



The Hellenic Society Prometheas

Invites you to a presentation by:

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Greek Identity: *Romiosyni*

In this talk, Professor Petropoulos will address the question of Greek identity in the 21st century. He argues that the best way to define Greekness is to account for the influence of Byzantine culture and Christian faith superimposed on more ancient ('Hellenistic') traditions, a palimpsest embodied by the vernacular term *romiosyni*. He will argue for the resilience of this composite culture. The lecture will conclude by summarizing the pioneering work of Harvard's Center for Hellenic Studies in Washington, DC.



The lecture will be in English; Reception will follow the discussion.

Friday, June 6, 2014 at 8:00 pm
St. George Greek Orthodox Church
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