

A Tribute to Marios Tokas

Δευτέρα, 1 Σεπτεμβρίου - Τάφρος Ντ' Αβίῆα, Λευκωσία Monday, September 1 - D' Avila Moat, Nicosia ΕΙΣΟΔΟΣ ΕΛΕΥΕΘΕΡΗ FREE ENTRANCE

ΩPA / TIME: 20:30

ΓΕΝΙΚΕΣ ΠΛΗΡΟΦΟΡΙΕΣ / GENERAL INFORMATION: 25878744, 22800933

Marios Tokas Orchestra Conducted by: GIORGOS PAYIATIS

With:
MANOLIS HADJIMANOLIS
GIORGOS FANARAS
COSTAS HADJICHRISTODOULOU
MARIA ALEXIOU
STELIOS DIONYSIOU
VASILIS SKOULAS
and GEORGE DALARAS

With the participation of ARIS CHOIR of Limassol under the direction of MARINOS MITELLAS

Marios Tokas was born in Limassol, Cyprus on June 8, 1954. In 1975 he went to Athens in order to study at the philosophical school. At the same time, he studied at the Ethniko Odio because he wanted to start a career as a musician. In 1974, he fought as a soldier against the Turkish invadors. In 2004, Tokas and his six-member orchestra gave a concert in Vienna. The concert was co-organised by the Greek Society of Austria and the Athens Sports Association "Pantalkis" with the support of the General Secretariat of Hellenism Abroad of the Greek Foreign Ministry, under the auspices of the Cypriot ambassador in Austria.

Marios Tokas has worked with some of the most famous Greek singers. Dimitris Mitropanos, Constantina, Yiannis Parios, Aleka Kanellidou, Charis Alexiou, Dimitra Galani, Dionisis Theodosis. Katerina Kouka, Antonis Kalogiannis, George Dalaras and Manolis Mitsias, are just a few of them. He offered free of charge concerts every summer in his homeland Cyprus, for all the 18 year old soldiers whpo had to enlist for their 26 month compulsory service in the army. Marios Tokas was a superb composer and his work includes religious albums, folk albums, soundtracks for television shows, and greek music.

His last work was the official anthem of the Cyprus University of Technology.

On 27 April, 2008, Tokas died of cancer in Athens. Cypriot president Dimitris Christofias visited him in the hospital towards the end of his life. He was buried in Athens' First cemetery.

He is regarded as the most prominent singer in Cyprus and one of the most important ones in Greece. M. Tokas will always be remembered for his passion for Cyprus and the connection of his music with Cyprus.









