



# THE HELLENIC CENTRE

## Diary of Events

September - December 2011



*Galata Bridge, G Sofroniadis*

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**Greek Painters of Istanbul**

**Wednesday 12 October 2011**

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## SEPTEMBER

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Thursday 8 September and Friday 9 September - Friends Room, Hellenic Centre

**A Collection of Mindscapes, Landscapes and Multiverses** An exhibition of paintings by Simon Denston exploring parallel existences, multidimensional worlds and the concept of infinite consciousness. Opening hours: 9.30am-5.30pm.

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Monday 19 September to Thursday 27 October - Friends Room, Hellenic Centre



**Athens and London: Intersecting METRO-poleis** An exhibition of paintings by Anastasia Zoi Souliotou. Private view on Monday 19 September, 6.30-8.30pm. Please call 020 7487 5060 for opening hours.  
**Supported by the Hellenic Centre.**

*All in the Waiting*

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Saturday 24 September, 7pm to 11pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**Greek Evening** Enjoy an evening of Greek music, dance and food! Live Greek music by *Cleopatra* Band. Tickets are £15 and include a plate of Greek meze. Cash bar available. Further information and bookings on 020 7487 5060. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre and Eteria Ellinon Epistimonon.**

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## OCTOBER

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Sunday 2 October, 2.30pm to 5pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**Greek Music Workshop for Children** led by professional musicians and educationalists. A great opportunity for all children and young people to become familiar with Greek music, instruments and rhythms. Children are welcome to bring their own instruments; some instruments will be provided. The workshop will include songs from different parts of Greece and their rhythms, lyrical content, traditions and legends hidden behind them will be analysed. Participants will be actively involved in this 'hands-on' workshop at the end of which there is going to be an informal performance for all parents and friends. Free entry. Further information and bookings on 020 7487 5060 or 07506 759727 or at [www.kitemusic.info](http://www.kitemusic.info).  
**Organised by the Hellenic Centre and KITE Music.**

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Friday 7 October

**An Evening of Ionian Kantades** organised by the Ionian Society. Information on venue, time of event and entrance fee on 020 7589 2371 or 07808 777946 or at [Anastasia.Savidu@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:Anastasia.Savidu@hotmail.co.uk)

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Saturday 8 October, 7pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**Homage à Chopin** On the occasion of Chopin's bicentenary, an artistic cross-collaboration between pianist Costas Fotopoulos, actor Alberto Bona and writer Josephine Hammond will give life to a most dramatic piano recital. The ghost of Chopin himself introduces the event, giving real insight into his music and into the unique exploration of an instrument he made his own; the piano. Highlights of the programme include some of his celebrated *Nocturnes*, the *A-flat Polonaise*, the *Barcarolle*, as well as a new composition by Fotopoulos: *Homage à Chopin*. Free entry but please confirm attendance on 020 7563 9835 or at [press@helleniccentre.org](mailto:press@helleniccentre.org). **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

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**Office Opening Hours** Monday-Friday 9.30am-5.30pm

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Monday 10 October, 7pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**The Road to Macedon: the Changing World of Ancient Greece in the 4th Century BC**  
An illustrated lecture by Dr Michael Scott, ancient historian at Darwin College, Cambridge and television presenter. Tickets £10. Further information and bookings on 020 7486 9410 (voicemail) or [www.anglohellenicleague.org](http://www.anglohellenicleague.org). Organised by the Anglo-Hellenic League and the Macedonian Society of Great Britain.



*Sultan Selim II's Reception,*  
Konstantinos Kizikinos

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Wednesday 12 October, 7.15pm –Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**Greek Painters of Istanbul** Mayda Saris, Armenian editor and author in Istanbul, will give an illustrated talk in English on her book on Greek painters who were born or raised in Istanbul and contributed greatly to culture in the late Ottoman era. References will be made to selected works from Greek Orthodox churches and private collections, as well as the collections of the Greek Orthodox Patriarchate, the Halki Theological School and the Topkapı Palace. The author will be introduced by Nouritza Matossian, London-based Armenian Cypriot writer. Free entry but please confirm attendance on 020 7563 9835 or at [press@helleniccentre.org](mailto:press@helleniccentre.org). **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

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Friday 14 October, 6.30pm to 8pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**The Historical Novel in Contemporary Greek Fiction** A discussion in Greek between contemporary Greek writers and critics. Participants: Maro Douka, Rhea Galanaki, Vangelis Hatzivasiliou. Dr Eleni Yiannakakis will chair the event. Free entry but please confirm attendance on 020 7563 9835 or at [press@helleniccentre.org](mailto:press@helleniccentre.org). **Organised by the Hellenic Centre and Dr Eleni Yiannakakis (University of Oxford).**

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Tuesday 18 October, 7pm to 8pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**Byzantine Scholars and the Union of the Churches** Memorial lecture for Julian Chrysostomides (1928-2008) delivered by Professor Costas N Constantinides (University of Ioannina). Those who will be attending the lecture will have the opportunity to make donations towards the Julian Chrysostomides Memorial Bursaries in Byzantine and Hellenic Studies awarded annually to students of the Hellenic Institute in support of their studies and research. Free entry but please confirm attendance on 020 7563 9835 or at [press@helleniccentre.org](mailto:press@helleniccentre.org) or at [ch.dendrinos@rhul.ac.uk](mailto:ch.dendrinos@rhul.ac.uk). Organised by the Hellenic Institute, Royal Holloway, University of London. **Supported by the Hellenic Centre.**

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Thursday 20 October, 7.30pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**'Cinema Paradiso' A Night at the Movies** Internationally renowned soprano Katerina Mina and multi-award winning film music composer Roman Kariolou will be giving a concert performing music by Ennio Morricone (*Once upon a time in the West*), Max Steiner (*Gone with the Wind*) and Roman Kariolou (*The Shadows*), as well as music from the movies *Cinema Paradiso*, *The Mission*, *The Ecstasy of Gold*, *Once upon a time in America*, *Malena* and *A Fistful of Dollars*. During the concert, pictures from scenes of the movies will be projected, to reflect the mood and atmosphere of the movie, in this new and unique musical concept. Free entry but please confirm attendance at on 020 7563 9835 or at [cultural\\_chc@btconnect.com](mailto:cultural_chc@btconnect.com). Organised by the Cultural Department of the Cyprus High Commission.

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Thursday 27 October, 7pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**Η Ελληνική Κασέλα (The Greek Storage Chest)** Lecture in Greek by Virginia Matseli, ethnologist, Greek Ministry of Culture. Organised by Lykion ton Hellinidon to coincide with the launch of their 2012 Diary. Free entry. Further information on 07765 226029 or at enquiries@lykiontonhellinidon.co.uk

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Friday 28 October, 7.15pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**The Wartime Events of 28th October 1940 and the Enduring Debt Owed by Europe to Greece** Lecture in English by Dr Klearchos A Kyriakides, University of Hertfordshire followed by a concert of war-related rembetika/laika songs from the 1940s performed by the Odyssey Classiki Laiki Orchestra. Free entry but please confirm attendance on 020 7563 9835 or at press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

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Saturday 29 October, 7.30pm - Royal Garden Hotel, Kensington High Street, London W8

**Macedonian Society's St Demetrios Ball 2011** Dinner and dancing till 1am with live music organised by the Macedonian Society of Great Britain. Tickets £75. Further information and bookings on 020 8361 4512 or at www.macedonia.org.uk, treasurer@macedonia.org.uk, sec@macedonia.org.uk.

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## NOVEMBER

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Tuesday 1 November to Thursday 24 November - Friends Room, Hellenic Centre



**Greece: Four Eyes One Country** An exhibition of drawings and paintings by Soteria Parastatidou and John White. Private view on Wednesday 2 November, 6.30-8.30pm. Please call 020 7487 5060 for opening hours. **Supported by the Hellenic Centre.**



*Every Drachma Counted*, Soteria Parastatidou

*Vineleaf*, John White

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Tuesday 1 November, 7.15pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**A Byzantine Neighbourhood in Athens: Recent Excavations in the Athenian Agora** An illustrated lecture by Anne McCabe on the recent excavations by the American School of Classical Studies at Athens which have brought to light part of a neighbourhood of the tenth/eleventh century, whose modest houses provide welcome information about secular architecture of the Middle Byzantine period and daily life in medieval Athens. Free entry but please confirm attendance on 020 7563 9835 or at press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

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Wednesday 2 November, 7.15pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**Cyprus Singalong** Themis Themistocleous of the famous *Isadoras* group and well-known soprano Avra Shiatis with their band will perform popular Greek and international music and songs. The audience will be encouraged to sing along well known popular classic Greek songs with the aid of projected lyrics. Also performing: Lana Constantine, John Themis and Costas Rialas (bouzouki). A fashion show will also take place. Free entry but please confirm attendance at on 020 7563 9835 or at cultural\_chc@btconnect.com. Organised by the Cultural Department of the Cyprus High Commission.

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### Membership

Further information on 020 7487 5060

### Greek Language Courses

Evangelia Roussou, 020 7563 9831 or greekcourses@helleniccentre.org

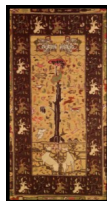
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Tuesday 8 November, 7.30pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**Criticos Prize Award Ceremony** organised by the London Hellenic Society. Entrance by invitation. Further information on 020 8886 5335 or at meghissoglu@aol.com.

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Thursday 10 November, 7.15pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**The Pyrgos Rugs** An illustrated talk by Denise Harvey, publisher and Jennifer Speake, scholar and writer, about a remarkable rug-making enterprise set up by the Australian humanitarian Joice Loch, a legendary figure for many visitors to Mount Athos, to provide an income for the destitute refugees from Anatolia settled on the Athos peninsula in 1922. Joice and her husband Sydney lived in the massive Byzantine tower in Ouranoupolis, so 'Pyrgos' (Tower) was the name given to the venture, which became so successful its rugs were sold internationally.

A small exhibition of rugs and related items will be on display at the Centre for the talk. Free entry but please confirm attendance on 020 7563 9835 or at press@helleniccentre.org.

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Saturday 12 November, 7pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**Hippocratic Oration Lecture and Papanicolaou Prize Ceremony** organised by the Hellenic Medical Society. The lecture will be delivered by Michael A Gatzoulis, Professor of Cardiology, Royal Brompton Hospital and Imperial College, London. Free entry. Further information on 07932 006971.

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Monday 14 November, 7.15pm - Friends Room, Hellenic Centre

**Tradition and Folk Songs of Greece** Stella Traganida will be talking in Greek about her book on a collection of Greek folk songs which refer to a variety of aspects of everyday life. The talk will be accompanied by recordings of Greek folk songs. Free entry but please confirm attendance on 020 7563 9835 or at press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre.**

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Tuesday 15 November, 7pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**Lecture on Byzantine Music** organised by the Ionian Society. Free entry. Further information and bookings on 020 7589 2371 or 07808 777946 or at Anastasia.Savidu@hotmail.co.uk

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Wednesday 16 November, 7pm - King's College London, Strand Campus, London WC2

**The Monument of Augustus for Actium: "The Victory City" and the Beginnings of Roman Imperial Art** A lecture in English by Dr Konstantinos Zachos, Ephor of Antiquities, Director of the Institute for the Study of Epirus and Chairman of the Scientific Committee for the Study of Nikopolis. Reception to follow. Free entry. Further information on 020 7935 2020 or at anne@faroship.com. Organised by the Greek Archaeological Committee (UK).

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Monday 21 November, 7.30pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**Christmas with Alexandros Papadiamantis** An event featuring a Christmas story by Alexandros Papadiamantis and Byzantine hymns, Christmas carols and traditional Greek songs performed by members of the School of Byzantine Music. Free entry but please confirm attendance on 020 7563 9835 or at press@helleniccentre.org. **Organised by the Hellenic Centre and the School of Byzantine Music, Archdiocese of Thyateira.**

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#### Conference Facilities

Kay Stavrinou, 020 7563 9834 or bookings@helleniccentre.org

#### Catering, Events & Exhibitions

Christina Vagioti, 020 7563 9836 or christina@helleniccentre.org

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## DECEMBER

Thursday 1 December, 6pm - The Maughan Library, Chancery Lane, London WC2A

**An Anglo-Hellenic Evening** at the historic Maughan Library at King's College to view rare and precious illustrations of Greece. Members of King's College will guide and introduce participants to the collection. Reception to follow. Entry by ticket. Further information and bookings on 020 7486 9410 (voicemail) or at [www.anglohellenicleague.org](http://www.anglohellenicleague.org). Organised by the Anglo-Hellenic League.

Sunday 4 December, 12.30pm - Great Hall, Hellenic Centre

**Hellenic Centre Annual Family Christmas Lunch** with music and entertainment. Tickets £35 adults, £25 children and students. Further information and bookings on 020 7487 5060. This year's proceeds will go towards the expenses of the exhibition *Six 'Universal Greek' Fashion Designers* to be held at the Hellenic Centre in 2012. **Organised by the Fundraising Committee of the Hellenic Centre.**

Sunday 11 December, 12 noon - Royal Thames Yacht Club, 60 Knightsbridge, London SW1

**Christmas Lunch** organised by Lykion ton Hellinidon. Further information and bookings on 020 8343 1353 or 020 8201 8332.

Thursday 15 December, 12 noon to 5.30pm - Boardroom, Hellenic Centre

**Christmas Bazaar** organised by Lykion ton Hellinidon. Further information on 020 7224 1969 or at [enquiries@lykiontonhellinidon.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@lykiontonhellinidon.co.uk)

### FORTHCOMING HELLENIC CENTRE EVENTS

#### *Six 'Universal Greek' Fashion Designers*

March 2012

An exhibition from the collection of the Peloponnesian Folklore Foundation presenting important creations by the pioneer Greek designers Jean Dessès, Yiannis Evangelides, James Galanos, Dimis Kritsas, George Stavropoulos and Yiannis Tseklenis

#### *Olympic Games 1896*

July/August 2012

A photographic exhibition on the 1896 Athens Olympic Games from the photographic archive of the Benaki Museum, Athens



#### **Greek Dance Lessons organised by Lykion ton Hellinidon**

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

Further information on

020 7229 4086 or [enquiries@lykiontonhellinidon.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@lykiontonhellinidon.co.uk)

The next issue of the **Diary of Events** will be published in December 2011 and will cover the period January-March 2012

The deadline for submitting information about events for this period is **Friday 25 November 2011**

**Information given in the Hellenic Centre Diary of Events was correct at the time of printing**

Events may be cancelled or changed without prior notice

An updated events listing is available on our website and on



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

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The Library of the Hellenic Centre houses an extensive collection of books on Greek and Cypriot history, geography, and literature. It also contains series and reference books such as encyclopaedias, dictionaries, reviews and journals. We have a particularly good selection of works on Greece in the Second World War, generously donated by Costas N. Hadjipateras and Maria Fafalios-Dragonas. The Library is open by appointment to members and researchers.

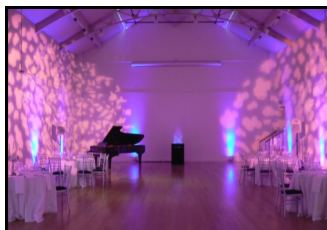
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Day and evening courses from Beginners to Mastery level for groups and individuals by experienced, qualified teachers

**Autumn Term** 19 September 2011 to 9 December 2011 (12 weeks)

**Winter Term** 9 January 2012 to 30 March 2012 (12 weeks)

**Spring Term** 23 April 2012 to 13 July 2012 (12 weeks)



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Meeting rooms and spaces, accommodating between 2-350 persons suitable for professional and social purposes are available.

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Access to main venue via steps; a stair climber is available; please advise in advance

A lift provides access to all floors, except the third floor

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