



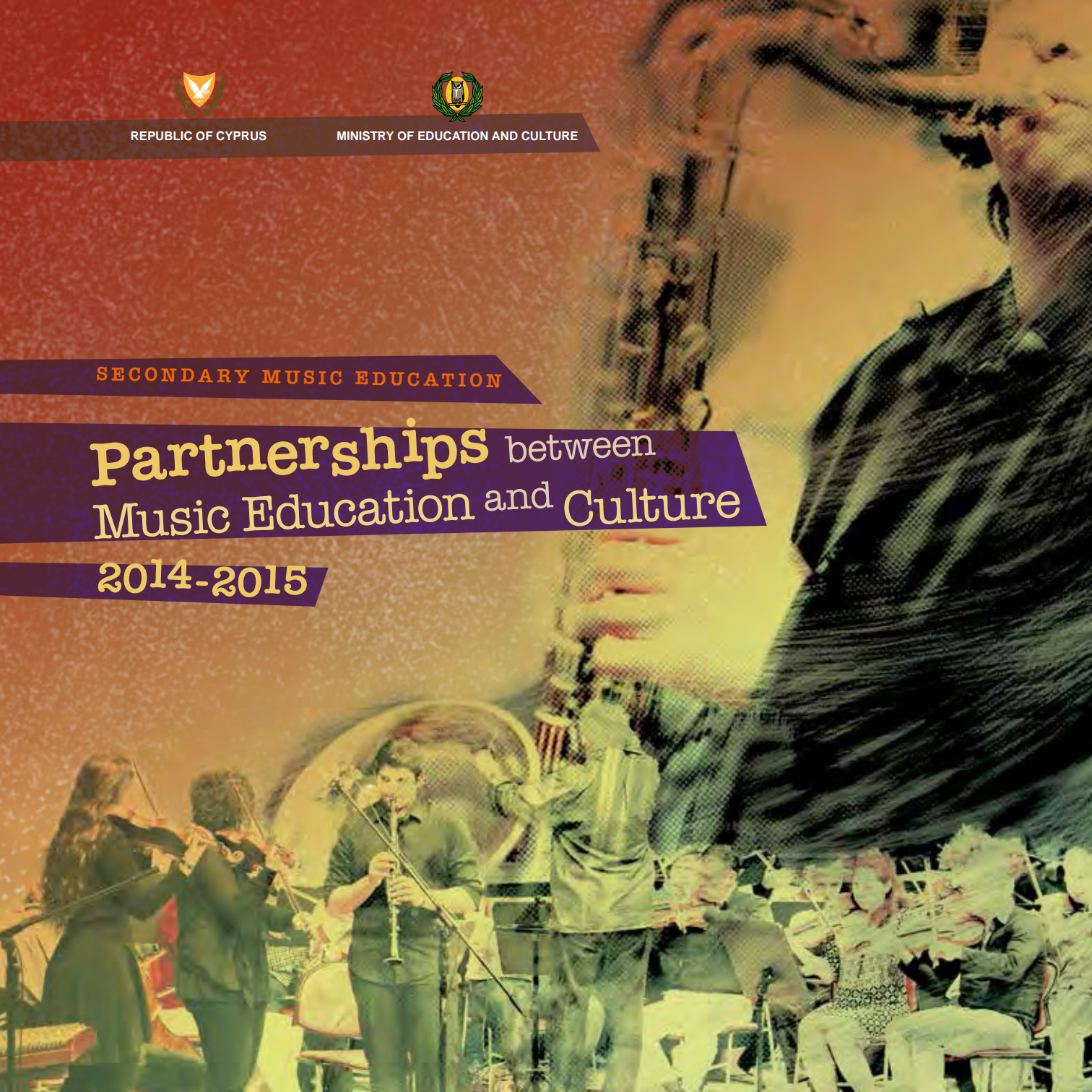
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Address by the Minister of Education and Culture

The Ministry of Education and Culture is continuing, for the sixth consecutive year, its cooperation with cultural and educational institutions and organisations through a series of actions, organised in and beyond the classroom, which contribute to the enhancement of music education and culture in general.

The educational programmes presented in this publication take place within the scope of a music education programme, which aims to develop a lifelong connection between Cyprus' young people and music. This is realised through a variety of music experiences, music appreciation, composition and performance, as well as the active and creative participation of young people in contemporary social and cultural affairs and opening channels of communication between the school and the community.

The recent Education Reform has also centred on music education, and key to the reforms in this area has been the establishment of the Music Schools. Indeed, Music Lyceums have already established a successful presence in the local cultural scene. As of the school year 2015-2016, the institution of Music Schools has expanded, and Music Schools are now functioning in all districts of unoccupied Cyprus. An important aspect of the Music Schools' programme are the educational actions and programmes that are presented through the synergies of Music Lyceums with institutions such as the Cyprus Symphony Orchestra Foundation, municipalities, local communities and renowned Cypriot and foreign artists, working together for the production of cultural events such as the opera "Cavalleria Rusticana" and a tribute to Beethoven's known and unknown works.

With an aim to further upgrade the quality of music education offered by public education in Cyprus, the Ministry of Education and Culture has continued its support of the Music Schools institution by establishing

Music Schools in lower secondary education. As of September 2015, three Music Gymnasias have begun functioning at the districts of Ammochostos, Larnaka and Lemesos.

The development of young peoples' musical talents is also supported through the Regional Orchestras of Nicosia and Pafos and the range of activities they organise. Their activities include music workshops, charity concerts, and participation of their members in the annual university and secondary school students' event "Musical Vibes".

Moreover, the Ministry focuses on ensuring students' equal participation and access to opportunities in education and culture by offering music education programmes to all Cyprus schools and reaching as many students as possible. Partnerships with institutions such as the Pharos Arts Foundation, the Photos Photiades Foundation, the Cyprus Symphony Orchestra Foundation, OPAP Cyprus and others, allow, through the sharing of financial costs, the organisation of a greater number of actions at a time when the financial crisis seriously threatens cultural development. A large number of students have thus been offered the opportunity to participate in educational programmes of the Cyprus Symphony Orchestra and the Pharos Arts Foundation as well as educational concerts, open rehearsals and musicians' visits to schools and actions, such as the annual "Marios Tokas song composition contest" for students and "Choir Day".

It is with great pleasure that I commend the continuation of such valuable partnerships and welcome this year's edition of the periodical which showcases the actions that took place during the school year 2014-2015.

Costas Kadis

Minister of Education and Culture

AIMS OF MUSIC EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES:

- To reinforce students' contact with cultural activity of the community.
- To promote young people's lifelong active participation in culture and arts.
- To connect school music education with community music, thus enriching the Music Curriculum and formal music learning.
- To foster a diverse and comprehensive education for future artists, as well as to increase public participation in the arts, through appropriately designed musical experiences that promote musicality and creativity.
- To demystify the notion of "classical orchestra" and "classical musicians", firstly through enhancing active listening skills and secondly, through active participation in diverse musical activities.
- To develop personal, interpersonal communication and collaborative learning skills.
- To develop a positive attitude towards traditional heritage.
- To develop a positive attitude towards music in an intercultural context.
- To adapt to 21st century challenges such as ensuring equal opportunities for all, promoting active citizenship and developing technology skills.
- To enhance innovative entrepreneurship by contributing to the personal and professional development of musicians.

FUTURE GOALS:

- To ensure that all students have equal opportunities to participate in a music educational programme at least once a year.
- To promote further advancement of partnerships between cultural and educational institutions, where all stakeholders will contribute to the content and implementation of the above programmes, as well as sharing costs.
- To improve and disseminate music educational programmes through the use of digital technology, e.g. internet connections, digital recording, etc.
- Continuous improvement of music educational programmes through systematic assessment and feedback.
- Further development of music educational programmes in the context of the Open School and All-Day School institutions.





A. Partnerships between the Ministry of Education and Culture and the Cyprus Symphony Orchestra Foundation

A1. Educational programmes offered by the Cyprus Symphony Orchestra (CySO) Foundation:

- Morning educational concerts offered in concert halls or in schools
- Multidisciplinary major projects combining several art forms
- Family concerts for students and parents
- Open rehearsals, attended by students
- Educational visits of the CySO and its chamber music ensembles in schools

Educational programmes offered by the CySO Foundation during the school year 2014-2015:

Educational visits in schools

- "*The CySO goes to school*", educational visits to schools, on 4 and 5 February 2015.

Morning educational concerts

- "*Once upon a time... there was music*", educational concerts on 20 November 2014.
- "*Musical journey in the Mediterranean*", educational concerts on 23 April 2015.

Family concerts for students and parents - concerts for the public

- "*Once upon a time... there was music*", educational concerts on 22 November 2014.
- "*Musical journey in the Mediterranean*", educational concerts on 24 April 2015.

Open rehearsals

- Gymnasium and Lyceum students attended open rehearsals on 7 and 28 November 2014, 12 December 2014, 6 and 20 March 2015.

A2. Partnerships between the CySO Foundation and the Music Schools

- Partnership between the Cyprus Symphony Orchestra and the Lefkosia, Lemesos, Larnaca and Ammochostos Music Schools for the educational and evening concerts under the title "*Once upon a time... there was music*", on 20, 21 and 22 November 2014.
- Partnership between the Cyprus Symphony Orchestra and the Lemesos, Larnaca, and Ammochostos Music Schools for the evening concerts under the title "*Beethoven: Known and unknown works*", on 17 and 18 April 2015.
- Partnership between the Cyprus Youth Symphony Orchestra and the Lefkosia Music School for the production of the opera "*Cavalleria Rusticana*" by Pietro Mascagni, on 24 and 25 April 2015.

More information:

www.schools.ac.cy/eyliko/mesi/themata/mousiki/ekpaidevtikes_synavlies.html

www.cyso.org.cy/index.php/el/projects/teacher-resources

www.cyso.org.cy/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=28&Itemid=59&lang=el

<http://moussiko-scholeio-lef.schools.ac.cy/joomla/index.php/photografies>

Number of participants: 2,030 students



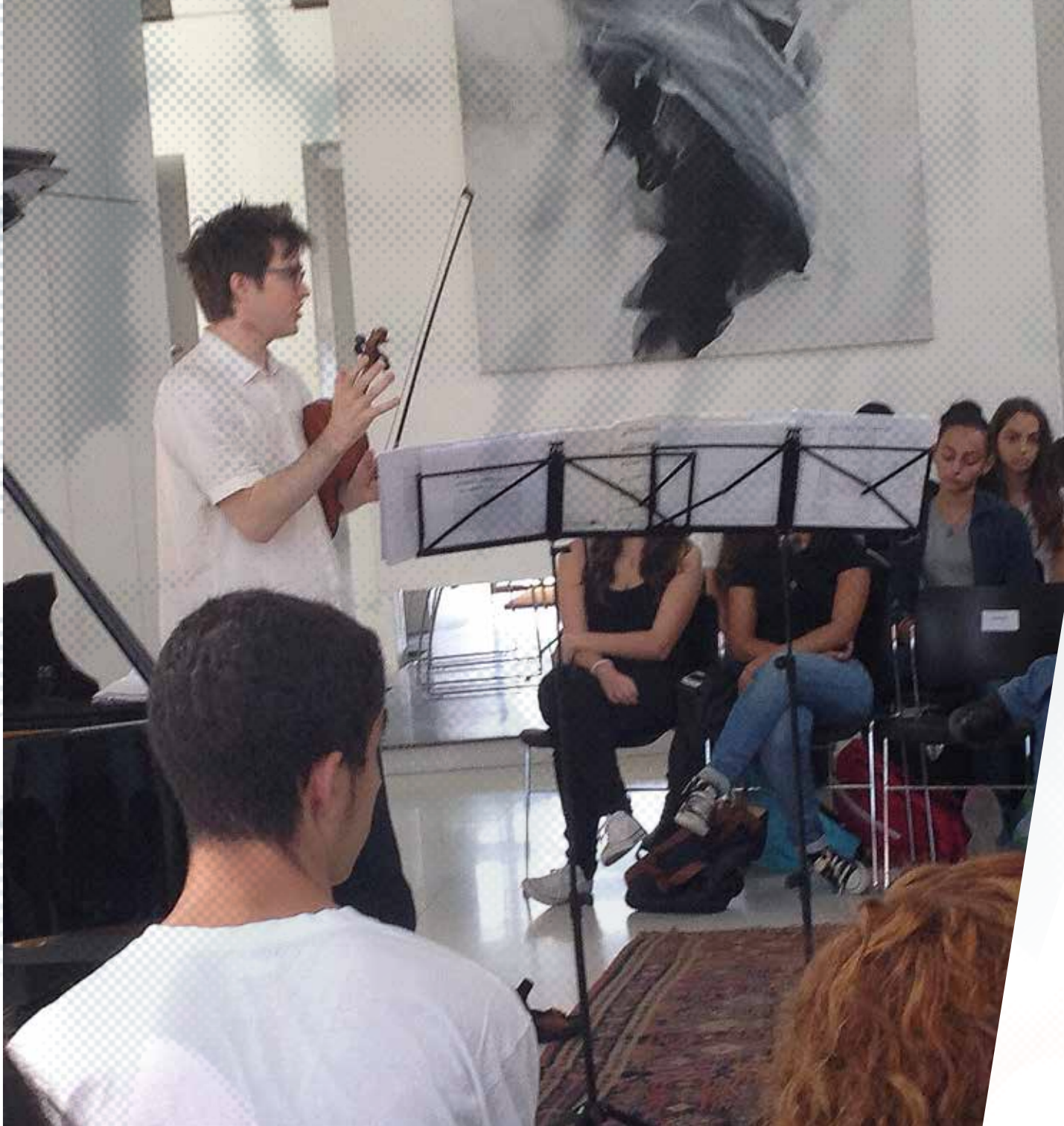












B. Partnerships between the Ministry of Education and Culture and the Pharos Arts Foundation

Educational programmes offered by the Pharos Arts Foundation:

- Educational concerts
- Artists' visits to schools
- Master classes
- Workshops

Educational programmes offered by the Pharos Arts Foundation during the school year 2014-2015:

Artists' visits to schools

- An educational concert and master class by the guitarist Ramon Carnota took place at the Pancyprian Gymnasium in Lefkosia, on 30 October 2014.

Educational concerts and master classes

- Educational concert with Hugo Ticciati and Hayk Melikyan at the Shoe Factory, on 8 October 2014.
- Educational concert followed by a master class with Paavali Jumppanen, on 4 November 2014.
- Educational concert with the Trio Apache, on 14 November 2014.
- Educational concert with the Cypriot musicians George Georgiou, Zoe Nicolaides and Annini Tsiouti, on 24 November 2014.
- Master Class for piano four hands with the pianists Alessio Bax and Lucille Chang, on 6 December 2014.
- Educational concert with the ensemble Le Main Harmonique, on 16 December 2014.

- Educational concert with the jazz pianist Axel Zwingenberger, on 29 January 2015.
- Educational concert with the violinist Erica Geldsetzer and the pianist Ian Fountain, on 29 February 2015.
- Educational concert with the violinist Gerhard Schulz, the cellist Lilia Bayrova-Schulz and the pianist Noam Greenberg, on 5 March 2015.
- Educational concert with singer Gerhild Romberger, the pianist Manuel Lange and the violinist Dietmut Poppen, followed by a master class by Gerhild Romberger, on 21 March 2015.
- Educational concert with the Kreutzer Quartet, on 26 March 2015.
- Educational concert and art exhibition at the Pharos Centre for Contemporary Art with the violinist Peter Sheppard Skaerved, on 27 March 2015.
- Educational concert followed by a master class with the pianist Pablo Galdo, on 4 April 2015

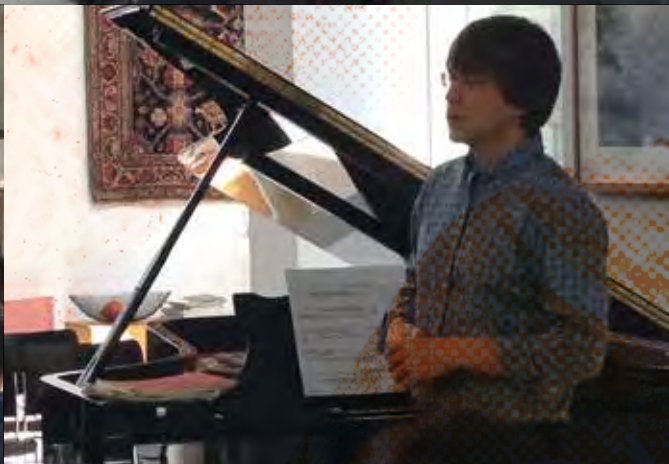
More information:

www.schools.ac.cy/eyliko/mesi/themata/mousiki/ekpaidevtikes_synavlies.html

www.thepharostrust.org/musiceducation.htm

Number of participants: 900 students







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C. More... partnerships

C1. Partnerships between the Ministry for Education and Culture and distinguished artists from Cyprus and abroad

Distinguished artists offer lectures or workshops in schools

- Collaboration of the Pafos Music Lyceum with the Austrian Embassy and the Organisation Pafos 2017 European Capital of Culture for a music workshop presentation with the musicians Philippe Raskin and Johannes Fleishman, on 17 September 2014.
- Collaboration of the Lemesos Music Lyceum with the Austrian Embassy for a music workshop presentation with the musicians Philippe Raskin and Johannes Fleishman, on 18 September 2014.
- The Ammochostos Music Lyceum organised a Japanese music workshop with the composer and music educator Sakae Tauchi, on 29 September 2014.
- Educational concert focusing on russian music by the musicians Antonios Koutroupis, Giannis Georgiou and Natalya Lezetova, on 17 March 2015.
- Educational project under the title "*Music and the environment: water games*" was organised by the Acropolis Gymnasium in collaboration with the Cypriot artist Lefteris Moschovias and took place on February and March 2015.

More information:

www.schools.ac.cy/eyliko/mesi/themata/mousiki/mousikes_drasis.html
<http://mousiko-scholeio-lem.schools.ac.cy/>
<http://mousiko-scholeio-amm.schools.ac.cy/>
<http://mousiko-scholeio-paf.schools.ac.cy/>



C2. Partnerships between Music Schools, distinguished artists, Municipalities, Communities, schools and other agencies

- Participation of the Lefkosia Music School at an event organised in collaboration with the Embassy of Germany in Lefkosia on the Day of German Unification, on 3 October 2014.
- The Pafos Music Lyceum presented a concert in collaboration with the Greek renowned singer Vasilis Lekas, on 23 October 2014.
- Collaboration of the Lefkosia Music Lyceum and the Embassy of Israel in the context of an exhibition in the Pancyprrian Gymnasium Museum under the title "*Unknown history: works of art by Jewish refugees at British Detention Camps in Cyprus 1946-1949*", on 29 October 2014.
- Participation of the Lemesos Music Lyceum choir at an event organised in memoriam of Archbishop Makarios III in collaboration with the Pancyprrian Association of Democratic Resistance, on 19 January 2015.
- Participation of the Traditional Music Group of the Lefkosia Music Lyceum at an event organised by the Ministry of Education and Culture and the Holy Archbishopric, on 20 March 2015.
- Collaboration of the Lefkosia Music Lyceum, the Pharos Arts Foundation, and the Embassy of Iran for a presentation of a Persian classical music concert with the ensemble Miras, on 20 March 2015.
- Participation of the students of the Ammochostos Music Lyceum at an event in the context of the 2nd Products and Services Exhibition organised by the Ammochostos Tourist, Commercial and Industrial Company, on 29 March 2015.
- Educational concert presented by the Pafos Music Lyceum for pre-primary and primary school students, on 23 April 2015.
- Participation of the traditional music group of the Lefkosia Music Lyceum at an event organised by the OPAP Cyprus, on 28 April 2015.
- Educational concert organised by the Lemesos Music Lyceum for Gymnasium students, on 28 April 2015.

- Concert presented by the Lemesos Music Lyceum at the inauguration of the multifunctional seaside park, on 29 April 2015.
- Participation of the Ammochostos Music Lyceum at an event organised by the Pancyprian Parents Confederation for children with special needs and the Larnaca-Ammochostos Regional Office, on 14 May 2015.
- Participation of the Traditional Music Group of the Ammochostos Music Lyceum at an event organised by the Holy Bishopric of Constantia and Ammochostos, on 15 May 2015.
- Participation of the Guitar Ensemble of the Pafos Music Lyceum at a concert organised in collaboration with the Organisation Pafos 2017 European Capital of Culture at the Palaepafos Museum, on 17 May 2015.
- Collaboration of the Pafos Music Lyceum with the German Embassy and the Organisation Pafos 2017 European Capital of Culture for a music workshop presentation with the Rector of the Mozarteum Music University in Salzburg, Siegfried Mauser, and the Concertmaster of the Cyprus Symphony Orchestra, Wolfgang Schroeder, on 6 June 2015.
- Collaboration of the Pafos Music Lyceum, the Lyceum A' Arch. Makarios III, the music group of the Holy Bishopric of Pafos Youth Centre and the Organisation Pafos 2017 European Capital of Culture with the participation of the Greek singer Dimitris Basis for a concert, on 24 June 2015.

More information:

<http://mousiko-scholeio-lef.schools.ac.cy/joomla/>

<http://mousiko-scholeio-lem.schools.ac.cy/>

<http://mousiko-scholeio-lar.schools.ac.cy/>

<http://mousiko-scholeio-amm.schools.ac.cy/>

<http://mousiko-scholeio-paf.schools.ac.cy/>

Number of participants: 400 students



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D. Partnerships between the Ministry of Education and Culture, the Cyprus Pedagogical Institute, the Strovolos Municipality and the OPAP Cyprus

One-Day choir workshop

- The "*Choirs Workshop*", led by the choir conductors Solon Kladas, Loizos Loizou, Angelina Nicolaidou, Isavella Christofidou, Iakos Demetriou, Eleni Kyprianou and Maria Stylianou-Rousou, took place on 4 May 2015. It was organised in the context of the in-service training programme, so as to meet the need of empowering the secondary music teachers on issues concerning choir conducting, teaching and organising the choir. The workshop concluded with an evening concert, open for the public.

More information:

www.schools.ac.cy/eyliko/mesi/themata/mousiki/imerides_seminaria_synedria.html

Number of participants: 300 students





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E. Partnerships between the Ministry of Education and Culture, the non-profit Photos Fotiades Foundation and the Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation

The "*Music composition annual contest*"

The contest was held in December 2014, within the framework of the cooperation between the Ministry of Education and Culture, the non-profit "Photos Fotiades" Foundation and the Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation, with the participation of students from all over Cyprus. For the first time this year the contest included Gymnasium as well as Lyceum students.

Three composition contests are included in the "*Music composition annual contest*":

- The 6th "*Marios Tokas*" song writing contest, commemorating the Cypriot composer Marios Tokas.
- The 4th "*Costas Montis*" song writing contest, based on lyrics by the renowned Cypriot poet.
- The 2nd Instrumental composition contest commemorating this year the Cypriot composer Solon Michaelides.

The regional contests took place on December 2 and 4, 2014, and the final contest took place on December 8, 2014, at the Laniteion Theater in Limassol.

More information:

www.schools.ac.cy/eyliko/mesi/themata/mousiki/diagonismos_tokas.html

Number of participants: 250 students







F. Partnerships between the Lefkosia Regional Orchestra, the Pafos Regional Orchestra, public and private secondary education schools, the Pafos Music Lyceum, the Pafos Municipality and other Communities

The establishment of regional orchestras is another innovation of the Ministry of Education and Culture, which has been implemented in secondary education by a decision of the Council of Ministers in November 2003. Music teachers who are specialised in orchestral conducting have been appointed as conductors and the orchestra is open to all students through audition. The aim of such activities is to offer young people the opportunity for enhancing creativity and communication skills, create incentives for qualitative music performance and enhance collaboration with the community in the context of the development of music education. The repertoire varies accordingly, from classical to Cypriot and Greek, as well as students' compositions.

F1. The Lefkosia Regional Orchestra

The Lefkosia Regional orchestra has been active since 2003 and was led in 2014-2015 by Kyriakos Limniotis.

- Christmas concert at the Ministry for Education and Culture, on 19 December 2014.
- Concert in collaboration with the Geri Municipality, on 7 March 2015.
- Concert at Pedoulas Gymnasium in collaboration with the Pedoulas Community in the context of a music workshop that took place on 29 March 2015.
- Concert for World Music Day in collaboration with the Bank of Cyprus at the Bank of Cyprus Cultural Centre, on 21 June 2015.
- Concert at a book presentation organised in collaboration with the Cyprus Cooperative Central Bank, on 8 July 2015.

F2. Partnerships between the Lefkosia Regional Orchestra and the Pafos Regional Orchestra

In 2014-2015, the Pafos Regional Orchestra was inaugurated and was led by Chrysostomos Neofytou.

- 6th orchestra music workshop in Pafos in collaboration with the Pafos Music Lyceum, on 8-10 May 2015.
- The workshop concluded with an afternoon charity concert on 10 May 2015 organised in collaboration with the Pafos Music Lyceum, the A' Pafos Arch. Makarios III Lyceum and the Pafos Municipality.
- Concert in Kato Pafos in collaboration with the Pafos Municipality, on 9 May 2015.
- Charity concert at Pallas Theater in collaboration with the Cyprus Red Cross Society, on 12 May 2015.

More information:

www.schools.ac.cy/eyliko/mesi/themata/mousiki/eparch_orch_sch_lefkosia.html

www.schools.ac.cy/eyliko/mesi/themata/mousiki/eparch_orch_sch_pafos.html

Number of participants: 140 students









G. Partnerships between the Ministry of Education and Culture, public and private secondary education schools, the Lefkosa Regional Orchestra, the European University of Cyprus and the Strovolos Municipality

- The annual event titled "*Musical Vibes*" includes a two-day workshop and a final evening concert. The workshop was organised on 17-18 January 2015, with the participation of students from the Agiou Ioanni Lakatamias Gymnasium, the Lefkosa Music Lyceum, the American Academy, the Grammar School, the English School, the Lefkosa Regional Orchestra, the String Orchestra of the European Conservatory, the Strovolos Municipality Band and the European University of Cyprus.
- The partnership concluded with an evening concert "*Musical Vibes II*", organized by the independent committee of "Musical Vibes" and supported by the Strovolos Municipality and the European University of Cyprus. The concert took place at the Strovolos Theater on 23 January 2015.
- An educational programme was organised in collaboration with the European University for Lyceum students under the title "*Introduction to Jazz and Rock music*", on 3 April 2015.

More information:

www.schools.ac.cy/eyliko/mesi/themata/mousiki/mousikes_draseis.html

Number of participants: 300 students

TOTAL: 4,300 students



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