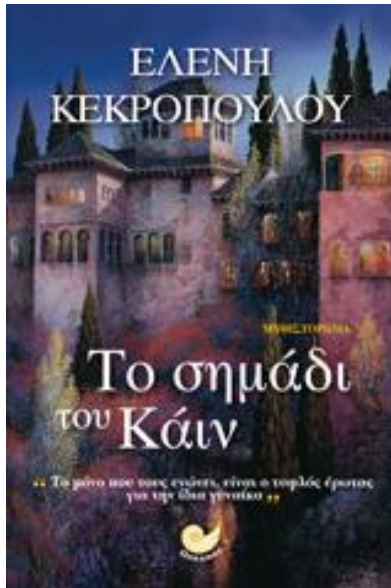




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The Mark of Cain
by Eleni Kekropoulou

Greek Literature/ Historical Novel

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Partial English translation available

1881. In Thessaly, after the independence of the Ottoman occupation, many wealthy Greeks from Constantinople and Asia Minor come to this area of central Greece and they buy huge lands and they become the landlords of almost the whole fertile valley of Thessaly. The poor peasants feel betrayed from the Greek government who promised them land. Two brothers, Achilles and Christopher, the sons of a rich Constantinopolitan banker love the same girl, a fourteen years old orphan beauty from Smyrna. She seems to prefer Christopher, but in the end things change and she marries Achilles. Christopher shall never forget his brother cunning to win the girl... As years pass, their animosity increases in a country which is heavily tested by insolvency, the continuous political conflicts, and a dirty war with the Turks that almost cost their independence...

A family saga and a magnificent love story, in parallel with the history of Thessaly, during the first two decades after the independence from the Ottoman Empire. A heavily political period when the starved farmers rebel against the rich landlords. A page turner and a prompt best seller.

Eleni Kekropoulou was born in Kavala but grew up in Trikala Thessalias. She studied political science and law, at the Kappodistriako University as well as foreign languages. For the past 36 years Eleni has been working as a translator, editor, publisher and writer.



IN THE PAST INDEFINITE by Dimitris Vazelakis

Pages: 381/trade paperback

Published by Livani Publishing in 2015

Greek Literature/ Historical Novel

Full English translation available.

The book unfolds the life of a girl called Maria. It is a strong love story between Maria and Alexander which starts in Smyrna and will remain alive through Maria's life. In the background, the various historical events of World War I and II take us back to those days and affect Maria's life directly or indirectly.

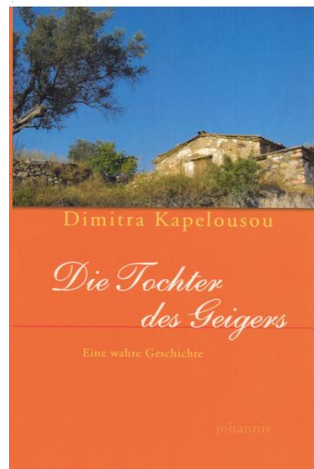
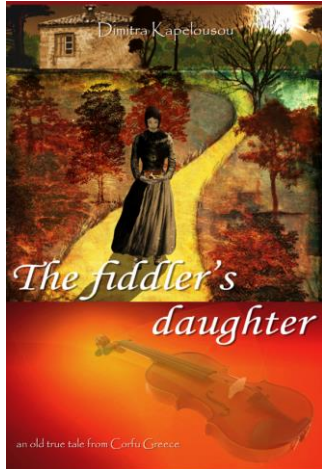
Maria and Alexander fall in love but they are separated by the Catastrophe of Smyrna. Maria who is already pregnant moves to the refugee camp in Greece. She gets married to her childhood friend, Pavlos and they move to Egypt where they become rich and enjoy the luxury of the "Elite" society.

When World War II spreads to North Africa, the son of Maria and Alexander, Konstantinos, is called to join the Allied Forces. During the El Alamein battle, Konstantinos's Captain and father saves his life. Even though Maria and Alexander meet again, Maria will reveal her secret to both men only after her death.

The writer has extensively researched the historical circumstances of WWI and WWII. The description of the events and battles is so strong that you have the sense that you are living at the time. There are also many cultural features of everyday life in Asia Minor, Greece and Egypt.

Once you start reading, it is impossible to put the book down. You have to follow Maria and the historical era.

Dimitris Vazelakis was born in Cairo, Egypt of Greek parents. He studied Electronics and Communication Engineering in Cairo University. He speaks Arabic and English. He loves music, and plays piano and bouzouki. During his studies he used to be a member of a band called "The Greeks". He moved to Greece in 1988 and since then, he has worked in some of the major computer programming companies. He is married and father of two children. In the Past Indefinite is his second book.



The Fiddler's Daughter
by Dimitra Kapelousou

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English, German and French translations
available.

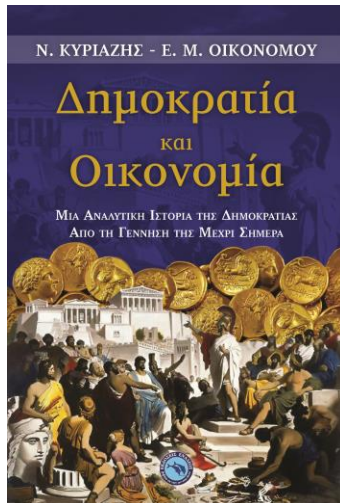
(...) A strong feeling of despair grew steadily inside me too. I made a decision then. I didn't want to live like this woman did. I didn't want to live like my Mum, or my Aunt Thodoula, or even Diamandina or Zaharenia, who was considered lucky for not being abused by her husband.

I wanted to live differently, to enjoy life, but how? I was poor. I was female. I was Kokolis's daughter. Somehow a desperate decision made me lift my head up high, grit my teeth and think: I will have a better life than this! I had to live a better life!

This story is a hymn to life and creation. It follows a woman's journey towards personal freedom and the realization of her dreams under very difficult circumstances, in the early 20th century, in Corfu.

The historical events of that period are recounted through the narration of a young child, with many elements of local folklore, and an honest and tender account by a woman who made up her mind to fight until death, so that she may choose her destiny despite her indescribable poverty, abandonment, social stigma and rejection. During her dramatic and adventurous journey, she found out that 'the impossible can become possible'. This novel is a message of hope and love for life.

Dimitra Kapelousou was born in 1944, in Corfu. She worked as a teacher and in recent years has been translating books. She has written many poems and narration as well as a historical novel which has just appeared on the Greek market. In Germany the book had a big editorial success. Dimitra Kapelousou lives with her husband in Filiatra Messinias in the southern Peloponnesos.



DEMOCRACY AND ECONOMY

by N. Kyriazis & E.M. Oikonomou

History / Economics

Pages: 558

First published in 2015

Is democracy the best political system?

Why was democracy born in Ancient Greece and not elsewhere?

What is the relation of democracy, economy and property rights?

How did the Athenian democracy operated?

Why did the European democratic dwarfs prevail against the Asian imperialist giants?

What do the Swiss of the Middle Ages and Ancient Greeks have in common?

What the Ancient Greek confederation can teach the European Union?

What do spices have to do with the creation of new institutions and the finance revolution of the 17th century?

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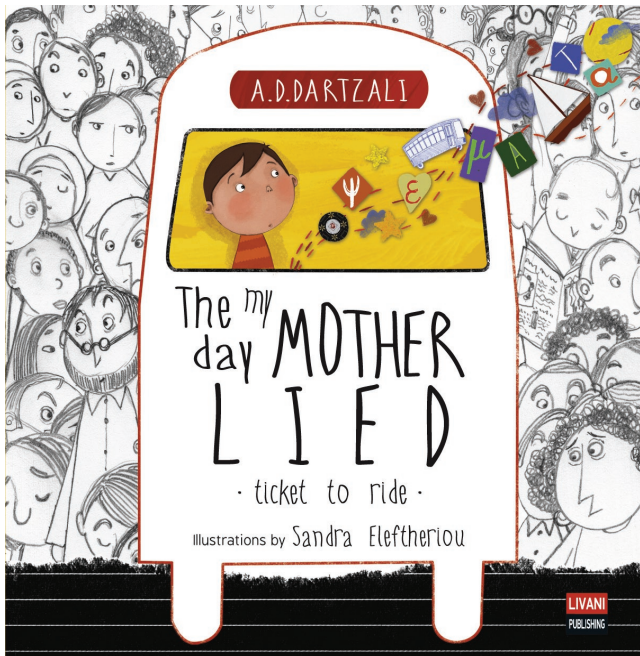
Why did Great Britain defeat Napoleon?

How did the Ancient Greek confederation inspired the Founding Fathers in USA?

Why is Greece considered as the least democratic country in the EU?

Nikos Kyriazis studied Economics and acquired his doctorate degree from Bohn University. He taught as a visiting professor in Trier University and Harvard University. He worked as a specialist on monetary for the European Parliament and as a counselor for the Greek Treasury and the National Bank of Greece. He is a professor of the Thessaly University and a writer of fiction and non-fiction books.

Emmanuel-Marios Oikonomou studied Economics in Thessaly University and completed post-graduate studies in applied economics. The subject of his doctorate degree is the analysis of ancient Greek economy, English economy in the middle ages and current policy in European Union. He has published several articles in Greek and foreign journals.



The day my mother lied -ticket to ride-

A.S. Dartzali

Illustrations: Sandra Eleftheriou

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A colorful bus ride. Eyes and lies.

A mother with her son will face a little adventure
in a rather strange reality
that we would all like to alter a bit,
if only we could.

A little kid, who enjoys bus rides, will suddenly realize
that his own mother had to lie,
in order to save another mother's dignity.

Will he ever be able to understand why his mother lied?
Will he think with his heart or with his mind?

But when love beats the rules, the heart starts to smile.
A book on feelings and love, against rudeness and racism.

A.S. Dartzali was born in 1974 and lives in Athens. She studied Classics and this book is her first one.

