



The Hellenic Society Prometheas

Newsletter 15

November 2002

Mark your calendars:

***Prometheas' Kafenio, at St. George, Bethesda MD, Friday, November 8,
7:30 pm***

Join us for an evening of fun and entertainment. Greek music by Achilleas and Company. The evening dedicated to the traditional Greek komboloi. Plenty of surprises.

Two Greek Films at Kennedy Center, DC on Nov, 6, 8, 9 and 10

Two Greek films will be shown at Kennedy Center in Washington DC as part of the European Union Showcase:

1. ***The only journey of his life (Το τελευταίο της ζωής του ταξίδι)*** directed by Lakis Papastathis and starring Elias Logothetis, Nov 6 at 6:30 pm and Nov 9 at 2:00 pm
2. ***Risotto*** directed by Olga Malea (who also directed "Cow's Orgasm" and "Mating Game"), Nov 8 at 6:30 pm and Nov 10 at 4:30 pm

Complete program information available at: <http://www.afionline.org/nft>

America's Image: To See Ourselves as Others See Us, Nov 2

**The Hellenic American Women's Council
Invites you to
A Conference**

***America's Image:
To See Ourselves as Others See Us***

Speakers: Her Excellency Heng Chee Chan, Ambassador of the Republic of Singapore to the U.S., Ambassador Christopher Ross, Former U.S. Ambassador to Syria, Ambassador Patrick Theros, Former U.S. Ambassador to Qatar, Mrs. Jacqueline Grapin, President of the European Institute

Moderator: The Honorable Barbara Spyridon Pope, Assistant Secretary of State for Civil Rights

Luncheon Keynote Speaker

The Honorable John Negroponte (invited)

U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations

Aristeon Award Honoree:

Her Excellency Erato Kozakou-Marcoullis

Ambassador of the Republic of Cyprus to the United States

November 2, 2002

9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**Swissôtel Washington - The Watergate
Washington, D.C.**

Special Briefing by DOD Officials on "*America's War on Terrorism*"
and Tour of the Pentagon
Friday, November 1, 2002

(Limited to HAWC members on a first come basis)

Conference Reservations Required by October 28th - please contact:

**Maria Stamoulas
(202) 464-0400**

**Theodora Hancock
(703) 685-7442**

**Maria Papathanassiou
(202) 895-1670**

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Saturday, November 2, 2002

**The Watergate Hotel
Washington, D.C.**

8:30-9:30 A.M.

Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:30-9:45 A.M.

Opening Remarks

9:45-10:45 A.M.

**Panel Presentations
Speakers:**

- Her Excellency Heng Chee Chan – An Asian View
- Mrs. Jacqueline Grapin - A European View
- Ambassador Patrick Theros – A Middle-Eastern View

- Ambassador Christopher Ross – Improving America’s Image

Moderator: The Honorable Barbara Spyridon Pope

10:45-A.M. Break

10:50-12:15 Continue Presentations, Discussion
Question & Answer Session

12:15 P.M. Break

12:30-2:30 P.M. Luncheon

Keynote Speaker:

The Honorable John Negroponte, United States Ambassador to the United Nations (invited)

Aristeon Award Honoree:

Her Excellency Erato Kozakou Marcoullis, Ambassador of the Republic of Cyprus to the United States

2:45-5:45 P.M. Members Only – HAWC Annual Business Meeting

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REGISTRATION FORM & CONFERENCE FEES:

Mail To: **HAWC**
1319 Eighteenth St.,
Washington,

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D.C. 20036-1802

HAWC Members: \$100.00
Non Members \$125.00
Students: \$50.00

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The Seminars of Greek Literature and Culture,

CONDUCTED BY
DR MARIA ANASTASOPOULOU-KRIMIGIS SINCE 1992
AS PART OF THE

Cultural Program of St. George Greek Orthodox Church

IN COOPERATION WITH
The Hellenic Society Prometheas and ***AHEPA Chapter 31,***

Present:
Internationally Renowned Concert Pianist

Aglaia Koras

“Masterful. Awesome. A revelation! (Ethnikos Kyriakos of New York)

In recital at:

Strathmore Hall

10701 Rockville Pike, North Bethesda, MD 20850

Tel: 301-530-5889

On ***Thursday, November 14, 2002*** at ***7:30p.m***

Featuring works of Chopin, Scriabin, Theodorakis, Kalomiris & Others

To benefit the ***Educational Fund of the Greek Seminars***, at the moment supporting a needy Greek student from Athens with his university tuition.

Tickets are \$25 per person.

Capacity of the Hall is limited to 100 persons.

For reservations Call/email Dr Anastasopoulou at 301-384-8945;

mkrimigis@sysnet.net to reserve now

Donations may also be sent to: Dr M.Anastasopoulou
613 Cobblestone Court, Silver Spring, MD 20905-5806.

Aglaia Koras began piano study at age three and performed extensively as a child prodigy throughout the United States and Europe. At age eleven, she made her debut with the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra. Recognition by her mentor, Greek pianist Gina Bauchauer, drew the attention of Rudolph Serkin, then Director of the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, where she studied for several years on full scholarship.

In 1983, the City of New York and Queens Council on the Arts sponsored her New York debut performance at Alice Tully Hall, Lincoln Center. Since, Aglaia Koras has often returned to Lincoln Center. She has also performed at Carnegie Hall and, as soloist and chamber musician, in numerous concert halls, including several appearances at the Kennedy Center. Critics have called her playing “masterful, awesome and a revelation.”

Aglaia Koras has won first prize in some ten international piano competitions and has served as adjudicator. She also enjoys teaching, having served on the faculties of Temple University and University of the Arts in Philadelphia. She currently offers master classes nationwide and private instruction at her Bethesda studio. Her compact disc ***Legacy One*** contains some rarely heard works by Greek classical composers. She has performed the United States premiers of works by Kalomiris, Constandinidis and other Greek composers at Lincoln Center.

THE EMERGENCE OF MODERN GREEK PAINTING, 1830 -1930
from the Collection of the Bank of Greece
September 30 - December 3, 2002

FEDERAL RESERVE BUILDING - VISITORS' CENTER



Nikolaos Gysis
Pallas, Athena, 1887

The Fine Arts Program of the Federal Reserve Board and the Bank of Greece are sponsoring the first survey of modern Greek painting to be presented in Washington, D.C., featuring 39 paintings and prints some of Greece's most renowned artists of the 19th and 20th centuries.

The term “modern Greek painting” describes art produced after the country won its freedom from Ottoman occupation and established the modern Greek state in 1832. The works tell the Greek story of the emergence and application of formalist principles based on line, perspective, and form practiced in western Europe since the Renaissance but not in Greece until after their war of independence.

*Nikephoros Lytras, Georgios Iakovides, Nikolaos Gysis,
Ioannis Altamouras, Konstantinos Volanakis,
Konstantinos Parthenis, Yiannis Tsarouchis, Spyros
Vikatos, Konstantinos Maleas, Stratis Axiotis, Hector
Doukas, Thalia Flora-Kavadia, Orestes Kanellis,
Georgeos Kosmadopoulos, Periklis Pantazis, Georgios
Moschos, Georgios Oikonomidis, Spyros Papaloukas,
Angelos Theodoropoulos, Theodoros Vryzakis, etc.
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Konstantinos Parthenis

*Athanasios
Diakos,*

1933-38



Theodoros Vryzakis, *Karaouli*, 1854

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Monday through Friday
24 hr. advance reservations
202-452-3410
Visitor's Center, Federal Reserve Building
20th Street, off Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, DC

Other News of Interest

Opening of Bibliotheca Alexandina on Oct 16, 2002

On the 16th of October (2002), the famous Library of Alexandria in Egypt opened its doors again. The library was founded about 2000 years ago by Alexander the Great. The re-opening of the library was a 16-year project undertaken by the Government of Egypt and UNESCO. Prometheas will organize a program on the Greeks of Egypt in which more material will be presented on the Library of Alexandria. In the mean time, you may find additional material in the following web sites:

<http://www.bibalex.gov.eg>

<http://www.unesco.org/webworld/alex/alex.htm>

<http://www.greece.org/alexandria/library/library16.htm>

JEWISH AND GREEK LEADERS COMMEMORATE DISCOVERY AND BURIAL OF COLONEL FRIZIS' REMAINS

-- Burial with full military honors tomorrow --

*-- CEH announces U.S. Ambassador **Tom Miller** as 2003 Frizis Award Recipient --*

WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 23, 2003--"The remains of the Jewish-Greek hero who was the first high-ranking Greek military officer to give his life in defense of freedom against the Axis powers in 1940, **Colonel Mardocheos Frizis**, will soon find their final resting place. We are proud to be a part of these ceremonies honoring Colonel Frizis and proud to continue to honor his name each year with the presentation of the **Frizis Award** in Washington, D.C.," said a statement released today by the National Coordinated Effort of Hellenes (CEH).

Colonel Frizis' remains, which were recently found and identified in Albania, arrived today in his homeland of Thessaloniki, Greece. Tomorrow they will be buried with full military honors during a ceremony at the Jewish cemetery of Thessaloniki. **Andrew A. Athens**, World President of SAE and National Chairman of UHAC, is in Thessaloniki this week to participate in these ceremonies. Athens will also travel next week to Israel for meetings with top government officials.

The **Frizis Award**, conceived and developed by CEH, is reserved for only the highest-level, most consequential Jewish leaders in the U.S. government who have also made significant contributions to Hellenic issues. This award is presented each year at an annual conference in Washington, D.C. of over 100 Greek-American leaders from across the country, and Hellenes around the world. The award contains soil from the countries of Greece, the United States and Israel and states "For [his/her] commitment to the defense of the principles for which the United States, Israel and Hellenism stand. From this hallowed earth have come these great principles."

Other prominent members of the Jewish community who have received this award include: Undersecretary of State **Marc Grossman** (the 2002 recipient); then-National Security Council Director **Sandy Berger**; then-Presidential Emissary for Cyprus, former U.S. Ambassador to the UN and to Germany, and former

Assistant Secretary of State, **Dick Holbrooke**; former Democratic Nominee for Vice President of the United States, Senator **Joe Lieberman** (D-CT); then-Ranking Republican of the House International Relations Committee **Congressman Ben Gilman**; then-Senior Advisor to the Secretary of State and former Assistant Secretary of State, **Dick Schifter**; then-Presidential Emissary for Cyprus and former advisor to President Jimmy Carter, **Al Moses**; and Honorary President of the American Jewish Committee (AJC) **Maynard Wishner** (the first recipient in 1993).

"We are excited to announce, on this special occasion, that the 2003 recipient of the Frizis Award will be U.S. Ambassador to Greece **Tom Miller**," said CEH leaders.

There are two statues of Colonel Frizis in Greece – one at the War-Museum in Thessaloniki and one at the War-Museum in Athens. During the war of 1940-41, 12,898 Jewish Greeks were drafted, 343 became officers, 513 were killed and 3,743 were wounded. Colonel Frizis was killed fighting in Premeti on December 5, 1941.