

# PORTFOLIO

Anastasia Michailidou, storyteller







# Introduction

I believe in the power of stories and storytelling.

My name is Anastasia (Natasa) Michailidou and I come to storytelling with a background in **archaeology, museology, and cultural education**. I am a licensed **tour guide** and have spent years designing and implementing creative **educational programs** that bring history, mythology, and tradition to life for children and young audiences. My work blends **academic knowledge** with **imagination**, always guided by my belief in the transformative power of narrative.

I have collaborated with cultural institutions such as the “Athena” Research Center, the Foundation of Thracian Art and Tradition, and the Lyceum Club of Greek Women of Xanthi, with a focus on projects that explore **identity, heritage, and belonging**. As a founding member of “**The Tales of Karaghiozis**” shadow theater group, the “**Poetry and Folktale Academy**” and the storytelling collective “**Storytellers of Thrace**” I work to keep oral traditions alive while also creating space for new stories to emerge.

In addition to **live performances**, I curate exhibitions, contribute to scientific and literary **publications**, and create content that connects communities through shared narratives. Whether through a shadow puppet show, a folktale told in a village square, or a poem written in solitude, my aim is always the same: **to inspire, to connect and to keep storytelling** at the heart of how we understand ourselves and the world around us.





The Village of Folktales, Vamvakou  
Sharing traditional Greek tales in the heart of Laconia (Greece)



Bringing Stories to the Elderly  
Heartfelt sessions at the Xanthi Nursing Home, connecting generations



Christmas in Xanthi Municipality  
Festive magic through interactive tales for children and families





## HANDS-ON CONFERENCE

Sharing experiences on  
storytelling in scientific  
events (Germany)



## THE WORLD OF FOLKTALES

Group creative writing  
in the folktales' style!



## CULTURAL CLUBS

Invited performances  
on various occasions  
(Stavroupoli Xanthi)



## STORYTELLING FOR SCHOOLS

Sparking imagination  
and discussion



## STORYTELLERS OF THRACE

Joyful public events in  
city libraries





## In the Old Town of Xanthi Festival

Breathing life into folktales during the city's beloved cultural festival



## Creativity with Ministry Support

Folktales meet group storytelling in workshops funded by the Greek Ministry of Culture



## Cultural Clubs across Greece

Invited storytelling performances on various occasions (Abdera Xanthi)

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