January
The I.W.T.C.R. in cooperation with the House of Europe in Rhodes, the Europe Direct (Rhodes) and the Directorate of Secondary Education of Dodecanese under the umbrella of the European Parliament Office in Athens participates in the EUROSCOLA European programme: knowledge contest about EU. The winners will visit the European Parliament.

February

6-8 February - Autumn 2009
Cultural Committee
Meeting of TSWTC.
Preparatory meeting regarding the symposium: “The role of poetry and literature in the relation among peoples”. It will take place in November 2009 with the participation of Palestinian and Israeli writers

14 February
Israel Horovitz
Prize-giving ceremony for the winners of the one-act playwriting competition held by I.W.T.C.R. in cooperation with the Municipal and Regional Theatre of Rhodes.

15 February
Presentation of the 3 plays

16 February
Theatrical performance: “Beirut rocks”, one-act theatrical play by Israel Horovitz
Film: “The Strawberry Statement”, script written by Israel Horovitz (THEASIS Rhodes Cinema Club)

20 February
- “Once upon a time a country”
Presentation of modern Serbian literature: Bombing of Serbia (Translated by Gaga Rosić)

March

6-7 March
“Images and aspects of the Incorporation of the Dodecanese”
Presentation of the album with press-cuttings dated from the incorporation day of the Dodecanese islands into the Greek state.

16-20 March

30 March – 4 April
Prize-giving event for winners of the competition organized by I.W.T.C.R. entitled “Young writers, I write my story”.

May

9 May
Music concert: “Locomondo” band

9-10 May
Translation workshop
Translation problems arising from the translation of German literature into Greek
Tutor: Georgios Kentrotis
Professor of the Ionian University, translator

16 May
Presentation of the writer and professor Caryl Phillips from the journalist Vassilis Pesmazoglou (journalist, TA NEA)
Film based on a Phillips’ screenplay (THEASIS Rhodes Cinema Club)
School visits

14-21 May
Finnish seminar organized by the Finnish Translators’ Association and hosted by I.W.T.C.R.

22-24 May
Event dedicated to the translation prize winner David Connolly.
Translation workshop, English language. Translation analysis by David Connolly, translator and Associate Professor of the Aristotle University.

29 May
Presentation of the collection of poems «Ταξίδι Αυτογνώσιας» [Journey to Self-knowledge] by Eleni Tsolakidou

June

12-14 June
Spanish – Greek Translation Meeting and Workshop
Three Greek translators of Spanish literature and three Spanish translators of Greek literature discuss problems and difficulties concerning the translation of literature
Spanish – Greek Translation Workshop with participants interested in Spanish literature

June
Literary reading workshop closing session (workshop tutor: Ioannis Papadopoulos, Associate Professor of the University of the Aegean)

June
Stage performance of the award-winning children’s theatrical play (playwriting competition held by I.W.T.C.R.), «Το χρυσόφεγγαράκι» [The small golden moon] by Genovefa Ktenidou
June
3rd one-day meeting for Dodecanesian writers

July
Sophocles’ Antigone
On stage by the Royal Exchange Theatre, Manchester. (translated into English) in cooperation with DI.PE.THE. (Municipal & Regional Theatre of Rhodes)
One-day meeting regarding ancient Greek drama (lectures by a Greek and an English university professor)

3 July
Dimitrios Bourantas: 2008 Readers’ Prize awarded by E.KE.BI. (National Book Centre of Greece)
Presentation of his book «Όλα σου τα ’μαθα μα ξέχασα μια λέξη» [I’ve taught you everything but I’ve forgotten a word] published by Patakis editions

September
30 September
One-day Meeting for Translation and Translation Studies on the occasion of the International Translation Day (30 September)
Translators from Greece and abroad are invited to Rhodes to discuss the literary translation at European scale today

Fall 2009
New Voices in Greek Literature
Presentation of Katerina Heliopoulou’s collection of poems «Ο κύριος Ταυ» [Mr. T] (First Book Award)

Book presentation: «Μ’αγαπάζ, σ’αγαπώ» [You love me, I love you] by Maria Peliotou.
Children’s book prize awarded by the Academy of Athens

All the year round
I.W.T.C.R. in cooperation with S.P.O.R. (Multicultural School of Rhodes) invites the Dutch author and journalist Frans van Hasselt who has been living permanently in Athens for over forty years now

Other Activities
One-day meeting: “Politicians as literary writers”
Politicians who are writers and belong to parliamentary political parties will be invited

One-day meeting: “Press and Books”
Journalists from Greece and abroad are invited to Rhodes to discuss how newspapers approach, promote and present books to the readership.
HALMA: European network of literary centers. Accommodation for writers and translators who receive Halma grants or other foundations’ grants as an award for their works.

Website: new dynamic website
www.writerscenter.gr
email: info@writerscenter.gr

Cooperation with the University of Granada (translation workshops and publications)

Week of Europe
Events concerning European Union and its institutions

- Reading club for adults
Book readings, acquaintance with authors, book presentations

PUBLICATIONS

Nikos Kasdaglis
“Maria explores the Metropolis of water”
Novel translated into English by Irene Maradei

The Dodecanese Incorporation Album
Press-cuttings and telegrams since 1948

Literary magazine *Helios*
April 2009: New issue of the literary magazine *Helios* dedicated to Nikos Kasdaglis.

History of the Town Hall of Rhodes

Italian Archives
Translation and treasuring up of the Italian archives

Dina Maheridou
Publication: “Traditional couplets from the Dodecanese”

WORKSHOPS

Translation workshops: English, French, Italian, German, Spanish and Turkish. Translation and study and solutions to literary texts from the above languages into Greek.

Creative writing workshops regarding:
1. novel
2. novelette
3. short story
4. poetry
5. children’s book
6. script
7. journalistic texts
Educational programmes

All the year round

Museum kits/Educational kits
Educational programmes about the Greek history and the Greek culture are held in cooperation with the Benaki Museum and the Museum of Cycladic Art. The schoolchildren can play solving riddles and animating the presentations.

Mobile exhibitions
Presentation of famous Greek poets and painters’ life and works (material provided by E.KE.BI.)

Reading clubs for children
The children read, discuss, paint, learn to have a social attitude and get puzzled thanks to books suggested by the club.

February

“I make my masque”
Handicraft and creative activity

March

“Images and aspects of the Incorporation of the Dodecanese” in cooperation with the primary school from Aghioi Apostoloi, Rhodes

“I play theatre with my hands”
Creative expression

April

Writing competition: “Young writers – I write my story”
Prize-giving ceremony for the winners of the competition

May

“I make my hero”
We tickle the children’s imagination; they make imaginary heroes and make up their adventures.
March – April - May

Seminars for school teachers: educational games in class