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## Celebration of Constantine Cavafy

The work of one of the world's greatest poets, Constantine Cavafy, will be showcased at UNSW from June 18-20. The Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences will present a series of events hosted by international experts to celebrate the poet who was instrumental in the revival and recognition of Greek poetry.

### EVENTS INCLUDE:

• An academic symposium on Cavafy's contemporary resonance featuring a number of international guests (June 18-19). Scholars will debate various aspects of Cavafy's work and its reception in recent years. Guests include Dr Maria Boletsi of the University of Leiden, Dr Anthony Dracopoulos of the University of Sydney, Associate Professor Kren Emmerich, University of Oregon, Professor Gregory Jusdanis, Ohio State University, Professor Vrasidas Karalis, Sir Nicholas Laurantos Professor of Modern Greek, University of Sydney, Dr Dimiris Papanikolaou, Oxford University, Dr George Syrimis, Yale University, Professor Michael

### INFO

**WHAT:** The Cavafy Symposium

**WHEN:** June 18-20

**WHERE:**

1. 18-19 June: Academic Symposium, Morven Brown RM 310
2. 20 June, 1-2:30 pm, Who is C.P. Cavafy: Student Symposium, 20 June, Law Theatre G02
3. C. P. Cavafy: A Public Debate, John Niland Scientia Building, 6.30pm – 8.00pm

Tsianikias, Flinders University.

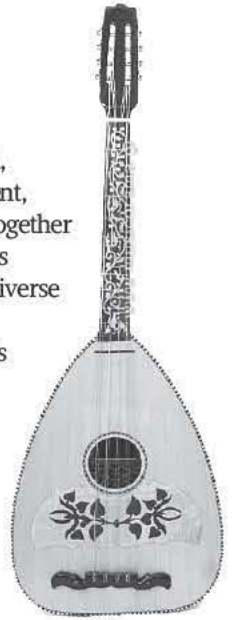
- A workshop led by Professors Boletsi, Emmerich and Syrimis for school students from Sydney's Greek Orthodox secondary schools on why, more than ever, we should be reading Cavafy, June 20, 1- 2:30 pm.
- C.P. Cavafy: A Public Debate: public forum to discuss Cavafy's poetry and legacy with a panel of experts, June 20, 6-8pm.



The 31st Greek Festival of Sydney in conjunction with Kogarah City Council proudly presents

### CRETE: 4000 YEARS IN ART AND MUSIC

The history of the Great Island, told through music from ancient, medieval and modern Crete, together with short readings and images representing Crete's rich and diverse artistic and literary traditions. Musicians: Kiriaki and Dimitris Koubaroulis (ancient and medieval music), Andonis Petrandonakis and Angelo Goutzios (traditional and modern melodies and songs). Reader: Christine Kanellakis. Co-ordinator and narrator: Dr Alfred Vincent.



### INFO

**Date:** Wednesday 3 April

**TIME:** 7pm

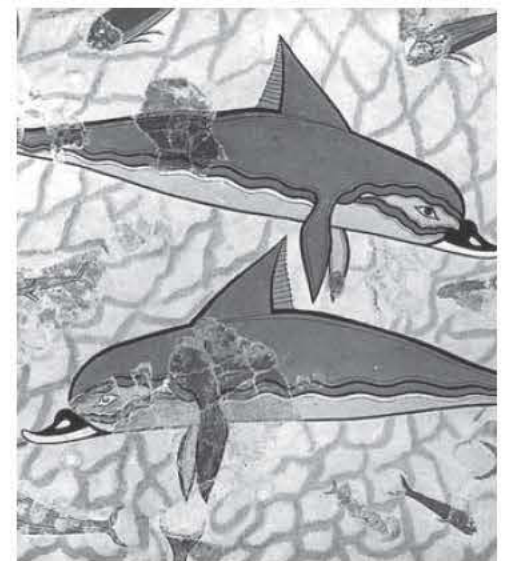
**VENUE:** St George Auditorium, 4-16 Montgomery St, Kogarah

**ENTRY COST:** \$15

**CONTACT:** 02 9750 0440

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**LANGUAGE:** Narration in English, readings in Greek and in English translation



## Pavlos Theodorakopoulos the new Commissioner for Greek Scouts

The new CGS (Commissioner for Greek Scouts) was announced and presented at the Annual Dinner/Dance of the Greek Scouts on at 16th March 2013. The new CGS is Pavlos Theodorakopoulos (Paul Theodore BA)

### WHO IS HE

He was a Scout Leader in Greece and currently he is a Leader in Australia, his last designation being AGL (Assistant Group Leader) at the 6th Bankstown Greek Scout Group.

He is married to Joy an Australian born who speaks Greek and they have two sons and one daughter in law. He used to be a Sea Captain and gave it up to stay ashore when he married.

He obtained a BA from New England

University.

He is a Teacher of Greek, a Greek journalist and Radio Reporter (2MM).

He is very well known in the Greek Community. He knows every one and everyone knows him and likes him.

Within the Greek Scout movement he has supported us every time and particularly in the area of planning. He was amongst one of the first members of our Planning Team and continued as one of its major participants, with one of its important findings being the need for an organisation plan for the Greek Scouts movement in Sydney, resulting in a document named "Operational Plan" that has been printed into booklet form in March 2013.

He is the main instigator for the

LEFKOMA informative publication with important Scouting history and he was one of the main workers who ensured it came to its completion. He arranged for a Scout Presentation/ad to be shown on the Greek TV every night for three months free of charge including the making of the commercial.

In his life he is a capable person who delivers what he takes on as he is hard working, responsible, intelligent, well mannered and likeable person. He believes in the Aims of Scouting and particularly that with participation in the Greek Scout Groups the Australian born Greek Children will benefit to become even better Australians by learning about their culture of origin and the Greek Language.

He has some weaknesses though, such as his liking for golf, the theatre and the arts, travel, love for plants and animals, and the rest of those things...such as reading. He has been proposed and accepted by the Archdiocese to be appointed to the position of Commissioner for Greek Scouts and the Archbishop has given his blessing with pleasure.

In my mind he "lives" and "works". (This is a Greek expression "Zei kai ergazetai" that can be translated to "he does not only exist but he is a person who contributes to society").

I thank him for his contribution and wish him every success. I am bound by my word to assist him in all ways and cooperate with him, as I believe will all our Scout brothers and friends of Scouting.