



**Cultural Weekend,  
20-22 October 2017**

## **Mentis Centre for the Preservation of Traditional Textile Techniques of the Benaki Museum**

The 'Mentis' Passementerie Manufactory was donated to the Benaki Museum by Spyros, Marina and Othon Mentis in 2012. It is situated at 6 Polyfimou Street in the Athenian neighborhood of Petralona. One of the oldest workshops and retailers in Greece, it specialises in fibre processing and the production of passementerie (galloons, ornamental cords, piping, braids, fringes, tassels, 'Brandebourg' frogging, curtain tiebacks). For over one-and-a-half centuries, 'Mentis' decorated Greek traditional and theatrical costumes, clerical vestments, military uniforms and creations by famous couturiers. Today, while production continues, 'Mentis' offers visitors an opportunity to discover how a historical workshop operates and to follow each step towards processing silk and crafting masterpieces out of thread. 'Mentis' promotes the learning and preservation of traditional crafts while supporting contemporary artists. Visiting Hours: Tuesday to Saturday 10:00–15:00, T +30 210 347 8792, [mentis\\_donation@benaki.gr](mailto:mentis_donation@benaki.gr)



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