

## **INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM DAY AND EUROPEAN NIGHT OF MUSEUMS, 2015**

The Department of Antiquities (Ministry of Transport, Communications and Works) and the Cyprus National Committee of the International Council of Museums (ICOM) announce that 20 Museums will be participating in this year's celebrations of International Museum Day (18 May) and of the European Night of Museums (16 May) with a variety of events. The theme of this year's International Museum Day is "Museums for a Sustainable Society", which invites us to explore the relationship between sustainable development and culture. More specifically, the theme stresses the role that museums play in the development and the raising of awareness around issues relating to environmental and social sustainability. Museums are inextricably linked to the notion of sustainability since they collect, protect, study, interpret and exhibit the traces of the human and natural world around us. At the same time, museums act as dynamic sources for the construction of identities, the building of the sense of 'belonging' and the improvement of the quality of our lives.

Through their permanent and special exhibitions, their educational programmes, the continuous study of their collections, various forms of field work and publications, museums continuously produce new knowledge which contributes towards, amongst other things, the improvement of the quality of our lives and the more effective protection of the natural environment.

The events organised this year are the following:

<p><b>THURSDAY, 14 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>Bank of Cyprus Cultural Foundation</u></b></p> <p align="center">(86-90 Phaneromenis Street, 1011 Lefkosia within the walls, tel.: 22128157, <a href="http://www.boccf.org">www.boccf.org</a>)</p> <p><b>19:30</b> Lecture titled “<i>Creativity Through Animation and Stop Motion</i>”, by acclaimed artist-animator Rony Oren (in collaboration with the Embassy of Israel in Cyprus).</p>
<p><b>FRIDAY, 15 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>Local Museum of Kourion</u></b></p> <p align="center">(Episkopi village, tel.: 25932453)</p> <p><b>18:30-19:30</b> Guided Tour of the Museum by Archaeological Officers of the Department of Antiquities</p> <p><b>19:30-19:40</b> Welcome address by the President of the Episkopi Local Council and the Director of the Department of Antiquities</p> <p><b>19:45-20:00</b> Lecture titled “<i>Episkopi of Limassol and the house of the Cornaro-Piscopia</i>” (delivered in Greek), by Nasa Patapiou, historian-researcher, Cyprus Research Centre.</p> <p><b>20:00-20:45</b> Concert by <i>Pandouris</i> group. Tribute to Mikis Theodorakis and Manos Hadjidakis. Christiana Pavlou: vocals, with the participation of the Episkopi choir.</p> <p align="center">Organisers: Department of Antiquities &amp; Episkopi Local Council.</p>

<p><b>FRIDAY, 15 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p><b><u>Thalassa Agia Napa Municipal Museum</u></b></p> <p><b>(14 Kryou Nerou Street, Agia Napa, tel.: 23816366, <a href="http://www.thalassamuseum.org.cy">www.thalassamuseum.org.cy</a>)</b></p> <p><b>8:15-13:15</b> «Στην Αγία Νάπα τη Θαλασσοφιλήτη. Καράβι άνοιξε πανιά». Educational Program in collaboration with the Ministry of Education and Culture.</p> <p><b>19:30</b> Opening of art exhibition “<i>Earth and Sea</i>” with paintings by Cypriot artists.</p>
<p><b>FRIDAY, 15 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p><b><u>Bank of Cyprus Cultural Foundation</u></b></p> <p><b>(86-90 Phaneromenis Street, Lefkosia within the walls, tel.: 22128157, <a href="http://www.boccf.org">www.boccf.org</a>)</b></p> <p><b>18:00</b> Workshop “<i>Claymation Character Design Workshop</i>” by acclaimed artist-animator Rony Oren. The workshop will explore the notion of art as a therapeutic tool (in collaboration with the Embassy of Israel in Cyprus). *</p> <p>* Booking required, tel.: 22128157</p>
<p><b>FRIDAY, 15 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p><b><u>The A.G. Leventis Gallery</u></b></p> <p><b>(5 Anastasios G. Leventis Street, Lefkosia, tel.: 22668838, <a href="http://www.leventisgallery.org">www.leventisgallery.org</a>)</b></p> <p>“<i>A Night at the Museum</i>” – an unforgettable night-time adventure for children aged 10-12*</p> <p>* Booking required, tel.: 22668838 (ext. 100) or <a href="mailto:info@leventisgallery.org">info@leventisgallery.org</a></p>

<p><b>SATURDAY &amp; SUNDAY 16 &amp; 17 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Hambis Printmaking Museum</u></b></p> <p><b>10:00-13:00 &amp; 16:00-18:00</b> Exhibition of prints by Frixos Papandoniou.</p> <p>Parallel event: lecture and printmaking workshop using lino-cut, delivered by the artist.*</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*For more information tel.: 25222772</p>
<p><b>SATURDAY, 16 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Cyprus Museum</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(1 Museum Street, Lefkosia, tel.: 22865854, <a href="http://www.mcw.gov.cy/da">www.mcw.gov.cy/da</a>)</p> <p><b>9:00-17:00</b> The Cyprus Museum will be open with free admission.</p> <p><b>11:00 &amp; 15:30</b> Guided tours by Archaeological Officers of the Department of Antiquities</p>
<p><b>SATURDAY, 16 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Ethnological Museum (The Hadjgeorgakis Kornesios Mansion)</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(20 Patriarchou Gregoriou Street, Lefkosia within the walls, tel.: 22305316, <a href="http://www.mcw.gov.cy/da">www.mcw.gov.cy/da</a>)</p> <p><b>18:00 &amp; 19:00</b> Guided tours by Archaeological Officers of the Department of Antiquities.</p> <p><b>18:30-19:30</b> Storytelling and music for children and adults with <i>Paramythies</i> (in Greek).</p> <p><b>20:00-22:30</b> Live music with <i>The Amalgamation Project</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Reception in the Museum gardens</p>

<p><b>SATURDAY, 16 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>The Pancyprian Gymnasium Museums</u></b></p> <p align="center">(Agiou Ioannou and Thiseos Strs., Lefkosia -next to the Pancyprian Gymnasium- tel.: 22466014, <a href="mailto:pgmuseum@cytanet.com.cy">pgmuseum@cytanet.com.cy</a>)</p> <p><b>9:00-19:00</b> The Pancyprian Gymnasium Museums will be open with free admission.  <b>16:00 &amp; 17:00</b> Guided tours in Greek  <b>18:00</b> Guided tour in English</p>
<p><b>SATURDAY, 16 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>Cyprus Folk Art Museum</u></b></p> <p align="center">(Arch. Kyprianos Sq., Lefkosia within the walls, tel.: 22432578, <a href="http://www.cypriotstudies.org">www.cypriotstudies.org</a>, <a href="mailto:cypriotstudies@gmail.com">cypriotstudies@gmail.com</a>)</p> <p align="center">Opening Hours: 9:00-21:00</p> <p align="center"><b>10:30, 12:30 &amp; 17:00</b> Guided tours in Greek</p> <p align="center"><b>11:30 &amp; 16:00</b> Guided tours in English</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Revival of traditional Cypriot handicrafts in collaboration with the Cyprus Handicraft Service</li> <li>● Exhibitions</li> <li>● Presentation on the conservation of Museum artefacts</li> <li>● Workshop “Recycling through Tradition”</li> <li>● Workshop “Needle embroidery and Crochet”</li> <li>● Cypriot fairytales (Greek)</li> <li>● Handicraft workshop for children</li> <li>● Cypriot traditional games</li> <li>● Taste traditional Cypriot delicacies</li> </ul>

	<p>Booking in advance required for the workshops  Contact tel.: <b>22432578</b> and <a href="mailto:cypriotstudies@gmail.com">cypriotstudies@gmail.com</a></p>
<b>SATURDAY, 16 MAY 2015</b>	<p><b><u>Bank of Cyprus Cultural Foundation</u></b>  <b>(86-90 Phaneromenis Street, Lefkosia within the walls, tel.: 22128157, <a href="http://www.boccf.org">www.boccf.org</a>)</b></p> <p><b>10:00</b> Educational program for families “<i>From Fruitopia to the island of Fireworks. An amazing journey to the magical worlds of Eugene Trivizas</i>”, organized within the framework of the homonymous exhibition *</p> <p><b>12:00</b> Reading of children’s book «<i>Συναχωμένος κόκορας</i>», Eugene Trivizas</p> <p>*Booking required, tel.: 22128157. Limited spaces available.</p>
<b>SATURDAY, 16 MAY 2015</b>	<p><b><u>The A.G. Leventis Gallery</u></b>  <b>(5 Anastasios G. Leventis Street, Lefkosia, tel.: 22668838, <a href="http://www.leventisgallery.org">www.leventisgallery.org</a>)</b></p> <p><b>12:00-14:00</b> “<i>2 hours with Love Radio</i>”, live link with Tasos Tryphonos</p> <p>“<i>Rediscovering the Leventis Gallery</i>”: special guided tours by the Director and the Gallery’s personnel.</p>

<p><b>SATURDAY, SUNDAY &amp; MONDAY 16, 17&amp;18 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p><b><u>Hambis Municipal Museum of Printmaking</u></b> (under construction) <b>(55, 57 &amp; 59 Ammochostou Street, Lefkosia within the walls)</b></p> <p><b>19:00</b> “<i>Fortounatos the Cypriot</i>” (in Greek)</p> <p>Narration through prints (woodcuts). A theatrical performance by <i>Fantastico Teatro</i>. (Director: Magdalena Zera, Artistic direction: Dimitris Alithinos &amp; Yiorgos Tsangaris). Duration: 1 hour.*</p> <p>*Booking required, tel.: 97626798</p>
<p><b>SUNDAY, 17 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p><b><u>Local Archaeological Museum of Palaipafos</u></b> <b>(Kouklia, tel.: 26432155, <a href="http://www.mcw.gov.cy/da">www.mcw.gov.cy/da</a> )</b></p> <p><b>11:00-12:00</b> Guided tour of the Museum and the Archaeological Site of the Sanctuary of Aphrodite by an Archaeological Officer of the Department of Antiquities.</p> <p><b>12:00-14:00</b> Live music and reception in the Museum garden.</p> <p>Organisers: Department of Antiquities, Cultural Movement ex-Artis, Pafos 2017 &amp; Kouklia Community Council.</p>

<p><b>SUNDAY, 17 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>The Leventis Municipal Museum of Nicosia</u></b></p> <p align="center"><b>(15-17 Hippokratous Street, Laiki Geitonia, Lefkosia within the walls, tel.: 22661475, <a href="http://www.leventismuseum.org.cy">www.leventismuseum.org.cy</a>)</b></p> <p><b>10:30-12:00:</b> Educational program (for families with children aged 7-11). An educational, interactive journey into the history of Lefkosia, through exciting museum activities*</p> <p>*Booking required, tel: 22661475 (ext.106) or <a href="mailto:education@leventismuseum.org.cy">education@leventismuseum.org.cy</a></p> <p><b>11:00-14:00:</b> Presentation of <i>pipila</i>-lace making. Within the framework of the exhibition entitled “<i>Printed Scarves and the Last Scarf Maker</i>” a craftswoman of the Cyprus Handicraft Service will present the craft of decorating a printed scarf with <i>pipilla</i>-lace.</p> <p><b>11:30-12:30:</b> Special guided tour of the exhibition “<i>Printed Scarves and the Last Scarf Maker</i>”.</p>
<p><b>SUNDAY, 17 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>Thalassa Agia Napa Municipal Museum</u></b></p> <p align="center"><b>(14 Kryou Nerou Street, Agia Napa, tel.: 23816366, <a href="http://www.thalassamuseum.org.cy">www.thalassamuseum.org.cy</a>)</b></p> <p><b>16:30-19:30</b> Educational programs and other activities for adults and children on the art of clay and pottery-making, glass-making, icon-making, basketry, mosaic-making and many other crafts.</p>



<p><b>SUNDAY &amp; MONDAY, 17 &amp; 18 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>The A.G. Leventis Gallery</u></b>  <b>(5 Anastasios G. Leventis Street, Lefkosia, tel.: 22668838, <a href="http://www.leventisgallery.org">www.leventisgallery.org</a>)</b></p> <p>“<i>The Fine Arts of Recycling</i>”: educational workshops for children. Creating art with recycled materials, in collaboration with Green-Dot Cyprus*.</p> <p>“<i>Rediscovering the Leventis Gallery</i>”: special guided tours by the Director and the Gallery’s personnel.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*For booking: tel.: 22668838 (ext. 100) or <a href="mailto:info@leventisgallery.org">info@leventisgallery.org</a></p>
<p><b>MONDAY, 18 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Cyprus Museum</u></b>  <b>(1 Museum Street, Lefkosia, tel.: 22865854, <a href="http://www.mcw.gov.cy/da">www.mcw.gov.cy/da</a>)</b></p> <p><b>8:00-16:00:</b> The Cyprus Museum will be open with free admission.*</p> <p><b>10.00, 11:00 &amp; 12:00:</b> Guided tours by Archaeological Officers of the Department of Antiquities</p> <p>*On the 18<sup>th</sup> of May, 2015 entry will be free at all museums of the Department of Antiquities.</p>

<p><b>MONDAY, 18 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p><b><u>Local Archaeological Museum of Ancient Idalion</u></b>  <b>(Dali, tel.: 22444818, <a href="http://www.mcw.gov.cy/da">www.mcw.gov.cy/da</a>)</b></p> <p>Opening Hours: <b>8:30 – 21:00</b></p> <p><b>17:00-18:00</b> Guided tour of the Museum by an Archaeological Officer of the Department of Antiquities</p> <p><b>18:00-21:00</b> Exhibition of textile art work based on the notion of “Memory” by the students of the Peripheral Gymnasium of Pera Chorio and Nisou.</p> <p>Live music with students from the Peripheral Gymnasium of Pera Chorio and Nisou.</p>
<p><b>MONDAY, 18 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p><b><u>Archaeological Museum of the Lemesos District</u></b>  <b>(Corner of Byron and Anastasi Sioukri Street, Lemesos, tel.: 25305157, <a href="http://www.mcw.gov.cy/da">www.mcw.gov.cy/da</a>)</b></p> <p><b>19:30</b> Opening of temporary exhibition titled “<i>From the Storage Rooms... selected finds from the storage rooms of the Archaeological Museum of the Limassol District</i>”*</p> <p>(exhibition duration: 18<sup>th</sup> May - 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015)</p> <p><b>19:45</b> Musical recital by <i>Flautissimo Limassol Flute Choir</i>.</p> <p><b>20:00-22:00</b> Reception (kindly offered by the Friends of the Cyprus Museum, Lemesos Branch).</p> <p>*Guided tours will be offered to visitors throughout the evening by Archaeological Officers of the Department of Antiquities.</p>

<p><b>MONDAY, 18 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p><b><u>Local Museum of Traditional Embroidery and Silver-smith Work, Lefkara</u></b>  <b>(House of Patsalos, Lefkara village, tel.: 24342326)</b></p> <p><b>9:00-13:00</b> Educational program with recycled material for the students of the Lefkara Primary and Nursery School.</p> <p>(Organisers: Lefkara Cultural Foundation, Anakyklos &amp; Department of Antiquities)</p>
<p><b>MONDAY, 18 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p><b><u>Bank of Cyprus Cultural Foundation</u></b></p> <p><b>(86-90 Phaneromenis Street, 1011 Lefkosia, tel.: 22128157, <a href="http://www.boccf.org">www.boccf.org</a>)</b></p> <p><b>8:30-12:00</b> Educational program “<i>From Fruitopia to the island of Fireworks. An amazing journey to the magical worlds of Eugene Trivizas</i>”, for primary school students. *</p> <p>Guided tours of the Museums and the Cultural Foundation’s exhibitions:</p> <p><b>10:30 &amp; 15:00</b> Museum of George and Nefeli Giabra Pierides Collection (donated by Clio and Solon Triantafyllides)</p> <p><b>12:00 &amp; 16:30</b> Museum of the History of Cypriot Coinage, exhibition “<i>Cyprus Banknotes</i>”.</p>

<p><b>MONDAY, 18 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p><b><u>Byzantine Museum &amp; Art Gallery (Archbishop Makarios III Foundation)</u></b>  <b>(Arch. Kyprianos Sq., Nicosia, tel.: 22430008, <a href="http://www.makariosfoundation.org.cy">www.makariosfoundation.org.cy</a>)</b></p> <p><b>9:00-20:00</b> The Museum and the Gallery will remain open with free admission for individual visitors.</p> <p><b>10:00, 12:00 &amp; 17:00</b> Guided tours of the temporary exhibition “<i>On the 1<sup>st</sup> of April</i>”, the ethnographic collection and the collection of Objects of the Greeks of Asia Minor (visitors will also have the opportunity to visit the stolen ecclesiastical treasures that have been recently repatriated from Germany).</p> <p><b>19:00</b> Opening of exhibition of artwork by students who participated in the educational programme “<i>Journey through Byzantine Art</i>” and “<i>Hymn to Freedom</i>” organised by the Byzantine Museum and Art Gallery in collaboration with the Directorate of Primary School Education of the Ministry of Education and Culture (2014-2015).</p>
<p><b>MONDAY, 18 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p><b><u>The Leventis Municipal Museum of Nicosia</u></b>  <b>(15-17 Hippokratous Street, Laiki Geitonia, Lefkosia within the walls, tel.: 22661475, <a href="http://www.leventismuseum.org.cy">www.leventismuseum.org.cy</a>)</b></p> <p>Opening hours: <b>10:00-21.00</b></p> <p><b>11:30-17:30:</b> Presentation of <i>pipila</i>-lace making. Within the framework of the exhibition entitled “<i>Printed Scarves and the Last Scarf Maker</i>” a craftswoman of the Cyprus Handicraft Service will present the craft of decorating a printed scarf with <i>pipilla</i>-lace.</p> <p><b>17:00-18:00</b> Special guided tour of the exhibition “<i>Printed Scarves and the Last Scarf</i>”</p>

	<p><i>Maker”.</i></p> <p><b>18:30</b> Special guided tour of the exhibition “<i>Caterina Cornaro, the last Queen of Cyprus: History and Myth, the exhibits tell a story</i>” on the occasion of the enrichment of the Cornaro Gallery.</p>
<b>MONDAY, 18 MAY 2015</b>	<p><b><u>Thalassa Agia Napa Municipal Museum</u></b></p> <p>(14 Kryou Nerou Street, Ayia Napa, tel.: 23816366, <a href="http://www.thalassamuseum.org.cy">www.thalassamuseum.org.cy</a>)</p> <p>Opening hours: <b>8:00-22:00</b></p> <p><b>20:00</b> Music and dance event with “<i>Rythmos</i>” (jazz songs and latin dance combined with contemporary dance)</p> <p>(Organisers: Pierides Foundation and the Ayia Napa Municipality)</p>
<b>MONDAY, 18 MAY 2015</b>	<p><b><u>The Pancyprian Gymnasium Museums</u></b></p> <p>(Agiou Ioannou and Thisseos Strs., Lefkosia-next to the Pancyprian Gymnasium, tel.: 22466014, <a href="mailto:pgmuseum@cytanet.com.cy">pgmuseum@cytanet.com.cy</a>)</p> <p><b>19:00</b> Opening of exhibition “<i>Rambling Forms</i>”</p> <p>The exhibition is organised with the co-operation of Frederick University, Lefkosia. Postgraduate art students investigate notions of creating and understanding experimental spaces, using the artefacts and spaces of the Museum.</p> <p>(Exhibition duration: until the end of June 2015).</p>

<p><b>MONDAY, 18 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Limassol Public Gallery</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>(28<sup>th</sup> October Street, Lemesos, tel.: 22856212, <a href="http://www.limassolmunicipal.com.cy/pinakotiki">www.limassolmunicipal.com.cy/pinakotiki</a> )</b></p> <p><b>18:30:</b> Opening of exhibition of Lemesos primary school student’s artwork inspired by the art collection of the EOKA struggle 1955-59 (collaboration of the Lemesos Municipality with the Directorate of Primary School Education of the Ministry of Education and Culture).</p> <p>The exhibition will be inaugurated by the Mayor of Lemesos Mr. Andreas Christou.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Exhibition duration: 18-22 May 2015).</p>
<p><b>FRIDAY, 22 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Local Museum of Traditional Embroidery and Silver-smith Work, Lefkara</u></b> <b>(House of Patsalos, Lefkara village, tel.: 24342326)</b></p> <p><b>20:00</b> Live music in the Museum garden with Filippos Dimitriou (guitar) and Giorgos Koutsoftas (bouzouki).</p> <p>(Organisers: Lefkara Cultural Foundation in collaboration with the Department of Antiquities).</p>

<p><b>SATURDAY, 23 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>Museum of National Struggle</u></b></p> <p align="center"><b>(Archbishop Kyprianos square, Lefkosia within the walls, tel: 22305878)</b></p> <p align="center"><b>18:00</b> Guided tour and film</p>
<p><b>SATURDAY, 23 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>State Gallery of Contemporary Cypriot Art</u></b></p> <p align="center"><b>(Corner of Stasinou Ave. and Kretes Street, Lefkosia, tel: 22458228)</b></p> <p><b>19.00</b> Lecture-discussion on selected works exhibited in the Gallery.</p> <p><b>20.30</b> Live music and cocktail in the garden of the State Gallery.</p>
<p><b>MONDAY 25 MAY 2015</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>Cyprus Museum</u></b></p> <p align="center"><b>(1 Museum Street, Lefkosia, tel.: 22865854, <a href="http://www.mcw.gov.cy/da">www.mcw.gov.cy/da</a>)</b></p> <p align="center"><b>19:00</b> Opening of periodical exhibition  <i>“Nea Paphos: 50 Years of Polish Excavations:1965-2015”</i>  (in collaboration with the University of Warsaw)</p> <p align="center">(Exhibition duration: 25 May – 30 November 2015)</p> <p><b>20:00-22:00</b> Live classical music with the <i>Amiche String Quartet</i> and reception in the Museum gardens.</p>