

## ΠΑΓΚΟΣΜΙΑ ΗΜΕΡΑ ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗΣ ΓΛΩΣΣΑΣ

In celebration of the International Greek Language Day, you are invited to a lecture followed by a reception

## The Old is New Again: The Recently Discovered Papyrus of Euripides presented by Shane Hawkins

Wednesday February 12, 6:00 pm

303 Paterson Hall, Carleton University

The event is under the auspices of the Embassy of Greece.

Opening remarks by H.E. Ekaterina Dimakis, ambassador of

Greece to Canada



In September of 2024 scholars published what is being called one of the most significant discoveries relating to ancient Greek tragedy in nearly 60 years. Two years earlier, archaeologists working at the necropolis of Philadelphia, Egypt, discovered a small cache of papyrus in the shallow grave of a woman. The papyrus records nearly 100 lines from two lost plays by the great tragedian Euripides. *Ino* is a tale of Dionysian frenzy and the gruesome murder of innocent children, while *Polyidus* raises questions about the extent of human power and free will as it portrays the struggle of the titular seer against the tyrannical demands of King Minos to resurrect his dead son.



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