

Tehran Symphony Orchestra to perform Karbala-inspired 'Khosouf'



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The Tehran Symphony Orchestra will perform 'Khosouf' (literally meaning an eclipse of the moon in Persian), a major contemporary Iranian symphonic work by Mohammad-Saeed Sharifian, over two nights in Tehran in a programme drawing on the tragedy of Karbala, one of the most significant events in Shia history. The work will be performed on August 6 and 7 at 9:30 p.m. at the city's iconic Vahdat Hall, with guest conductor Arash Amini leading the orchestra and the choir conducted by Behrang Shegharfkar, Mehr News Agency reported on July 29. Tickets for the performances are available through the

Honarticket website. 'Khosouf' is regarded as one of the prominent works of contemporary Iranian symphonic music inspired by the tragedy of Karbala, in which Imam Hussein (PBUH), the grandson of the Prophet Mohammad (PBUH) and the third Imam of Shia Muslims, was martyred more than 14 centuries ago in an unequal battle against the forces of Yazid, the tyrannical ruler at the time. The Tehran Symphony Orchestra will bring to the stage what is considered one of the most important works in Iran's symphonic repertoire relating to the events of Karbala. Using the combined capabilities of a symphony orchestra and choir, 'Khosouf'

explores themes including mourning, sacrifice, freedom, faith and the search for truth through a musical language and dramatic expression. Rather than relying on a direct narrative, the work uses the expressive power of music to invite audiences to reflect on the human dimensions of the Karbala tragedy and offers a distinctive interpretation of the connection between symphonic music and religious and cultural themes. The performance will give audiences of classical and refined music an opportunity to take in a different interpretation of the Karbala story through symphonic music performed by the Tehran Symphony Orchestra.

Iranian short film 'Pasta Alfredo' heads to Uruguay's Fenacies Festival after Albanian award

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Iranian short film 'Pasta Alfredo,' written and directed by Leila Noei, will head to the 16th Fenacies Festival in Uruguay as the only Iranian short film in the event, continuing its international festival run. The film, produced by Raham

Rasouli, will compete alongside 43 other entries in the Student Competition at the festival, which will be held in Montevideo from September 7 to 13, according to a report carried by Mehr News Agency on Wednesday. The latest selection follows on from the film's success at the 13th Dea Open Air Festival in

Albania, where it won the award for Best Student Short Film. 'Pasta Alfredo' has also been screened at the 21st Diecimintu Film Festival in Italy, the 23rd CortiSonanti Film Festival in Italy, the 33rd St. Anna International Film Festival in Russia and the competition section of the 14th FerFILM Festival in Kosovo.

The cast includes Mohana Seyed, Saeed Nejati, Sima Khan-Vakili, Barbod Farshidzadeh and Mohammadreza Ariansadr. The film tells the story of Niloufar, a 14-year-old girl who tries to bring a moment of warmth to her home's cold atmosphere by organizing a birthday party for her cat and cooking pasta.



Isfahan to host ECO health tourism event



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Iran's central city of Isfahan has been chosen to host the fourth Health Tourism Event, Conference and Exhibition of the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO), Iran's deputy Tourism Minister Anoushirvan Mohseni Bandpey said on Wednesday. The decision followed a specialist assessment of bids from Isfahan, Tabriz, Yazd, Birjand and Ahvaz by members of Iran's Health Tourism Steering Council during the fourth meeting of its specialized planning working group, IRNA reported. The proposals were assessed against criteria including medical and tourism infrastructure and facilities, transport, health tourism capacity and competitive advantages, development plans, target markets, scientific and specialist programs, the ability to hold business-to-business (B2B) meetings, and information and media programs, Bandpey said. "After the council weighed up the expert assessments, Isfahan was se-

lected because of its outstanding capacities, organizational capabilities and proposed programs," he added. Bandpey noted that the international event would be an important step toward expanding regional co-operation, promoting Iran's health tourism capabilities, increasing scientific, medical and commercial exchanges among ECO member states and strengthening Iran's position as a leading health tourism destination in the region. The fourth ECO health tourism event will bring together representatives from member states, tourism industry operators, medical centers, hospitals, facilitator companies, universities and specialists in the sector. It will provide a platform to build up health diplomacy, exchange knowledge and experience, and create new opportunities for economic and medical cooperation across the region. It has yet to be decided when the event will take place in 2026. ECO is a regional intergovernmental organization founded in 1985 by Iran, Pakistan and Turkey, with its headquarters in Tehran. Its main objective is to promote economic, technical and cultural cooperation among its members. The organization now has 10 member states that include Iran, Pakistan, Turkey, Azerbaijan, Afghanistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan.



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Analysis %		
% Fe	65.50	Ave
% FeO	1.0	Ave
% P	0.04	Max
% S	0.01	Max
% SiO ₂	3.0	Max
% Al ₂ O ₃	0.7	Max
% CaO	0.7	Max
% MgO	2.5	Max
CCS (kg/p)	Ave 250	
8-16 mm%	Min 90	
-6 mm%	Ave 5	
A.I%	Max 3.5	
T.I%	Min 95	
Prososity%	19-24	
Reducibility%	Min 90	



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Analysis %		
%Fe Ave	68.00	
%FeO	Min 24	Max 28
%P Max	0.035	
%S Ave	0.5	
%SiO ₂ Max	2.2	
%Al ₂ O ₃ Max	0.6	
%CaO Max	0.7	
%MgO Max	2.2	
%Moisture Max	7.0	
Blaine (cm ² /gr) Ave	1100	
Size ave	80%<0.15 mm	