Leadership 100 Conference pays tribute to Greek Bicentennial



The 30th Annual Leadership 100 Conference, held virtually, which ran from February 17-19, 2021, concluded with a resounding musical program called Greek Music for the Greek Revolution, 1821-2021.

The musical program was organized and introduced by Nektarios S. Antoniou, Artistic Director and Senior Advisor for Culture of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, according to Argyris Vassiliou, Leadership 100 Chairman.

The program, on Friday afternoon, February 19, opened with a heartwarming performance by the Archdiocesan Cathedral School Choir and included stirring renditions of Greek classical and contemporary music performed by Les Vibrations Sympathiques, conducted by Pavlos Kordis, pianist.

Other artists performing included the acclaimed Polis Ensemble; Soprano Eleni Calenos, accompanied by virtuoso pianist and musicologist, Dr. Athanasios Trikoupis; violinist Dr. Giannis Zarias and the Frog String Trio and Violin Orchestra; Mode Plagal; and singers Charis Tsalpara and Erini Ziogala.

"A Tribute to Greece"

The Ss. Cyril and Methodios Choir also performing the Greek National Anthem, to which all attendees were invited to sing along. The music was accompanied by the showcasing of artistic works by master painter and iconographer Dr. George Kordis, and photographs and prints from the collection of The Treasury NYC.

The Conference had begun with the Executive Committee, Board of Trustees and General Assembly meetings from Wednesday, February 17 to Friday, February 19. The program, called "A TRIBUTE TO GREECE, In Celebration of the Bicentennial of the Greek Revolution of 1821 and our Hellenic Orthodox Christian Heritage," was opened by Chairman Vassiliou, who introduced His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros, after thanking him for honoring Leadership 100 with leading off the celebration of the Bicentennial of the Greek Revolution.

Both the Chairman and His Eminence thanked Leadership 100 Vice Chairman Demetrios Logothetis, who was appointed by His Eminence as Vice Chairman of the National Coordinating Committee of the 200th Anniversary of the Greek Revolution.

Message from PM Mitsotakis to Leadership 100

Logothetis then led the Tribute with introductions of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese's plans for the Bicentennial Celebration and video messages from the Prime Minister of Greece, Kyriakos Mitsotakis.

Additional messages were played for the audience from President of "Greece 2021" Committee and Ambassador-at-Large of Greece, Gianna Angelopoulos-Daskalaki, and Ambassador of Greece to the United States of America, the Hon. Alexandra Papadopoulou.

Logothetis then introduced the keynote address, titled "The Greek Revolution through American Eyes," delivered by Tom Papademetriou, Ph.D, the Constantine and Georgeian Georgiou Endowed Professor of Greek History and Director, of the Dean C. and Zoë S. Pappas Interdisciplinary Center for Hellenic Studies at Stockton

University, Galloway, New Jersey.

The address was a special preview of the exhibition "The Greek Revolution (1821-29) through American Eyes," which will open at the Maliotis Cultural Center on March 22, 2021.

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