



## INVITATION

The War Archive is delighted to invite you to a virtual presentation via ZOOM on Friday 15h May at 19.00-20.00 Athens time

Zoom details

Address <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2440207266>

Meeting number: **244 020 7266**

Presenter: Andrew Freris (the presentation will be in Greek)

## PROGRAM

### **1. The sound and pronunciation of the Greek language over the centuries**

The War Archive has in its audiovisual collection a large amount of material on the diaspora of the Greek communities in the world and especially those of the population exchange following the Asia Minor expedition and the Greek-Turkish war of 1921-22. This material contains numerous interviews in local Greek dialects from various areas of Anatolia, but also, as a separate collection, interviews from isolated Greek communities in Greece and Italy where archaic Greek is still spoken.

The Archive will present in a film form samples from these dialects from Homeric Greek, Tsaconic, Pontian and Calabrian dialects among others, giving a living example as to how our Greek ancestors might have sounded like!

### **2. The Greek-Italian war 1940-41 through the eyes of children**

The War Archive has in its collection 555 patriotic cartoons and drawings by schoolchildren, part of a morale boosting drive by the Ministry of Education during the war. The fascinating aspect of this collection is that each drawing has all the particulars of the children, including their age and school thus making them fully personalized and not anonymous. We plan to use these details and try to contact any surviving “young artists” or at least their relatives.

The Archive will be presenting a short film with samples of the way these schoolchildren, through their drawings, faced and reacted to the war

**3. Two “surprise” short films** from the large collection of the Archive illustrating the, sometimes, surreal aspects of the history of Greece

If you plan to join us please send us an email to [afreris@wararchivegr.org](mailto:afreris@wararchivegr.org)