

31st Greek Festival Of Sydney



Crete: 4000 Years in Art and Music

Over 100 people gathered into the St George Auditorium in celebration of the centenary of the official union of Greece and Crete with an event that highlighted and honoured Crete's cultural achievements over a period spanning 4000 years.

From the Minoan period to modern day Crete Dr Alfred Vincent presented a slide show of Art, accompanied with sample melodies of live music from the Byzantine period performed by Dimitri and Kyriaki Koubaroulis ending with a performance of contemporary Cretan music by Andonis Petrandonakis and Angelo Goutzios.

The Greek Festival of Sydney produced this event with the assistance of funding by Kogarah Council. The Mayor Cllr Nicholas Varvaris was present to express Kogarah Council's support in the efforts of the Greek Orthodox Communality of NSW in compiling such a varied quality program of events.



MARIA YIAKOULIS

@ The Alexander Project

The Empire music program of events, hosted in conjunction with the Greek Festival of Sydney and the Australian Museum continued on Thursday night with Maria Yiakoulis giving an exceptional performance to a small but eclectic audience who braved the wet weather to listen to Maria pay homage to Alexander the Great's legacy.

Her varied repertoire included everything from Thessaloniki mou megali ftoxomana (translates to Thessaloniki, great mother to the needy) to musicians and composers from Greece's north including Papazoglou.

The next event at the Australian Museum is the Tribute to Mitropanos with George Doukas and Friend on Friday 19th April. Tickets are selling fast.

