



**T**his year's event is taking place under the support and aegis of the Greek Culture and Sports Ministry, in recognition of its organizational competence and its contribution to the preservation and promotion of the intangible cultural heritage of the region.

It is noteworthy that "rebetiko" song was registered in the National Index of Intangible Cultural Heritage in 2015 and in the UNESCO List of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humankind in 2017 on the basis of its urban and

folk character, its direct connection to both local language and dance, the development evolution and eventually its establishment as a cultural expression. It is a kind of music with broad public appeal and a strong symbol of identity and ideology for the Greek folk music tradition.

In the file submitted to UNESCO, Syros is referred to as one of the cities closely connected to rebetiko, our folk music that we treat as something that is still active and up to date and not as a museum exhibit.

# 3rd Rembetiko Festival

## Syra of Markos Vamvakaris

**T**he Municipality of Syros - Ermoupolis and the Cyclades Chamber, proudly present the 3rd Rembetiko Festival «Syra of Markos Vamvakaris».

As in previous years, the 3rd Rebetiko Festival of 2018 includes a full program of events on popular urban music («rebetiko»), highlighting the relation between Markos Vamvakaris and Syros.

“Markos Syrianos” is a distinctive figure. His songs and his “taximia - makams”, are distilled from his insubordination, his full of passion life and Syra the «rock» where he was born..

But what is this that makes everyone from every corner of this world “enchanted” when listening to Marko and his escort-companions in rebetiko songs? It is the “real”, simply human, self-evident of his life and character. But also something more.



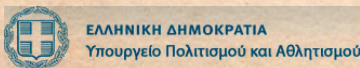
Something that Markos knows and we do not.

This year, for first time, the festival is reaching abroad, with the participation of artists from Italy and Cyprus, something we expect to broaden in the future, in order to enhance the «international» dimension of the Festival.

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**Wednesday 29/8/2018**

**Carmelo Siciliano's  
Italian band**

With traditional, Rebetiko and songs from southern Italy: Carmelo Siciliano, Simona Gatto και Sergio Pugnalin. Three talented performers and musicians that have placed rebetiko and traditional song in a special position in their musical horizon.

**20:50 Tsiropina Mansion  
– Posidonia**

**Dimitris Mystakidis -  
"The rebetiko guitar  
project"**

Dimitris Mystakidis, the Greek Folk guitar\* virtuoso and professor, following his highly acclaimed live acts in Greece and abroad and his showcase in the recent World Music Expo in Poland representing Greece, invites us all to savour the most beloved rebetiko songs, arranged exclusively for Greek folk guitar. His live band, all former students of him are Ifigeneia Ioannou (vocals) and Dimitris Pappas & Giorgos Tsalampounis (guitar & vocals). Sound designer: Christos Megas.

**21:45 Tsiropina Mansion  
– Posidonia**

Entrance fee: 5 euro  
(full program-  
both performances)

Tickets are available for sale  
at Apollo theater (22810 85192)  
and Cyclades Chamber (22810 82346)

**Thursday 30/8/2018**

**Seminar on the  
techniques and  
handling of folk guitar**

By Dimitris Mystakidis,  
a skillful performer and  
teacher of folk guitar

**18:00 Apollo theater**

Free entrance

**Ifigenia Ioannou –  
Dimitris Lappas**

A different approach to rebetiko from the unique and skillful performer in “kanon” instrument, both rebetiko and traditional singing, Ifigenia Ioannou, and the top - class performer of “nykta- string instruments”

**20:50 Small Theater of  
Ano Syros (Parking)**

Free entrance

**Local band - Smyrni,  
Syros, Piraeus**

With the participation of:  
**Elias Theodoropoulos**  
(bouzouki)

**Isidoros Roussos**  
(guitar)

**Georgia Sotiropoulou**  
(singer)

and **Petros Kapellas**  
(baglamas).

**21:50 Ano Syros Piatsa**

Free entrance

**Friday 31/8/2018**

**Seminar on the  
techniques and  
handling of folk guitar**

By Dimitris Mystakidis,  
a skillful performer and  
teacher of folk guitar

**18:00 Apollo theater**

Free entrance

**Local school band  
“En Chordes kai Organis”**

After their performance in Athens, at Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center (SNFCC) with George Dalaras and Iro Saia, we will enjoy excerpts from the music that Stavros Xarhakos composed for the movie “Rebetiko” as well as some of the most representative and well-known songs of the rebetiko “patriarch”, Markos Vamvakaris.

The band is formed by: **Stratis Laurentis**, **Georgios Pachis**, **Theofilos Zervos**, **Alexandros Halavazis**, **Pantelis Roussos**, **Vaggelis Stefanou**, **Petros Stefanou**, **Agni Roussou**, **Thanasis Stachtas**, **Elias Papamakarios**, **Michalis Bonis**, supported by their teachers, **Aristos Vamvakoussis** (bouzouki), **Dimitris Maragos** (accordion) and **Takis Fragous** (contrabass).

**21:00 Tsiropina  
Mansion – Posidonia**

Free entrance

There is free entrance  
to all festivities  
unless otherwise stated.

**Saturday 1/9/2018**

**Rebetiko in Cyprus**

The music band “Maga’s heart” from Nicosia, Cyprus. Four young folk from Cyprus, borderguards of our traditional, folklore music, will be in Syros in a unity, symbolic participation.

**Anni Panteli** (baglamas - vocals)

**Panagiotis Xanthopoulos** (guitar- vocals)

**Elias Iordanou** (bouzouki- vocals)

**Giorgos Paottos** (bouzouki- vocals)

**21:00 Foinikas Promenade (square)**

Free entrance

**From the docks of Piraeus to Syros**

From the legendary spot of the shipyards area of Piraeus, where rebetiko is revived in an authentic approach, to Syros

Appearing:

**Maria Pantelaki** (singer)

**Athina Anastasopoulou** (singer)

**Giorgos Tryferopoulos** (piano-vocals)

**Grigoris Tryferopoulos** (guitar – vocals)

**Marios Karagiozoglou** (bouzouki)

**Dimitris Mikrou** (guitar – vocals)

**Dimitris Belelis** (bouzouki- vocals)

**22:00 Foinikas Promenade (square)**

Free entrance

Seek for more information in our facebook page: Rebetiko festival

**Sunday 2/9/2018**

**Antonis Ainitis- Anthi Michou band**

Antonis Ainitis is a unique singer- performer extremely skillful in bouzouki, with a distinctive authentic style, well known from his unique performances in Athens and Piraeus

**Anthi Michou** is an exceptional folklore singer who has long served rebetiko songs, consistently, with integrity and high sensitivity for many years.

Participate:

**Dimitris Koukoulitakis** (guitar)

**Vasilis Dolias** (bouzouki)

**Alekos Varanakis** (accordion)

**Andreas Prekas** (violin)

**21:30 Tsiropina Mansion – Posidonia**

Entrance fee: 5 euro

**29/08 – 02/09**

**Folklore musical instruments  
exhibit, from well-known  
Greek luthiers**

Participate (in random order):

**Nikos Fronimopoulos**, **Tasos Katsifis**, **Gian-  
nis Karvounis**, **Karolos Tsakirian**, **Nikos  
Paisios**, **Giannis Tsoulogiannis**, **Panagiotis  
Stamkos**, **Giorgos Karellas**, **Andreas Del-  
lios**, **Adonis Goulielmos**, **Athanasia Bolia**.

Hermoupolis, Miaouli sq. - (ex) Pantheon

Hours : 10:30-14:00 & 18:00-21:30

Sunday 2/9 :

10:30-14:00 & 18:00-20:00

Free entrance