

HELLENIC AMERICAN WOMEN'S COUNCIL

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**Bicentennial Celebration of Greek Independence
1821-2021**

Honoring Hellenic Heroines

June 26-27-28, 2021

Spetses, Greece

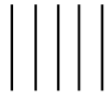
Anargyrios & Korgialenios Foundation Estate



Η Ελλάδα στα ερείπια του Μεσολογγίου – Ευγένιος Ντελακρουά

Χαίρε, ω χაίρε ελευθεριά!

Dionysios Solomos, National Poet



Program

Saturday, June 26, 2021

Dress Code Casual

12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Registration and Welcome Reception

Guest Speaker: Petros Petrakopoulos, President of Anargyrios & Korgialenios Foundation Estate (“Anargyrios”)

Followed by Tour of the Estate

<https://akss.gr/main/en/>

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Beach Lounging, Swimming, and Water Sports - *Optional/Self Pay*

Kaiki Beach Club at the Anargyrios

<https://www.facebook.com/KaikiBeach>

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Welcome Dinner

Kaiki Beach Club

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ANxHkC8KPo8&t=11s>

<https://www.greeka.com/saronic/spetses/>

8:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Laskarina Bouboulina Museum Tour

Guest Speaker: Paul Demertzis-Bouboulis, Bouboulina’s Great-grandson
Bouboulina Museum

A visit to Bouboulina’s Museum reveals the fascinating story of the heroine of the 1821 Greek Revolution for Independence, who until recently had the honor of being the only female Admiral in world Naval history. It also astounds with titbits of information, such as the links between Bouboulina, the Great Powers, the Tsar of Russia, blockade-running, and the 16-year-old Bavarian king of Greece, and of course not forgetting that Bouboulina is mentioned in a book by Jules Verne! During the tour of the mansion, visitors may admire collections of weapons, old books, porcelains, documents and letter, paintings and models of warships, the heroine’s personal items, embroidery, Byzantine icons, furniture, and the stunning carved ceiling from Florence in the grand salon of the mansion.



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8:30 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.

Wine Soirée

Welcoming Remarks: Mr. Panayiotis Lyrakis, Mayor of Spetses
Including Local Honored Guests from “Spetses 2021”
Mosaic Courtyard of Laskarina Bouboulina Museum.



9:00 p.m. – 9:45 p.m.

Traditional Greek Dance Performance by the Renowned Lykeion Ellinidon (Λυκειον Ελληνιδων)

Mosaic Courtyard of Laskarina Bouboulina Museum.

<https://lykeionellinidon.com/> In Greek

http://www.lykeionellinidon.gr/index_en.html In English



Watch it Virtually at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jo016neVcul>

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Sunday, June 27, 2021

Dress Code Business Casual

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Breakfast
Anargyrios

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Conference Blessing and Memorial Service for Laskarina, Manto, and Despina
Father Gregorios Nanakoudis Three Hierarchs Little Church at Anargyrios



10:35 a.m. – 10:40 am.

Welcoming Remarks

Ms. Cathleen Carothers, Consul General at the U.S. Embassy
Mrs. Evgenia Frangias, Deputy Mayor of Spetses
Including Local Honored Guests from “Spetses 2021”

10:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Panel Discussion: Hellenic Heroines – Laskarina Bouboulina, Manto Mavrogenous, Despina Achladioti, Lady of Ro



Laskarina Bouboulina

Bouboulina from the island of Spetses was a preeminent heroine of the 1821 Revolution for Independence: Owned a successful merchant fleet, built the largest Greek fighting ship, captured the fortress of Nafplion, saved hundreds of harem women, was the first woman admiral in the world, and served as an international diplomat. Extraordinary for a grandmother in the 1820s.

https://youtu.be/l8Jvm8ebu_M



Manto Mavrogenous

Manto from the island of Mykonos was a fierce heroine of the 1821 Revolution for Independence: Skillful leader, won many battles, led military expeditions in Europe, spent her entire fortune for the revolution, and was an Honorary Lieutenant General. It was largely her fiery personality that convinced the Turks to retreat from Mykonos.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TS3byHUl9LI>



Despina Achladioti, Lady of Ro

The Lady of Ro, Despina Achladioti, was from the island of Kastellorizo. For 55 years (1927-1982), daily, she raised and lowered the Greek flag on the remote island of Ro, a stone's throw away from the Turkish coast. For her daily act of patriotism and her spirit of pride and determination Despina was buried on the island with full military honors.

<https://youtu.be/wtlKHBILTO0>

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Speakers



Mr. Pavlos Demertzis-Bouboulis. A 6th generation descendant of the Greek revolutionary heroine Laskarina Bouboulina will speak about his grandmother, Laskarina. He is the Director of the Bouboulina Museum in Spetses and a graduate of the Business School at the University of Glasgow, Scotland.



Dr. Annita Prassa. Historian specializing in Greek History of 19th & 20th centuries will speak about Manto Mavrogenous. Research interests include history of Greek and European Education, Greek Enlightenment, and Greek Revolution. Has written 7 books.



Ms. Fotini Baxevani. Acclaimed Greek actress, and HAWC Member, will talk about Despina Achladioti, the Lady of Ro. During the evening, she will perform "The Lady of Ro" and transform into Despina, the patriotissa who became a national legend.

Watch it Virtually at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n-NC9awPyLQ>

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Lunch

"Fish a la Spetiota" The Specialty Food of Spetses



Aristeon Award Ceremony

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.



Prof. Giannis Chrysoulakis
The Secretary General for Public Diplomacy and Greeks Abroad
Hellenic Republic Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Prof. Chrysoulakis will introduce Stella Kokolis.



Stella Kokolis
Keynote Speaker and Aristeon Award Honoree
Educator & Philanthropist

Stella Kokolis, a HAWC co-founder, is widely known as a preeminent community leader, educator, and humanitarian in the United States and abroad. Stella nurtures the values of Greek language and culture, and she has kept them alive for thousands of people. Stella continues to kindle the light of Hellenic education for more than 50 years.

Watch it Virtually at:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6906039126>

8:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Lady of Ro: Fotini Baxevasi Theatrical Performance:
The story is written by Gianni Skaragas and directed by Stavros Litinas.
A 75-minute soliloquy in Greek that will amaze and leave you in awe.
Anargyrios Outdoor Ancient Style Amphitheater



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Monday, June 28, 2021

Dress Code Casual

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Breakfast
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11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Guided Tour of Mexi Mansion and Saint Nicholas Cathedral and Museum

Father Gregorios Nanakoudis

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Lunch – *Optional/Self Pay and HAWC Hosted*

Guest Speaker: Eleni Boukoura Altamura of Spetses, the 1st Woman Artist of Independent Greece, by Miroula Koubi.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eleni_Boukoura-Altamura



Self Portrait of Eleni Boukoura, Born 1821, Spetses

Νερό Της Αγάπης (Water of Love) Restaurant

<https://ntarestaurant.com/>

7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Drinks and Maria Callas – *Optional/Self Pay and HAWC Hosted*

Guest Speaker: Liana Scourles, President of Maria Callas Greek Society

<http://www.mariacallasgreekociety.com/>

Blueberry Restaurant Veranda

<https://blueberryspetses.gr>

9:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Farewell Dinner

Anargyrios

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Tuesday, June 29, 2021

Dress Code Casual

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Breakfast
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Rest of the Day

Explore on Your Own - Optional/Self Pay

**Try the Famous Almond Marzipans Known as
“Amygdalota”**

<https://www.klimishotel.gr/en/pastry-shop-w-64425>

<https://www.facebook.com/Politis.Spetses/>

Go Shopping at Dapia (Town Center)

<https://www.facebook.com/tina.cowanmytilinaiou>

Cruise Around Spetses and Near-By Islands

<https://www.spetsescruising.com/spetses/>

Horse Carriage Ride along the Sea

Evening

**Check-out from the Anargyrios &
Korgialenios Foundation Estate**

