Organised by the Association of Constantinopolitan Greeks in UK (ACGUK) and the Hellenic Centre.**

Friday 18 November, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

Greek Maritime Tradition & Innovation: The Oinoussians An event organised by Isalos.net, Naftika Chronika and the Oinoussai Benevolent Fund. Further information: johnn@hadjipateras.co.uk

Sunday 20 November, 12pm to 2pm – The Hellenic Centre

Family Christmas Concert An interactive family concert, performed by Asterakia and musicians from Rebetiko Carnival. At the end of the event children will be able to try a variety of musical instruments. Language: Greek and English. Tickets £12 adults, £8 children, £35 family of 4 (2 adults, 2 children); bookings: 020 7487 5060 or Eventbrite. Adults admitted only if accompanying children. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**



Thursday 24 November, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

A Vain Endeavour: Greek Rule in Asia Minor, 1919-1922 Dr Victoria Solomonidis-Hunter FKC (UCL) will assess the pioneering work of the Greek Administration of Asia Minor which attempted to govern equitably over a widely disparate population. Free entry; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

SOCIAL EVENTS

Tuesday 29 November, 7pm – King’s College London

Lyktos, “the most ancient city in Crete, and the source of the bravest men” (Polyb. 4.54): from Foundation to Destruction A lecture on the history and archaeology of Lyktos from its alleged foundation to its dramatic destruction by its arch rival, Knossos, in 220 BCE. Free entry; further information: www.gacuk.org or admin@gacuk.org. Organised by the Greek Archaeological Committee UK.

Wednesday 30 November, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

Biennial Andrew David Memorial Lecture - Political Prizes, Human Costs delivered by author and journalist Bruce Clark. The speaker drawing on his book *Twice A Stranger* and subsequent research, explains why a near-total and compulsory population exchange seemed expedient to all the parties at the Lausanne conference – and considers the long-term consequences for both Greece and Turkey. Free entry; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Community Trust.**

DECEMBER

Thursday 1 December, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

Smyrna, September 1922: Memories of "others" A talk by Dr Victoria Solomonidis-Hunter FKC (UCL). Free entry; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

Wednesday 7 December to Sunday 29 January - The Hellenic Centre

Christoforos Savva: Unbound, curated by Marina Christodoulidou, is the first ever show for the pioneering Cypriot artist in London. The exhibition takes a close look at the connections between Savva’s early works and his signature works, ranging from paintings to cement reliefs, *yfasmatographies* and pin reliefs. The coexistence of genres and the wide range of themes and references that appear in the artist’s body of work are only part of the reason why Savva is widely acknowledged as one of the most groundbreaking Cypriot artists of the 20th century. Free entry. Opening hours: please call 020 7487 5060 prior to your visit.



Organised by the Cultural Services of the Cyprus Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports & Youth and the Hellenic Centre.

Thursday 8 December, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

The Wake of 1922 in Literature A talk by Dr Natasha Lemos on emblematic works of Greek and Turkish literature inspired by the war of 1919-1922 and its aftermath which continue to shape public perceptions of the events themselves. Free entry; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

Saturday 10 December & Sunday 11 December – The Hellenic Centre

Massive Booksale Further information to follow. **Organised by The Hellenic Centre.**

Saturday 10 December, 7pm – The Hellenic Centre

Opera Classics An introduction to the very best of the Operatic world with Christina Tsirogianni and pianist Eunji Han. Programme to include arias from Bizet's *Carmen*, Puccini's *Tosca*, Donizetti's *Lucia di Lammermoor*, Mozart's *Le Nozze di Figaro* and more. Free entry; booking essential: 020 7563 9835 or press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

Saturday 17 December, 12pm to 5pm - The Hellenic Centre

Christmas Bazaar organised by Lykion ton Hellinidon. Further information: enquiries@lykiontonhellenidon.co.uk.

**Information given in the Hellenic Centre Diary of Events was correct at the time of printing
Please check www.helleniccentre.org for event updates and detailed information**

CONFERENCE FACILITIES



Greek Dance Lessons organised by Lykion ton Hellinidon

at the Crypt, St Sophia, Moscow Road, London W2

Further information on
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