



Do You Remember 'Patrida?'

Paintings by Sue Soliman Malidis & Athena Xenakis

The idea of this joint exhibition was conceived as a result of a friendship between two artists, and their deep love for their homeland, their "Patrida".

Athena and Sue share the same studio in Sydney and have studied at the National Art School in Sydney in the late nineties.

They both share a contemporary approach in their art. They travel to Greece regularly, always happy to return to Australia, but never doubting the necessity to go back for more inspiration.

For them, staying in Greece on a regular basis has been a significant factor in the development of their art, and in understanding multiculturalism in our daily life in Australia.

Date Opening night: Tues 21 April, 5pm - 7.30pm

Exhibition: Wed 22 April to Fri 24 April, 11am-6pm Sat 25 April, 11am - 4pm,

Wed 29 April to Fri 1 May, 11am - 6pm, Sat 2 May, 11am - 4pm

Venue Kudos Gallery, 6 Napier St, Paddington
Cost Free Entry Contact 02 9750 0440

The Greek Festival of Sydney in conjunction with Marrickville Council proudly present

A Window to Tradition

A night of timeless Greek music

From the beginning of the 19th century Greece has produced many talented artists from great composers to fabulous musicians; music became an expression and a testimony of the years of slavery, a weapon of opposition against the military dictatorship and a way to express love, death, human fears, that accompanied Greeks' everyday life. This event will showcase a compilation of the most popular songs of the 19th and 20th century. Beginning with the songs of recent decades the journey will include work by Hadjidakis, Theodorakis and Xarchakos, with famous Greek melodies such as "Children of Piraeus" and the "Zorba" dance. As we travel further back in time we will hear songs by great composers such as Vassilis Tsitsanis and many, many more. In this special night, local artists will come together to showcase the timeless songs.

Come and experience the musical journey of a "Window to Tradition" **Date Tues 21 April, Wed 22 April Time 6.30pm for 7pm**

Venue Marrickville Town Hall, 303 Marrickville Rd, Marrickville

Cost Free entry with refreshments (bookings essential). Contact 02 9750 0440 Language Greek music with narration in English



FOUNDATION FOR HELLENIC STUDIES

Professor James Donald, Dean of the faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at the UNSW has announced that the faculty would not enrol new students in Greek language courses from 2010. Those already enrolled would be allowed to complete their courses.

The Dean's decision is ostensibly based on the low number of students compared to other languages and not on financial grounds.

The Trustees of the Foundation for Hellenic Studies (UNSW) have called on the University to recon-

sider the decision on the basis that:

1. There is an Agreement between UNSW and the Greek Community to establish Greek Studies on a permanent basis provided that there was a demand for the course.

2. The University is not honouring the terms made in the Dean's letter dated 11th August 2008 for a three year trial period.

3. Greek Studies is not a financial burden on the University because funds accumulated in the UNSW Foundation amount to \$ 1,000,000 (of which the Greek Community contributed \$280, 000 in 1995) and the Greek Government covers the salary of one lecturer.

The Trustees have resolved on an action plan including petitions to be signed by (i) on campus stu-

dents (ii) organisations (iii) members of the community; meetings with the University's Vice Chancellor, Foundation and Dean; letter campaign by academics; campaign to increase numbers for the second session and in the last resort and if all else fails legal proceedings.

Attached is a petition to be signed by your readers and we kindly seek your support in publishing same over the next few months. Readers may cut out the petition get their families and friends to sign it and then post or fax to the University of UNSW.

For any further information contact Costa Vertzayias on telephone 9667 4733 or fax 9667 2860 or e-mail costa@vertzayaslawyers.com.au



Book Launch

The Press and Communication Office
of the Consulate General of Greece in Sydney,

acknowledging the role of the **Lemnos island** in WW I and
commemorating the **Anzac Day** and

the 60th Anniversary of the **Geneva Conventions**,

is delighted to invite you to the Sydney launch of **Peter Rees' book**

THE OTHER ANZACS: Nurses at War, 1914 - 1918

in cooperation with **Allen & Unwin Publications**

And to a special presentation from the

International Committee of the Red Cross

Date: Thursday 30th April, 2009 • Time: 5.00 pm for 5.30 pm start

Venue: On premises - Suite 2103, Level 21, 227 Elizabeth Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000

Followed by beverages & appetizers. **RSVP: (02) 92640355 or**
gpressbureau@tpg.com.au

Columbia Aged Care's open day for the Greek Community

Columbia Aged Care Services is holding an open day at the Acacia Centre, Marrickville for the Greek community. The centre is committed to the health care needs of the local Greek elderly.

Visitors will be treated to an afternoon tea with staff offering tours of the facility. The Greek Welfare Centre, the NSW Transcultural Aged Care Service (TACS), and local council and dignitaries from the local Greek community will be present. Greek residents are catered for specifically at the Acacia Centre, with a cultural menu and activities, along with access to Greek radio and television. "Columbia recognises the Greek community has unique needs and is embracing those needs," Columbia Aged Care Services Chief Executive Officer Anne Tucker said. "We have been caring for older Greek people in our centres for many years and during this time we have developed an understanding of the elderly Greek community's needs."

"At Columbia we focus on the care, comfort and consideration of our Greek residents. We provide them with the highest quality health care, respect their individuality and assist them to maintain their health and well being." "Our management and staff believe that older people add the benefit of wisdom, intellect and spiritual value to our community; they are the foundations and strength of our society," she said.

The Acacia Centre caters for high care residents in a mix of single and shared rooms. Respite care is offered and residents with dementia are catered for. The open day will be held on Thursday 30 April 2009 from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm at the Acacia Centre, 448 Marrickville Road Marrickville NSW 2204