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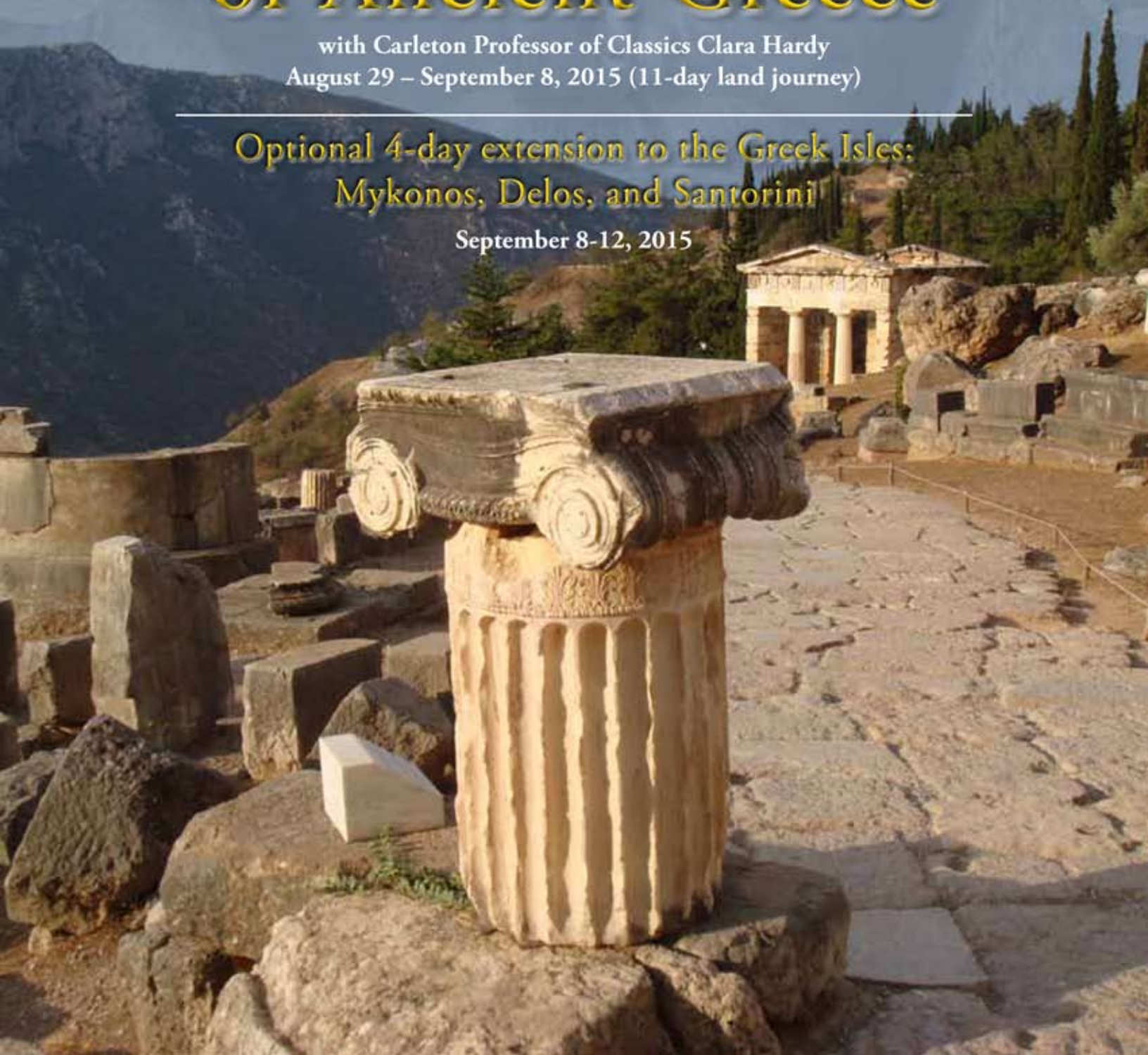
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# Oracles and Theaters of Ancient Greece

with Carleton Professor of Classics Clara Hardy  
August 29 – September 8, 2015 (11-day land journey)

Optional 4-day extension to the Greek Isles:  
Mykonos, Delos, and Santorini

September 8-12, 2015



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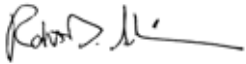
Dear Carleton College Alumni and Friends,

I invite you to delve into the world of ancient Greek mythology, religion, drama, literature, art, and history with Carleton Professor Clara Hardy and an excellent Greek guide on this exploration of “sacred spaces” of the ancient Greek world.

- Travel with a popular Carleton Professor whose teaching and research interests include ancient drama, mythology, rhetoric, and gender studies, all of which can be addressed *in situ* on this tour of Athens, Delphi, and the Peloponnese.
- Admire ancient architecture: temples, theaters, stadiums, and more.
- Marvel at world-class museum collections of marble and bronze sculptures, exquisite gold jewelry, and icons.
- Gaze upon breathtaking mountain vistas and seascapes.
- Relax at centrally located, comfortable (often luxurious) hotels.
- Savor delicious, healthy Mediterranean cuisine.
- Join an optional extension to the stunning Greek islands of Mykonos, Delos, and Santorini.

I hope you will seize this opportunity to explore with fellow Carls a diverse, magnificent array of ancient sites on this custom-designed itinerary!

Sincerely,



Robert D. Smulian, Class of '78  
President, Carleton College Alumni Association

## Itinerary

B= Breakfast • L= Lunch • D= Dinner

### Saturday, August 29, 2015 - Depart Home

### Sunday, August 30 - Arrive Athens, Greece

Upon arrival in Athens you will be transferred to our luxurious hotel in the center of the ancient city. Enjoy a welcome dinner this evening. *Three nights at our Athens hotel.* (D)

### Monday, August 31 - Athens | Acropolis | Acropolis Museum

Ascend the Acropolis and learn about its Parthenon and Erechtheion temples; see the Odeon of Herodes Atticus, the Theater of Dionysus, and the new Acropolis Museum. Enjoy a traditional Greek lunch in the Plaka, Athens' ancient center with narrow, labyrinthine streets at the foot of the Acropolis. The rest of the day is at leisure; perhaps relax at the hotel's pool, explore the Plaka's alleyways lined with shops, and/or revisit the Acropolis Museum. (B,L)

### Tuesday, September 1 - Athens | Kerameikos Cemetery | Agora | National Archaeological Museum

Visit the ancient Kerameikos Cemetery and the Agora, with its Temple of Hephaestus and museum within the Stoa of Attalos. After lunch, we are guided through the National Archaeological Museum's stunning collections. Evening at leisure. (B,L)



Above, the Erechtheion, Acropolis, Athens. Below, the Odeon of Herodes Atticus, located on the southwest slope of the Acropolis, Athens. Bottom, the Tholos at the sanctuary of Athena Pronoia, Delphi.



### Wednesday, September 2 - Athens | Eleusis | Hosios Loukas | Delphi

Depart Athens and visit Eleusis, where ancient Greece's most famous secret religious rites took place: the Eleusinian Mysteries, associated with Hades' abduction and return of Persephone to her mother, Demeter. Admire the Byzantine mosaics and frescoes of the 10<sup>th</sup>-century monastery of Hosios Loukas on the slopes of Mount Helicon, offering commanding views. Enjoy lunch at the foot of Mount Parnassus in the resort town of Arachova, famous for its red wine and cheese. Continue up through the mountains to Delphi, the most celebrated oracle in antiquity, which the ancient Greeks believed to be the center of the Earth. *Two nights at our Delphi hotel.* (B,L,D)

### Thursday, September 3 - Delphi

Amidst splendid mountain vistas walk along Delphi's Sacred Way, past the renowned monuments and treasures, the theater, and up to the stadium where the Pythian Games were held. Explore the Delphi Archaeological Museum, including the celebrated bronze Charioteer and a colossal marble group of three dancing women. (B,L,D)

### Friday, September 4 - Delphi | Olympia

Cross over to the Peloponnese Peninsula via the world's longest multi-span, cable-stayed bridge. Explore the Pan-Hellenic sanctuary of Olympia, where the Olympic Games were held for 1,000 years. This extensive site includes the original stadium, plus a museum with such treasures as the sculptures from the pediments of the Temple of Zeus and Praxiteles' spectacular Hermes sculpture. *One night at our Olympia hotel.* (B,L,D)

### Saturday, September 5 - Olympia | Argos | Nafplion

Take a scenic drive across the Peloponnese, stopping to see the Roman baths and theater at Argos. Continue to the delightful port town of Nafplion, which was the first capital of modern Greece, and visit the imposing Palamidi Fortress for marvelous views overlooking the Argolic Gulf. *Two nights at our Nafplion hotel.* (B,L,D)

### Sunday, September 6 - Nafplion | Mycenae | Epidaurus | Nafplion

En route to Mycenae, drive past Tiryns for a view of its impressive Cyclopean walls. At Mycenae, enter an ancient tholos tomb, the magnificent Treasury of Atreus. Pass through the celebrated Lion Gate and explore the fortress-palace of legendary Agamemnon and Clytemnestra; then visit the site museum. Continue to Epidaurus, dedicated to Asklepios, god of healing. Admire the spectacular, ancient, 14,000-seat theater with extraordinary acoustics. Evening at leisure in Nafplion. (B,L)

### Monday, September 7 - Nafplion | Corinth | Athens

Drive to ancient Corinth to see the Temple of Apollo, Roman odeon, and museum. Continue to Athens with an afternoon at leisure before we gather for our farewell dinner. *One night at our Athens hotel.* (B,L,D)

### Tuesday, September 8 - Athens | Home

Transfers are provided to Athens' international airport for flights homeward. Or, stay on for the optional extension. (B)



Above, Hermes bearing the child Dionysos, Archaeological Museum of Olympia. Below (1), the gymnasium at Olympia. Below (2), The Temple of Apollo, Corinth. Bottom, the theater at Epidaurus.



# Optional Extension

## The Greek Isles: Mykonos | Delos | Santorini September 8-12, 2015 (4-day extension)

Discover three marvelous Greek islands and their celebrated mythology, history, art, and architecture. Enjoy these islands' natural beauty, delicious food, and splendid resorts. Gaze on the extraordinary volcanic caldera of Santorini. Explore tiny Delos, the most sacred island in the Classical Greek world. Peruse chic shops, galleries, and cafés. Avoid the summer heat and crowds.

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### Tuesday, September 8, 2015 - Athens | Mykonos

After a short group flight from Athens to the island of Mykonos, take a guided walk through the main town. The remainder of the day is at leisure to enjoy your hotel's amenities or explore independently Mykonos' many upscale shops, art galleries, and seaside cafés. *Two nights at our Mykonos hotel.* (B,L)

### Wednesday, September 9 - Mykonos | Delos | Mykonos

Embark a ferry to the nearby sacred island of Delos, birthplace of the immortal twins Apollo and Artemis. As far back as 1000 B.C., Delos was one of Greece's most significant ancient religious sites, today strewn with extensive ruins and with an excellent small museum. Return to Mykonos by ferry for the balance of the day at leisure. (B)

### Thursday, September 10 - Mykonos | Santorini

Take a high-speed ferry to Santorini, one of the world's most breathtaking islands, dotted with whitewashed houses and churches perched on cliffs nearly 1,000 feet above the sea and its huge, drowned volcanic crater (caldera). Learn about the ancient volcanic eruption that destroyed the island's Minoan community and see superb frescoes at the Museum of Prehistoric Thira (ferry schedule permitting). After lunch, the balance of the day is at leisure; explore independently the town of Fira's narrow cobbled streets lined with shops and/or enjoy your resort's amenities and views. *Two nights at our Santorini hotel.* (B,L)

### Friday, September 11 - Santorini

Discover Santorini's "Pompeii," the ancient Minoan town of Akrotiri, preserved for millennia under volcanic ash. Enjoy a tasting at the Boutari Winery, and stop at the quaint town of Oia with shops and superb views of the caldera and town of Fira below. The rest of the day is at leisure. (B,L)

### Saturday, September 12 - Santorini | Athens

Take a group flight to Athens and connect with flights homeward.



Above, the island of Santorini. Below (1), the archaeological site of Akrotiri, Santorini Below (2), the island of Mykonos. Bottom, the Terrace of the Lions, Delos.



# Carleton Faculty Leader



**Clara Hardy** has taught Classics at Carleton since 1990. Her current research is on the performance of drama in Athens and Rome. Clara regularly teaches courses on gender and sexuality, classical mythology, and ancient drama, and has collaborated extensively with Ruth Weiner (Theater), most recently on productions of Euripides and Aeschylus at Carleton. She has enjoyed many research excursions around Greece to explore the physical contexts of ancient drama both in and out of Athens.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

We will be staying at hotels and resorts chosen for their location, generous comfort.

**You must be in good physical condition and able to make long walks, unassisted, over uneven terrain and up and down steps.** If you have any questions about your ability to participate, we suggest that you visit your personal physician with this brochure in hand, and discuss whether or not this program is appropriate for you. All participants are expected to be physically active, to enjoy traveling as part of a group, and to be ready to experience cultural differences. *Complete pre-departure details will be sent to participants.*

## AIR ARRANGEMENTS & TRANSFERS

International airfare to and from Greece is not included in the tour cost. Group transfers are provided on tour arrival and departure dates for the main tour and extension. Once you have received your final payment invoice, you should book your flights. If you are considering booking your flights before this time, please contact our office first. *We do not accept liability for cancellation penalties related to domestic or international airline tickets.*

**PASSENGER CANCELLATION PENALTIES:** All requests by passengers for cancellations must be received in writing. Cancellations received at least 120 days prior to departure are fully refunded less an administrative fee of \$300 per person. Cancellations received between 119 and 90 days prior to departure are fully refunded less an administrative fee of \$1,000 per person. Cancellations received within 90 days of departure are subject to 100% of the tour cost. *Trip cancellation insurance is strongly recommended. (An application will be sent with confirmation of receipt of your deposit).*

For questions and to hold your space, please contact us at:

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## MAIN TOUR PRICING (per person)

DOUBLE Occupancy (20-30 participants) .....	\$4,945
DOUBLE Occupancy (17-19 participants) .....	\$5,245
DOUBLE Occupancy (10-16 participants) .....	\$5,445
SINGLE Supplement (limited availability).....	\$895

*Single room supplement will be charged when requested or required.*

## INDEPENDENT POST-TOUR EXTENSION PRICING (per person)

DOUBLE Occupancy (10-20 participants) .....	\$2,945
DOUBLE Occupancy (2-9 participants) .....	\$3,245
SINGLE Supplement (limited availability).....	\$995

*Single room supplement will be charged when requested or required.*

## MAIN TOUR RATES INCLUDE:

- Carleton faculty leader Clara Hardy;
- Services of a qualified, English-speaking local guide throughout;
- Services of a professional Tour Manager (with 15+ participants);
- Nine nights' accommodations in deluxe or best available first class hotels;
- Breakfast daily, eight lunches, and six dinners with bottled water and soft drinks, including welcome and farewell dinners with cocktails (or beer and wine);
- Group airport transfers on tour arrival and departure dates;
- Transportation by deluxe, air-conditioned motor coach, including bottled water;
- All entrance fees to museums and sites included in the itinerary;
- Local taxes and service charges;
- Gratuities to hotel and restaurant staff and porters;
- Gratuities to the Tour Manager, Guide and drivers;
- Handling of luggage.

**EXTENSION RATES INCLUDE:** Carleton faculty leader Clara Hardy (with 10+ participants); English speaking local guides; four nights' accommodations in deluxe or best available first class hotels; breakfast daily and three lunches with bottled water and soft drinks; two flights: Athens-Mykonos/Santorini-Athens; ferry: Mykonos-Delos-Mykonos and high speed ferry: Mykonos-Santorini; group airport transfers on extension dates; transportation by deluxe, air-conditioned motor coach including bottled water; all entrance fees to museums and sites included in the itinerary; local taxes and service charges; gratuities to hotel and restaurant staff and porters; gratuities to guides and drivers; handling of luggage.

**RATES DO NOT INCLUDE:** Airfare to and from Greece; passport and visa fees; all airport fees and departure taxes; cost of personal, trip cancellation, and baggage insurance; transportation of excess baggage; meals other than those listed in the itinerary; personal tips; items of a personal nature, such as laundry; alcoholic or other beverages except as noted above; taxi, telephone, and fax charges; optional excursions or deviations from scheduled tour.

**Prices, leader, and itinerary are subject to change. Prices quoted are based on group participation and no refunds will be made for any part of the program in which you choose not to participate nor to passengers who do not complete the tour for whatever reason.**

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To hold your reservation for seven days while this form and your deposit are in the mail, please contact us at 800-811-7244 or [carleton@studytours.org](mailto:carleton@studytours.org)

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State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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I/We have read the 'What to Expect' section and am/are physically able to participate fully on the program.

I/We would like to be enrolled in the post-tour extension.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Double (one bed)  Twin (two beds)  Single

I will be sharing with: \_\_\_\_\_

Share-please assign a roommate (not guaranteed)

I am a  Non-smoker  Smoker

RESERVATIONS & PAYMENT:

A deposit of \$1,000 per person is required to confirm a reservation. Final payment is due 90 days prior to departure. You will receive an invoice for final payment. **Please note that credit cards are not accepted for final payment.**

All prices and payments are in US dollars.

DEPOSIT TYPE (PLEASE CHECK ONE):

Check payable to: EOS Passenger Account-CAA Greece8/15

Visa  Master Card  American Express

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Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ 3 or 4 Digit Code \_\_\_\_\_

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Please complete this reservation form, sign the release statement below, enclose your deposit, and mail or fax to:

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By signing this form, you are acknowledging that you have read and agree to the Terms & Conditions on the reverse.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## Terms & Conditions

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It is understood that refunds cannot be made to passengers who do not complete the tour for whatever reason nor to passengers whose required documentation for entry into any country on the itinerary is delayed or denied. **RESPONSIBILITY:** Carleton College and its agent, Eos Study Tours (hereinafter "Sponsors"), and the tour operator, and/or its agents (hereinafter "Operator") assume no liability for failure to provide the services, transportation, lecturers and accommodations referred to in this brochure to the extent that such services and accommodations cannot be supplied due to delays or other causes beyond the control of Operator, which include but are not limited to sickness, epidemics, pandemics, weather, strike, war, civil disturbances, acts or threats of terrorism, travel warnings or bans, termination or suspension of war risks or other carrier insurance, quarantine, and acts of God. In the absence of negligence on the part of Operator, the participant agrees that Operator has no responsibility or liability of any nature whatsoever for damage to or loss of property, or injury to, or death of persons due to any act, omission or negligence of any carrier, hotel, restaurant, bus carrier, tender service, sightseeing company, or any other persons rendering any of the services or ground portions of the itinerary. The participant further waives any claim against Operator and Sponsors for any such damage, loss, injury or death. Operator and Sponsors shall not be responsible for any additional expenses, delays, substitution of equipment, and/or any act or omission whatsoever by the suppliers of such services, their agents, servants and employees, and the participant hereby waives any claim arising there from. Operator and Sponsors reserve the right to decline, accept or retain any participant at any time. 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