



OBJECT ID	F2016.113
OBJECT NAME	Doll
MEASUREMENTS	15.71752 cm. H x 9.0500200000 cm. W The width includes the skirt, which may change depending on how it is displayed., Item (Overall)
MATERIAL	Plastic
ACCESS POINTS	Evzone

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Small evzone doll. He is wearing black shoes and white stockings with a black string running across his knees on each leg. He is wearing a white skirt that is double-layered, along with a white blouse, on top of which he is wearing a blue vest with small sleeves. The vest has white and gold ribbon along its edges, as well as a golden and orange ribbon going down the middle sides of the front of the vest and meeting in the back. He has black hair, blue eyes, and a moustache. He is wearing a red fez with a black tassel.

ORIGIN

This, and several other objects, were found next to a note with the name "Mary P. Fotopoulos." However, since no accession record can be found for any of the objects, it is unclear which of them were donated by Mary Fotopoulos.

Evzones refers to the members of the Presidential Guard an elite ceremonial unit that guards the Greek Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Presidential Mansion and the gate of Evzones camp in Athens.

Though the Presidential Guard is a predominantly ceremonial unit, all Evzones are volunteers drawn from the Hellenic Army's Infantry, Artillery and Armoured Corps. Prospective Evzones are usually identified at the Army Recruit Training Centres during Basic Training; there is a minimum height requirement of 1.86 m (6' 1.2") to join.

The unit is famous around the world for its unique traditional uniform, which has evolved from the clothes worn by the klephts who fought the Ottoman occupation of Greece. The most visible item of this uniform is the fustanella, a kilt-like garment. Their proven valour and peculiar dress turned them into a popular image for the Greek soldier, especially among foreigners.

CITATION

Doll, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 03/29/24.