

NUSAYBIN FILM WORKSHOP STARTS: A DOCUMENTARY OF THE WORLD'S FIRST UNIVERSITY WILL BE SHOT

Nusaybin Film Workshop, which will be organized by Nusaybin District Governorate, Nusaybin Municipality and Istanbul Gelisim University, will start in Nusaybin on November 12 - 13 - 14. High school students participating in the workshop will shoot a documentary film of Nisibis Academy, which is the oldest university in the history of civilization.

Nusaybin Film Workshop begins. High school students from Nusaybin will participate in the workshop, which will be held in cooperation with the Nusaybin District Governorate, Nusaybin Municipality and Istanbul Gelisim University Faculty of Fine Arts. During the three-day workshop, which will especially be attended by high school students whose families have no member with university degree, students will be given cinema education on various topics from scenario to shooting.

“A DOCUMENTARY OF NISIBIS ACADEMY TO BE MADE”

On the last day of the Nusaybin Film Workshop, the participants will be asked to prepare a documentary about the Nisibis Academy, which was once the world's first university of education, where philosophy, logic, literature, geometry, astronomy, medicine, and law were taught, so that the participants would have the opportunity to apply their theoretical knowledge.

“IGU WILL EDIT THE IMAGES”

After three days of shooting and training, the images taken by the students will be edited by Istanbul Gelisim University, and the screenings of the documentary films prepared will be held at the gala to be held in Nusaybin, and certificates will be presented to the participants.

“THE WORKSHOP WILL CONTRIBUTE TO OUR DISTRICT”

Underlining that there are great historical treasures in the district and making statements about the workshop, Nusaybin District Governor Ercan Kayabaşı said, “The film workshop to be held in Nusaybin will contribute to our district in many ways. With the project, our children, who are the guarantee of our future, will have the opportunity to realize themselves by entering the kitchen of the cinema, and they will introduce the world's first university, Nisibis Academy, to the whole public with the documentary they will shoot at the end of the workshop. I would like to express my gratitude to the most important stakeholder

of the project, Istanbul Gelisim University, and our valuable academicians, for this valuable workshop they offered to our students.”

The project manager of the workshop will be IGU Dean of Faculty of Fine Arts, Prof. Dr. Şükran Güzin Ilıcak Aydınalp and Assoc. Prof. Nagihan Çakar Bikiç, and the workshop will be conducted by Lecturer and Director Ahmet Bikiç and Emre Doğan, while Research Assistant Okan Kırbacı will take place in the technical team.

“PRIVATE PENSION SYSTEM AVERAGE SAVINGS PER CAPITA IS 22 THOUSAND TL”

Stating that the total savings in the Private Pension System (BES) as of August 2021 is 152 billion TL, Capital Markets and Finance Specialist Dr. Bülent İlhan indicates that the number of participants is approximately 6.9 million people. Pointing out that the average savings per capita is 22 thousand TL, İlhan says, “Turkey is one of the countries with the strongest incentives in the private pension system among OECD countries. Despite this, the point reached in 18 years is far behind what it should be.”

“TURKEY APPLYING THE STRONGEST INCENTIVES”

“The ratio of individual pension savings to national income in OECD countries is 49.5% on average, it is 2.5% in our country,” says Asst. Prof. Bülent İlhan and adds, “Of the OECD countries, Turkey is one of the countries with the strongest incentives in the private pension system. Despite this, the point reached in 18 years is far behind what it should be.”

“CAUSES IMPATIBILITY”

Listing the reasons specific to Turkey for not preferring PPS savings, İlhan says, “The lack or limited savings opportunities of low-income individuals are among the reasons. Gold, foreign currency, deposits, etc. are more preferred by the savers. The fact that the retirement condition in the system requires a long term such as age 56 (and staying in the system for at least 10 years) and this causes impatience in individuals is also a factor in the preference.”

“QUITTING THE SYSTEM TO BUY A HOME OR CAR”

İlhan considers that some of the sales specialists’ giving incorrect or insufficient information is one of the reasons and emphasizes, “It is necessary to increase the level of awareness about the advantages of the system. Due to reasons such as credit card debt, buying a house or a car, the system is quitted early”.

“THE SYSTEM HAS A SUPERVISION MECHANISM”

Stating that the private pension system has a strong control and surveillance mechanism, from Istanbul Gelisim University (IGU) Department of Economics and Finance Asst. Prof. Bülent İlhan concludes his words as follows:

“Pension companies are organizations with a strong capital structure, established with the permission of the Ministry of Treasury and Finance, and audited by the ministry every year. In addition, these companies are companies subject to EGM (Retirement Monitoring Center) and independent and actuarial audit. Portfolio management companies and funds that manage the funds are also subject to CMB (Capital Markets Board) audit and independent audit. It consists of experienced experts with the necessary CMB licenses of portfolio managers. In addition, the fund shares of the participants are kept by Takasbank Inc.”.

MOBILE DNA CENTER ESTABLISHED AT ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATION SITE

A mobile DNA center has been established for the first time in Turkey in the Ayasuluk Hill and St. Jean Monument excavation. Thanks to the mobile DNA center, the important materials found in the excavation will not need to be sent to centers abroad.

While Ayasuluk Hill and St. Jean Monument excavation continues with the support of Istanbul Gelisim University, a mobile DNA center has been established in the excavation area where important remains for the Christian world have been found. The mobile DNA center established for the first time in Turkey at the Ayasuluk Hill and St. Jean Monument Excavation area is named as the Ancient DNA Research Center (ADRC), and there will be no need to send important finds from the excavation to DNA centers abroad thanks to the center.

Stating that ADRC is the first DNA center established in archaeological sites in Turkey, the head of the excavation, Lecturer Assoc. Dr. Sinan Mimaroğlu from Hatay Mustafa Kemal University, Department of Art History said, “In this center, the DNA of organic materials extracted from the field will be analyzed by anthropologists and geneticists. This is a first in Turkey.”

Indicating that DNA research in Turkey is an expensive procedure that can be done in a few centers, Mimaroğlu said, “Very important DNA findings were sent abroad. Since human DNA is a very important material, we felt the need to establish such a center because it was not right to share this information.”

“WE ANALYZE MANY MATERIALS”

Stating that sponsor support is important for archaeological excavations, Mimaroğlu emphasized the importance of their stakeholders in the excavations by saying, “We continue the excavations with the budget given by the Ministry. In addition, we are supported by İzmir Metropolitan Municipality, Selçuk Chamber of Commerce, Hatay Mustafa Kemal University, Selçuk Municipality and especially Istanbul Gelisim University for the analyses.”

Emphasizing that Istanbul Gelisim University has been working on the Ayasuluk Hill and St. Jean Monument excavations with its expert team, academics and graduates since 2018, Res. Asst. Fırat Baranaydın from the Istanbul Gelisim University Department of Cultural Heritage Conservation and Restoration said, “We analyze materials in our 2021 scientific research project. In this context, we analyze many materials both in churches, Hellenistic structures and ceramics in the project we conduct with our Material Engineer Asst. Prof. Cansu Noberi from Istanbul Gelisim University. We will continue the analysis and restoration work in different dimensions.”

THE SKILLS OF WOMEN WHO TAKE CARE OF DISABLED AND DISABLED PEOPLE WILL BE SUPPORTED

The international opening meeting of the European Union (EU) project for disabled women and women who take care of disabled people was held in Istanbul. Within the scope of the project coordinated by Istanbul Gelisim University, while supporting the skills of women who take care of disabled people and disabled people at home, studies will be carried out to ensure their psychosocial and economic independence.

PROJECT COORDINATOR IS IGU

The opening meeting of the “Creativity with Mindfulness Based Cognitive Therapy” project, which aims at disabled women and women who take care of disabled people at home, was held in Istanbul. Melike Çetin, Research Support Coordinator and Project Manager of Istanbul Gelisim University, moderated the meeting attended by PMI Services from Italy, EPIONI from Greece, Academie Creteil from France and KAIROS from Spain.

“WE WILL DETECT PSYCHO-SOCIAL DIFFICULTIES”

Melike Çetin made the following statement as follows about the meeting where the aims and expected effects of the project were introduced.

“Especially in times of crisis, we will help to improve their mental health and well-being by identifying the psycho-social problems experienced by both women with physical disabilities and women who care for disabled people in the family at home.”

The project team will meet again in Zaragoza in February.