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Tehran orchestra brings Schubert's Italian style to stage

Social Desk

The Tehran Symphony Orchestra will bring works by Franz Schubert and Aram Khachaturian to the iconic Vahdat Hall in Tehran on October 20. The concert, titled 'In the Italian Style,' will open with Schubert's overture 'In the Italian Style,' followed by Khachaturian's

'Concerto-Rhapsody,' featuring Esmaeili on cello. Schubert's Symphony No. 2 will close the evening, IRNA reported on Tuesday. Conducting by Nassir Heidarian leading the performance, cellist Majid Esmaeili appearing as soloist. The performance is part of the orchestra's autumn program and follows a series of concerts at Vahdat Hall, one of

Tehran's main music venues. Schubert's overture 'In the Italian Style,' composed in 1817, reflects the influence of Italian opera, particularly the lively style associated with Gioachino Rossini. Khachaturian's 'Concerto-Rhapsody' for cello, written in 1963, combines lyrical passages with technically demanding sections. Schubert's Symphony No. 2, composed in

1814-1815, is an early work that reflects his engagement with the classical symphonic tradition. The latest concert continues the orchestra's efforts to bring classical music to audiences in the Iranian capital through a mix of works from the European repertoire and programs featuring Iranian composers. The Tehran Symphony Orchestra has presented a range of classical



and themed performances in recent months, making Vahdat Hall a regular venue for its concerts.

Iran's living heritage can cement resilience in times of crisis: **Minister**



Arts & Culture Desk

Iran's living cultural heritage can help communities withstand war, insecurity and natural disasters by preserving social ties and collective identity, the cultural heritage minister said, urging stronger regional cooperation to protect traditional knowledge and practices. Reza Salehi-Amiri made the remarks in a message marking the opening of the seventh session of the Governing Council of the Tehran-based Regional Research Center for Safeguarding Intangible Cultural Heritage. The meeting, held in Tehran coincided with World Day for Intangible

Cultural Heritage on October 17. Crises threaten not only physical infrastructure but also social trust and people's sense of belonging, Salehi-Amiri said. Collective rituals, cultural memory and traditional knowledge can help rebuild those connections and sustain community life. "Despite damage to the infrastructure in recent months, Iran has continued efforts to identify, document and teach intangible heritage", he said, referring to a 40-day war waged by the United States and Israel against the country in late February. Cultural preservation, he added, remains a priority even under difficult

conditions. The center's 2026-2027 action plan will focus on traditional knowledge related to water, customary resource management, traditional health and healing practices, food heritage and local food systems. It will also examine how living heritage can support climate adaptation and resilience. "Three specialized capacity-building programs are planned in Iran, Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan to expand training and strengthen regional cooperation," he said. Salehi-Amiri said the center's performance should not be judged by the number of meetings or training courses it holds. Instead, its

success should be measured by its impact on countries' ability to safeguard living heritage and fulfill their commitments under UNESCO's 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage. He described cultural diversity as a basis for national cohesion and dialogue among nations. Lasting unity, he said, comes from recognizing cultural differences and bolstering a shared sense of belonging. Salehi-Amiri called for greater scientific and regional cooperation to preserve living traditions, promote mutual understanding and support closer ties among countries.

Kites fly for Gaza, Minab children in Tehran

Social Desk

About 200 schoolchildren gathered at Pardisan Park in Tehran to fly kites in memory of children killed in Gaza and Minab, a southern Iranian city where a US missile strike on a school killed dozens of people, during an event to link solidarity with war victims to children's rights and environmental protection on Monday. The event comes amid the heavy toll of conflict on children in both places. UNICEF reported that at least 21,700 children had been killed in the Gaza Strip as of June 30, 2026, following the full-fledged war by Israel on the Palestinian

territory in October 2023. A strike on Shajareh Tayyebeh primary school in Minab on February 28, the first day of the US-Israeli war against Iran, killed 168 people, most of them children. Organized by Iran's Department of Environment and Tehran Municipality, the gathering featured kites carrying images and symbols of friendship and safety, IRNA reported. Arman Khorsand, head of the Department of Environment's Center for International Affairs and Conventions, said the kite-flying event aimed to show solidarity with children in Gaza and Minab and draw public

attention to the impact of war on kids. Khorsand said honoring victims and strengthening international solidarity could help prevent further abuses. Mohammad Madadi, head of the department's environmental education center, said such activities could foster empathy, social responsibility and awareness of children's rights and environmental protection. During the event, a kite designed in memory of children killed in Gaza and Minab was signed by the head of Iran's Department of Environment and family members of two Minab victims.

Tehran no longer ...

Russia and China can influence the course of current developments through diplomatic cooperation with Iran, participation in multilateral dialogue and the use of their positions on the UN Security Council. The current situation is entirely the result of the United States and Europe exploiting international institutions for their own purposes. Such cooperation could help prevent further erosion of international institutions and international law. These hostile measures against Iran will gradually be directed against other independent countries around

the world as well. The US-Israeli and European effort is aimed at establishing control over all political, legal, economic and security channels worldwide. Any actor that opposes this effort is regarded as an enemy. It is worth recalling the remarks of Josep Borrell, the former EU foreign policy chief, who described Europe, or the West, as a garden and the world beyond the West as a wild jungle. This is the belief held by all Western-Zionist leaders. Some express it openly, while others may not voice it, but nevertheless hold and remain committed to it.

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