MIKIS THEODORAKIS The Man, The Genius The Legend

Up close and personal video biography

Acclaimed as Greece's 'greatest living composer' Mikis Theodorakis' life reads like a film



THE 2009 KASTELLORIZIAN

OF THE YEAR

The Kastellorizian Association of Victoria is pleased to announce that this year's recipient of the Kastellorizian of the Year will be Mr. John Basil Salvaris, OAM. John has been awarded the honour because of his extensive contribution to the Kastellorizian, Greek and Australian Com-

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John, who is of Kastellorizian decent, along with his parents and brother migrated to Australia in 1949 from Egypt. Following his arrival to Australia, John under took further studies which lead him to a career in Science. In the 1970's John was an active member of the Hawthorn Lions Club and a member and Vice President of the Greek Professional Association.

After experiencing the passing of his parents in Australia in the 1960's and his participation in both Greek and Australian organizations and communities, he became aware of the urgent need for facilities for the care of Greek speaking elderly. He then established and registered an organization (The Greek Australian Society for the Care of the Elderly) under the Patronage of the Governor of Victoria. John was the Foundation President of the Greek Australian Society for the Care of the Elderly (GASCE) from 1976-1987.

During the 10 years of his Presidency, GASCE:

- raised by appeal from the Greek Community and the wider Australian Community, \$300,000;
- secured an Australian Government Grant of \$600,000 (In the 1980's these sums of money was substantial);
- •purchased property in Clayton to build the Hostel Built and fitted out and commence running "Pronia Elderly Hostel" and
- applied for further government funding to extend the Hostel into a Nursing Home, Fronditha In 1988 John received an OAM for services to

the Elderly and Greek Community.

John also served as Committee member and

Treasurer for the Kastellorizian Association of Victoria in the late 1980's and early 1990's. John has continued to support of the Association through his involvement on numerous subcommittees. He regularly contributes to the Historical section of the Kazzie News, the official newsletter of the Kastellorizian Association of Victoria and has given many lectures on the history of Kastellorizo and is keen to record and preserve how the Kastellorizians and their descendants have contributed to Australian history and society. His other historical passion is Byzantine history. He combines this interest with his on going involvement in the Australian community and is currently a voluntary Lecturer in Byzantine History for the University of the 3 Age (U3A) at the Swinburne campus in Hawthorn. John has held the lectureship at U3A position since his retirement.

John will be awarded the Kastellorizian of the Year Award on Sunday the 24th of May during the St Constantine and St Helen's Day Celebrations that will be held at the Kastellorizian Association of Victoria's Clubrooms in South Mel-

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