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NATIONAL HELLENIC MUSEUM HOSTS 6th TRIAL SERIES SHOWCASE – THE NHM TRIAL OF HIPPOCRATES – FEBRUARY 20



In a Live Court Room Debate, Prominent Judges, Lawyers and Jurors Bring The NHM Trial of Hippocrates to Life with Non-Scripted Drama for Guests to Experience First-Hand

CHICAGO (January 2019) — The **National Hellenic Museum (NHM)**, 333 South Halsted Street, is hosting its 6th NHM Trial Series event *The Trial of Hippocrates* on Wednesday, February 20 from 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at The Harris Theater for Music and Dance, 205 East Randolph Drive. *The Trial of Hippocrates* will be a non-replicable evening of compelling and timely debate by reputable lawyers with proceedings and decisions by notable judges and jurors. Guests are invited to participate by exploring the arguments of each side and submitting their guilty or not guilty vote to literally tip the scale and make their verdict heard.

Attendees of *The Trial of Hippocrates* will experience the court in the style of ancient Athens, for one night only, with a modern twist featuring the non-scripted wit of dynamic legal presentations, as professional lawyers debate whether the great Greek physician Hippocrates is guilty of violating his oath when administering medical care to the dying King of Thebes. The King, desperate to be cured, offered Hippocrates many treasures and riches for remedies to his several ailments. Upon his death, the king's son and heir charged Hippocrates for violating the Oath he had written when taking up his medical practice, citing that Hippocrates stole his father's last days. Additional information on the story of Hippocrates and oldest extant text of the Hippocratic Oath are available to be read in advance of the trial [online](#).

Presiding over *The Trial of Hippocrates* will be U.S. District Judge Charles P. Kocoras (presiding), U.S. Court of Appeals Judge William J. Bauer, U.S. District Judge Sharon Johnson

Coleman and Cook County Circuit Judge Anna H. Demacopoulos, while the counsel will include Robert A. Clifford of Clifford Law Offices, Patrick M. Collins of King & Spalding, Tinos Diamantatos of Morgan Lewis, Christina Faklis Adair of the Cook County's State Attorney's Office, Del Giudice, Americus, Farkas & Brocato, former U.S. Attorney Patrick J. Fitzgerald of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom and former U.S. Attorney Dan K. Webb.

"We are thrilled to present the 6th installment of our NHM Trial Series with *The Trial of Hippocrates*. This is one of the most engaging events we hold each year!" said National Hellenic Museum President Dr. Laura Calamos. "This truly unique event brings Hellenism alive, including our love of learning by prompting critical thinking and citizen involvement in decision making. The lively tradition of debate and the use of juries in democracy is brought to life for all who attend, whether they are doctors, lawyers, Greek or not Greek. It's not every day that we as ordinary individuals get to listen to some of the best attorneys in the state argue a case with all the authentic drama as if it's an official trial."

Doors open for *The Trial of Hippocrates* at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$100 per person in advance and can be purchased [online](#) or by calling the Harris Theater Box Office at (312) 334.7777. For more information, visit www.nationalhellenicmuseum.org or call (312) 655.1234.

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About the National Hellenic Museum

The National Hellenic Museum (NHM) portrays and celebrates Greek history and the Hellenic legacy through educational classes, exhibits and programs. With a growing repository of over 20,000 artifacts, the Museum catalogs and highlights the contributions of Greeks and Greek Americans to the American mosaic and inspires curiosity about visitors' own family journeys through cultural expression, oral history and experiential education. Located in Chicago's Greektown, the NHM provides lifelong learning for the whole community using artifacts and stories to spark inquiry and discussion about the broader issues in our lives.

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