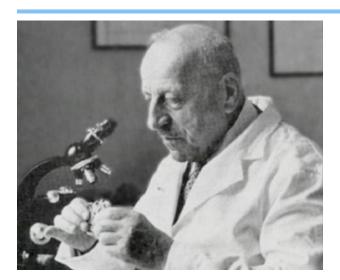
UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE US SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, THE US NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO, AND THE HELLENIC NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO

THE EMBASSY OF GREECE

IN COLLABORATION WITH THE HELLENIC FOUNDATION FOR CULTURE AND IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CURRENT EXHIBITION: GEORGE PAPANICOLAOU: A PIONEER IN MEDICAL RESEARCH PRESENTS THE FILM:

## **"THE BACKSTAGE" (TO PARASKINIO)** A DOCUMENTARY ON THE LIFE AND WORK OF GEORGE PAPANICOLAOU



## USA Premiere -Special Screening on January 31st, 2013 at 6:30 – 8:00 pm

In commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the death of George N. Papanicolaou, one of the greatest medical scientists of the 20th century. Papanicolaou invented the famous "pap-test," which detects the early stages of uterine cancer in women, saving the lives of millions worldwide.

## At : Embassy of Greece

2217 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20008

## "Backstage"

**Synopsis:** "Backstage" is one of Greece's Public Television (ERT) longest running shows of one hour documentaries on topics covering a wide range of historical and cultural stories, focusing on personalities, particular periods of history and events of significant importance.

This particular episode is dedicated to the life and work of Dr. George N. Papanicolaou. His story is told through the narratives of relatives, extracts from his correspondence and letters to family, descriptions from historians, medical researchers, and scientists who refer to the importance of his medical research concerning the diagnosis and prevention of uterine and cervical cancer through the Pap test. The highly important role of his wife Andromache Mavrogenous is also stressed out as a life-time companion, co-worker and researcher by his side. The episode contains rare photographic archival material, related newspaper front-pages and other documents, interviews and a short film footage containing rare shots of George N. Papanicolaou.

Duration: 51:39, Director: Lefteris Xanthopoulos, Producer: Lakis Papastathis, Takis Chatzopoulos Production: Hellenic Broadcasting Corporation (ERT S.A.)

> Exhibition open Mondays to Fridays from November 9<sup>th</sup> 2012 through February 28<sup>th</sup> 2013 at 11 am – 3 pm, weekly