

2nd INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM OF KYTHERAISMOS



INTER-KYTHERAISMOS

THE NEW SPIRIT OF THE KYTHERIAN DIASPORA

Programme



INSTITUTE OF KYTHERAISMOS

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NOTES:

1. Cultural Display is going to include photo exhibition from Chris Lourandos plus material or displays available from the Hellenic Club and the Greek Embassy.
2. A display of Greek Dancing in traditional costume will perform either during the cultural display or at the Official Dinner on Saturday evening.
3. The Morning Tea on Friday is going to extend to approximately 40 minutes as per the Prime Ministers wish to mingle with the people.
4. The Prime Minister is available for about 1 hour – we will try & stretch that to about 1 ½ hours.
5. The Reception at the Embassy will be limited to Organisers and registered Symposium Delegates only.
6. The Official Dinner can be held in the Olympus Room with a DJ for music.

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Thematic units of Symposium

1. Kytherian Inter-Connection and Communication

- a) Kytherian Diaspora all around the world
- b) Information connecting Kytherians
- c) Philo-kytherians
- d) Kytherian Politics

2. Inter-Kytherian Associations

- a) The contribution of the Kytherian diaspora to the Pan-hellenic bodies
- b) Inter-connections of the Kytherian associations all around the world
- c) Inter-Kytherian associations agreements
- d) The Kytherian Australians of Kythera

3. Inter-Kytherian history, society and culture

- a) Kytherian emigration experience
- b) Kytherian women
- c) The old aged Kytherians
- d) Canberra: The cultural capital of Kytheraismos for 2006

4. Kytherian Economic Area

- a) Investment on Kythera
- b) Thinking of the motherland
- c) Kytherians Professionals

5. Inter-Kytherian Youth

- a) Youth interconnection
- b) Students mobility
- c) Training programmes

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Thanks to all of them

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7.30pm OFFICIAL DINNER at Hellenic Club, Olympus Room.

SUNDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2006

10.00am Outline of days programme & announcements.

10.10am **8th Plenary Session**

Chairs: Robyn Florance, Vassiliki Chryssanthopoulou

10.15am George Poulos: "Need for unified and integrated Kytherian world cultural & heritage council"

10.45pm Angelos Notaras: "Fatseas collection and Benaki Exhibition"

11.00pm Peter Vanges: "The first Kytherian in Australia"

11.15pm Emanuel Cominos: "Kythera and the Parthenon marbels"

11.30am Morning Tea.

12.10am **9th Plenary Session**

Chairs: Elias Marsellos, Chris Lourandos, Manuel Aroney

12.15pm Victor Kepreotis: "Kytherians of Kythera and Australia (inter-relationship)"

12.30pm Mary Matis: "American Connection"

12.40pm Peter Samios: "Kytherian Village Humour"

12.50pm Poppy Stellios: "Birth of an Orthodox Church in Dubbo a country town"

1.00pm Paul Hellander: "Kythira under the spotlight"

1.15pm Eva-Marie Prineas: "Kytherian Architecture"

1.30pm John Carras: "Retirement village"

1.45pm Outcomes of Symposium.

2.00pm Awards presented by Professor Elias Marsellos.

2.30pm CLOSING SPEECHES.

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FRIDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2006

11.00am Official Party arrives

1. The Prime Minister John Howard.
2. His Excellency the Ambassador of Greece.
3. Overseas Dignitaries.

11.05am Welcome Speech by Chairman Elias Marsellos.

11.10am Welcome Speech by Prime Minister / P.M. Officially opens Symposium.

11.15am Welcome Speech by Ambassador of Greece.

11.20am Morning Tea / mingling with Prime Minister.

12.25pm **1st Plenary Session**

Chairs: Elias Marsellos, Chris Lourandos, Manuel Aroney

12.30pm Elias Marsellos: "The new spirit of the Kytherian Diaspora"

12.45pm Chris Nicholas Lourantos: "Birth of Hellenic Club Canberra"

1.00pm Paul Mathers: "The early years"

1.15pm George Kasimatis: "Mobility of the youth in the world"

1.30pm LUNCH.

2.25pm **2nd Plenary Session**

Chairs: Victor Kepreotis, George Leontsinis

2.30pm George Kanarakis: "Kytherian literature"

2.45pm Archie Kalokerinos: "Kytherian identity"

3.00pm Peter Prineas: "Katschamos and the Great Idea"

3.15pm Afternoon Tea.

3.55pm **3rd Plenary Session**

Chairs: Alex Poulos, Basil Leftheris

4.00pm George Leontsinis: "Establishment, structures and function of the Kytherian foundations, associations and brotherhoods in Greece and in the Kytherian Communities abroad"

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- 4.15pm** Nick Petrochilos: “The Kytherian Studies Association and its efforts”
- 4.30pm** Manuel Aroney: “Kytherian-Australian Inter-relationship”
- 4.45pm** Maria Hill: “Greek-Australia connection in ww2”
- 5.00pm** General Discussion.
- 5.15pm** Announcements.
- 6.30pm** Reception at Greek Embassy.
- 8.00pm** DINNER (Own arrangements – Hellenic Club Restaurant by booking).

SATURDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2006

- 10.00am** Outline of days Programme & announcements.
- 10.10am** **4th Plenary Session**
Chairs: John Cominos, Nick Petrochilos, Helen Tzortzopoulos
- 10.15pm** Vassiliki Chryssanthopoulou: “Gender, migration and identity: Focus on Kytherian women”
- 10.30pm** Nicholas Glytsos: “Women staying behind in Kythera as a major drive for men’s emigration to Australia. Changing roles within the split migration household”
- 10.45pm** George Vardas: “Australia Aphrodite: The role of women in the Kytherian Brotherhood”
- 11.00pm** George Argyropoulos: “50 years of the Trifileio Foundation experience”
- 11.15am** Morning Tea.
- 11.40am** **5th Plenary Session**
Chairs: Emanuel Cominos, George Argyropoulos
- 11.45pm** Emmanuel Kasimatis: “Investment in Kythera”

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- 12.00pm** Nick Cominos: “Kytheraismos: The Brisbane perspective”
- 12.15pm** Vikki Fraioli-Terry Chlentzos Keramaris: “Kytherians of California making connections with our past, present and future”
- 12.30pm** Peter McCarthy: “The Kytherian in Inverell. Kythera to cafes Australia 1890-1940”
- 12.45pm** LUNCH.
- 2.10pm** **6th Plenary Session**
Chairs: Nick Cominos, Nick Glytsos
- 2.15pm** Ruby Brown: “Her father: George Feros of Byron”
- 2.30pm** Robyn Florance: “A touch of Greece in Junction street. A greek cafe owners of Nowra”
- 2.45pm** Basil Leftheris: “Our progenitors’ evolutionary ways for survival identify all Kytherians of today, wherever they are”
- 3.00pm** John Cominos: “Could a Kytherian Australian be a European citizen?”
- 3.15pm** Afternoon Tea.
- 3.40pm** **7th Plenary Session**
Chairs: George Vardas, George Kanarakis, George Poulos
- 3.45pm** Mary Londy: “The Kytherian Youth of Brisbane”
- 4.00pm** Sophia & Patricia Cassimatis: “Greek language experience of Australian born Kytherians”
- 4.15pm** Garifalia Castrisios: “Tasmania to Kythera”
- 4.30pm** John Mavromatis: “Kytherian immigrants in California in the 19th and 20th centuries”
- 4.45pm** Alex Poulos: “Thoughts about Kytherian Youth of Australia”
- 5.00pm** Penelope Samios: “Learning Greek and training for the Kytherian Youth of Australia”
- 5.15pm** General Discussion.
- 5.45pm** Announcements.