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An Evening of Soaring Music at St. Vartan Cathedral



The arched vaults of New York's St. Vartan Cathedral rang with soaring music on the evening of Saturday, October 4, thanks to a unique concert event titled "Jazzical Komitas and Classical Aznavour."

The concert went forward under the auspices of Diocesan Primate Bishop Mesrop Parsamyan. On behalf of the Primate, Cathedral Vicar Fr. Davit Karamyan welcomed the sold-out audience to an evening of visionary artistry—one which honored the Armenian musical heritage while looking optimistically to the future.

Virtuoso jazz pianist Joel Martin set the evening's tone by offering a modern take on the immortal works

The program turned to the work of another Armenian musical icon—the great Charles Aznavour—with a riveting performance by the National Chamber Orchestra of Armenia: a 22-piece string orchestra under the baton of conductor and artistic director Sipan Hakobyan Olah.

Gorgeous melodies from Aznavour's repertoire were made even more emotionally resonant by the ensemble's



of Komitas Vartabed. Leading a jazz trio including David Dunaway on string bass and Jon Berger on drums, Martin revealed how Komitas' music can lend itself to fresh interpretations that transmit its emotional richness in remarkable new ways.

lush orchestral arrangements. Hayarpi Yeghikyan and Maestro Olah devoted their beautiful soprano and tenor voices to Aznavour's poetic lyrics, in a moving tribute to the late French-Armenian musician.

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In a creative touch that added a visual element to the evening, artist Tamara Harutyunyan painted on an easel adjacent to the performers, channeling the evening's dynamic sounds and the cathedral setting into impressive works of art.

Among the guests at the concert was Ambassador Parouyr Hovannisyan, Armenia's newly appointed Permanent Representative to the United Nations, and the directors of the National Chamber Orchestra, Felix Baburyan and Garegin Sargsyan.

The concert concluded with tremendous applause from the audience, and gratitude expressed to the musicians and organizers. Afterwards, guests and artists alike enjoyed the warm autumn air during a lovely reception on the outdoor plaza, with the edifice of St. Vartan Cathedral dramatically illuminated by colored lights.

The concert was a presentation of the St. Vartan Cathedral Cultural Committee and the Hi-Am Foundation.

The St. Vartan Cathedral Cultural Committee, under Cathedral Vicar Fr. Davit Karamyan, was led by Vicki Shoghag Hovannessian and her co-chair Seta Paskalian-Kantardjian, and included Tamar Degirmenci, Sossy Setrakian, Lily Sarkissian, Yn. Alla Terzyan, and Dr. Ara Tekian; with support from Emma Arakelyan and Talin Kupelian.

"Jazzical Komitas and Classical Aznavour" was made possible by the generosity of the following benefactors: The Dadourian Foundation (Major Platinum Donor); Dr. Anna Kazanchyan, Herman and Arek Hinteryan, Vicki Shoghag Hovannessian, Hratch and Suzanne Toufayan (Gold Donors); Adrienne Alexanian, Lucy Bourghol, Dr. Jacques Gulekjian, Adrine Katchadurian, Hagop and Ica Kouyoumdjian, Toros Mangassarian, Seta Nalbandian, Levon and Claudia Nazarian, the Nazarian Family Foundation, Vera Anush Nazarian, Nabil and Houry Nouri, Lily Sarkissian, and Alex and Arda Yemenidjian (Silver Donors); Shoghig Manoukian, and Dr. Vaghenag and Shoghig Tarpinian (Bronze Donors).

Armenian Radio Hour of NJ

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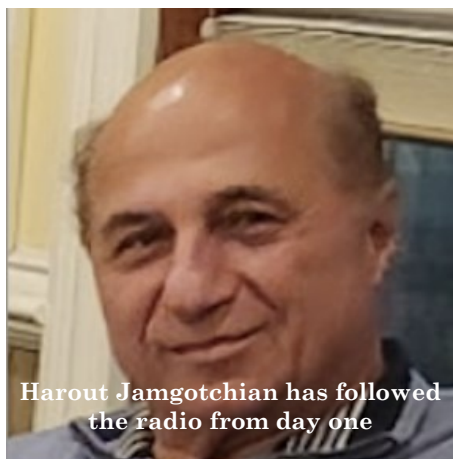
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Armenian Radio Hour of NJ

This Month on October 19th Harout Jamgotchian will host Pizza Outing



Harout Jamgotchian has followed the radio from day one

On October 19th, Harout Jamgotchian will host the Armenian Radio family for a pizza outing. After an extensive radio program for that day, the Armenian Radio Hour of NJ will enjoy an amazing pizza outing with the host. We thank Harout for continuing and partaking in this tradition, and we look forward to this dinner of socializing, connecting with one another, and of course eating as well.

November, and December are to be announced. The Armenian Radio Hour of NJ is awaiting more hosts.

If you would like to participate and be a host of one of the radio's monthly traditional outings, contact Rafi's email rafi.krikorian@gmail.com

ARHNJ Youth Guiding Youth



In these images we see Hagop Deshoyan providing instruction and guidance to new radio volunteers, Kayla Bajakejian and Isabelle Vartanian. Getting the hands-on experience requires continuous practice and a lot of trial and error. Once the basics tasks are covered, the new volunteers have to go through multitasking complexities.



"It is a very rewarding experience to watch the youth sit around a table, equipped with live microphones and discuss a variety of topics. This is done in a relaxed environment with non-scripted responsible comments," said Vartan Abdo, director of ARHNJ. "Volunteers who are trusted with real responsibility report a deeper sense of



purpose and are more likely to stay engaged and committed."

On Sunday, October 5 the volunteers enjoyed an in-house pizza. The next monthly-pizza-outing is on October 19th and will be hosted by Harout Jamgotchian.

AGBU President Sam Simonian Connects with Armenian Communities on Trip to Australia



President Sam Simonian and the AGBU delegation with Rev. Fr. Khacher Harutyunyan, pastor of St. Mary's Armenian Apostolic Church, representatives of AGBU Melbourne and the parish council



President Sam Simonian and his delegation with AGBU Melbourne leadership at the welcome cocktail hosted by the Ladies' Auxiliary

Between August 31 and September 7, AGBU President Sam Simonian continued his global tour of the AGBU network of Districts and Chapters, where he deepened ties with the vibrant Armenian communities in Melbourne and Sydney. Accompanied by his wife Sylva, Council of Trustees member Elie Akilian and his wife Ela, as well as Natalie Gabrelian, Director of Chapters and Central Board Administration, the delegation began their Australian journey in Melbourne.

Melbourne Highlights

Founded in 1989, AGBU Melbourne has played a vital role in fostering the growth and unity of the local Armenian community. True to its mission, the chapter continues to maintain its impact through a variety of ongoing initiatives. These include monthly meal nights at the AGBU Center, the long-running Nor Tsayn quarterly newsletter, and the Hagop Baronian Theatre Group, which has staged numerous productions since 1997. These efforts, among many others, reflect the chapter's commitment to cultural enrichment and community engagement.

The delegation immersed itself in the life of the local Armenians, visiting key

institutions such as St. Mary's Armenian Apostolic Church, the Aginian Armenian

St. Mary's Church, followed by a performance of traditional Armenian folk dance by the Azad Gharibian Dance Group.



President Sam Simonian, Council of Trustees member Elie Akilian and Natalie Gabrelian, Director of Chapters and Central Board Administration, met with the YP Melbourne and AGBU Melbourne Youth committees

School, and the Mesrob Mashdots Matheosian Armenian Saturday School. These visits offered firsthand insight into the strong educational, spiritual, and cultural foundations that continue to thrive.

A highlight of the trip was a welcome reception hosted by the AGBU Melbourne Ladies' Auxiliary at the AGBU Melbourne Centre, bringing together nearly 150 community members, donors, and representatives. Emceed by AGBU Melbourne Secretary Berdj Tchakerian, the evening featured heartfelt remarks from AGBU Melbourne Chair Maral Tchorbadjian, and Rev. Fr. Khacher Harutyunyan of

and discussing ongoing initiatives and future aspirations.

The visit concluded with a farewell dinner that reflected the close-knit and welcoming spirit of the community. In her remarks, Tchorbadjian shared: "It was a very inspirational three-day experience. As promised, we will help keep the AGBU torch alive for the next generation."

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A sweet moment at the reception hosted by AGBU Sydney



President Sam Simonian and his wife Sylva with AGBU Sydney leadership



AGBU Alexander Primary School students celebrate excellence in education at the 35th Anniversary Concert

Sydney Highlights

The second stop in Sydney also began with a warm reception by the local community. First on the agenda was a tour of AGBU Alexander Primary School (PreK–6), where the delegation attended the soft opening and blessing of the school's new library and multi-purpose center. The group also visited Hamazkaine Arshak and Sophie Galstaun College, showing their support for the city's Armenian educational institutions. The following day, the AGBU Sydney Chapter, which was established in 1965, hosted a welcome gathering of 100 guests including AGBU leadership, benefactors, and clergy.

Meaningful meetings were scheduled with key community stakeholders, including esteemed Vahe Artinian, Chair of the Tekeyan Cultural Association and a longtime former Chair of AGBU Sydney, as well as with the Young Professionals of Sydney and current AGBU Sydney Chapter board members.

The delegation also met with His Grace Bishop Vardan Navasardyan, Primate of the Diocese, and members of the Diocesan and church councils.

The centerpiece event was the 35th anniversary concert of AGBU Alexander Primary School, which featured performances by the school's students. Founded in 1990, the school is an independent, co-educational, bilingual English-Armenian Christian school that offers a balanced curriculum that nurtures the intellectual, spiritual, cultural, physical, and personal growth of each student. During the concert, Vahe Boyadjian, member of the school board, was honored with an AGBU Certificate of Appreciation presented to him by President Sam Simonian.

School Principal Manoug Demirjian stated: "Today, AGBU Alexander Primary School stands as a living testament to the vision of the founding members. It is a place where children are surrounded by the tradition and the excitement of

modern education. Let us dream bigger. Let us build stronger. Let us ensure that the future is filled with even greater achievements."

Reflecting on the visit, AGBU Sydney Chair Mihran Lepejian expressed his gratitude to the delegation. "Our conversations confirmed how aligned we are in our vision. As AGBU continues to grow globally, we're grateful to be part of that journey and excited about what lies ahead. We deeply appreciate their visit to our part of the world and look forward to strengthening our efforts to serve both local and international communities, while proudly promoting our Armenian heritage and culture."

President Simonian summed up the experience by saying: "Our time with the Armenian communities of Australia has been nothing short of inspiring. While the farthest from our diasporan communities, these local Armenians remain deeply committed to the AGBU mission to preserve their identity and uplift our people. This is especially the case in terms of investing in education and empowering the next generation with the tools and vision to lead. We were truly proud to witness how active, engaged, and resourceful they are in every aspect of community life. This visit was a powerful reminder that no matter the distance, we are all united by a common purpose."

The Armenian Jewelers Association (East Coast) celebrated its 25th Anniversary and honored a 'soft-spoken giant' - Berc Gokberk



Levon Minassian, Very Rev. Vache Balekjian, Ardem Arslanian, Berc Gokberk



Berc Gokberk and family



Ardem Arslanian and Berc Gokberk

business, 'Crown Findings' and built it from ground up, to become one of the most successful wholesale supplier of jewelry," said Ardem Arslanian, President of AJA East Coast USA. "25 years ago Berc was one of the founding members of AJA and has served as a board member ever since...he is also a dedicated strong community



Hooshere Bezdikian

The Armenian Jewelers Association AJA (East Coast) celebrated its 25th anniversary on Sunday, October 5th, at Seasons Catering in Washington Twp., New Jersey. The celebratory gala honored the achievements of Armenian jewelers, the visionaries who paved the way, and the rising talents who will shape the future.

Over 200 attended the celebration. The joyous atmosphere was compounded by the delicious food and the entertainment provided by talented vocalist, Hooshere Bezdikian.

On this special occasion AJA honored Berc Gokberk - an Armenian jeweler who 'embodies the values of AJA'. "Over 40 years ago, Berc founded his



member...he is humble, soft-spoken giant of our community and industry...Berc truly deserved this recognition tonight."

It was a special moment to witness the thunderous applause and the standing ovation Berc Gokberk received, as he walked to accept the award. His message was short and full of appreciation to his family and all the many people he had worked with over

the years.

Other giants of the jewelry industry who were recognized were - Sako & Mardig Abrimian, Maral Artinian, Alex Moss, Maria Tashjian, Levon and Dikran Minassian, and Mesrob, Berj, & Hratch Massoyan.

A colorful and informative souvenir booklet spoke volumes of the history, artistry and legacy of Armenian jewelers. Equally impressive were the many ads in the booklet and the generous support AJA enjoys, from its members and the community at large.

May the next 25 years be even brighter!

Poetry presented by Mrs. Zarmine Boghosian

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♥♥♥ Through the Orchards of the Armenian Language & Poetry ♥♥♥ Oct.-11-12-2025

Presented by: Zarmine Boghosian

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Գրենք, խօսինք, կարդանք ՀԱՅԵՐԷ՛Ն:



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ՁԵՐ ՆՈՒԻՐՈՒՄԸ ՉՈՒՆԻ ՍԱՀՄԱՆ:
ԳՈՀԱՐ ԱՊԻՏՈՆԵԱՆ



Մերունդներ շարունակ Ագատասիրութեան,
Խաղաղասիրութեան եւ Քաջութեան դասեր առած
ենք «Հայկ եւ Բելի» առասպելէն: Իսկ «Մասմայ
Ծոեր» դիւցազներգութեան հե-րոս Մասունցի
Դաւիթը մեզի կը սորվեցնէ խորունկ
Հայրենասիրութեան հետ Մարդասիրութիւն,
Ասպետական ոգի՝ երբ կը սպասէ որ Մարամելիքը
քունէն արթննայ եւ վերջը հար-ւածելու սկսի: Իսկ իր
ընտանիքի հանդէպ ունեցած սէրը կը բացայայտուի՝
երբ ան կը հրաժար-ի իր վերջին մահացու հարուածը
տալ՝ երբ Մարամելիքին մայրն ու քոյրը կը պաղատին:

Այս բոլորը դարերու ընթացքին դիւրաւ կարելի
պիտի ըլլար բոլորովին կորսնցնել եթէ չհասնէր
ՄԵՍՐՈՊ ՄԱՇՏՈՅԻՆ հանճարը իր Գիրերու
Գիտով: Ի զուր չէ որ ԱՅՔ ու ԲԵՆԻ տառերը կը
համարուին ամենէն ազդեցիկ ազ-գային
ինքնապաշտպանութեան զենքն ու վա-հանը: Յիշենք
թէ ինչպէս Սահակ Պարթեւի բարոյական
քաջալերանքով եւ Վռամշապուռի Թագաւորի
նիւթական հովանաւորութեամբ Մեսրոպ Մաշտոց
եւ իր աշակերտները ժրա-ջանութեամբ յծուեցան
թարգմանական աշխատանքի, ստեղծելով
մշակութային եռուն կեանք մը, որ մեր պատմութեան
մէջ ծանօթ է «ՈՍԿԵ-ԴԱՐ» անունով: Անոնք տեսան
թէ դարերու ընթացքին քրիստոնէական հաւատքին
չափ կարելորդ է ինքնուրոյն գիր ու լեզու ունենալը:
Դարերու ընթացքին մանաւանդ քրիստոնէայ
Եւրոպայի արեւելեան երկիրներու մէջ հայեր լուծուած
ու կորսուած են մոռնալով լեզուն եւ դաստիարակ չալ
քրիստոնէայ ճիւղաւորումներ:
Ամէն տարի, մանաւանդ Հոկտեմբերին վերաբաղ
ընելով մեր պատմութիւնը, վերջինք մեր
Թարգմանիչներուն անուններն ու իրենց կատարած
թարգմանաչափ կոթողային աշխատանքը: Անոնք
են- Սահակ Պարթեւ, Մեսրոպ Մաշտոց, Կորիւն,
Եզնիկ Կողբացի, Դաւիթ Անյաղթ, որոնց կը
յաջորդեն - Ագաթանգեղոս, Ղազար Փարպեցի,
Փաւստոս Բիւզանդ, Մովսէս Խորենացի, Եղիշէ,
ապա Ներսէս Ծնորհալի եւ ուրիշներ- յաջորդաբար

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Հայերէն թարգմանութիւնը հռչակուած է անջնջելիօրէն
«Թագուհի Թարգմանութեան» անունով: Իսկ առաջին
նախադասութեան թարգմանութեան իմաստը դարերէ ի
վեր պատգամ մըն է մեր բոլորին համար- «Ծանաչել
զիմաստութիւն եւ գիտաւ, իմանալ զբանս հանճարոյ:
To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of
understanding.» Proverb 1:2

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Ուսուցիչ ըլլալ
եւ սորվիլ ուզող ուղեղներէն ներս
նոր գիտելիքներ ներմուծել ջանալ
փորձէ՞ր էք բնաւ
Չէք գիտեր ինչ խոր հաճոյք է - կը զգաք
Հեղ մը որ համը առիք - այրեցա՞ք -
Չէք կրնար դիւրաւ պրծիլ ազատիլ
Ձեզի ո՞վ ըսաւ ուսուցիչ ըլլաք
Ձեր ու սան կոչուած
Այդ փայլուն աչքով դէմքերուն միջեւ
Սիրոյ կամութիւն մը կը շինուի տակաւ
-Ա՛յ ուրիշ ճամբայ չկայ ձեր առջեւ

թակարար ինկաք

Կը դառնաք դառնաք ու նորէն հոն էք
Փորձէ՞ր էք բնաւ

Նոր գիտելիքներ ներմուծել ջանալ
Բան սորվիլ ուզող ուղեղներէն ներս
Սիրոյ կամութիւն անցէ՞ր էք բնաւ

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Արգամ Ափրիկեան

Բարեհամբոյր ու խորագէտ,
Իմաստախոհ ուսուցիչներ,
Դուք այս կեանքի արեւակաթ՝
Լուսադրբիւրի ակունք ու սեր:
Ձեր բերքառատ մտքի այգին՝
Ուղենիշ է ճամբաների,
Մտնող ու լիցք, հուր է կեանքին,
Նախադրեալ դափնիների:
Լոյսն է օրուայ արարիչը,
Գիտելիքը՝ լոյս բանալի,
Դարն է օրուայ ուսուցիչը,
Ժամանակը՝ անչափելի:

Փառքի, պատուի, սիրոյ արժան՝
Ուսուցիչներ վեհ ու ազնիւ,
Կեանքն ինչքան էլ փորձ է դաժան՝
Շնորհակալ ենք, մեծապատիւ: Տուֆեցի



AGBU GLOBAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Welcoming all sophomore, junior, senior, or graduate students enrolled in universities for new professional opportunities and placements in stimulating work environments!

The AGBU Global Leadership Program (FKA Summer Internship Program) has been devoted to empowering young Armenians to achieve professional success by providing meaningful and purpose-driven professional opportunities and social engagement events. Expect to meet with industry professionals from leading organizations who will help you kickstart your career. The program also entails daily afterwork social and cultural activities to get to know the city and each other.

Find out more [here](https://www.agbu.org/global-leadership-program) and submit your application through our online portal at www.agbu.org/global-leadership-program.

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Pope Leo to make first papal trip to Türkiye and Lebanon next month



Pope Leo XIV will travel to Türkiye and Lebanon in a six-day trip beginning late November, his first voyage since becoming head of the Catholic Church, the Vatican said on Oct. 7.

The 70-year-old American is expected in Türkiye from Nov. 27-30, a visit

that "will include a pilgrimage to İznik on the occasion of the 1,700th anniversary of the First Council of Nicaea," Vatican spokesman Matteo Bruni said in a brief statement.

A subsequent trip to Lebanon will take place from Nov. 30 to Dec. 2, he said, adding that an itinerary would come later.

The last pope to visit Lebanon was Benedict XVI in 2012, while the last papal visit to Türkiye was in 2014, when Pope Francis travelled to the capital Ankara and Istanbul and met with President Recep Tayyip Erdogan.

Nicaea, which is now the city of İznik and is located 100 kilometers (62 miles) southeast of Istanbul, hosted the first ecumenical council in Christian history in 325 AD.

Leo's highly anticipated visit to Lebanon is expected to focus on peace in the multi-faith country, which has committed to disarming non-state groups, particularly the Iran-backed Shiite movement Hezbollah.

During a trip to the Vatican in June, Lebanese President Joseph Aoun, a Maronite Christian, invited the pope to visit his country.

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- ◆ [October 11, 2025 - Huyser & Friends 15th anniversary celebration concert at Queens Theater](#)
- ◆ [October 18, 2025 - St. Gregory Cultural Committee presents Jazz Up With Astghik Martirosyan & Ensemble](#)
- ◆ [October 19, 2025 - Cultural Committee of St. Thomas presents acclaimed photographer Hrair Hawk Khatcherian with the NJ launch of his new book “AGHTAMAR” The Armenian Architectural Masterpiece](#)
- ◆ [October 23, 2025 - AMAA Armenia presentation](#)
- ◆ [October 25, 2025 - Join the American University of Armenia \(AUA\) for its first major gala fundraiser in New York City](#)
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- ◆ [November 8, 2025 - AAHPO's 7th annual 5K run](#)
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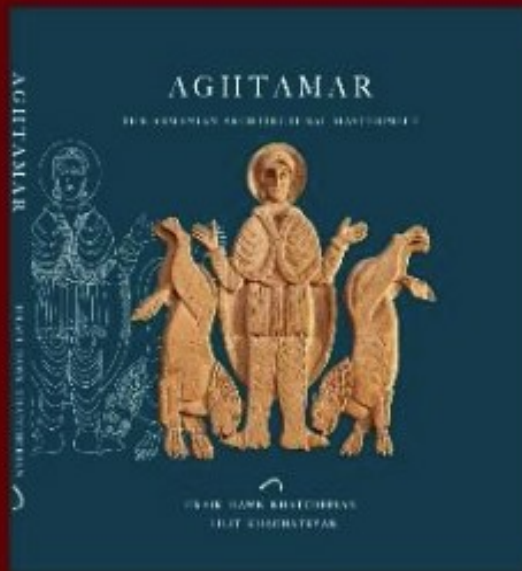
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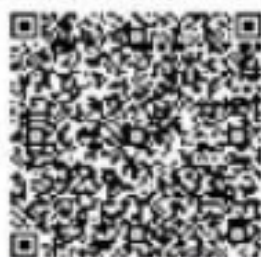
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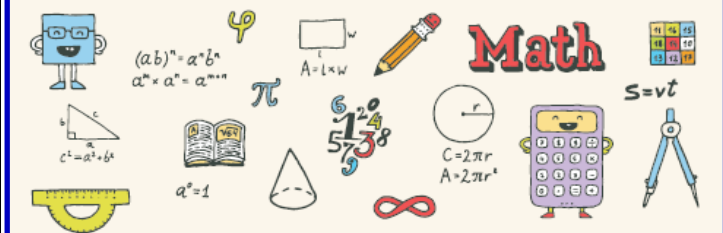
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