

## Press Release

The ARTos Foundation and the Director Petros Charalambous  
*Invite you to*  
A Cyprus-premier screening of the documentary Film

***The Fire Within***  
**Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> , at 20:30 μμ**  
**@ ARTos Foundation**

In 2006, the gallery and atelier of the world-known artist Andreas Charalambous was burnt. The fire destroyed all paintings, the rare book library, life collectibles and unique artwork. The question asked is did the fire burn the artists' soul or just the canvas. The documentary deals with destruction and the internal power unveiled through it.

The painter's workshop was a really priceless cultural treasure, with paintings of unique value, theatrical machetes, and hand scripts, infrequent collection of books, precious stones and photographs.

The loss for the painter, who lost the work of life, but also for us and the culture of our country, is enormous and cannot be measured.

The documentary begins from the fire that signals a new start for the painter. Through the interviews with him and the eyes of the persons who closely experienced the destruction and were next to him, we get know the person and artist Andreas Charalambous.

The documentary also includes shots from the workshop before the fire, shots from the retrospective exhibition of 35 year work, slides from paintings, unedited material of fire from the television stations with interviews, photographs of the burnt workshop and more.

Andreas Charalambous has dedicated himself to the art of Cyprus but also to the cultural and political happenings of our country. This film is a small token of what we can offer as clue of appreciation to the artist and what he represents.

**Admission is Free** - A cocktail reception will follow the screening. The artist Andreas Charalambous will open the event.

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