



CORFU LITERARY FESTIVAL
An Island Celebration of the Arts

19th to 25th September 2022

Programme of Events

MONDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 2022

Welcome

A day of variously timed arrivals, unpacking and settling in, there are no events but we will be gathering and welcoming guests and visitors at an informal supper at Festival familiar favourite, PERGOLA TAVERNA, St Sophia St in the Jewish Quarter from 8pm



TUESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2022 - DAYTIME

Greek Beach Club Day

Collection (& return) by coach from Corfu Town to Micronisi Beach Club, south Corfu, for a day of cocktails, sun & sea worshipping and a magnificent beachside lunch created especially by chefs Manolis & Spiro for our CLF guests at the island's premier hideaway spot, Micronisi



TUESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2022 - EVENING

Love In A Hot Climate

Four different authors whose characters have been set against Corfu's landscapes and her people. Why and how has this island inspired - Joy Skye, Mandy Baggot and Isabelle Broom discuss their location and love with Chair Melanie Hewitt



Plous Bookshop and Cafe, Corfu Town

WEDNESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER 2022 - DAYTIME

In Others' Footsteps - A Walk In Corfu Town

Led by writer and Philhelene Matthew Hisbent, local academic and polyglot Christina Papadatou and the Festival's own Philip Louvros, familiarise yourself with the Mediterranean town that the Durrells, Gordon of Khartoum, Edward Lear, Ioannis Capodistrias and other luminaries once called home.

The culmination of the walk will be at Nobile Wine Bar & Cellar, Ionian Bank Square, with

a special debut reading from her new play, *After Melissa*, by writer, dramatist and filmmaker Jane Coyle



Comfortable Shoes Required

WEDNESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER 2022 - EVENING

By Special Arrangement - Curator Tour of Corfu's Museum of Asiatic Art Galleries



Further Details To Be Announced

THURSDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2022 - DAYTIME

The Authors XI Cricket Club will be playing at Gouvia Marina Pitch



THURSDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2022 - EVENING

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Chair on Threats to Cultural Heritage
and Cultural Heritage-related Activities

Έδρα για τις Απειλές κατά της Πολιτιστικής
Κληρονομιάς και των σχετικών με την
Πολιτιστική Κληρονομιά Δραστηριοτήτων



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LIVING UNESCO

Old Corfu Town is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. What are the challenges of preserving and treasuring but still and working and living within a monument? How do the citizens modernise and improve their home city whilst still respecting its heritage? How can a place welcome thousands of appreciative and curious visitors but still function in the real daily world?

UNESCO Chair Holder Professor Stavros Katsios and researcher Christina Kermida Papadatou discuss with expert panellist

historians and classicists Natalie Haynes, Tom Holland and Bettany Hughes



In Front Courtyard of The Palace of St Michael and St George
FOLLOWED BY

The Novel in a Time Of Crisis

In a world bruised by a global pandemic, in economic crisis, war atrocities and political turmoil, how does the contemporary author respond? How do books reflect the mood, malaise or hope of the reader? Or should they?

Authors Amanda Craig and Sofka Zinovieff in conversation with Richard Beard



FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 2022 - DAYTIME

Nectar & Ambrosia Tasting

Dionysus and Demeter are the Greek god and goddess of wine and food but, during this specially curated event, they will be joined by Apollo, the god of music too. Sommelier and gastronomy consultant Stamatis Iseris will carefully pair a selection of Greek fine wines with suitably partnered local food specialities and the tastings will be accompanied by especially composed musical interludes for a truly immersive and complete experience.



FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 2022 - EVENING

The Art of Being Human

Matt Haig, author of bestsellers *The Midnight Library*, *How To Stop Time* and *Reasons to Stay Alive* amongst other titles, in conversation with **Anthony McGowan**, prolific children's and YA author, as well as writer of adult novels and non fiction, Tony won the Carnegie Gold Medal for his book *Lark*.



FOLLOWED BY Journeys To The Greeks

Why, in the era of online tourist advice, do we still need and love travel writing? And why and how has Greece so seeped into our consciousness? How has this small country and its mythology so deeply enmeshed itself into the hearts and souls of people around the world? Why does Greece so capture our imaginations and what is the Greek spirit? Authors and travellers **Peter Fiennes**, **Julian Hoffman** and **Michael Vatikiotis** in conversation with **Sofka Zinovieff**



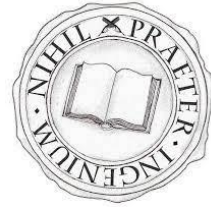
Garden Terrace, Capodistrias Museum, Evrapouli

SATURDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2023 - DAYTIME

The Authors XI CC vs The Osians XI CC
and local Hellenic teams in Round Robin Cricket Tournament



HELLENIC
CRICKET
FEDERATION



Gouvia Marina Pitch

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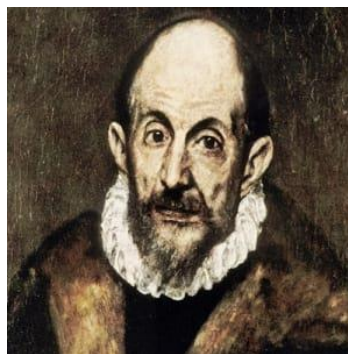
Corfu Literary Festival in proud partnership with the National Gallery
of Greece, Corfu



presents

THE 2022 NIKOS LOUVROS LECTURE

EL GRECO - JAZZ AGE OLD MASTER



Domenikos Theotokopoulos, known as El Greco, was born in Crete, trained in Venice under Titian and found success in Spain. This c16th Master seems to have been centuries ahead of his time and is thought to have strongly influenced the Expressionist and Cubist movements and found a new appreciative audience as the most Modern of the Old Masters during the early c20th.

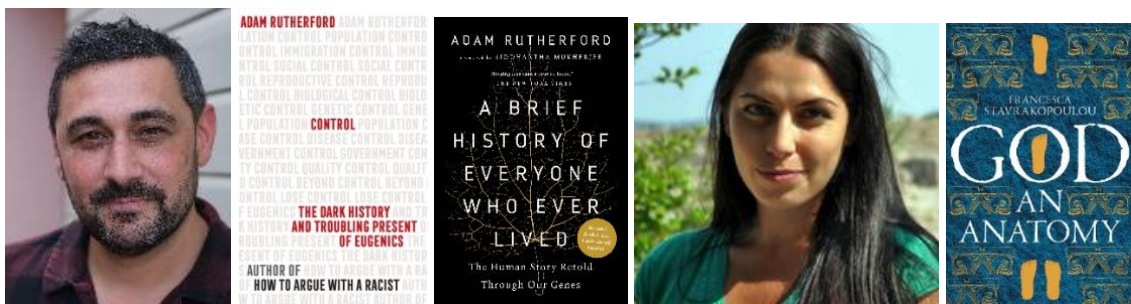
Accompanied with a little music from renowned New York cabaret voice and children's author Craig Pomranz, our expert panel will discuss El Greco's life, his inspirations and his legacy and relevance. Director of the Corfu Annexe of Greece's National Gallery, Marina Papatotiriou will be joined by Professor Sarah Churchwell and fine arts journalist and travel author Louise Nicholson



FOLLOWED BY

Religion, Science, Cult and Control

Broadcaster and writer Dr Adam Rutherford and writer and theologian Professor Francesca Stavrakopoulou discuss where we are as a species, why we got here and how and whether our influences and directions are led by natural evolution, science or belief.



National Gallery Annexe, Kato Korakiana

SUNDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER – DAYTIME

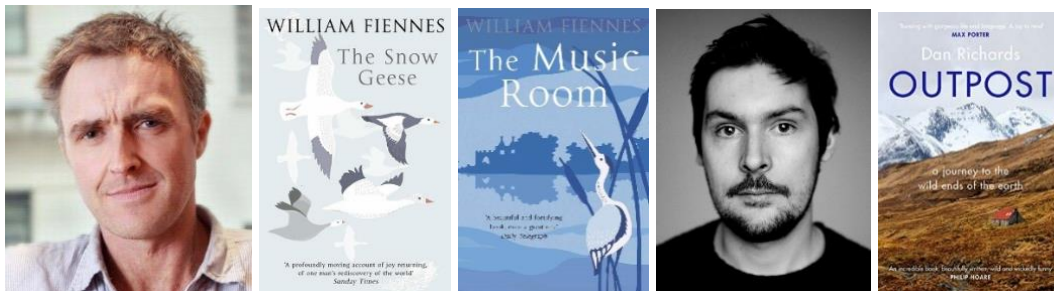
Corfu Town's elegant and historic main square hosts a celebration cricket match and looks forward to 200th Anniversary of cricket on the island in 2023



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To The Edges Of The World

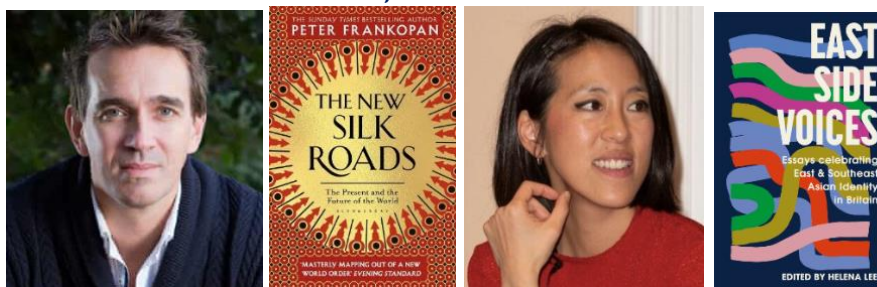
Award winning author, Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature and, incidentally, described by a team mate as "undoubtedly the nicest man in cricket" Will Fiennes will be in discussion with travel writer and Fellow of the Royal Literary Fund Dan Richards



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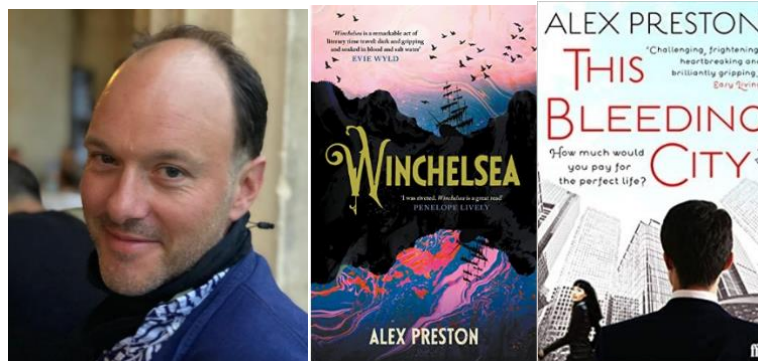
Eastern Voices, Western Homes

Professor of Byzantine Studies Oxford, and author of international best seller *The Silk Roads*, Peter Frankopan, will be in conversation with Helena Lee, writer and editor responsible for Harper's Bazaar's features, art and culture coverage, about her book, *East Side Voices*



Courtyard of Private Home, Alexandros Avenue

Despite his bashfulness, and acknowledging he will be busy, swimming competitively from Albania to the island, The Festival's own Alex Preston, writer, journalist and author of 2022's hugely successful *Winchelsea* will be in conversation
Time and Place To Be Confirmed



Please note that all events are subject to the availability of the presenters and panellists and kindness of the weather

For out-of-town events, coach travel to and from the venues will be arranged for those without their own transport included in the ticket price

**Corfu Literary Festival will be hosting their speakers for supper, post-event, each evening and guests, event attendees and visitors are encouraged and welcomed to join us at our chosen tavernas
Details and contact details for reservations to follow**

Ticket will be available via Eventbrite nearer to the time of the Festival



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