

## **Homer**

He is one of the most famous poets of ancient history. He states that he was called Melesigenes because he was born on the coasts of the Meles River and that he was given the name Homer because he was given to the people from Chios (Island) as a prisoner later in time. It is also rumored that he was visually impaired since the word Homer is derived from a word found in the Aeolic dialect meaning "sightless". Homer's masterpiece "The Iliad" includes the last forty days of the ten-year war between the Greeks and the Anatolian people of Troy and consists of about 16 thousand verses. Homer's second work, "Odyssey", on the other hand, tells about the period ten years after the Trojan wars. The text describing the effort of a warrior named "Odysseus" to return to his homeland is about 12 thousand verses. The "Iliad" and "Odyssey" epics, which are the oldest historical and cultural resources of Anatolian civilizations, continue their impact on today's life as the most striking texts of world literature due to their poetry. Cities are meaningful with the values they raise and obtaining a symbolic work in the footsteps of the truth and divinity, poetry and narration where the relationship of the bard Homer, hosted by these lands, with İzmir will also be showed monumentally, will be a value that connects İzmir's present with its past.