



Children's Stage

10:00 FESTIVAL OPENING

PRESENTATION

When Lady Mouse trusted a stranger

with Georgia Kyriakou A story that teaches children that they should never trust a stranger that tempts them. Addressed to children of 3-7 years old.

AWARD CEREMONY

Stories to Dream about!

Festive closing of a reading programme of the Ministry of Education and Culture and the Rivergate bookshop. Schools and students present their work in an exhibition.

11:30 BOOK PRESENTATION

Random pages from the Diary of Trigonopsaroulis

with Vangelis Iliopoulos Join us, as we recall the adventures of the most beloved fish of the deep ocean and plan together his new stories. With music, painting, role-playing games and creative writing techniques. Come on, if you're a reader, become a co-creator! The sea adventure begins...

INTERACTIVE BOOK STORYTELLING When imagination goes to school!

with Despina Liarakou Lina creates wonderful stories with her imagination. But what will happen when it's time to go to school? Come and find out in an imaginative, interactive presentation with games, music and crafts. Organised by TELEIA Publications.

INTERACTIVE BOOK STORYTELLING

A booklover's notebook with Maria Geralda Zyka Nikits

A book about book literacy and becoming familiar with the process of note-taking, which helps the memory of young bookworms.

PRESENTATION / INTERACTIVE NARRATIVE FOR CHILDREN

Narrations in the sea-loving land Come and learn about sensitivity and tenderness, through an interactive narrative, about the experiences, realities, needs and challenges of a child-refugee, during the adventure-filled and dilemma-filled "journey" of leaving his country of origin, in order to finally arrive in a new, safe country.

15-00 TREASURE HUNT

with my favourite little bee, Bouloubino

No one should be indifferent to what is happening in the environment. We all belong to the same Ecosystem. The Earth is our home. Bouloubino is shouting everywhere to be heard and sets up an amazing treasure hunt together with all the bees. Come and play and help save our planet. Because the treasure is... a surprise! 'Organised by Nicosia Book Fest and Rivergate bookstore.

INTERACTIVE BOOK STORYTELLING

with Alkisti Halikia

Every box is a small world for every child! But Silan does not open his own box. No one knows what's inside until his friendship with the children deepens and makes him trust them.

BOOK LOVERS WORKSHOP

Books within books!

with Anna Kouppanou

How do we play with books? How do we read them? How do we find new stories, heroes, ideas from their ideas, new books within their

A growing hug with Marios Mazaris

A story of compassion worth reading in a classroom, in a house, in a forest or even in front of a mirror. For children of ages 4+.

Sky collector

with Vaso Panagi

What would happen if the sky in your city faded away forever? Really, can anyone create the sky? A story with role-play will lead children to gather materials for the sky collector Organised by EYGNOMON Publications

ANIMATED FILM PROJECTION FOR CHILDREN

Views of the Fantastic
A selection of children's films from the archive of the International Animation Festival Views of the World that stood out in the context of its children's edition.

Organised by the Nicosia Book Fest and Animafest Cyprus.

10:00 FESTIVAL OPENING

PRESENTATION

Poetry writings [Poiimatografies] George Frangos discusses literary criticism drawing from his recent book "Poiimatografies". Aimilios Solomou (teacher, writer) and George Myaris (philologist, writer) discuss with the author.

TRIBUTE TO THE COUNTRY OF HONOUR

Wander in Chinese culture

ROUND TARLE DISCUSSION

A discussion on the support of the Cypriot book and its future Participants include representatives of publishers' and booksellers' organisations.

Organised by the Cyprus Writers' Union.

DISCUSSION

From Literacy to Critique Literacy:
The role of literature and the public discourse
Participants: Vivian Avraamidou-Plumbi (writer, economist) Marina Armeiti (poet, philologist, columnist), Erato Kozakou Markoulli (writer, poet, politician), Michalis Papadopoulos (playwright, painter), Tonia Stavrinou (journalist, columnist), Stavros Christodoulou (writer journalist, columnist). Coordinator: Zacharoula Mala (philologist, President of the Pancyprian Literacy Promotion Organization)

BOOK PRESENTATION / DISCUSSION

Brandy Sour and Things Virgin Mary thinks about while secretly

Organised by the Pancyprian Literacy Promotion Organization

smoking in the bathroom

Women observing women! The authors Constantia Soteriou and
Alexandra K* 'interrogate' each other and interact with their audience.

Organised by Nicosia Book Fest.

BOOK PRESENTATION The nostalgia of loss

The authors Constantia Soteriou and Theodoros Gregoriades have a discussion about the author's latest book, about personal narratives, stories of friends and of people passing by.

Organised by Nicosia Book Fest. BOOK PRESENTATION

Bee-eaters and Notes on the sidelines
Writers Andreas Chrysanthou and Michalis Christofidis discuss about prose and poetry that transcend checkpoints and language barriers. Bilingual Cypriot literature in Turkish and Greek against the backdrop of a reunited Cyprus.

Organised by Almyra publications.

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10:00 FESTIVAL OPENING

PRESENTATION Mari(on)etta - Puppet

with Ivy Samuel
The author presents her new book.
Organised by EN TYPOIS Publications.

INTERACTIVE PRESENTATION Emilia's fantastic journeys

with Dimitra Charalambous Come and meet Emilia, discover a whole bunch of new travellers Together we will solve riddles, play games, sing and make beautiful

Organised by TELEIA Publications. INTERACTIVE BOOK STORYTELLING

A school in turmoil

A book that transforms the idea of school into what every child would want: A school full of surprises, where you learn by playing, a school with deep and real relationships!

INTERACTIVE PRESENTATION

The different mind of Alexander with Marilyn Zanettou

In the city of the rainbow Alexander has a hard time until Hector arrives. A book about diversity and the world of emotions. For ages

BOOK PRESENTATION 14:15 **Colourful Darkness**

Through interactive activities and crafts the presentation addresses overcoming fears, sibling relationships, forgiveness and kindness, cultivating imagination and growth. Aimed at ages 4-8. Language: English

A dive into fairy tales!

A fascinating journey into the world of fairy tales with puzzles and clues that will lead little bookworms to discover the lost treasure.

Organised by Nicosia Book Fest and Rivergate bookshop.

THEATRE PLAY

Operation Going-Green!

with Eleni Papatheodorou
Through a theatrical game (role play) the children will take on roles
and put themselves in the shoes of the forest animals and the villain.
Organised by SYMETRIA Publications.

PRESENTATION

My Literary Pharmacy with Elena Pericleous

Every time you're sad, just read a story. You will definitely feel better after "they lived happily ever after". An interactive presentation on the healing properties of books.

EXPERIENTIAL WORKSHOP The chase for lost happiness

with Elena Panagi The children will be called upon to help the hero find the happiness he deserves. An action with handmade dolls, puzzles and adventure Organized by PHYLATOS Publications.

STORYTELLING & DRAMATIZATION OF FAIRY TALES

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with Teatro Angelico

An entertaining presentation that invites children to laugh, travel to the world of fairy tales and experience unforgettable moments!

Presented by Andreas Pasiadou and Cosmas Fakiris.

Supported by Teatro Angelico and the Center of Creation and Expression "Kapou Allou" [Somewhere Else]

INTERACTIVE PRESENTATION Witch Thermuela in crisis

with Christoforos Christoforou

When a talented witch who warms up the planet using the actions of people gets a chance from Santa Claus to be acknowledged and taken off the sidelines, she decides to change and save the planet. For

FESTIVAL OPENING

50+2 activities for the mental empowerment of the child Marios Mazaris welcomes you in a discussion of proposals and actions for the mental empowerment of children and their connection with their peers and family.

PRESENTATION

European funding opportunities through the Creative Europe pro-

Presenter: Nenad Bogdanovic, Operational Programming Coordina-tor of the Agency for European Programmes and Cultural Relations, Head of the Creative Europe Office in Cyprus.
TRIBUTE TO THE COUNTRY OF HONOUR

Wander in Chinese culture

READ Digital Library presents The book in eternity

"I play with letters, guess the words, use my imagination and make an e-book." How did we go from letters to words and make stories? How did we give our stories eternity? Andreou K. Andreas, Writer/Librarian, Panaou Petros, Writer/Teacher of Children's Literature at the University of Georgia, Pericleous Elena, President of CYBBY/Educator/Writer, Petrou Theodora, President of KEBEP/Librarian. Coordinated by Lassithiotaki Androniki, Digital Library Read Curator/Board Member of CYBBY.

PRESENTATION / DISCUSSION

Young Cypriot writers introduced
Participants: Aytunç Şabanlı, Ourania Dimitriou, Hüseyin Barca, Panagiota Zintili. Coordinated by Maria Siakalli & Marios Georgiou.

Organised by the Culture Movement.

PRESENTATION / DISCUSSION

Contemporary Cypriot playwrights Contemporary theatre approached through the eyes and works of George Neophytou (playwright) and Christos Zanos (director).

Moderator: Andri Constantinou (Associate professor in Frederick Uni-

versity in Drama and Puppetry in Education and Theatre History. BOOK PRESENTATION / DISCUSSION National Literary Awards - The winners presented

Writers Antonis Balasopoulos, Kostas Lympouris, Michalis Mavrotheris and Maria Cantonidou discuss the importance of the awards and

their works. Moderator: Olga Pieridou. BOOK PRESENTATION

Constantia Soteriou is presenting and talking with the author Demetris Christopoulos. The book received the Special State Literature Award 2021 in Greece.

IN MEMORIAM Tribute to Nazim Hikmet

Vasilis Kalamaras (journalist and literary critic) and Prof. Kostas Gouliamos present the great poet, Nazim Hikmet.

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PRESENTATION transform europe!

Presentation of the annual YEARBOOK of the transform! europe network of research centres.

Discussion: Facing the State. Left Analysis and Perspective

Speaker: Haris Golemis (Editor) VENUE: UNIVERSITY OF CYPRUS, Amphitheatre LRC 012

(Stelios Ioannou Library Information Centre).

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PRESS CONFERENCE

Press conference with organisers and the country of honour.

VENUE: CENTRAL STAGE

HANDICRAFTS FOR CHILDREI

Book-inspired arts and crafts CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES AREA (next to the Children's Stage)

Traditional Chinese creations for children with paper folding CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES AREA (next to the Children's Stat Organised by the Confucius Institute at the University of Cyprus.

SIMULTANE - CHESS COMPETITION

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES AREA (next to the Children's Stage)
Organised by the Chess Club O.F.I.S.

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Inauguration of traditional chinese paintings exhibition Special Exhibition A Comprehensive Collection of Ancient Chinese Paintings

China-Cyprus Forum for Civilizations Exchanges and Cooperation Co-organised by the China National Publications Import & Export (Group) CO., Ltd, the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Cyprus, the University of Cyprus and the Research Institute Promitheas Language: English - Chinese

VENUE: UNIVERSITY OF CYPRUS

Ceremony Hall- University of Cyprus (Kallipoleos Avenue 75 - Lefkosia)

OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE 8th NICOSIA BOOK FEST
INAUGURATION OF PHOTO EXHIBITION AND COUNTRY OF HONOR

LECTURE / PRESENTATION

Man and Nature in Harmony
Introductory speech: Prof. Kostas Gouliamos
Vice-President of the B.o.D. of Research Institute Promitheas,
Member of the European Academy of Science and Arts.

Keynote speech: Prof. Liu Zhenyun Chinese Author, Professor of Renmin University of China.

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10:00 - CHINESE BOOK EXHIBITION
20:00 VENUE: CHINA PAVILION - (by the Central Stage)

MUSIC PERFORMANCE I am a book, Read me!

Chinese children's choir performs the song I'm a book Read me Organised by Confucius Institute at the University of Cyprus

VENUE: CENTRAL STAGE CHINESE PUBLICATIONS

Publishing exchange activities VENUE: CENTRAL STAGE PERFORMANCE

11:50

Performance of Chinese Calligraphy VENUE: PERFORMANCE STAGE 'ANALOYIO

Organised by Confucius Institute at the University of Cyprus.
COUNTRY OF HONOR TRIBUTE
Wander in Chinese Culture

VENUE: LITERARY STAGE
MUSIC PERFORMANCE

Performance featuring traditional Chinese musical instruments.

VENUE: LITERARY STAGE

Organised by Confucius Institute at the University of Cyprus.

NETWORKING EVENT

Cyprus-China publishers and bookshop owners networking VENUE: CHINA PAVILION

Organised by the Nicosia Book Fest

10:00- CHINESE BOOK EXHIBITION

VENUE: CHINA PAVILION - (by the Central Stage)

Kong Zhu PERFORMANCE

Organised by Confucius Institute at the University of Cyprus. VENUE: CENTRAL STAGE

COUNTRY OF HONOR TRIBUTE
Wander in Chinese Culture

VENUE: LITERARY STAGE

PERFORMANCE

Performance of Chinese Calligraphy VENUE: PERFORMANCE STAGE 'ANALOYIO

Organised by Confucius Institute at the University of Cyprus.

CHINESE HANDCRAFTS

Paper Folding - Traditional chinese paper folding kids activities.

VENUE: CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES (the Children's Stage)

Organised by Confucius Institute at the University of Cyprus

TRADITIONAL CHINESE PUPPET PERFORMANCE

Quan Zhou Marionette Troupe *Organised by Confucius Institute at the University of Cyprus.* **VENUE**: CENTRAL STAGE

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10:30 MUSIC PERFORMANCE

I am a book, Read me! Chinese children's choir performs the song "I am a book Read Me", the message for the World Children's Book Day 2023 written by the author Vangelis Iliopoulos for the IBBY (International Board on Books for Young People)
Organised by the Confucius Institute at the University of Cyprus.

11:00- CHINESE PUBLICATIONS

15:00 Publishing exchange

MUSIC CONCERT

In Memoriam

Music performance dedicated to the poetry of Nazim Hikmet.

Performers: Rita Antonopoulou and Manolis Androulidakis

Kong Zhu PERFORMANCE

Organised by the Confucius Institute at the University of Cyprus.

PERFORMANCE OF TRADITIONAL CHINESE PUPPETS

Quan Zhou Marionette TroupeOrganised by the Confucius Institute at the University of Cyprus.

20-00 THEATRE PERFORMANCE Tsetse

The theatre group Solo for Three [Solo Yia Tris] presents the play "Tsetse" by the Italian writer Luigi Pirandello.

A comedy of misunderstandings, in which the puns, witty lines and twists that dress up his humour are clearly visi-

FREE ENTRANCE



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Πάρκο Ακρόπολης ^{Ώρα έναρξης} 8:30 μ.μ.



Analogio at the Park





ACROPOLIS PARK



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PERFORMANCE

Colours of the Sun George Papaconstantinou A stitching of texts in the Cypriot dialect by the Cypriot poet and writer George Papaconstantinou with excerpts from the books *Sunset*

PRESENTATION

Performance of Chinese calligraphy
Organised by the Confucius Institute at the University of Cyprus.

LIVE PERFORMANCE

The Bar of Sensations

Anna Metochi Reading of excerpts with live performance from the collective work of Antonis Andronikos, Eleni Karahanidis and Anna Metochi.

NOVEL NARRATION

The Treasure of Spain Andri Christofidou Antoniadou

Performance - reading from the book by the actor Haris Evripidou. POETRY PERFORMANCE

Koraly Dimitriadis A performance about love, loss and the migrant experience.

Language: English

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11:05 VIGNETTES ON STAGE Of Shame Vivian Avraamidou-Ploubi

11:45 POETRY PERFORMANCE
The Betrayal of "I Love You"

with Panagiota Zintili Excerpts from the poetry collection "Poetry on the streets".

PRESENTATION

Sevdas

with Maria Ioannou, Almyra Publications.

THEATRICAL STAND

La Pasionaria
Inspired by the book *No Pasaran*, Almyra Publications.

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17-30 THEATRE PERFORMANCE

Letter from the wife of protomastoras [master builder]
Presented by the students of the G.C. School of Careers: Nikoletta
Makridi, Anna Lorena Massia and Despina Kafkaridou.
General supervision: Stella Koutsogianni Panteli.

PRESENTATION

Performance of Chinese calligraphy
Organised by the Confucius Institute at the University of Cyprus.

POEMS SET TO MUSIC

Red Lake with Sofia Barka: poetry, dramatourgy, narrative performance and Nama Dama (Anastasia Demetriadou): music composition, stage performance

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