



WRITTEN HISTORY PROGRAM: The preservation of Greek-American history

Are you interested in preserving your family’s legacy? Do you or a member of your family recall what it was like growing up Greek in America? Did you experience the Greek Civil War or recollect the stories of your parents and grandparents during this historic period? Do you recall your first visual memories in coming to the United States?

Every culture’s history is comprised of the details of the lives of individuals, from seemingly insignificant, ordinary activities to the experience of momentous, sometimes tragic events. This history and culture has been passed along in story, poetry and song, and has undoubtedly been told and retold within families. However, as generations pass, many stories and traditions eventually get lost before they can be recorded.

The purpose of Hellenic Museum of Michigan Written History Program is to preserve the history of the Greek of America by interviewing and recording individuals and/or groups. The recorded material will be deposited in the archival collection of the HMM and placed in the Museum’s Web repository for Greek -American histories. The recorded material may be used for research by the public, students or scholars, documentaries or movie productions, public presentations, or publications in books, journals, magazines or on the Internet.

WHAT’S YOUR STORY? WE WANT TO KNOW!!

Providing a history on yourself, your family or Greek friends is a critical investment for future generations of Greek- Americans. Every person’s story, regardless of how ordinary it may seem to you, significantly enriches the scope, depth, and accuracy of documentation on the forefathers of the Greek -American community. This is a valuable, free, and rewarding opportunity to preserve your family’s history for generations to come.

If you are interested or know of someone who is interested in being interviewed, please let us know by completing the attached form.

The Hellenic Museum of Michigan invites you to participate in the **WRITTEN HISTORY PROGRAM**. If you would like to be interviewed, please call (313) 871.4100 OR fill out the form below and return it to the museum.

Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Work _____ Fax _____

E-mail _____ Date of Birth (optional) _____

Please Check: I would like to be interviewed _____