



PRESS RELEASE

AHEPA Toronto Attends the 18th Annual Hellenic Heritage Foundation Gala

Toronto AHEPA Chapter Donates \$15,000 for the Apollo Project

TORONTO, ON – On Friday, June 6, 2014, the members of the AHEPA Toronto family attended in support of the Hellenic Heritage Foundation (HHF), the 18th Annual “A Night in Plaka” Gala. The successful Gala celebrated the accomplishments and contributions of the world renowned classical composer and ambassador for Hellenism and the arts, Mr. Christos Hatzis.

A momentous celebration took place for The Apollo Project, a new initiative that AHEPA is proud to partner with, and that embodies the HHF commitment to Language and Education, Heritage and Culture, and Social and Community Involvement. The Apollo Project pledges to promote and develop the Hellenic language and education, Hellenic school enhancement, Hellenic theatre and culture, Hellenic social and community involvement, and Hellenic achievement.

The AHEPA Toronto Chapter has committed to the Apollo Project with a pledge of \$15,000.00 at \$5,000.00 each year. This contribution was presented by the outgoing 2013-2014 AHEPA President, Mr. Antony Polyzotis, along with the 2014-2015 AHEPA President, Mr. Constantine Politis.

HHF Fundraising Chair and former AHEPA Executive member Dean Antonakes encouraged attendees to “Catch Apollo’s Fire”, “because together we can achieve the extraordinary.” AHEPA hopes that the fire they have caught will continue to burn as the project’s aims flourish in the coming year.

AHEPA Toronto President Constantine Politis (left), HHF President George Raios (centre), and AHEPA Toronto Past President Antony Polyzotis (right).



The festivity also included an announcement that after more than 10 years of discontinuation of the Hellenic studies program at the University of Toronto, the program will be re-introduced as of September 2014.

Guests were also enjoyed a performance by Ellen Karis, the Greek Goddess of Comedy in North America, along with Greek music and dancing.



Seen here are members of the Toronto AHEPA Chapter, and the Consul General of Greece in Toronto, Hon. Dimitris Azemopoulos.

The Hellenic Heritage Foundation (HHF) is a charitable, non-profit fundraising organization established in Toronto in 1996. As a prominent member of Imagine Canada, the Hellenic Heritage Foundation has grown to become a highly respected and professionally managed Foundation that has earned a reputation for successful fundraising events that have raised over \$5.5 million.

The mission of the Order of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association is to promote the ideals of Hellenism: Education, Philanthropy, Civic Responsibility and Family and Individual Excellence.

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