

THE HELLENIC INSTITUTE

Memory and Harmony: An evening celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Hellenic Institute, Royal Holloway, University of London with Bettany Hughes and Panayiotis Gogos at the Hellenic Centre

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Dear Friends,

I would like to thank those of you who, in response to my last message, kindly renewed their subscription and made donations, which is deeply appreciated.

As mentioned previously, we will be celebrating our **25**th **Anniversary** in the next academic year with a number of special events, to which you are warmly invited. The first event will take place at the <u>Hellenic Centre</u>, 16-18 Paddington Street, London W1U 5AS on Thursday **30 November 2017** at 7.00 pm. As part of the event, the well-known historian, author and presenter **Dr Bettany Hughes** will give a lecture entitled *The study of Hellenism*, to be followed by a concert, under the theme *Metamorphoses*, with the celebrated Greek pianist **Panayiotis Gogos** (please see short information on their work below, p. 2). The lecture and concert will be followed by a **Reception**.

There is no charge for those who will be attending but donations are invited for the Hellenic Institute (£15 per person is suggested while further donations would be most welcome).

This is likely to be a popular event and for this reason it is essential that places are booked in advance by preferably donating on the link below or by writing to me at the address below if donating by cheque.

We look forward to seeing you, your friends and family on this special occasion.

On behalf of The Hellenic Institute may I express once more our warmest thanks for your continued support.

Charalambos Dendrinos

Director, The Hellenic Institute

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Memory



DR BETTANY HUGHES is an award-winning historian, author and broadcaster, who has devoted the last 25 years to the vibrant communication of the past. Her speciality is ancient and medieval history and culture. A Scholar at Oxford University, she has taught at Oxford and Cambridge Universities and lectured at Cornell, Bristol, UCL, Maastricht, Utrecht and Manchester. She is a Tutor for Cambridge University's Institute of Continuing Education and a Research Fellow of King's College, London. Her first book, Helen of Troy: Goddess, Princess, Whore, has been translated into ten languages. Her second, The Hemlock Cup,

Socrates, Athens and the Search for the Good Life, was a New York Times bestseller and was shortlisted for the Writer's Guild Award. She has written and presented over 50 TV and radio documentaries for the BBC, Channel 4, Discovery, PBS, The History Channel, National Geographic and ITV. Her programmes have now been seen by over 250 million worldwide. In 2010, she was given a Special Award for services to Hellenic Culture and Heritage. More information on Bettany's biography and work can be found on her website https://bettanyhughes.co.uk

Harmony



PANAYIOTIS GOGOS has given numerous concerts throughout Europe since graduating with honours in piano and counterpoint in 1998. He worked in Athens with the great pianist and Tchaikovsky Conservatory professor Valery Sagaidachny. After that he continued his piano and chamber music studies under Professor Thérèse Dussaut at the Toulouse Conservatory, whence he graduated in 2004 with the "Prix de Perfectionnement". PANAYIOTIS GOGOS has given numerous concerts throughout Europe since graduating with honours in piano and counterpoint in 1998.

As a postgraduate he studied intensively in Athens with the great pianist and Tchaikovsky Conservatory professor Valery Sagaidachny. After that he continued his piano and chamber music studies under Professor Thérèse Dussaut at the Toulouse Conservatory, graduating in 2004 with the "Prix de Perfectionnement". Gogos then spent three years at the famous artists' residence "Cité Internationale des Arts" in Paris. Since then he has performed widely as an "Ambassador of the Music of Chopin", a title conferred by the Polish Ministry of Culture. More information on Panayiotis can be found on his website www.panayiotisgogos.com. His programme on 30 November opens with a series of Liszt transcriptions of works by Schubert, Der Atlas, Der Müller und der Bach, Liebesbotschaft, Aufenthalt, Der Doppelgänger, Erikönig; and by Schumann, Frühlingsnacht, Widmung; it concludes with Chopin's Scherzo No 2.