

## The Hellenic Society Prometheas

Invites you to

## An Evening of Poetry and Music

## Celebrating 100 years since the birth of *Odysseas Elytis*, Nobel Prize for Literature

"Ομορφη και παράξενη πατρίδα ωσάν αυτή που μού'λαχε δεν είδα. Σ'όλους τους τόπους κι'άν γυρνώ μόνον ετούτον αγαπώ" (Ο.Ελύτης:"Ο ήλιος ο ηλιάτορας")

Odysseas Elytis is one of the most outstanding international figures of 20th-century poetry. In his work, modernist European poetics and Greek literary tradition are fused in a highly original lyrical voice. His poetry conveys a deep sense of life and strength that are being manifested through the continuous presentation of vague pictures connected with each other through logical consequence. He was one of the most important

contemporary European writers and one of the leading representatives of surrealism: "If language were not such a simple means of communication there would not be any problem. But it happens, at times, that it is also an instrument of 'magic'."

## The program will include:

- A presentation of Elytis' life and legacy, by Dr. Vassilis Economopoulos
- Recitation of Elytis' poems by members of Prometheas
- Video clips related to Elytis' poetry
- Musical part : popular songs from Elytis' poetry, performed by Spyros Traiforos

The evening's program will be in Greek. Reception will follow.

Friday, February 10, 2012 at 8:00 pm. St. George Greek Orthodox Church 7701 Bradley Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20817

Upcoming Prometheas Events in 2012 (mark the dates and look for flyer to follow):

Friday, March 2: Greek Movie: St. George Church

**Sunday, March 25**: Greek Independence Day Celebration, St. Katherine's Grand Hall