ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 18th ACADEMIA HOMERICA

10-19/20 July 2015

The 18th Academia Homerica will take place from the 10th to 19th of July 2015, in Athens and on the island of Chios, with a visit to a nearby island.

Three programmes will be offered

- a) Students' Programme
- b) Scholars' / Hellenists' Programme
- c) Modern Greek Programme.

All participants are kindly invited to take part in the optional **Greek traditional dances** session in the afternoon.

The programme of visits and some lectures will be common to all.

General Information

July 10 Arrival of all participants in Athens. Stay at the Hotel Titania, 52 Panepistimiou Str. (between Syntagma and Omonia Square).

Dinner.

July 11 Visit to the Acropolis, the New Acropolis Museum and the National Archaeological Museum.

Lunch.

Departure to Chios by ship in the late afternoon.

July 12 Arrival in Chios and check-in at the Boarding House of the Aegean University and hotels.

Official opening of the Academia Homerica at the Homerion Cultural Centre.

- July 12-18 Lessons and lectures in the Homerion, various activities and trips: sightseeing visits to places in Chios town and island, e.g. the archaeological site of Emporio, the Mastic village of Pyrgi, Nea Moni, Volissos (supposed place of Homer's house), Daskalopetra (where, according to tradition, Homer taught)..., and other trips to a nearby island.
- July 19 Students' Presentations

Closing of the congress.

Departure for the Piraeus by ship in the evening.

July 20 Arrival at the Piraeus in the early morning and return to town by bus. (N.B. Participants are kindly requested not to book return flights before noon. Private direct return by bus/metro from Piraeus to the Airport is possible.)

Deadline for applications

Please submit your registration by May 10th, 2015 on the following website: www.euroclassica.eu > the Academia Homerica 2015 button in the horizontal banner > Registration.

Participation fees (for ALL participants; unfortunately no financial support from EUROCLASSICA is available).

500 EUROS (this covers full board in Athens and Chios in mostly double/triple rooms*, ship tickets, and all excursions). Flight tickets to and from Athens are not included. No money can be reimbursed for flight tickets.

* N.B. A list of the hotels can be sent to the participants wishing to book a room at their own expense; please contact Christine Haller for more information.

Bank Details for transfers

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N.B. Participants who need a **visa** (Eastern European countries, South America, etc.) must **apply as soon as possible** to arrange for their official invitation and receive their visa on time.

Professors and students must have their **University or school identity card** for free/reduced entrance fee to the museums and archaeological sites.

All participants should also have valid **travel and health insurance** for their stay in Greece.

Final information about the programme, bus, metros and the hotel in Athens will be sent by the end of June.

a) Students' Programme

- Students will attend their lectures and lessons mainly at the Homerion Cultural Centre in Chios (and in different places on the excursion days).
- The programme also contains educational tours and visits together with the participants of other sessions.
- The programme will be directed by **Dr. Astrid Eitel** (CH).

Participant Profile and Pre-requisites

The sessions are geared towards those who have previously been exposed to Ancient Greek; whether High-School students, university students, Graduates or Post-graduates, either as a supplement to their studies, a refresher or for the simple pleasure of it.

Goals

- The improvement of translation skills
- A greater familiarization with morphology, epic form and tradition
- An examination of the cultural, social and historic contexts of Homeric verse.

Course Outline for AH 2015: Homer, Iliad Γ (Book 3)

All participants who have sent their e-mail address to Dr. Astrid Eitel (astrid.eitel@gmail.com) will have received prior to the start of the session:

- a relevant list of vocabulary with English translations
- a rudimentary grammar

a copy of the original text to be worked on with commentary in English.

Students should bring printed copies of these with them to Greece. It will be useful if they also bring with them a translation of the *Iliad* into their own language.

In class parsing and translation (in mother tongue or English)

- 1) individual translation work aided by appointed instructor
- 2) correction, elaboration and discussion

In class full group discussion session in English

- 1) Contextualization of translated passage (-s) within the Epic, historical-cultural and archeological background
- 2) Aspects of the Epic as interpreted and applied through history and modern/contemporary linguistic and cultural analyses and adaptations in the Arts and Sciences.

Duration

Approximately 40 hours of class within the 10 day period (3-5 hours/day)

b) Scholars' / Hellenists' Session

Scholars and Hellenists can attend the programme of lectures on the theme *Homer in the World*. Lectures will be given by Members of Academies, Professors of Universities, and others, principally in Modern Greek (possibly with English summaries), but also in English, French or in any other language provided that an English summary can be handed out.

Some general lectures will be common to all participants.

The programme also contains educational tours and visits together with the participants of the other sessions.

N.B. Participants who wish to give a lecture in the Scholars' / Hellenists' Programme are kindly requested to communicate the topic and the language in which it will be given to Dr. Maria-Eleftheria Giatrakou. They must also send an English summary of the lecture to be photocopied and handed out, and a brief CV.

c) Modern Greek Programme

This programme will be devoted to **Modern Greek language**, with intensive courses morning and afternoon, under the direction of qualified professors.

All participants of this session will participate with the other ones in educational tours and visits as well.

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