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What is Polka Music?



- Polka Music is a music organization company that brings together experience with its young and dynamic staff since 2018.
- We provided Symphony Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra, Chamber Music, Classical Western Music, Jazz, Turkish Music, World Music, Project Development, Pop/Rock, Electro Shows, Wedding Music, Wedding Orchestra, Solo Performances, DJ, Brass Band, Famous Names, Sound and Light systems services and music educations (Kas Music Camp and Eskisehir Music School)



Founder - Ozlem Yildirim

Turkish Founder Ozlem Yildirim started her music education in 2004 at Eskisehir Anadolu University State Conservatory, String Instruments Cello Department with Russian musician Yuri Semenov in Turkey.

She won the fourth prize at the 10th Robert Canetti International Music Festival in Paris, France. In 2008, she participated in the Italy Urbino Art Connect International Music Festival. After she went to Russia and won third prize in 3rd International Gavrilin Governors Young Musicians Competition in 2010.

Then she transferred to Istanbul Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University State Conservatory Musicology Department in 2012 and graduated in 2015. In the same year, she became an event director at AIMA Ayvalık International Music Academy, founded by Professor Filiz Ali.

In 2017, she made a presentation on “The Place Of Cengiz Tanc in European Modernism” at the SMA Theory and Analysis Graduate Students (TAGS) Conference at Bangor University, United Kingdom. In 2020, she completed her master degree with the thesis titled "MUSIC AND THE CITY: GLOBAL, LOCAL AND INTER-LOCAL ACTORS AND DYNAMICS OF CLASSIC WESTERN MUSIC EVENTS IN ISTANBUL" at Istanbul Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University State Conservatory Musicology Department.

Yildirim, gave Music History lecture at Anadolu University State Conservatory between 2017-2019, and after gave a Humanities-Classical Music discussion class at Sabancı University in the 2020-2021 academic year.

Ozlem Yildirim, who founded Polka Music in 2018, continues to organize concerts in all genres of music in collaboration with many companies, shopping malls, concert halls, restaurants, hotels and brands, and to produce her own projects such as Kaş Music Camp and Eskişehir Music School.



Co-Founder – Volkan Cosar

Turkish Co-founder, Volkan Coşar has been serving as the principal trumpet at Istanbul State Opera and Ballet Orchestra since 2006. He has been an active performer as a soloist, chamber musician, and orchestral performer.

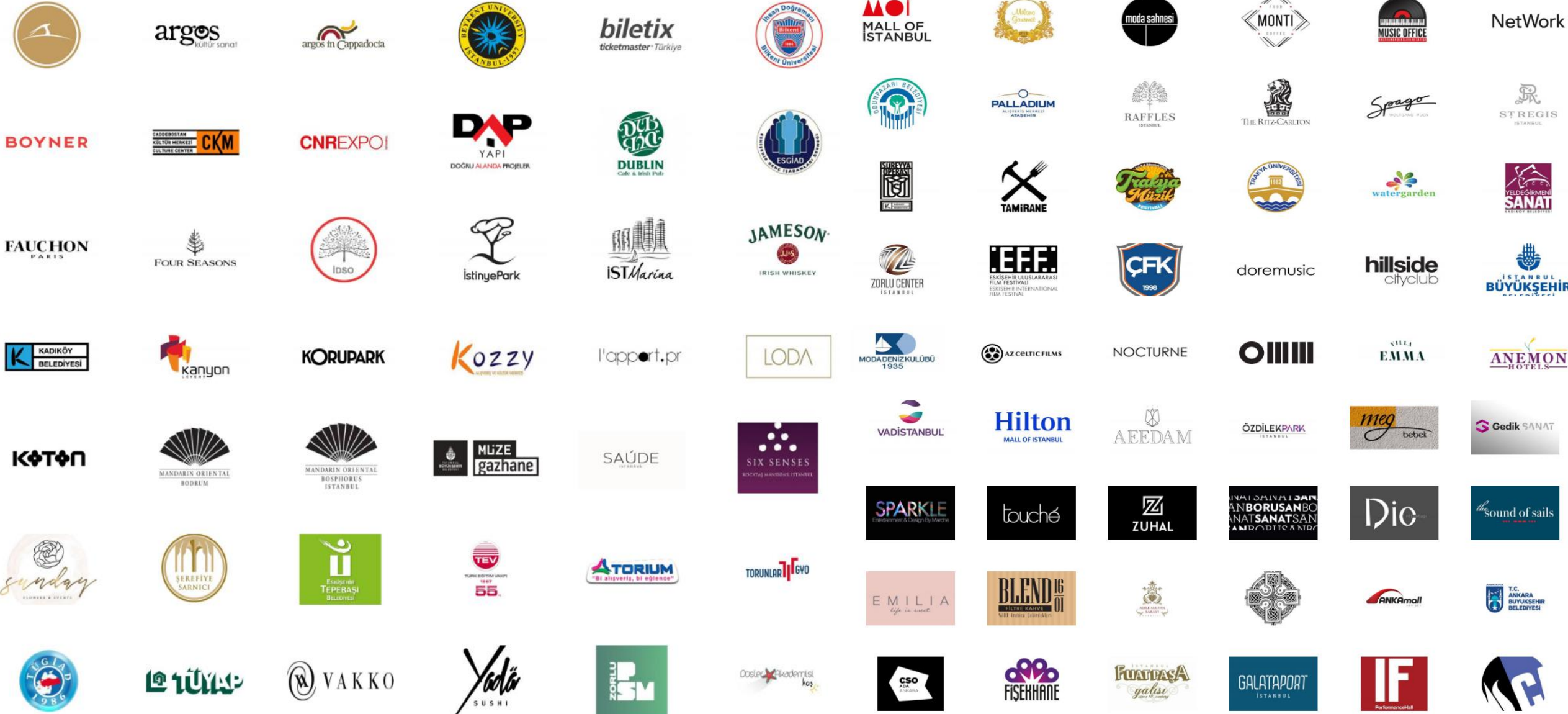
Coşar started his music education at the Anadolu University Eskişehir State Conservatory in 1999 at the trumpet class of Erden Bilgen. During his education he also visited international brass festivals in Kalavrita, Greece and Grand Valley State University in the USA, attended masterclasses by Richard Stoelzel, Vincent Di Martino, Rich Illman, Allen Vizzutti, Gerassimos Ioannidis, John Hagstrom, Mathias Kamps, Rex Richardson, Graham Nicholson, Bert Langenkamp, Zhonghui Dai, and Dan Patrylak. During these festivals Coşar performed solo works for trumpet as well as a member of Anatolian and Turkish Trumpet Quartets. In 2010, he was chosen by the Culture Ministry to represent Turkey with Turkish Trumpet Quartet in the International Trumpet Guild in Sydney, Australia.

In 2005, as a young soloist, Coşar won 1st prize at The National Trumpet Competition (Young Soloists Category) at Baskent University, Ankara, Turkey. His other awards include his Second Prize Award at Trumpet Competition at International Trumpet Seminar at Grand Valley State University in the USA. As a soloist, he performed trumpet concertos with national orchestras such as Izmir State Symphony Orchestra, Bursa State Symphony, Istanbul Philharmonie Orchestra, Muğla Municipality Symphony Orchestra, Antalya State Symphony, and Eskişehir Symphony Orchestra.

As a chamber musician, in 2009, he was invited for "The Language of The Music"; a project that has been organized by the government of Austria and he performed with "Sonus Brass" throughout the different cities of Austria. Coşar has been a founding member of Turkish brass ensemble called Brassolist since 2015. He also premiered composer Marc Andre's solo trumpet work titles: IV6Ankara with Hezarfen Ensemble. Toured with Genco Erkal and Camerata İzmir with Igor Stravinsky Soldier's Tale. As an orchestral player, Coşar toured and performed throughout Turkey and performed with almost every Symphonic orchestra in the nation.

As an educator, Coşar has voluntarily given music lessons to numerous children within the project of Barış için Müzik (Music for Peace) which is a similar project in Turkey as the El Sistema in Venezuela, between years 2014 and 2018.

References: <https://polkamusicproduction.com/referanslarimiz/>





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SPECIAL PROJECTS



POLKA SYMPHONICS

Polka Symphonics, which first appeared as a New Year's symphony, has become a symphony orchestra that accompanies many different artists with its separate concepts created for each special day over time: https://www.instagram.com/tv/CZEMn_Epmeo/



MARATHON ORCHESTRA

Marathon Orchestra, a production of Polka Music Production, has been making quite a splash in music circles lately, with its concerts with the likes of a marathon, with famous names in every concert.

The Marathon Orchestra, which accompanies a completely different repertoire and a famous surprise soloist in every concert, gives the audience the opportunity to listen to famous artists they have not heard before, while providing the opportunity to present famous names with a performance they have not experienced before.

Geçmiş solistler: Caner Cindoruk, Emre Karayel, Timur Acar, Öznur Serçeler, Yılmaz Sütçü, Ceren Gündoğdu

<https://www.instagram.com/tv/B4mB3Mblrbe/>

YOGA WITH ARP

Accompanied by the harp, we provide the participants with the opportunity to experience a yoga experience they have never tried before. As this project progressed, it was developed as yoga with jazz and yoga with cello: <https://www.instagram.com/tv/B4-QEMJHs9s/>



CONDUCT ME!

We make the orchestra conductor by giving the conduct of the chamber orchestra of 15 people (the number of people may vary according to the budget) consisting of professional musicians to the people who come for a tour at that moment. An interactive symphonic event

experience: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o3YBAZage4Q>





REPUBLIC BALL

A dance project inspired by the Republic Balls organized by Atatürk, which is specific to national holidays such as October 29: <https://www.instagram.com/tv/CV5qm0AgpEg/>

EMOTINAL VIOLIN AND FUNNY DRUM

Kids Musical

In our interactive musical children's play that introduces instruments, master actors give children and adults a different theater experience. When a girl, who goes on holiday to Vienna with her family, encounters musical instruments at the conservatory, musical instruments with giant mascot costumes come to life and introduce percussion, wind and string instruments to our child audience: <https://www.instagram.com/tv/CdKpzXBgV99/>





JAZZ FOR KIDS

While listening to the jazz arrange to children's songs that we have known for years, it is aimed to instill a love of jazz in children with a repertoire get together jazz standards: <https://www.instagram.com/reel/CgeM6Fpg2Lz/>

TANGO WITH ELECTRO VIOLIN

In this project, which is prepared for February 14 Valentine's Day, the theme of love is emphasized with the tango dance accompanied by the violin: <https://www.instagram.com/p/CbW4I3LAIXe/>

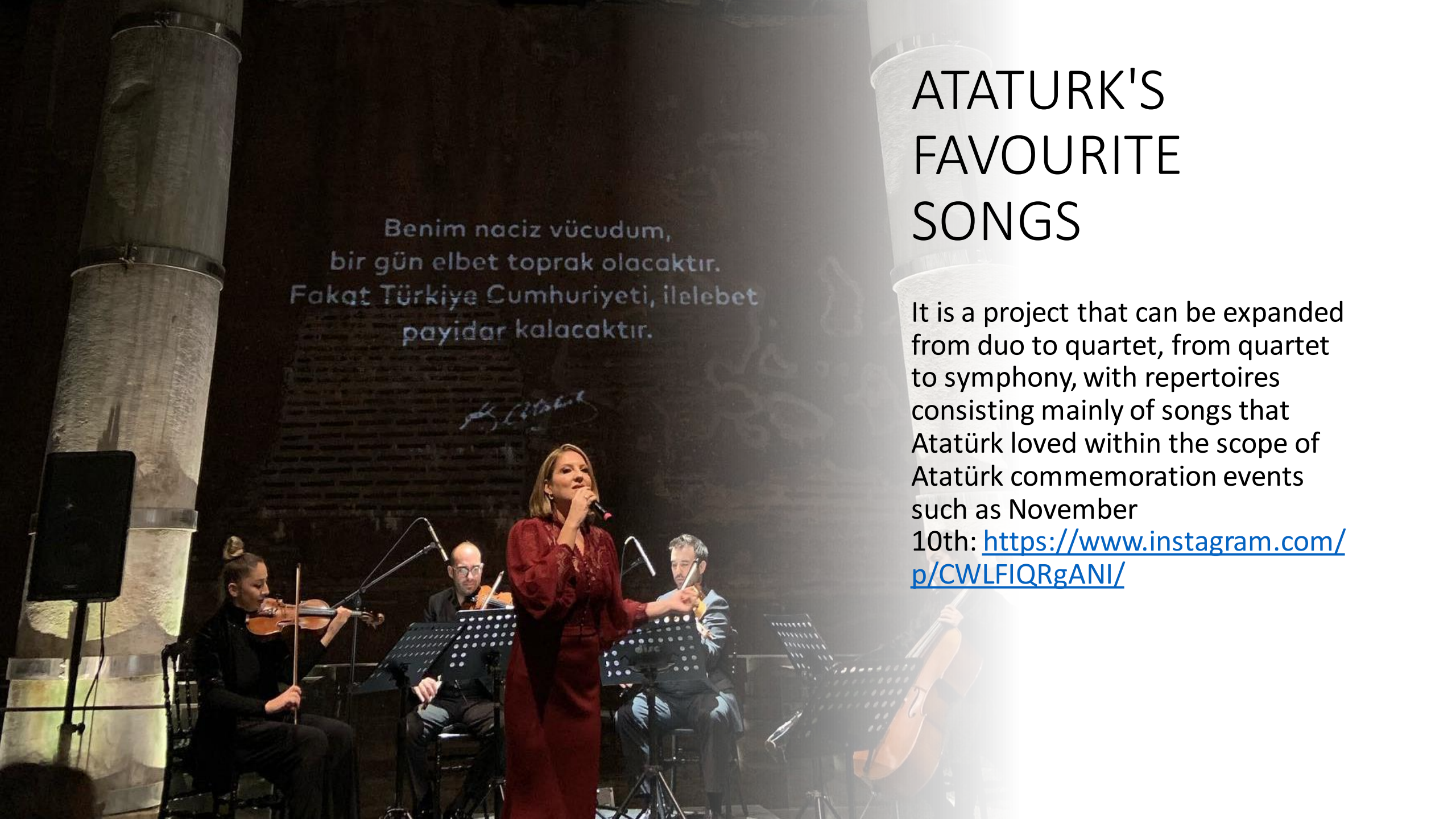


ATATURK'S FAVOURITE SONGS

Benim naziz vücudum,
bir gün elbet toprak olacaktır.
Fakat Türkiye Cumhuriyeti, ilelebet
payidar kalacaktır.

It is a project that can be expanded from duo to quartet, from quartet to symphony, with repertoires consisting mainly of songs that Atatürk loved within the scope of Atatürk commemoration events such as November

10th: <https://www.instagram.com/p/CWLFIQRgANI/>





ISTANBUL FILM MUSICS ORCHESTRA

Istanbul Film Musics Orchestra (IFMO) is symphony orchestra dedicated to soundtrack performance and composition: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d_dDtaz2qE

TASPLAK (GRAMOPHONE RECORD) SYMPHONY

Taşplak (Gramophone Record) Symphony Orchestra was founded in 2012 in Istanbul. The orchestra, which previously organized Queen Night Concerts, with a staff of 60 people as of 2016, meets the audience with their repertoire compiled from unforgettable Yeşilçam films from 7 to 70, from the Hababam Sınıfı to Çöpçüler Kralı, from Tarkan to Çiçek

Abbas: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ru-p4aO_GxU&feature=emb_title



The Little Prince

We set out on a road. Little Prince for adults.
Because we, as adults, are not at all satisfied with
the situation of adults. We started walking to make
some reminders with this work in progress live
drama show.

Our Little Prince is a staged reading performance in
which music, drawing, light, text and playful reading
elements will participate live.

We'll have so much fun. Let's have fun together. See
you at our soul casino.

- Project, Text Design & Director: Ilgın Sönmez
- Actress: Akasya Asıltürkmen
- Pianist: Maya Muz
- Painter: Gökçe İrten
- Light Designer: Utku Kara
- Sound Engineer: Kıvılcım Konca



Flash Mob

- A large public gathering at which people perform an unusual or seemingly random act and then disperse.
- <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xlyMp0-k8nzU7d21RiaVDz3v6wG8YFZD/view?usp=sharing>





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CLASSICAL MUSIC ARTISTS

BRASSOLIST

- Brassolist is a unique brass quintet from Turkey. The group was established in 2015 by the members of Istanbul State Opera and Ballet. The musical band consists of 2 trumpets, a horn, a trombone, a sousaphone and a singer. What makes Brassolist exclusive in its kind is the members' pursuit of a different interpretation of a brass quintet which led them to combine their music with a singer in the end. The musical band put together classical pieces, jazz standards, world-wide famous songs, tangos and most importantly Anatolian songs that aims to embrace a wider audience and to express the beauty of Turkish music to classical music lovers.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k-Wc5WULN6Y&t=1s>



ÖNDER BALOGLU

- Turkish – German violin player
- Duisburger Philharmoniker and Deutsche Oper am Rhein Düsseldorf-
Duisburg Concertmaster
- Teacher at Folkwang University of Arts in Essen and Royal Conservatoire The Hague
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OfXtCkrhImk>



EREN YAHSI

- Turkish pianist
- Teacher at Eskisehir Anadolu University
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RZHS3ytGw7U>



ONUR ÖZKAYA

- Turkish Doublebass Player
- Teacher at Istanbul Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University
- Borusan Istanbul Philharmonic Orchestra's artist
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1TGo39cLizQ>



ERTAN SAHİN

- Turkish Suzafon & Tuba Player
- Istanbul State Symphony Orchestra's artist
- <https://www.instagram.com/p/CgrEe8LAZhy/>



Richard Laniepce

French Bagpipe player

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m0ywkRfT5tw>



NIL KOCAMANGIL

Turkish cello player

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yz9oYVemj2g>



MERVE KOCABEYLER

Merve Kocabeyler, who was selected as the "Breakthrough Young Musician of the Year" at the 2012 Donizetti Classical Music Awards and won first place in many international competitions, is among the promising young harpists of Turkey.

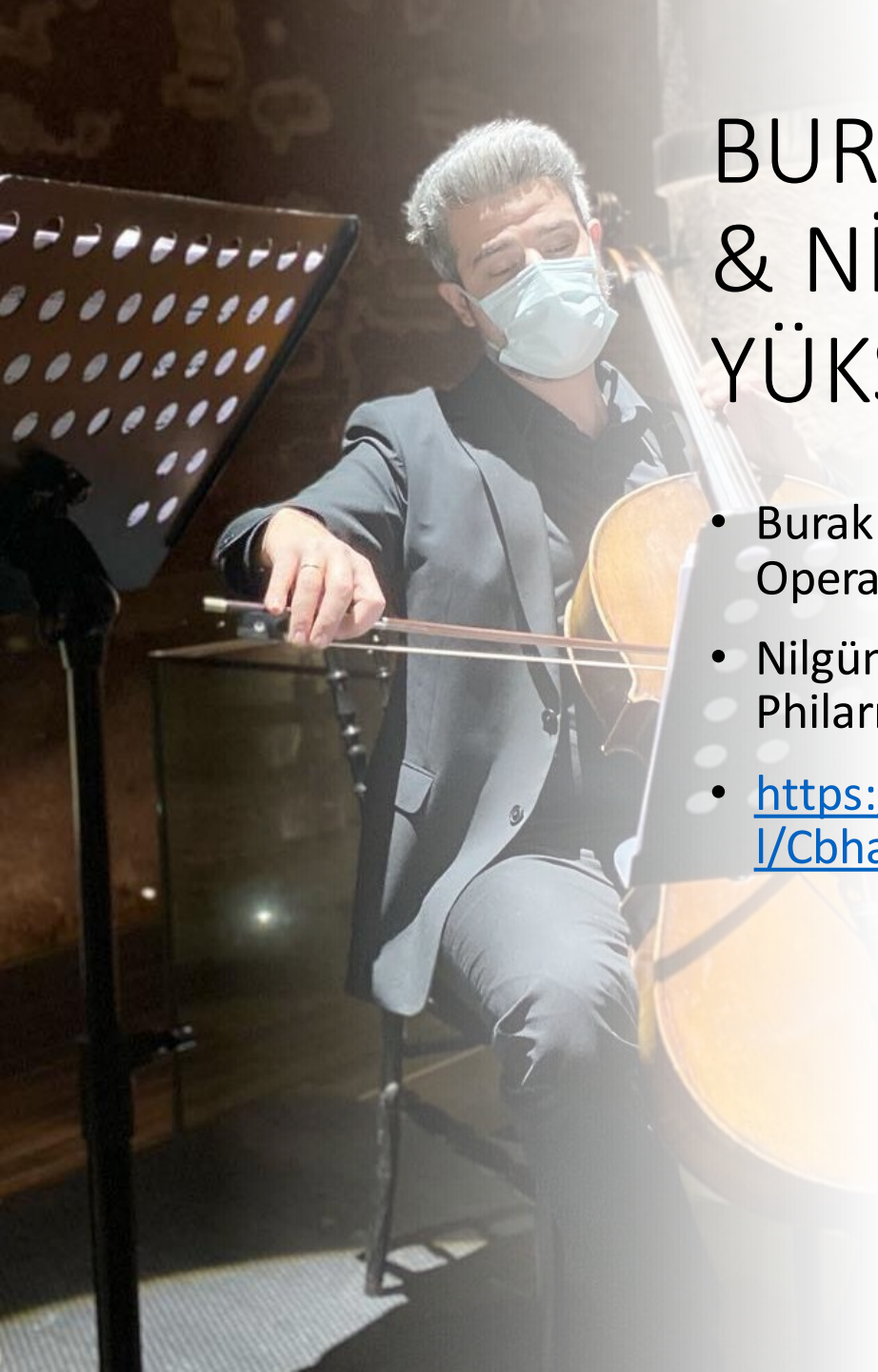
<https://www.instagram.com/reel/Cbosl03AfLR/>



A photograph of Emre Günay, a Turkish multi percussionist, sitting behind a timpani set in a concert hall. He is a bald man with a beard, wearing a black hoodie over a white t-shirt and grey pants. He is holding four mallets in his hands. The background shows the wooden walls of the concert hall and other percussion instruments like a snare drum and cymbals.

EMRE GÜNAY

- Turkish multi percussionist
- Istanbul State Symphony Orchestra's solo timpanist
- <https://www.instagram.com/reel/CZpOwwdgpOt/>



BURAK AYRANCI & NİLGÜN YÜKSEL

- Burak Ayrancı: Istanbul State Opera cello artist
- Nilgün Yüksel: Borusan Istanbul Philharmonic violin artist
- <https://www.instagram.com/reel/Cbha2StA9pl/>



ANADOLU WIND QUINTET

The Anatolian Wind Quintet came together in the year 2014, already has a unique style in performing and arranging the most important pieces that were composed for quintet, also by the Turkish composers, making it's name known in Turkey as well as in the World arena. Our goal is to inspire the composers about the quintet music and to introduce the Anatolian values to Turkey as well as to the rest of the World. On the repertoire, the Anatolian Wind Quintet has folkloric songs compiled based on the rich traditional musical pieces. The Quintet also performs some unique pieces that came to date from centuries before and one of the major goals of the Anatolian Wind Quintet is to arrange and perform the pieces composed by the composers that belong to the Anatolian Civilizations.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8fkWEreh3MU>

LES ESSENCES

German Chamber Orchestra

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kONxZm-EJ8>



A portrait of Toshiyuki Shimada, a middle-aged man with dark hair, smiling. He is wearing a dark, high-collared jacket over a white shirt. The background is a warm, out-of-focus interior with wooden paneling and a railing.

Toshiyuki Shimada

- American – Japan conductor
- Director of both the Eastern Connecticut Symphony Orchestra in New London and New Britain Symphony Orchestra
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cONWYw0tN9A>

BROTHERS TRIO

Turkish string trio: reinterpreting
classical western music
with popular music

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2XzakZRKXFw>



Opera Trio

- A wide repertoire ranging from opera to aria, folk song and popular songs
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ODwJxbDBvCw>





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TURKISH MUSIC



ELIF CANFEZA GÜNDÜZ

Elif Canfeza Gündüz graduated from Neva Özgen's Kemence class at the State Conservatory for Turkish Music at the Technical University of Istanbul in 2016. In 2018 she was awarded the Success Prize for Young Musicians by the Ministry of Culture and Tourism. She is co-founder of the music groups Arfana, Şimdilik Trio and Savt, with whom she regularly releases albums, including Anatolian Jazz Impressions by her group Arfana, published by Kalan Music. Elif Canfeza Gündüz has worked on numerous other albums and has given solo and group concerts in Greece, Israel, South Korea, Australia, and Norway. She has also conducted maqam seminars.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4G4hjTGleVA>

A woman with long, dark, wavy hair is smiling and looking towards the camera. She is holding a Qanun, a traditional Turkish stringed instrument, which is visible in the lower-left corner of the frame. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

KADRIYE BOZKURT

Turkish Qanun player

[https://www.instagram.com/reel/
CdC7QClgSBK/](https://www.instagram.com/reel/CdC7QClgSBK/)

Tolgahan Cogulu & Sinan Ayyildiz

Tolgahan Cogulu: Microtonal
Guitarist

Sinan Ayyildiz: Turkish Baglama
player

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?
v=D1kNm7LA9-Q](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D1kNm7LA9-Q)



SILVA QUARTET

- Flute: Duygu Kozak
- Obue: Beste Özensoy
- Clarinet: Merve Nuvasil
- Basson: Hande Everes

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7EiQwQRlcNo>



incesaz 9

PEŞİNDEYİM

İNCESAZ

İncesaz was founded in 1997 by Murat Aydemir (tanbur), Derya Türkan (kemençe) and Cengiz Onural (guitar). The trio started their journey with the compositions of Cengiz Onural. In time, they interpreted the works they chose from the traditional Turkish music repertoire as well as Murat Aydemir's compositions according to their own tastes and understandings.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eB5g33KCEE>





GIZEM SUCU

Oud player

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PV2mqWqW2Mo&t=113s>



KOLEKTIF ISTANBUL

Kolektif Istanbul grew up from the meeting of musicians from villages playing at fetes and marriage ceremonies in the "homeland", and musicians with improvisation backgrounds from different modern styles but all in Istanbul with the colors of Istanbul. "Gayda" (Bulgarian bagpipes), clarinet, saxophone, accordion, tuba, percussions, drums all these instruments make this a unit with a great richness of sound which combines both the Balkan fanfare dynamism and the Anatolian "blues" depth. The Ensemble gains in intensity and emotion with Asli Dogan, the voice of this project, which carries all the expressiveness and sensitivity of the popular song. After their very first album "Balkanatolia", 2006 the band went through a musical evolution which brought them to "Krivoto" released on June 2008. With a funky and jazzy touch Kolektif Istanbul doubled their tempo and so their energy! In 2013 the band released their third studio album "Kerevet". Nevertheless, the original characters of the melodies, inspirations, and so themes on the path of musical travel, has been overcome with "respect" and gaining ethical positions, in the other hand, while great freedom is taken with the orchestrations. Kolektif Istanbul performed some outstanding shows and made out great parties at Montreux Jazz Festival, Schleswig-Holstein Musik Festival, SESC Pompeia and keep touring in prestigious festivals and venues across the world. Kolektif is now preparing the release of their fourth studio album and their 10th anniversary!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kf0k_5hSwpc



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JAZZ MUSIC

Polka Jazz Trio

- Noname jazz band
- <https://www.instagram.com/reel/CcXQJ0FAqPv/>



Uninvited Jazz Band

- New Orleans Traditional Jazz Band, 1920's Jazz&Blues
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FIQAifne4MI>



Flapper Swing

Flapper Swing is an Istanbul based quintet following footsteps of famous French jazz artists Django Reinhardt , Stephane Grappelli and New Orleans's expatriot Sidney Bechet.

Flapper Swing's five musicians were brought together by their passion for taunting acoustic sounds of gypsy swing . Flapper Swing's music is a sweet blend of manouche guitars, cheeky and romantic clarinet, sensitive silklike vocal, supported by deep woody hum of double bass.

In their performances they are striving to bring the audience an atmosphere of roaring twenties and ballroom parties, the times when jazz was still fun.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s5MexJMY3qM>



Manus-u Ala

- Gypsy Jazz Band based in Istanbul
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ODwJxbDBvCw>



Hande Ates

- Jazz & Pop singer
- <https://www.instagram.com/reel/CUmfWz7g0WA/>



Jazzmatiz

- Jazz band with vocal
- <https://www.instagram.com/p/CDlgvSpHPd1/>



Bestem Yuvarlak

- Jazz singer
- <https://www.instagram.com/p/B6DFb44FXfc/>





Fötr Blues Band

- "Blues is easy to play, but hard to feel."
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PxHbf5PbPPs>



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WEDDING & POP



Orchestra of Meya

- Wedding & Event Orchestra
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T8L_d3Jar7Y
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BQN7-R3h0mM>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-TPqyyxGh-A>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SgpDezy7rkY>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HkPN0FAeK90&feature=youtu.be>



Patron Orchestra

- Wedding & Event Orchestra
- [https://youtu.be/ AS1MSjq38](https://youtu.be/AS1MSjq38)

Istanbul12

- Wedding & Event Orchestra
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wcaGrWMBnqw>



Purple Hand Band

- Wedding & Event Orchestra
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GJih0bHQeT0>



Ceren Gündoğdu

- Turkish pop singer
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6zhlgboAfo>
- <https://www.instagram.com/cerengundogdu/>



Pelin Gedik

- Pop singer
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uSBs3IyM3hE>



Six Pack

- Pop music band
- <https://www.instagram.com/p/B51841WHiTT/>



Eda Gür

- Pop singer
- <https://www.instagram.com/tv/CDy6lCqHXsv/>



Tezgah

- Musician / popular boy band
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z-yBACKz3U>



Batu Akdeniz

- Turkish alternative pop singer
- <https://www.instagram.com/p/CixyfaLpjjja/>



Madrigal

- Turkish alternative music boy band
- <https://www.instagram.com/p/COddQQynsYs/>





Sufle

- Turkish alternative music band
- <https://www.instagram.com/p/C076pMZnWYA/>

Evdeki Saat

- Turkish alternative boy band music
- <https://www.instagram.com/p/CItCNrnpwV4/>



A close-up portrait of a woman with long, wavy brown hair, looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. She is wearing a white top. The background is softly blurred, showing vertical lines that could be window blinds or a wall.

Seda Yiyin

- Pop Singer
- <https://www.instagram.com/p/CY4c5EXrTW-/>



Seda Mete

- Pop singer
- <https://www.instagram.com/p/CbZyez6A1aT/>

Melis Karaduman

- Turkish alternative music singer
- <https://www.instagram.com/p/CaylttvANZh/>





Gizem Ekiz

- Pop singer
- <https://www.instagram.com/reel/CYEQ88YpoOb/>



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LATIN

Polka Latin Trio

- Noname band
- Girl
vocal: <https://www.instagram.com/reel/CeX-9TQAo5k/>
- Boy
vocal: <https://www.instagram.com/reel/Cat2dkyglb/>





Solanch de la Rosa

- Latin singer
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wjSRPGD1uNw>

Suami Ramirez

- Latin singer
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZmAp9_wajs





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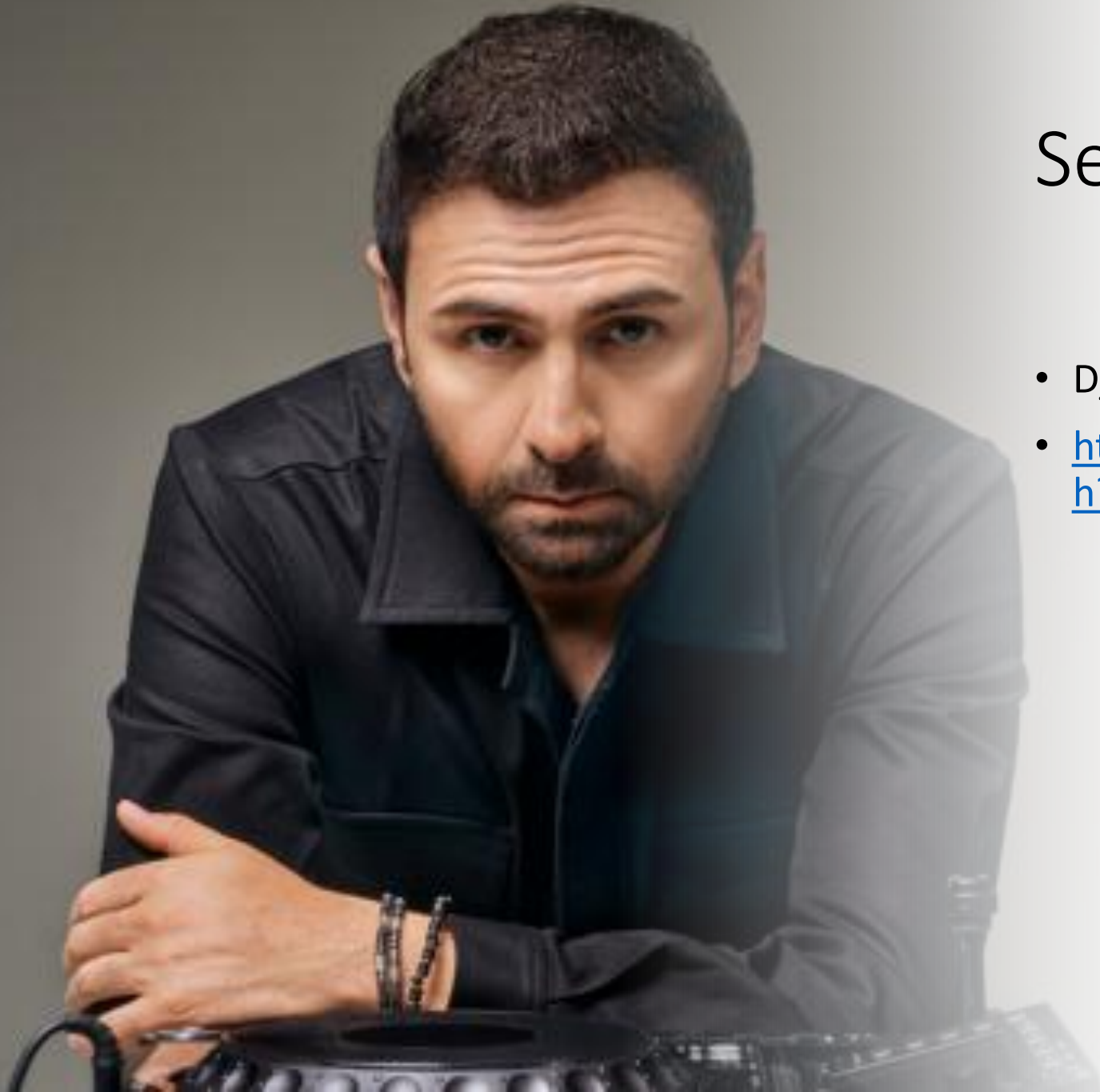
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DJ

A DJ is performing at a bar. He is wearing a black t-shirt and large headphones. He is smiling and looking down at the DJ equipment. The bar has a long counter with various bottles and glasses. In the background, there is a large window showing a city skyline at night. The lighting is warm and ambient.

Cosmos Music

- Dj
- <https://www.powerapp.com.tr/videocast/powertv/vakkorama-cafe-performans/watch/dj-cosmos-6532>



Serdar Ayyildiz

- Dj
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hhyWmkCJtgY>



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ELEKTRO SHOW



Anna Violin

- Russian violinist
- Electro violin show
- <https://www.instagram.com/reel/CXyqj5bACFz/>



Suay Doganay

- Turkish violinist
- Living Bahreyn
- Electro violin show
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b_3rpaM0pLs&t=5s

A woman with long brown hair is shown in profile, playing a white harp. She is wearing a light-colored, off-the-shoulder top with a floral pattern on the sleeve. The harp is white and has many strings. In the background, there is a church tower with a conical roof. The scene is outdoors and brightly lit.

Sebla Akbulut

- Harp player
- Electro harp show
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OUGYcC0G9sE>

Ugur Yenirol

- Saxophone player
- Saxophone show
- <https://www.instagram.com/p/BttV-peB7af/>

Trio On Stage

- Electro cello
- Electro violin
- Saxophone
- Instrumental girl band
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fGfqNr13k7k>





Feray Teksahin

- Violin player
- Electro violin show
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VlvR04YHRRY>

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