

# | Experiential Training |

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- ♦ Verse and prose
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- **♦ Theory and practice of ancient Greek theater**
- **♦ Teaching of Greek Dances**
- **♦** Acquaintance with classical athletics
- **♦** Greek History
- **♦** Greek Philosophy
- ♦ Correlation of Greek thought with other cultural traditions
- **♦ Mythos and Logos**
- Invited lectures by recognized personalities of modern Greece
- **Workshops Discussions**
- **Educational Excursions Tours**

# Thrace Treasury invites you

To a journey in Greek education and culture from the times of Homer until today.

The Greek culture is a culture of sight and light. It constitutes a rare and unique means for the meeting of mind with the heart. It leads us to an unlimited friendship and honor toward the stranger and reveals the human spirit and body as the places where an infinite beauty and vitality comes to being.

Thus, the culture and history of Greece belong to all mankind. Those who live this experience and bear this culture in the spirit and the heart, they feel as if they are servants of all the people and the human history.

They feel every human being as a friend and a brother, and experience the relationship with other people as a sacred one.

Words like truth, justice, freedom, city (polis) and democracy, beauty, love, kindness, pride, are the driving force of the Greek spirit, and bring out the essence of every human person as unique and unprecedented in the world's history.

These words capture the most important and precious values of the humanity and constitute a relic for every people and culture.

# **Greece International School of Culture**

"I'm delighted to welcome you today. This brotherhood that is being centered around Greece and the Greek culture -a culture that has always been universal,- is a great pleasure for me. This effort you attempt is the fraternity of peoples. Your presence shows that Greek culture has still not lost anything from its universality. You express a different world, the one we should create, not the one we have. You are the pioneers, at the forefront in this world.

You are the hope of this world, of peace and love. Because today people have forgotten the humanitarian ideals".

Karolos Papoulias, President of the Hellenic Republic



#### | About Us |

Thrace Treasury is a non-governmental, non-profit organization. It was founded in 1994 in Thrace by Greeks academics, artists, educators, businessmen, journalists, politicians and ordinary citizens who were inspired by the spirit of democracy, freedom, peace and the coexistence of creative people and cultures on national and international level. It aims at multicultural and intercultural communication of people from around the world through experiential and festive acquaintance with all forms of Greek culture such as language, poetry and literature, theater, singing, dancing, history and philosophy, athletics.

In this direction Thrace Treasury has developed highly innovative projects, being a pioneer in Greece and internationally. It has introduced in the wider Balkan and Greek - Mediterranean area the in-



stitution of International Summer Schools of Holistic and Experiential Greek Language Learning and Acquaintance with the Greek culture. It has designed and launched networks of educational, cultural and other support for vulnerable and disadvantaged social groups in Greece (minorities, immigrants, refugees, Roma). It has developed innovative programs of cultural and educational cross-border cooperation with agencies and institutions of Balkan and Mediterranean countries. It has designed and developed a pilot metho! d of holistic experiential linguistic education. It has designed and imple-



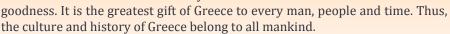
mented developmental cooperation projects in high-risk countries. It has produced a large number of cultural and educational television productions in cooperation with public television.

For this innovative pairing of art and culture through education, research, science and technology development, international cooperation and intercultural communication in Greece and internationally, Thrace Treasury has established long term cooperation with international and Greek public and private organizations, ministries (Education, Culture, Interior, Tourism, etc), government bodies, institutions and associations. Thrace Treasury is certified by ISO 9000:2001 and it is also a member of the Greek National Network of the Anna Lindh Foundation, recognized also by the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

#### | Philosophy of the Program |

Since Homer and earlier, and to the present day, a unique culture has survived in Greece. It is the culture of sight and light, which is a rare and unique "tool" for the meeting of the mind with the heart. It leads us to the unlimited friendship and honor toward the stranger and reveals the human spirit and body as the places where an infinite beauty and vitality comes to being. This culture enables a vast bright experience and an unforgettable truth that humanizes the world and the human being.

This experience is eminently festive and celebratory and materializes the unity of everything. It is a universal experience of eros, love and view of the real beauty and real





## | Purpose of the Program |

The purpose of the Program "Greece, International School of Culture" is to facilitate cross-cultural communication and meeting of people from around the world, through experiential acquaintance with the Greek language and Greek culture.

The Program "Greece, International School of Culture" seeks to communicate the Greek culture to every man who wishes to learn about Greece and its history. For this purpose, it invites every sensitive man from every spot on earth, to come to Greece and to live the Greek summer as a memorable and unique experience of his life.

#### | Objectives of the International Summer Schools |

- ♦ Greek language-learning through pilot holistic and experiential educational processes and methods
- ♦ Familiarity with the Greek culture
- ♦ Acquaintance with the classical athletics
- ♦ Initiation in ancient Greek drama and Greek dances
- ♦ Visits tours to historical sites
- ♦ Meetings with prominent Greeks from the fields of literature, arts and sports
- $\Diamond$  Opportunities for communication with internationally prominent Greek personalities of culture, art and sports

# | Brief History |

The International Summer School of Holistic Experiential acquaintance with the Greek language and culture were inaugurated in 1996 by the Thrace Treasury, in Ancient Avdera of Thrace, Democritus' homeland. They are implemented yearly (during the summer,) in Thrace and in other historical sites in Greece and are the spearhead of the Program "Greece, International School Culture." They are aiming at people of all ages coming from all over the world who want to explore Greece and its culture.



Since 1996 until today, 15 International Summer School s have been implemented on historic sites of Greece: Ancient Avdera in Thrace, Kastelorizo in Dodecanese - Eastern Aegean, Ancient Olympia in Peloponnese and Dion in Pieria, but also, abroad: Shiroka Lukka in southern Bulgaria, Alexandria and Cairo, in Egypt . In these Schools, a total of more than 3,000 students and young scientists from all over the world have participated.

#### | Indicative Daily Timetable |

07.30 - 09.00: Breakfast

09.00 - 10.30: Language teaching - Songs learning

10.45 - 12.15: Theater - Dance - Athletics

12.30 - 14.00: Philosophy - History (Lectures)

14.00 - 15.30: Lunch

15.30 - 19.30: Free time

19.30 - 21.00: Dinner

21.00 - 23.00: Evening celebrations



#### | Description of Educational Program |

- ♦ **Holistic method of language teaching**: Learning the Greek language through pilot and innovative tools of experiential training
- ♦ **Etymology of Greek language**: Philosophical and etymological analysis and origin of the Greek words
- ♦ **Verse and prose**: Familiarity with selected texts from ancient and modern Greek literature
- ♦ **Acquaintance with the Greek song**: Experiential teaching of songs and poems set to music
- ♦ **Theory and practice of ancient Greek theater**: Basic theoretical principles of the ancient theater and practical learning
- ♦ Greek Dances teaching: Learning rep! resentative dances from all over Greece
- ♦ Acquaintance with the classical athletics: Familiarity with the main classic sports and Olympic games
- ♦ Greek History: Elements of Greek history from Minoan times to date
- ♦ **Greek Philosoph**y: Presocratic Plato Aristotle
- ♦ Correlation of Greek thought with other cultures: Comparative approaches
- Mythos and Logos: Correlations in tragic poetry, religion and science
- Distinguished personalities from art, science, culture: Lectures and speeches
- ♦ Round tables: Workshops
- ♦ Educational excursions to historical sites and cultural attractions in Pieria





#### | Working language |

The working language of the school is English.

### | Venue - Accommodation |

The School will take place in Dion, in <u>Mediterranean Village</u> facilities. The Program covers full board (Mediterranean and Greek cuisine,) and ten nights accommodation in double rooms.



## | Honorary Organizing Committee |

Mimis Plessas, Composer

**Dimosthenis Tampakos**, Olympic winner (Gymnastics gold medal, Athens 2004)

**Aris Poulianos**, Professor of Anthropology

Kostas Karkanias, Chairman of the British Hellenic College

Kyriakos Gkouventas, Musician

#### | Scientific Committee |

**Lygeros Nikos**, Mathematician, PhD - Lyon University, Greek with the highest IQ index: 189 (Stanford-Binet scale)

**Vougiouklis Thomas**, Professor - Chairman, Department of Education - D.U.Th.

Kampaki Penelope, Professor of Linguistics, D.U.Th.

**Pavlos Georgios**, Professor of Physics and Philosophy, D.U.Th.

**Kakaras Ioannis**, Secondary Education Teacher, Director of Educational Programs

Pavlakos Georgios, General Secretary, O.D.E.G.

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**Emmanouilidis Daniel**, Secondary Education Teacher, MA Paedagogics, D.U.Th.

**Pavlos Panagiotis**, Language teacher, MA Philosophy - A.U.Th. Musician

Abraham Emiliani, Drama teacher

Karageorgou Angeliki, Dance teacher

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