

PRESS RELEASE

MYKONOS BIENNALE 2015



presents

ANTIDOTE



Dance theater Synergy in Mystic Party performance by Lydia Venieri, photo by Tasos Vrettos

Opening Ceremony: July 2-7

Events include an International Short Film Festival, Video Graffiti (video art projected onto the white architecture of the island), Treasure Hunt with contemporary art on the ancient island of Delos, and several other exhibitions in the local historical museums and landmarks, including the Archeological Museum, Naval Museum, Folk Museum, the House of Lena, and the Windmills. The exhibitions will last the entire summer.

There will also be several performances throughout the island, featuring both international artists and the local traditions.



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Closing Ceremony: August 27-28

The end of the 2015 Mykonos Biennale will be marked by the Mykonos Kite Festival and a Pigeage (grape-stomping), which will produce the first Wine of the Mykonos Biennale.

Inspired by the crisis and her love of Greece, artist Lydia Venieri has gathered 200 artists from all over the world to celebrate philosophy and nature, with the aim to energize an optimistic wave against the depression.

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Statement

Everyday like a poison, world news infects humanity, plunging the human conscience into a deep hibernation of frantic inactivity, in an attempt to find some serenity to endure in until the end.

However they say that if a tarantula bites you the only way to escape death is to dance day and night, jumping from the pain and staying awake, because if you let go and fall asleep you are lost. Such a crazy celebration of consciousness is the Mykonos Biennale as its theme for 2015 is the Antidote.

What is the antidote? Is it love? Is it power? Or is it sorcery? Always the artist, the scientist, and the alchemist have searched for the answer to immortality, the philosophers' stone, and the magic portal. Their quest, itself, holds the answer for by it they have already danced the first steps of the Great Awakening.



Boxes with the label “Antidote” have been sent to 40 artists around the world. The artists have returned the boxes with a piece of art inspired by the theme - Antidote. The boxes will be hidden in on the island sacred of Delos. A treasure hunt will be organized, where visitors will scatter around to find the “treasures”. The art works will be exhibited in the School of Fine Arts in Mykonos until the end of summer. Our long term goal is to attain the first floating museum - maybe an old war ship- where the artworks of the Mykonos Biennale will be exhibited, the museum of Archipelago.

The Artists

Aga Ousseinov, Agni Zotis, Akikazu Iwanoto, Alexandros Kaklamanos, Alexis Fidetzis, Amanda Church, Andreas Kanellopoulos, Ann Deleporte , Aristides Logothetis, Barbara Friedman, Bruce Robbins, Charisia Chatz, Christina Spanou, Christoforos Doulgeris, Christos Karatsolas, Cia Pedi, Dan Walsh, Danae Sratou, Daniel Lommel, Dimitra Stamatopoulou, Dimitris Kousoulas, Dora Olkonomou, Eleftheria Kotzaki, Emanuel Pimenta, Franklin Evans, Glenn Goldberg, Heide Hatry, Ioanna Gouzeli, Jeannie Weissglass, Jim Shaw, Joshua Levine, Kate Shaw, Konstantinos Patsios, Kostas Varotsos, LC Armstrong , Loukia Dousi-Rassia, Lucia Ocegüera, Luis Luna Matiz, Lydia Andrioti, Lydia Venieri, Macklen Mayse, Manolis Baboussis, Marcia Grostein, Margarita Myrogianni, Maria Efsthathiou, Maria Papadimitriou, Marnie Weber, Mary Hrbacek, Michael Zansky, Michel Abajoli, Narooa Lizar, Ouattara Watts, Panos Charalambus, Panos Famelis, Pedro Barbeito , Phyllis Yampolsky, Raul Hott, Richard Pasquarelli, Stathis Alexopoulos, Stephen Dean, THAVMA Collectiva, Takis, Tassos Vrettos, Thordis Adalsteinsdottir, Yannis Gazetopoulos, Tassos Vrettos, Daniel Lommel, Panos Kostouros, Perikles Kanaris , the Synergy Dance Group of Silvia Macchi, the Flower Girls, Jean Paul Gomez.

For more material on the exhibiting

artist: <http://www.mykonosbiennale.com/artfestival/artists/>

The Performers

Babis Amidides, Rigas and Anemomyloi, Aposperites, Musical School G.Axiotis, Michalis Babelis, Flower Girls, Lefteris Sikiniotis Kantansos, Perikles Kanaris, Pole Dancing Pelecans, Tina Psalida, Mykonos Chorous, Anna Pangalou, Synergy Dance Group, THAVMA collective



Mykonos Biennale will be presenting Marnie Webber's *The Songs that Never Die*

The Short Film & Video Directors

Jeannette Louie, Ruud Matthijssen, Rani Crowe , Felix Tobin, Minji Kang, Nikitas Vasilakis, Corey Kloos, Gregory Gutenko, Marcin Gizycki , Frank Ciota, Warren Langford, Daniele Sartori, Elinor Nechemya, Vilma Kartalska, Radko Savov , Marta Renzi, shelagh carter, Michal Lavi, Vanessa Zouganeli, Justin Wu, Johannes Hugo Stoll , Kimberly Burleigh, paul surety, Anon, Chryssa Depolla, Ali

Pour Issa, Teddy Cecil, Diego Fiori, Nancy Allison, Paul Allman, Rob Lobosco, Jay Lifton, Tahsin Ozmen, Emma Eisner, Marnie Weber, Konstantinos Chaliasas, Orfeas Peretzis, Heath Hanlin, Sigal Yona, Paul Surety, Margaret Corn, Dimitris Panakis, Victoria Trzeciak, Rhys Collier, Joel Moffett , mohammad zare, Daniel Lecanda, Jonathan Kitzen, Andronikos - Konstantinos Dimopoulos, Patrick Kelley, Rami Yasin, Jianan Fan, Cristian Sulser, Daniel Thorsteinsson, Eva Colmers, Adriane Little , George Vdokakis/Nikos Kounitis, Mustafa Mahdi, Peter Kalisch, Cole Mercier, Mathieu Guimond, Hugo Hubert, Kryssa Schemmerling, Donald Gray, Emilija Gasic, Tom Schroeder, Bob Celli, Nancy J. Rodwan, Santiago Echeverry, dominique t skoltz, Isis kiwen, Jeff Wyatt Wilson, Sally Grizzell Larson, William Spencer, Mark Spencer, Saman Hosseinpuor, Raisa Al Mansoori, Aleksei Abib, Mark Playne, Mete Sozer, Damon Silvester, Luis Luna Matiz, Danliwen Lu, Mario Garefo, Daniele Sartori , Josephine Massarella, Daniel Bloch, Andreas Hadjipateras, Yianna Dellatolla, Alexi Papalexopoulos, tracey anarella, Alex Bak, Thiago Zamprogno, Aggeliki Bozou , Michael Achtman, Elizabeth Kedrick, Joseph Accardi, Frank Perrin, Felix van Cleeff , Despina Economopulu, Gustavo Raulino, Alkis Papastathopoulos, nicolas citton, Jack Chapman, Maida Withers, Thomas Storesund, Alexander Tuschinski, Ritika Bajaj Vijra, Mike Friedrich, Jeff Dupre, Shahrukh Kavousi, Thomas Apostolou, Theodoras Vogiatzidis, Paul Turano, Sophia Kiapos, Amanda Milius.

**For more material on the complete film festival program
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Jim Shaw - Dred Dwarf Black Hole 2010



A still from Kehinde Wiley: An Economy of Grace directed by Jeff Dupre



Kite Artists Melanie Walker and George Peters



ATHANASIOS (7m, USA) dir. by Alexi Papalexopoulos



An unknown friend (9m, Serbia/Montenegro, Czech Republic) dir. by Emilija Gasic



An Untold Story of a Known Irony (19m, India) dir. by Ritika Bajaj Vijra



Isola del Giglio (10m, USA) dir. by Tom Schroeder



2.57k (14m, Canada) dir. by Eva Colmers

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