

# Hellenic Film Society Presents Two Summer Movie Screenings Sunday, August 24 | Friday, August 29

# Celebrating Two Legendary Greek Performers: Actor Olympia Dukakis and Singer Stelios Kazantzidis

Astoria, NY — August 13, 2025 – The **Hellenic Film Society** (HFS) is pleased to present two special summer screenings which celebrate two legendary Greek performers: Oscar-winning actor Olympia Dukakis and acclaimed singer Stelios Kazantzidis.

On **Sunday, August 24** at dusk in Athens Square Park in Astoria, NY, HFS will present a **free screening** of the romantic comedy *Moonstruck*. Dukakis won an Academy Award for her performance as the mother of a lonely bookkeeper (Cher, in an Oscar-winning performance) who falls in love with her fiance's brother. The film also stars Nicolas Cage. For further information, please visit <a href="https://hellenicfilmsociety.org/special-screenings#moonstruck">https://hellenicfilmsociety.org/special-screenings#moonstruck</a>

The following week, kicking off Labor Day weekend on **Friday, August 29** at 7pm, HFS will present an encore performance of the award-winning international box office hit, *Stelios*. The biopic explores the life and extraordinary career of singer Stelios Kazantzidis, whose voice and songbook touched the hearts of Greeks around the world. The film, with an immensely popular soundtrack, is in Greek with English subtitles.

Stelios will be shown at the newly renovated Sapan Greenport Theater in Greenport, NY, where many New York area Greeks vacation during the summer. Following the screening, there will be an audience Q&A and live performance by musician Mavrothi Kontanis. For more information and to buy tickets, please visit <a href="https://hellenicfilmsociety.org/special-screenings#stelios">https://hellenicfilmsociety.org/special-screenings#stelios</a>

"We're thrilled to pay tribute to Olympia Dukakis and Stelios Kazantzidis, two hugely popular performers who have meant so much to the Greek community and to audiences of all nationalities," says Maria C. Miles, Hellenic Film Society president. "These two screenings will inspire our audience to get ready for the **New York Greek Film Expo**, a Greek film festival for all New Yorkers, which runs October 2-12, when we'll be showing the latest and best Greek films in Manhattan, Astoria, and Fort, Lee, NJ."

## Two upcoming summer screenings

**Sunday, August 24** | FREE FILM PRESENTATION begins at dusk, approximately 8pm *MOONSTRUCK*, starring Olympia Dukakis, Cher, Nicolas Cage Athens Square Park, 30th Ave at 30th St, Astoria, NY

Viewers are encouraged to bring their own chairs or blanket for comfort.

The Hellenic Film Society is proud to present this free screening in cooperation with NYC Parks Arts, Culture & Fun and Movies Under the Stars. https://hellenicfilmsociety.org/special-screenings#moonstruck

Labor Day Weekend
Friday, August 29 | 7pm

STELIOS, starring Christos Mastoras, Klelia Renesi
Sapan Greenport Theater, 211 Front St, Greenport, NY 11944
https://hellenicfilmsociety.org/special-screenings#stelios

#### **About the Hellenic Film Society**

The <u>Hellenic Film Society</u> is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to promoting Greek cinema and sharing the richness of Greek films with American audiences. Based in Astoria, NY, HFS presents an array of feature films, documentaries, and shorts by Greek filmmakers and those of Greek descent, as well as works that highlight the cultures of Greece and Cyprus.

HFS is known for its annual *New York Greek Film Expo*, a Greek film festival for *all* New Yorkers, and its ongoing *Always on Sunday* monthly film series, presented in collaboration with the prestigious Museum of the Moving Image. Additionally, the organization partners with other prominent film festivals across the United States, including the Chicago Greek Film Expo, the South Florida Greek Film Festival, and the Atlanta Greek Film Expo.

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For more information, to volunteer, or to support our mission, visit <a href="www.hellenicfilmsociety.org">www.hellenicfilmsociety.org</a>.

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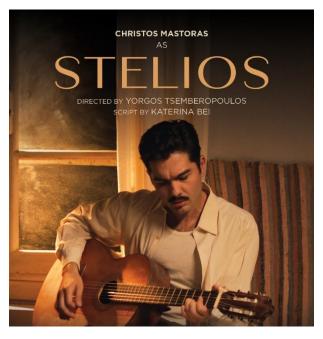
## FREE MOVIE IN ATHENS SQUARE PARK

30 Ave at 30 Street Sunday, August 24 at dusk

## **MOONSTRUCK**

Presented by the Hellenic Film Society And NYC Parks Arts

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### **ENCORE SCREENING**

# **STELIOS**

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