



Découpage Artists Worldwide



3rd Traditional Découpage Convention

29 May-2 June 2019

& 1st Training Course for Candidate Teachers of Traditional Découpage

3-4 June 2019

Thessaloniki, Greece



Painting with scissors!

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**The Convention is organized
with the support of the Greek Chapter**

Letter of the Organising Committee



From left to right: Sissy Kinatidou, Caterina Koukoulitsa, Anna Marintsiou

Dear Friends of Découpage,

We are pleased to invite you to the 3rd International Convention and the 1st two day training course for teaching candidates of Traditional Découpage, which for the first time will take place in the beautiful city of Thessaloniki with the support of our Guild's Greek chapter.

One of the most famous painters of the 20th century, *Henri Matisse*, stated that: "when drawing with scissors....the cutouts then allow me to draw in color."

Let us therefore respond to this challenge to draw in color with scissors! We are waiting for you at the Vafopoulou Cultural Center from May 29th to June 2nd, where our main goal is to absorb the art of découpage, with a full program of demonstrations and seminars to further our knowledge of traditional découpage, i.e. cutting, composition and finishing all combined with many modern techniques.

At the end of the Convention, a two-day training course, 2-3 June, will be held for the candidate teachers of traditional découpage by our established Master Craftsmen. In the attachments you will find the first draft of the general program and more detailed updates will follow.

So do not miss this opportunity to experience unique moments of friendship both with new and old friends, who will be united with our love of découpage and the passion for creating at the nymph of Thermaikos, the welcoming city of Thessaloniki. You will have the chance to visit the archaeological sites, museums and monuments and sample local cuisine and enjoy the nightlife.

Bearing in mind that Francis Henry Taylor (Director of the Metropolitan Museum of New York from 1940 to 1955) in his book "Art Treasures of the Metropolitan", amongst the art works he also mentions the museum's découpage art, so we welcome your participation to help contribute in achieving our goal so that our convention is the start and a source of inspiration for future découpeurs.

Yours sincerely,

Caterina Koukoulitsa (Chair)

Sissy Kinatidou & Anna Marintsiou (Co-Chairs)

Airport

Thessaloniki airport (SKG)

<https://www.skg-airport.gr/en/>



By Taxi

Helpful information when taking a taxi to and from the Airport: 24/7 metered taxi service is available outside the "Makedonia" Airport Terminal building.

The journey from (to) the Airport to (from) the centre of Thessaloniki is about 30 minutes, depending on traffic. The fare to and from the airport is normally between 20-30 euros. There is a surcharge for trips starting from midnight to 05.00 a.m. You may be charged extra, if you carry many pieces of luggage.



Welcome to Thessaloniki!

The nymph of the Thermaic Gulf!

Venue



THE VAFOPOULIO CULTURAL CENTER

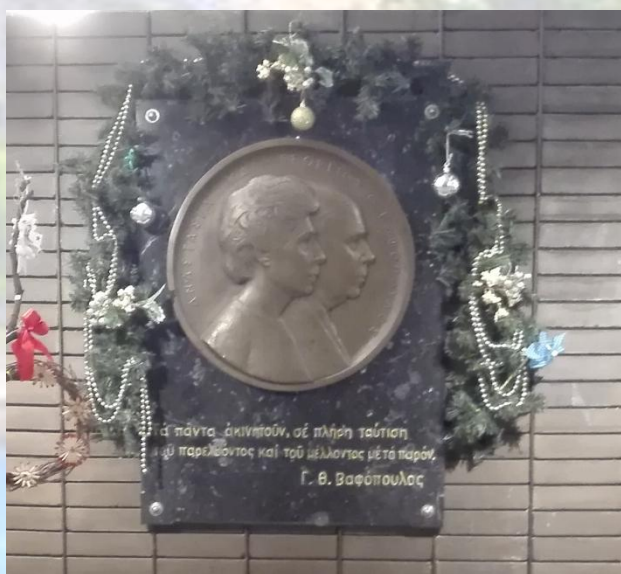
(Address: G. Vafopoulos 3, ~ 30 minutes from the airport by car)

The Poet and Academician George T. Vafopoulos and his wife Anastasia, in the spirit of the Ancient Greece as well as the National Benefactors and expressing their deep love for Thessaloniki, offered their entire property to the Municipality of Thessaloniki in 1979. People with inspiration and vision wanted to give to our City a Cultural Center where Literature, Art, Theater and Music could find a place of expression.

The Vafopoulou Cultural Center was inaugurated in 1983, and its activities cover thirty five years of presence in the cultural affairs of the city. The Center is directed by the Municipality Committee, an Executive Committee and a Director.

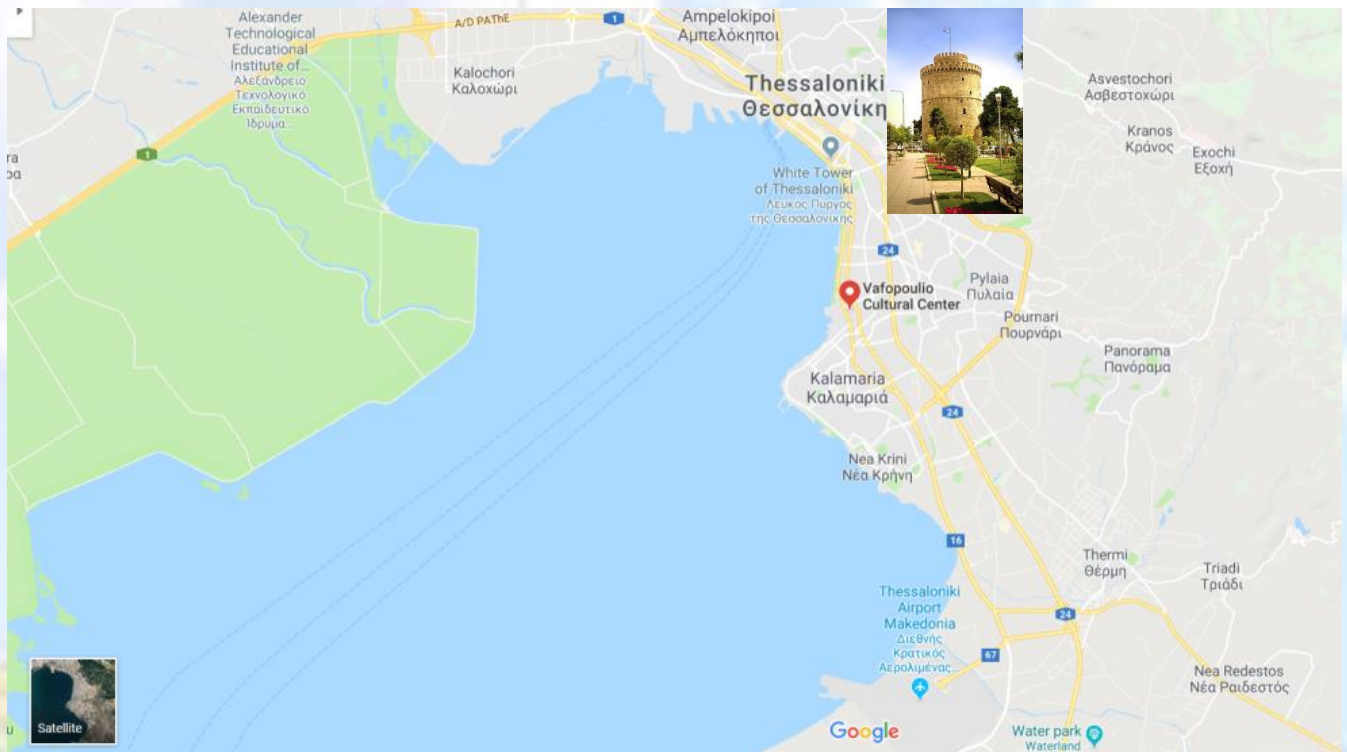
It is a complex of two six-storey buildings with an overall area of 4.000 sq. m. arranged in such a way that all kinds of cultural artistic and fine arts functions can easily be staged.

The hubs of activity of the Vafopoulou are its three libraries, the multi-functional hall on the 4th floor, the exhibition rooms on the 5th floor, the theatre hall and a lecture hall on the 6th floor.



George and Anastasia Vafopoulos

Google map



You may use as your point reference the White Tower of Thessaloniki which is a monument and museum and it has been adopted as the symbol of the city.

The Vafopoulio Cultural Center is about 7 minutes distant by car.

Preliminary Program-Convention 2019

Wednesday – 29 May 2019

Registration at 08.00 – 12.00

- Judging of Traditional Decoupage
- Judging Pencil Colouring Program

16.00 Cultural Event (Optional)

Thursday – 30 May 2019

09.00-10.00 *General Meeting*

10.00-10.30 Coffee/Tea

10.30-12.00 **Demonstration 1**

13.00-15.00 Lunch

15.00-16.00 **Demonstration 2**

16.00-19.00 **Workshop 1**

21.00 Welcome Cocktail

Friday– 31 May 2019

09.00-12.00 **Workshop 2**

12.00-13.00 **Demonstration 3**

13.00-15.00 Lunch

15.00-18.00 **Workshop 3**

18.00-19.00 **Demonstration 4**

20.00 Prize Giving Dinner- Awards

Saturday 1 June 2019

Registration to public open at 09.00

09.00-09.30 Coffee/Tea

09.30-12.00 **Workshop 4**

12.00-13.00 **Demonstration 5**

13.00-15.00 Lunch

15.00-18.00 **Workshop 5**

17.00- 19.00 Exhibition Breakdown

Sunday – 2 June 2019

Excursion (optional)

Monday-3 June 2019

Teachers Training

Tuesday-4 June 2019

Teachers Training

Registration-Convention 2019	
ATTENDANCE	
Pre-registration <u>Deadline 31 March 2019</u> Members 60 euros plus 15 euros per workshop Or 120 euros	Registration <u>Deadline 30 April 2019</u> Members 90 euros plus 15 euros per workshop <u>Or 150 euros</u>
All demonstrations and workshops 4 and 5 on Saturday 1 June will be open to the public Cost of each demonstration: 10 euros Cost of each workshop: 15 euros Deadline of Registration: 30 April	
<p><i>Cancellation Policy: In case of cancellation the registration fee is non-refundable</i></p>	
Attendance fee of the Members includes the following: <i>Members Workshops, Demonstrations, Tea/Coffee</i>	
JUDGING	
For each classification: 10 euros	
For each category: 2 euros	
HAND COLOURING PROGRAM	
Certification Package and Judging Fee for each level payable on application: 5 euros	

Courier/Postage

For those members who cannot attend the Convention but would like to participate in the judging please send your artworks to Sissy Kinatidou:

Christou Mauromati 16
55132 Kalamaria
Thessaloniki



Optional

Cultural Event

Excursion

Accommodation

If you need any help with your accommodation please do contact

Sissy Kinatidou

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Email: *sissykinat@gmail.com*



Here is a list of airbnb and hotels that are easily reached and close to the Venue.

- **Airbnb**

- 1) **CLASSIC VILLA OUZIEL (only 5 minutes distant from the Venue)**
- 2) **Aristotelous square Apartment in a listed building**
- 3) **Cozy | Renovated | City Center**
- 4) **Downtown in Old Town!**
- 5) **Your new vintage home | Walk everywhere**

- **Hotels**

- 1) **Abc Hotel**
- 2) **Metropolitan**
- 3) **Le Palace Art Hotel**
- 4) **Makedonia Palace**
- 5) **Electra Palace**



Restaurants nearby to the Venue

- 1) Ouzeri Antheon (G. Vafopoulos 7)
- 2) Devido Fast Food (Leoforos Vasilissis Olgas 211)

Useful websites where you can find information about our city Thessaloniki

<https://thessaloniki.travel/en/>

<https://inthessaloniki.com/>

http://www.visitgreece.gr/en/main_cities/thessaloniki

<https://www.likealocalguide.com/thessaloniki/things-to-do>

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<https://thessaloniki-sightseeing.com/en/bus-tour/>



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GREEK CHAPTER



**We are looking forward to
welcoming you in Thessaloniki!**