

ANNUAL DINNER GALA

HONORING PERSON OF THE YEAR
NICOLAS A. VERNICOS

Friday, March 29, 2019

7pm – 11pm

The IAC Building, NYC



HELLENIC AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

JOIN US IN CELEBRATION OF
PERSON OF THE YEAR



NICOLAS A. VERNICOS
PRESIDENT

THE INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
&
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HELLENIC AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

ABOUT

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HACC HONOREES FOR “PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD” HAVE NOT BEEN LIMITED TO COMMERCE BUT HAVE COME FROM THE ARTS AND POLITICS AS WELL.

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DIFFERENCE BY BECOMING A SPONSOR.

YOUR SPONSORSHIP WILL **ENHANCE** THE CHAMBER'S

EFFORTS IN **ENSURING** ALL RELATIONS BETWEEN
GREECE AND THE UNITED STATES ARE

MAINTAINED, **NURTURED**

AND **STRENGTHENED** FOR YEARS TO COME.



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BIOGRAPHY

Nicolas A. Vernicos (NAV) is a 4th generation shipping and tourism industry entrepreneur originating from the island of Sifnos with significant experience in corporate governance, banking and financial services.

He has been in the shipping and trading business since 1968, managing one of the oldest surviving Greek Maritime firms. The enterprise was founded in Constantinople in 1851 and has operated from Piraeus since the beginning of the 20th century. NAV serves as President of Vernicos Maritime Group (ship managers for ocean-going vessels), VERNICOS Tugs & Salvage, the oldest salvage firm in Greece, Vernicos Shipyard SA and as Vice- President of Vernicos Yachts, Greece's oldest yachting group, Eurocorp Financial Services SA and Consortium Travel.

From 2003 until December 2018, NAV served as President of ICC-Hellas. Today he is the Hon. President and Member of the Board of Directors.

Since 1980, he is a member of the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Chamber of Shipping and since 1996 of the Piraeus Chamber of Commerce and Industry, where he is the President of the Transport and Shipping Committee.

With over 35 years of experience in Public Companies and Organizations, he has served as President and/or member of the Board of Directors among others in the following companies: Public Power Corporation (DEH) (2011-2015), Olympic Airways and subsidiaries (1989-2003), Hellenic Shipyards Skaramanga (1985-1992), Hellenic Duty Free Shops (1992-1994), National Bank of Greece (France) (1991-1996), Attica Group/ Superfast Ferries (1992-1994), MINION Department Stores (1992-1995).

NAV is very active in cultural and environmental matters. In addition to the National Museum of Contemporary Art, he has served as Member of the Board of the Hellenic Society for the Environment and Cultural Heritage (Elliniki Erairia) and the Association for the Creation of a New Building for the Greek National Opera. NAV is the Founder of the Kastella Centre of Contemporary Art in Piraeus.

Together with his wife Barbara, they have 3 daughters and 3 grand daughters.



WHO | THE NEW YORK, GREEK- AMERICAN COMMUNITY WILL JOIN TOGETHER TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE HELLENIC-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

WHAT | COCKTAILS AND DINNER, BLACK-TIE

WHERE | THE IAC BUILDING AT 555 WEST 18TH ST, NY, NY 10011

WHEN | MARCH 29, 2019 | 7:00pm RECEPTION, 8pm DINNER - 11:00pm

WHY | TO FURTHER PROMOTE THE EXCHANGE OF IDEAS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND GREECE ON COMMERCIAL, CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL MATTERS AS WELL AS TO INSPIRE EXCELLENCE AND COLLABORATION.

HOW | BECOME PART OF THE COMMUNITY BY CONTRIBUTING TO OUR SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES WITH HELLENIC-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.



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GRAND BENEFACTOR	\$25,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VIP TABLE FOR 10 • MENTION ON PRESS RELEASE AND PROGRAM • INCLUSION IN JOURNAL AND EVENT SLIDE LOOP • INCLUSION ON ALL SOCIAL MEDIA • LARGE OLIVE TREE, BY ELLINA'S TREASURES
BENEFACTOR	\$15,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VIP TABLE FOR 10 • MENTION ON PRESS RELEASE AND PROGRAM • INCLUSION IN JOURNAL AND EVENT SLIDE LOOP • INCLUSION ON ALL SOCIAL MEDIA • LARGE OLIVE TREE, BY ELLINA'S TREASURES
GRAND SPONSOR	\$10,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TABLE FOR 10 • MENTION ON PRESS RELEASE AND PROGRAM • INCLUSION IN JOURNAL AND EVENT SLIDE LOOP • INCLUSION ON ALL SOCIAL MEDIA • LARGE OLIVE TREE, BY ELLINA'S TREASURES
SPONSOR	\$5,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TABLE FOR 10 • MENTION ON PRESS RELEASE AND PROGRAM • INCLUSION IN JOURNAL AND EVENT SLIDE LOOP • INCLUSION ON ALL SOCIAL MEDIA • SMALL OLIVE TREE, BY ELLINA'S TREASURES
INDIVIDUAL	\$550	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INCLUDES ENTRY TO THE EVENING
JOURNAL GREETING	\$750	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INCLUSION IN JOURNAL AND EVENT SLIDE LOOP



ABOUT ELLINA'S TREASURES

It was early 1970s, when artist Constantinos Panagiotopoulos found his true calling in designing and hand-crafting brilliant jewelry. Many of the biggest Athens-based jewelry houses (Zolotas etc.) And the most famous Greek painters (g. Stathopoulos, Fasianos etc.), Identified his profoundly gifted charisma creating only high-class “pieces of art” reflecting a timeless luxury even for the most demanding selected client’s needs.

As the years went by, his daughter, Eirini, grew up among thousands of precious stones, tons of flawless metals and immeasurable cultural knowledge, cultivating and nurturing unconsciously inside her a deep love for jewels.

Graduated in 2009 from University of Piraeus in maritime studies, fine jewellery designer Eirini Panagiotopoulou decided after many years to return to her forever burning passion and follow her “inherited” roots in jewelry, starting up her eponymous brand **Ellina’s Treasures**. With the unquestionably vital assistance from her artist father and her creative mother, Eirini aims at offering high quality hand-crafted pieces at an affordable price.

Being truly enchanted by Greece and its beauty, the collections are inspired by ancient times and culture of Greece. **The designs reflect a style of simplicity, ancient influences and modern aesthetics.**

Ellina’s Treasures house offers pieces that mirror the thrill for storytelling and avant-garde design, striving to crack modern luxury with a touch of raw sensuality. **These understated pieces are designed to be both functional jewellery as well as art objects.**

The Ellina’s Treasures collections confidently and elegantly express Eirini’s internal tension between voluptuousness, dreaminess and something stricter: “I try to be pure and clear,” the designer explains. “But I can’t help myself, I’m a meditator, I think of the Greek history, the magnificent mythology and dodekatheism and the epic poems, the tragedies...”



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