

Greece Excursion - Summer 2018



University College Freiburg

#### 1st Day - 27th Aug. Arrival & First Dinner







2<sup>nd</sup> Day - 28<sup>th.</sup> Aug.

Information and discussing today's Agenda

Walking for the first time to the ancient site in Olympia





#### Jannis Niethammer

From animal to meat: sacrifices and sanctuaries, livestock breeding and transhumance; impacts on landscape and environment



#### Rosa Lena Lange

Rosa presented the rivers Alpheios and Kladeos and their impact on humans and the environment

## Giant fennel tree; ferula communis

According to the myth,
Prometheus created the
humankind following an order
from Zeus. Prometheus then
fell in love with humans and
decided to steal fire from
Olympia and gift it to humans.
He did so by transporting the
fire in a fennel stem.







### End of the 2<sup>nd</sup> day

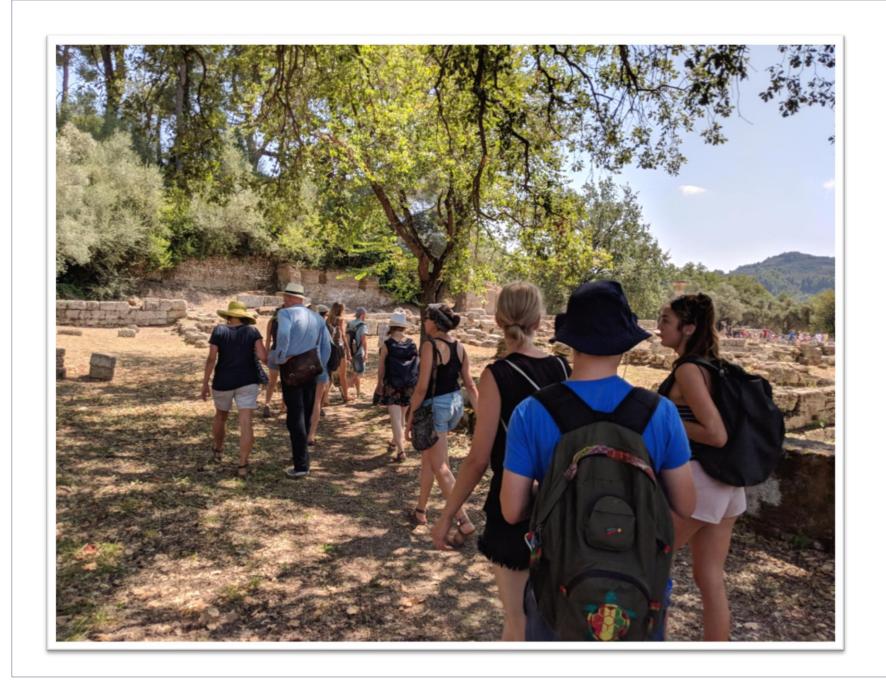
Discussion was held after exploring the Botanical Garden to talk about the relation between vegetation and Greek mythology



3<sup>rd</sup> Day - 29<sup>th</sup> Aug.

### Meeting Dr. Reinhard Senff

Dr. Senff is the the director of the German Archaeological Institute in Athens and its director in Olympia. He explained us, adequately, the history of the ancient site and the process of its excavation



Exploring the ancient site of Olympia

# Dr. Senff & LAS students at the ancient Olympic Stadium

Dr. Senff explained the procedure that was followed by referees in ancient Greek and Roman empire to ensure an equal launch of the race.





#### Temple of Zeus

The temple was built in the Archaic Period 800 to 480 BC.

#### Group Picture

In the background: Temple of Hera & Philippeion





4<sup>th</sup> Day - 30<sup>th</sup> Aug.

## Arriving to the Museum of Olympia

Dr. Plumley giving some information and orientation about the museum.

## Some of the museum's artifacts

Left: Beehive censer from the early Helladic period III. 2200 to 2000 BC.

Right: Hermes holding baby Dinoysis







#### Ruth Rhode

Ruth's presentation was about Olympia as holy land: myths, gods, heroes, and nymphs

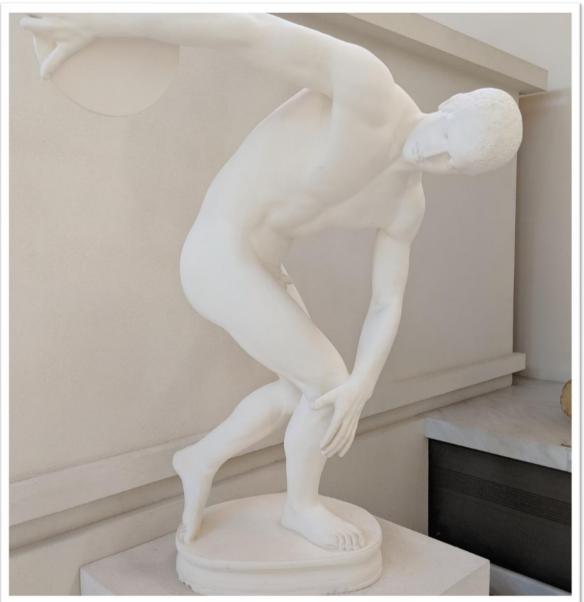
# LAS Students reviewing & discussing their sketches

Students had to choose an artifact from the museum, sketch it and explain why this artifact was chosen.



#### Visiting the Olympic Museum







#### Julia Ditz

Julia's presentation was about Olympia and the modern Olympic Games.

5<sup>th</sup> Day - 31<sup>st</sup> Aug. Off-Day



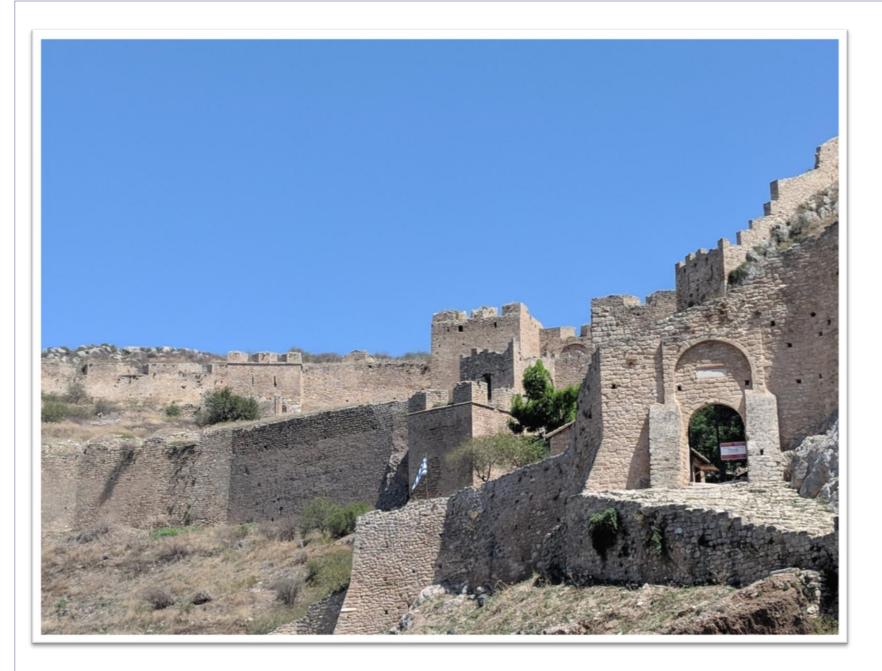


6th Day - 1st Sep.

#### Farewell Olympia

This picture was taken moment before we took the bus and headed to Corinthos.





#### Acrocorinth

Acrocorinth was Corinth's fortress throughout its history. Its strategic location on a naturally fortified hill near the Isthmus made it the most important fortress in the Peloponnese. During the Archaid Period and under the rulership of the tyrant Kypselos Corinth became an important eastern Mideterranean commercial centre.





# Liberal Arts & Sciences Tote Bags

The pictures were takes peak of Acrocorinth Castle, 575 m above sea level.

#### Panoramic scene of Acrocorinthos



Temple of Apollo



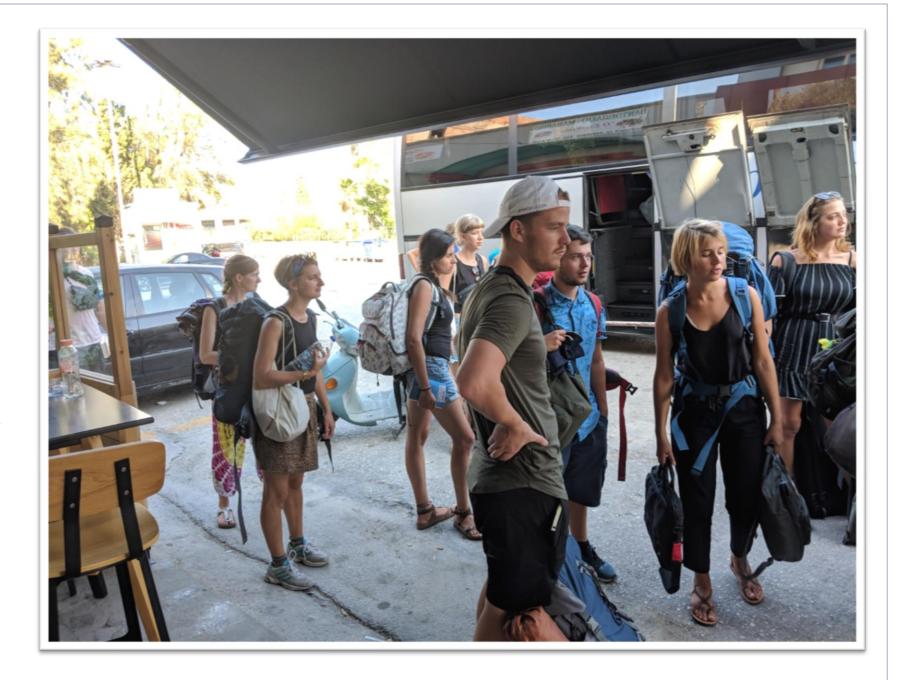


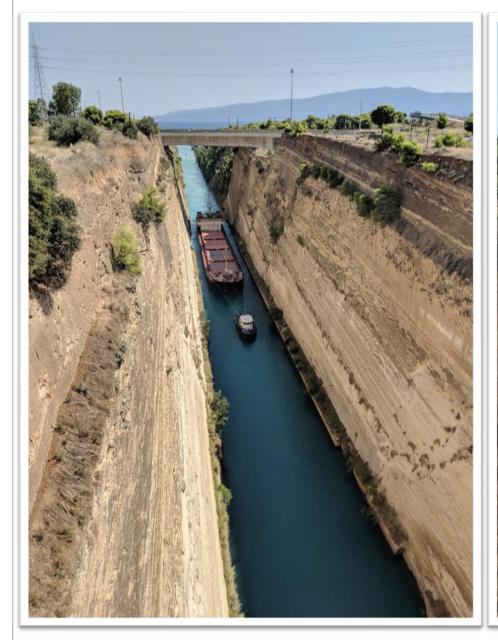
#### Kutayba Al Kanatri

Kutayba's presentation was about Apollon, God of music and Oracles. He also talked about the relation between Mesopotamian (e.g. Phoenician and Assyrian) and Greek mythologies.

### Arrival to Corinthos

The picture was taken upon arrival to the hotel in Corinthos







7<sup>th</sup> Day - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sep.

#### Corinthos Canal

The canal connects the Saronic sea (Aegean Sea) with the gulf of Corinth. It is approx. 6.5 km in length. Perinader firstly attempted to undertake the process of digging the canal in 7th century BC. The canal, however, was finished in 1893. Sailing through the canal annually saves approx. 12000 ship a 700 km trip around the Peloponnese.

Sofia Sané telling a myth about Hermes











8<sup>th</sup> Day - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sep.

## Visiting the excavation of Kleones

LAS students met the German-Greek excavation team in the ancient site of Archaies Kleones.

#### Simon Büttner

Simon presented about the conditions of olive and wine cultivation and their influence on landscape structure and environment of Greece





#### Mira Kopp

Mira explained the water management in ancient and modern Greece

#### Nina Zieroth

Nina told few tales about Poseidon, god of Sea.



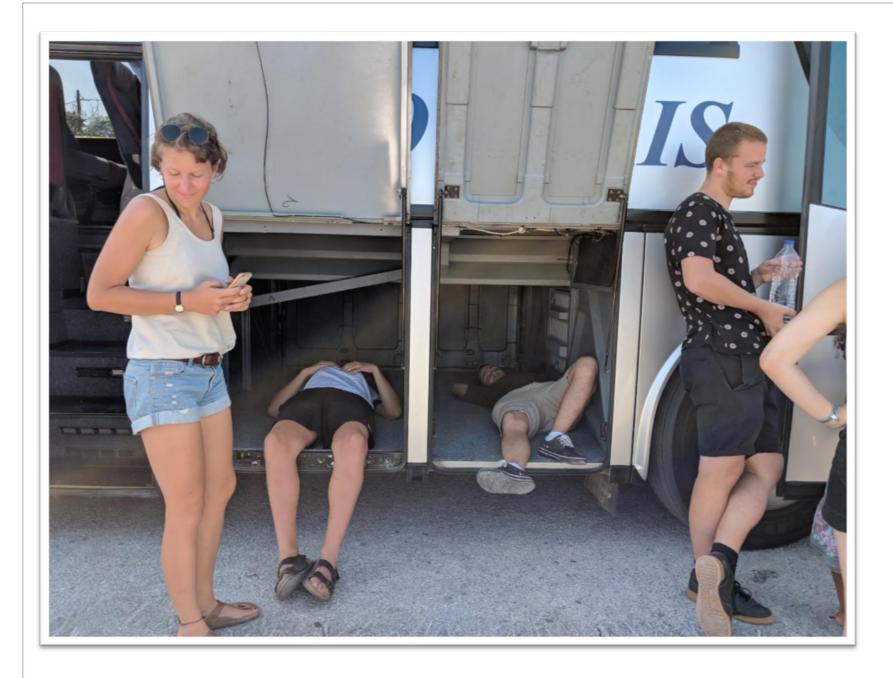


Dr. Sané and LAS students on the ancient site of Nemea

# Students exploring the remains of Diolkos

Diolkos was a road built around 600 BC to move ships overland across the Isthmus of Corinth





LAS students having a break after a long day

### Wine tasting

Organised by Dr. Sané, the students enjoyed tastign a wide variety of delicious local organic Nemean wine at Papaioannou A & G winery.







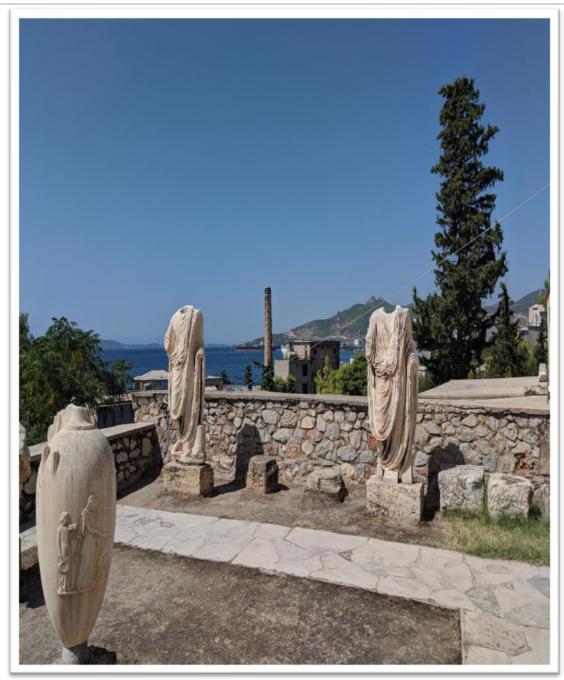
#### Saskia Schwermer

Saskia talked and told some mythical tales about Dionysus, god of wine.

9<sup>th</sup> Day - 4<sup>th</sup> Sep'.

Arrival to the ancient site of Elefsina







## Artifacts of the museum

In the picture on the left one can see Elefsina's refinery towers in the horizon showing the city's beautiful contrast between its history and present.

Artistic scene in the city of Elefsina



# LAS meeting the Artistic Director of Eleusis 2021

We spent the afternoon with Kelly Diapouli and her team. They introduced their vision and the process of environmentally and urbanely transitioning Elefsina as the European cultural capital in 2021.





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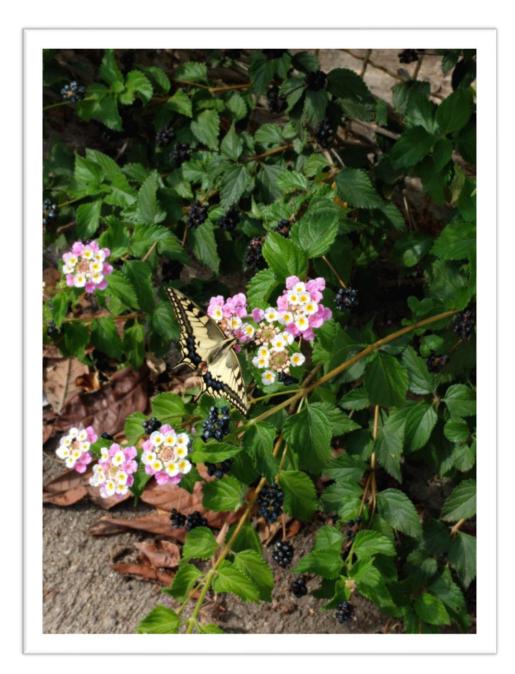




Officially announcing the end of the excursion

Last minutes in Athena and saying goodbye





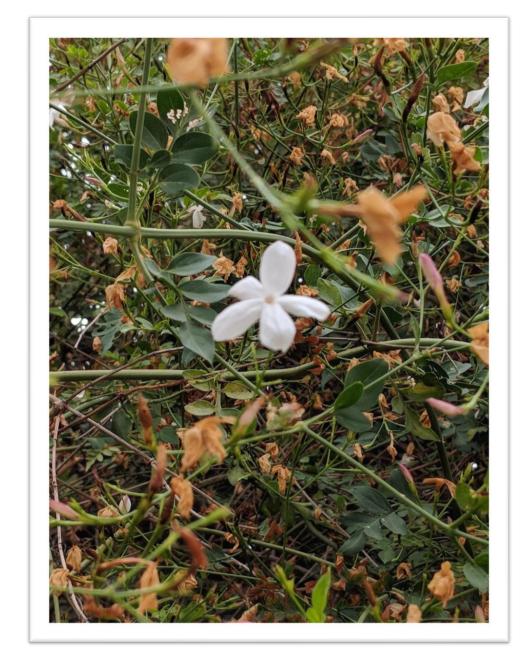


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