Padus-Araxes Cultural Association

39th INTENSIVE SUMMER COURSE OF ARMENIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE IN VENICE

GENERAL PROGRAMME OF CULTURAL & LEISURE ACTIVITIES August 2025

1° Week

- 1st Friday, 8.45-10.00 am Inauguration of the Intensive Summer School and regular classes
- 3rd Sunday, 11.00 am Liturgy of the Holy Mass / Սուրբ Պատարագ (Surb Patarag) in the Medieval Armenian church of the Holy Cross / Սուրբ Խաչ (Surb Khach), celebrated by H.G. Archbishop Levon Zekiyan. Departure from Residences: 9.30 am.

2° Week

- 6th Wednesday, 17.30 (5:30 pm) Guided visit of Armenian Venice, one of the first Armenian Diaspora centres in the West, by Dr. EVELYN KORSCH.
- 7th Thursday, 20.30 (8:30 pm) Public Lecture: ՎԵԵՆՏԻԿԻ ԴԱՍԸՆԹԱՅՔԻՆ ՔԱՌԱՍՈՒՆ SUՐԻՆԵՐԸ / FORTY YEARS OF THE VENICE SUMMER INTENSIVE COURSE by Fr. Levon ZEKIYAN at Camplus Auditorium
- 8th Friday, 15.00 (3:00 pm) Group visit to *Surb Ghazar*, the Monastic Island of San Lazzaro in Laguna, Headquarters of the Mekhitarist Order and cradle of the modern Armenian Renaissance in the 18th century.
- 10th Sunday, 11 am Liturgy of the Holy Mass / Սուրբ Պատարագ (Surb Patarag) in the Medieval Armenian church of the Holy Cross / Սուրբ Խաչ (Surb Khach), celebrated by Fr. Levon Zekiyan. Departure from Residences: 9.30 am.

3° Week

- 11th Monday, 20.30 (8:30 pm) Public Lecture: นิโษโปรนุรนิช บันนุกิฮโฏษิโรนุชิ โษษิโภโตโรนุรนิช โษษิโภโตโรนุรนิช โรนุชิกโตโรนุรนิช โรนุชิกโตโรนุรนิช โรนุชิกโตโรนุรนิช ARMENIANN CULTURE AND ARMENIAN IDENTITY by Fr. Levon ZEKIYAN at Camplus Auditorium
- 13th Wednesday 20.30 (8.30 pm) Meeting with Estonian writer KALLE KÄSPER and the presentation of her trilingual (Armenian-English-Italian) booklet "Armenian Women" (Armenian translation by Karine Khodikyan; English translation by course teacher Artsvi Bakhchinyan, Italian translation by former course attendee Stefano Bertoletti) at Patronato Carlo Acutis Calle delle Botteghe 2971
- 14th Thursday, 17.30 (5.30 pm) Celebration of the Course's 40th anniversary.

Prof. Theo van Lint – Oxford University, Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies / Pembroke College "On the Road of Discovery to Untold Riches of Human Culture: Learning Western Armenian in Venice" at Patronato Carlo Acutis Calle delle Botteghe 2971

- 15th Friday, Festival Day, free-lesson day.
- 16th Saturday, last day of classes.
 - **17.30 (5.30PM) CELEBRATION OF THE COURSE'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY** Suren Danielyan, Founder and President of SPYURK Research Centre "The present and the perspectives of Western Armenian Education" (<< Արեւմտահայ կրթութեան ներկան եւ հեռանկարները at Patronato Carlo Acutis Calle delle Botteghe 2971
- 17th Sunday, 11 am Feast of *Our Lady's Assumption* /Աստուածամօր Վերափոխման տօն, in the Armenian rite. Solemn Divine Liturgy of the Holy Mass Սուրբ Պատարագ at the Monastery of San Lazzaro. **Departure** from Residences: 9.00 am, Boat from San Zaccaria: 10.25 am.
- 18th Monday 9.00-12.00 Exams
- 19.45 (7.45 pm) ลุกุนเฮนวนท์ นุกนินุก) / Farewell evening at Patronato Salesiano Leone XIII, calle San Domenico 1281
- 19th Tuesday Check-out & Departures