

# MELITZAZZ 2022 REUNION

Thursday 7 - Sunday 10 July

Leonidio Arcadia



## PROGRAM OF EVENTS



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**ΠΕΡΙΦΕΡΕΙΑ ΠΕΛΟΠΟΝΝΗΣΟΥ**





Two years of absence.

Two years of longing.

As if all the lost joy, celebration and experience of the two years of the pandemic, has gathered, grew and become both anticipation and need.

Melitzazz Festival returns this year to the alleys and squares of Leonidio, it also opens and visits the 200-year-old mansions and tower houses and organizes tours with joy, mood and liveliness. Finally it takes pleasure in concerts of traditional and contemporary music, works of contemporary art, exhibitions, cinema, workshops, games, tours, information days and, of course, local flavors and treats based on Tsakonian eggplant, in a big reunion for all of us.

### Thursday July 7th

#### «Young Greek creators»

Choral event - concert

**20:45 @ Fabrica of Culture**

The three-part mixed Adult Choir of South Kynouria cooperates with the Choir of North Kynouria, in presenting favorite songs from contemporary Greek creators, conducted by Stavros Koutivas.

#### «Weaving the words»

**20:00 @ Old High School**

Opening of contemporary visual arts activities by Maria Varela.

#### «Lake - paintings made in Leonidio»

**20:00 @ Tsikalioti Tower**

Opening of contemporary painting exhibition artist, Christian Lake Wahle, on the ground floor of the Tsikalioti Tower.

#### «Icarus and Daedalus" (2022)»

Cine-Melitzazz

**21:30 @ Tsouchlou Mansion**

The young Minotaur is captured by Theseus in a secret labyrinth made by architect and inventor Daedalus. Icarus, the craftsman's son and Minotaur's friend, is determined to set him free.

#### Amorosa ensemble

Concert

**21.30 @ Mitropolis Square**

The human voice, the violin, the zither and the lute compose a brackish soundscape. The songs are expressed creatively, spelled by the past and the smell of today's music reality.

The Amorosa ensemble, are four people full of love for traditional music, who wink at us, tune in and sweep us away.

### Friday, July 8th

#### «Mediterranean "Spizaetos" Eagle»

Presentation

**20:45 @ Information Centre for the Flora of Mount Parnon (former Primary Schol of Vaskina)**

Board game and painting and crafts workshop on the theme of Spizaetos – one of the most dynamic eagles of Greece- and the birds of prey, which are now threatened with extinction.

Organization: Management Unit of Protected Regions of South Peloponnese & Hellenic Ornithological Society

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### **The Storyville ragtimers**

Concert

**21:15 @ Ourani Square**

The band was formed in 2015 and their common reference was the musicians' love for New Orleans and early 20th century music (Dixieland, Ragtime, Blues). "Storyville" is the famous New Orleans neighborhood where jazz was born, where the bands of the parades played along with the Mississippi riverboat bands. The band is influenced by Louis Armstrong, Jelly Roll Morton, Bix Beiderbecke, Eddie Lang, Fats Waller, Original Dixieland Jazz Band etc.

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### **«AINBO: Spirit of the Amazon" (2021), Peru»**

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**21:30 @ Tsouchlou Mansion**

In the spirit of Moana and Frozen, 'Ainbo - Spirit of the Amazon' is the epic journey of a young hero and her Spirit Guides, "Dillo" a cute and humorous armadillo and "Vaca" a goofy oversized tapir, who embark on a quest to save their home in the spectacular Amazon Rainforest.

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### **Idra Kayne x MCD**

Concert

**22:45 @ Strofi (former City Hall)**

Greek soul funk queen, Idra Kayne, is coming with producer MCD, Dimitris Kritikos with a summery mood to offer us a cool and carefree evening with

pop, soul, funk, r&b, jazz, disco and hip-hop vibes. Idra's many years of experience in music scenes and musicals, her 2 albums and her continuous presence in mainstream, pop and jazz radio foreshadow a distinct appearance.

Dimitris MCD Kritikos, DJ-music producer, influenced the evolution of music in GREECE. In 1992, aged 19, he created with Michalis Mytakides the band ACTIVE MEMBER, while his personal works and productions are heard on radios and clubs in Greece and abroad.

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### **DJ set**

**24:00 @ Leonidio main street**

Dance music transforms the central Leonidio street in a large outdoor bar.

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## **Saturday, July 10th**

### **«Koithinachi"»**

Basket weaving workshop

**10:00 @ Old High School**

Koithinatsi means basket in Tsakonian dialect. In the workshop we experiment with the basket weaving craft. Participants create their own basket using the pages of the dictionary of the Tsakonian dialect as their main material.

Instructor: Maria Varela.

Hours: 10.00 (start) to 15.00. Ages: 15 - 95 years.

Registration at [melitzazz.festival@gmail.com](mailto:melitzazz.festival@gmail.com)

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### **«το φατέ π' εχάτε»**

Tsakonian treasure game

**19.00 @ 25 Martiou Square, start**

A relic of rare historical value is sought at Leonidio! Riddles and tests in the Tsakonian dialect which are hidden in separate locations, lead to the treasure.

An Augmented Reality Game - Pirates VsTourists! Portable devices and the help of the Explorers are you allies!

For ages 12 to 112!

Planning-organization: Group "Tsakoni Meletitade" (Tsakonian Scholars)

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**«THE 3 PIGSLETS and THE BIG BAD WOLF;»**

Puppet theater

**20:30 Fabrica cultural centre**

The Strigles art team presents a funny version of the well-known fairy tale that comes to life with handmade dolls and original accessories, highlighting the values of love and friendship and creating feelings of surprise, joy and excitement!

Is there a bad wolf? Or does it lie in our imagination?

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**Coslee  
Concert**

**21:15 @ Merikaki Square**

A different musical journey from Coslee, a talented musician who relies on improvisation both in the music as well as the lyrics, creating one uniquely fresh mix with conscious hip-hop, lo-fi, jazz/blues elements. He doesn't identify himself as a rapper, since his first love for music was the blues.

Even from his first album he demonstrates lyrical and musical maturity. Coslee is "nothing else rather than a man trying to figure out who he is" through his passion for music.

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**Alcedo folk band**

Concert

**22:45 @ 25 Martiou Square**

**SONGS FROM COUNTRIES WITHOUT BORDERS**

According to Greek mythology, Alcedo, Alcione, was the beautiful daughter of King Aeolus. Music colors like the wings of Alcione, a new sound and bold suggestions in familiar and unfamiliar songs originating from popular musics of the world, melodies that route back to Vassilis Tsitsanis and to Johann Sebastian Bach, music journey from Thrace to Ireland and from Israel to Balkans, even where the Ottoman "longa" meets the "cantatas" of the Middle Ages and the Renaissance. All the above blend into the Alcedo Folk Band world, where music has its origins but no borders.

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**Sydney, July 10th**

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**«Magnetic Fields»**

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**21:30 @ Tsouchlou Mansion**

Greek film by George Gousis (2021).

Elena and Antonis meet by chance on the ferry to Kefalonia and they start an unexpected wandering around the island, in searching for the right place to bury one metallic box.

Six awards at the Thessaloniki International Film Festival and seven nominations for the Iris Prize of the Hellenic Academy of Cinema.

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**Vasia Vougiouklis trio**

Concert

**21:45 @ 28 Oktovriou Square**

With "oud and soul", Vasia Vougioukli and her team take us on a music journey from East to West. Their music balances between the Smyrna song, jazz and contemporary music creation. With strong melodies, jazz fusion and subversive mood they combine tradition with the present. Vasia is a singer, musician, choreographer and oud player with studies in Byzantine music. To her "oud is Love".

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**PARALLEL EVENTS**

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**Weaving the words**

@ Old High School

Visual actions of contemporary art by Maria Varela.

How does the weave of the tongue intersect with the language of fabric? Two versions of the Tsakonian culture, the weaving on a vertical loom and the Tsakonian dialect, meet in the creation of three artistic actions. Maria Varela, through

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	<p>successive meetings and workshops with women of Leonidio, weave together a woven textile. The main material is the pages of the Tsakonian dictionary and from there the traditional decoration is faithfully followed.</p> <p>The artist also presents a visual installation in the area of the Old Middle School on the subject of the patterns of the Tsakonian weaving and the way they survived through the generations.</p> <p>She reexamines their imprint on today by encoding the entanglements and the colors.</p>
<p><b>Lake - paintings made in Leonidio</b>  <i>Painting exhibition</i>  <i>@ Pyrgos Tsikalioti</i></p>	<p>Exhibition of contemporary paintings by the German artist Christian -Lake- Wahle.</p> <p>The exhibition presents paintings on canvas and wood, with different themes and techniques, which he created during the latter five years in Leonidio and Pragmatefti village.</p> <p>Christian was born in East Berlin in 1979. He is a painter and graffiti creator, he has directed documentaries, has published illustrated books, while he has exhibited his work in many countries in Europe, Canada, Mexico and Chile.</p>
<p><b>Exhibition of Mount Parnon and Maleas Cape Biosphere Reserve</b>  <i>@ Old High School</i></p>	<p>Exhibition regarding the Biosphere Reserve with main goal to inform, educate and promote related actions. The subject matter focuses on the value of protected areas and the Agency's role in the protection, management and education so that everyone gets to know the biosphere of the area.</p>
<p><b>Tsakonic loom weaving</b>  <i>@ Tsouchlou Mansion</i></p>	<p>Exhibition of carpets of Tsakonian weaving. Carpet creation workshop from local weavers..</p>
<p><b>Fabrica permanent exhibition</b>  <i>@ Fabrica Cultural Center</i></p>	<p>Guided tours of the Fabrica's permanent exhibition on Tsakonic history and tradition..</p>
<p><b>Architecture exhibition</b>  <i>@ Tsikaliotis Tower</i></p>	<p>Guided tours of the permanent exhibition of Tsakonian architecture.</p>
<p><b>The flora of Mount Parnon</b>  <i>@ Information Centre for the Flora of Mount Parnon (former Primary Schol of Vaskina.</i></p>	<p>Guided tours of the "Information Center for the flora of Mount Parnon, in the former Primary School of Vaskina.</p>
<p><b>Tsakonian stand market</b>  <i>@ Stand area</i></p>	<p>Exhibition of local and traditional products, flavors and treats. Market of various products, books, jewelry, crafts, etc.</p>
<p><b>Climbing wall</b>  <i>@ Fabrica Cultural Center</i></p>	<p>Climbing wall for our little friends with background Red Rock overlooking Leonidio, which is a famous climbing destination all over the world.</p>