

Solomos Society's Hellenic Queensland talk series

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System of arrangement Arranged into 1 series

Description 10 audio files :

Administrative / Biographical history The Solomos Society was founded in 1981 by George Pippas, then President of the Greek Orthodox Community of St George, Brisbane, and Dr Constantine Castan, then senior lecturer in the English Department of the University of Queensland. It is open to all Greeks and to non-Greeks who are interested in Greek culture. Each year the Solomos Society gives eight lectures in English about aspects of Greek culture and has encouraged the development of the oral history of Greeks in Brisbane through annual panel discussions.

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Series 1: Oral histories (2004-2012)

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Items in this series:

Growing up in Greek cafes (17 March 2004)

Unit ID 29658/1

Date 17 March 2004

Scope and content

Panel members talks about their experience of growing up in Greek cafes throughout Queensland. The recording starts with a discussion of the Solomos program for the year then begins with the evening topic (the panel starts around 5 minutes).

Description

Description 1 MP3 file (1 hr. 23 min. 49 sec.)

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The development of the Greek people (18 May 2005)

Unit ID 29658/2

Date 18 May 2005

Scope and content

Dr. Con Castan, founder of the Solomos Society, discusses 'who the Greeks were', looking at various perspectives from scientific and philosophical perspectives, taking a philosophical view point that culture is not static. He reviews aspects that have changed and those that have had continuity from antiquity to the more contemporary times. He also explores the concepts of the Hellenes or Hellenism.

Author / Creator

Castan, Constantine, 1931-2012

Description

Description 1 MP3 file (1 hr. 12 min. 03 sec.)

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The life of Joice NanKivell Loch (19 October 2005)

Unit ID 29658/3

Date 19 October 2005

Scope and content

The recording begins with a discussion of upcoming events for the society before moving to the main discussion. Susanna De Vries is introduced and then discusses her novel 'Blue Ribbons Bitter Bread: the Life of Joice NanKivell Loch'. Joice NanKivell Loch (1887-1982) was born in Ingham, Queensland. Following their aid work in Poland, Joice, with her husband

Sydney, moved to Greece in 1922 as aid workers in the wake of the burning of Smyrna. For 2 years, they worked in a Quaker-run refugee camp outside of Thessaloniki and lived in a Byzantine tower by the sea in the refugee village of Ouranoupoli.

Author / Creator

De Vries, Susanna

Description

Description 1 MP3 file (1hr. 20 min. 11 sec.)

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Solomos Society 25th anniversary celebrations (17 May 2006)

Unit ID 29658/4

Date 17 May 2006

Scope and content

Panel members discuss the Solomos Society in its 25th anniversary year. The panellists are Dr. Constantine Castan, Dr. Trevor Bryce and Professor Bob Milns.

Author / Creator

Castan, Constantine, 1931-2012

Bryce, Trevor

Milns, Bob

Description

Description 1 MP3 file (1 hr. 17 min. 59 sec.)

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Michael Zavros, Artist (18 April 2007)

Unit ID 29658/5

Date 18 April 2007

Scope and content

Meredith Garlick discusses the work of Queensland artist of Greek-Cypriot heritage, Michael Zavros. Michael Zavros (b.1974), who graduated from the Queensland College of Art with a Bachelor of Visual Arts in 1996, is a leading Australian artist whose work has been exhibited in major galleries in Australia, New Zealand, Asia and Europe.

Author / Creator

Garlick, Meredith

Description

Description 1 MP3 file (52 min. 47 sec.)

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Modern Greek and Australian authors in the English speaking world (19 September 2007)

Unit ID 29658/6

Date 19 September 2007

Scope and content

Dr. Constantine Castan, founder of the Solomos Society, reviews Greek literature translated to English and Australian literature translated into Greek. The recording includes quotes from various works in Greek and English.

Author / Creator

Castan, Constantine, 1931-2012

Description

Description 1 MP3 file (52 min. 40 sec.)

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Greek Day in Brisbane (18 March 2009)

Unit ID 29658/7

Date 18 March 2009

Scope and content

Julie Nichols discusses the recording of the video Greek Day by Xenophon Castrissios, which was originally recorded on 8mm film. The film was eventually lost although not before it was digitised. Julie's father was one of the chief organisers of the Greek Day in 1941, and Julie participated in the day as a child. Greek Day included a procession, Greek flags, and stalls (raising funds for the war effort), a picnic by AHEPA (Australasian Hellenic Progressive Association) and the marriage of Bobby Bonds (owner of Bonds Sweets and Cafe) to his wife Mary. She also discusses the film maker, Xenophon. A copy of the film, Greek Day is available at State Library of Queensland: 10185, DVD of Greek Day, Brisbane; John Oxley Library, State Library of Queensland.

Author / Creator

Nichols, Julie

Description

Description 1 MP3 file (56 min. 45 sec.)

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Early teaching at South Brisbane State School (27 May 2009)

Unit ID 29658/8

Date 27 May 2009

Scope and content

Graham Coomber reminisces about teaching at the South Brisbane Primary School in Merivale Street, over 50 years ago. It was his first posting in 1959 to a grade 6 class, after his graduation from the Queensland Teachers' Training College at the Kelvin Grove campus. Most of his original students were older students (aged 14) from Greece.

Author / Creator

Coomber, Graham

Description

Description 1 MP3 file (1 hr. 21 min. 47 sec.)

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Questions and answers (May 2010)

Unit ID 29658/9

Date May 2010

Scope and content

Rev. Father Anastasios Bozikis answers questions about the Greek Orthodox faith.

Author / Creator

Bozikis, Anastasios

Description

Description 1 MP3 file (1 hr. 19 min. 48 sec.)

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Does the Greek Orthodox Church have a future? (15 May 2012)

Unit ID 29658/10

Date 15 May 2012

Scope and content

Rev. Father Dimitrios Tsakas discusses the future of the Orthodox Church and the experience of a mystery.

Author / Creator

Tsakas, Dimitrios

Description

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