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present

SOCRATES NOW

A dramatic solo performance of the Apology of Socrates by Plato, depicting the famous philosopher at his jury trial in 399 BCE, performed by Emmy Award winner Yannis Simonides of Elliniko Theatro (Greek Theater) of New York and Athens.

(as seen in the recent PBS/National Geographic special “The Greeks” www.pbs.org/programs/greeks)

WED. NOVEMBER 2, 2016 7:00PM [performed in English]
Knuth Hall Theater, Creative Arts Building (near Holloway) San Francisco State University, 1600 Holloway, San Francisco

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016 1:00PM
[performed in modern Greek with English supertitles]
Ascension Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 4700 Lincoln Ave, Oakland, CA 94602

FREE ADMISSION

Socrates was charged with impiety and corruption of the youth in 399 BCE in ancient Athens. He was tried at the age of 70 before a jury of five hundred and one citizens. The Apology is Plato’s firsthand dramatic account of the speech delivered by Socrates in his defense as he faced his jury. Take a seat with other jurors as Socrates goes on trial for his life. Hear the philosopher address his accusers with wit, logic, and the courage of his ideals. Enjoy the post-performance opportunity to discuss with the actor the ramifications of your verdict. (This performance is presented in English and runs 80 minutes without intermission.)

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