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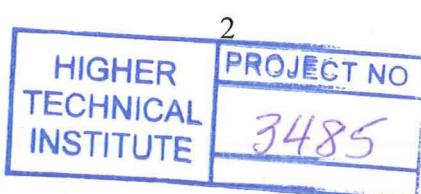
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CYPRUS ON-LINE POETRY WEB-SITE

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Introduction

It is part of the education system in Cyprus to stress the rich culture and history of our nation. Great emphasis is given to poetry and some of our most famous poets are studied at high school. There's a great community over the issue of culture and poetry, a community which well deserves every ease that can be provided with internet technology. A web-site can bring every member of this community together for interaction, regardless of their location in Cyprus (or even outside Cyprus) and can therefore result in a more productive poets/analysts union.

The internet, and other computerized means can offer a lot of services. I have already talked this over with philology lecturers and have agreed that a web-site can offer not only information such as poems or biographies, but can also provide them the ability to discuss and analyze these poems on-line. It can also provide downloads of any poems that have been converted into songs and most importantly give the ability of amateur poets to publish their work free of charge.

The only thing that comes in mind at this very early stage is that philology people are not usually computer literate. Yes, it would be for the benefit of everyone to provide functionality, but since an average philologist has had little experience with computers, the web-site should be as easy to use as possible. Menus and templates should be created in an appropriate manner to be simple yet appealing and with all the functionality included.

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