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**The National Hellenic Museum celebrates  
Greek culture and history on OXI Day**

**CHICAGO, IL** - On October 29 starting at 2:00pm, the National Hellenic Museum will celebrate Oxi Day, the Greek Anniversary of the defiant “No” to fascism during World War II.

Families with children of all ages are invited to join in the celebration with performances by the Museum’s Greek Language and Culture Class students, including a history of Oxi Day in English. Crafts and activities about Hellenic culture and the history and traditions of Greece will be available around the museum.

Oxi Day is celebrated throughout Greece, Cyprus, and Greek communities throughout the world on October 28 each year. It celebrates Greek resistance during the Nazi occupation of World War II, specifically the rejection of Italian dictator Benito Mussolini’s ultimatum to allow axis troops safe passage through Greece.

During the celebration, the Museum’s exhibitions will be open. Guests can learn the history of candy making in Chicago, view the beauty of the Aegean Sea, learn about the architecture of Greece, and trace the Greek immigrant path toward becoming American.

Image 1:  
Greek dancing during Oxi Day 2015.



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*Located in Chicago's Greektown, the sleek 40,000-square-foot National Hellenic Museum at 333. S. Halsted St. is both contemporary and timeless, connecting all generations—past, present and future—to the rich heritage of Greek history, culture, art and the Greek American experience. The National Hellenic Museum, previously known as the Hellenic Museum and Cultural Center, has been fulfilling this mission since 1983.*

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