

PIANO RECITAL BY RENOWNED TURKISH PIANIST GÜLSİN ONAY

Turkish Consulate General in Houston invites you to an extraordinary piano recital night by an exceptional Chopin interpreter, Gülsin Onay who is also acknowledged worldwide as the finest interpreter of the music of Ahmed Adnan Saygun (“A titan of modern Turkish music.” – *The New York Times* / “...Saygun’s music is too unusual to sound familiar, and too intriguing to put listeners off.” – *Fanfare* / “Ahmed Adnan Saygun can be said to be the Turkish Béla Bartók.” – *Stereoplay*)

“The pianist (Onay) convinces not only through her sensational technical mastery, but also through a rare combination of musical intelligence and perceptivity. ‘Grandezza’, superior phrasing, musical energy and subtlety were supremely balanced.” *Göttinger Tagblatt*



Gülsin Onay holds the titles of State Artist in her native Turkey, and of soloist for the Presidential Symphony Orchestra in Ankara. She is “Artist in Residence” at Bilkent University in Ankara and holds an honorary doctorate degrees from Bosphorus University in Istanbul, and from Hacettepe University in Ankara. The Sevda-Cenap And Music Foundation awarded its prestigious 2007 Honorary Award Gold Medal to Gülsin Onay, and she was named “Pianist of the Year” in the 2011 Donizetti Classical Music Awards. [For further information about the artist click here](#)

Date/Time : April 17, 2013 / 6:30 pm-8:30 pm

Venue : St. Martin Episcopal Church, Baby Parish Hall
(717 Sage Rd, Houston, TX 77056)

**There will be a pre-concert reception (with appetizers from Turkish Cuisine)
Concert will start at 7:00 p.m.**

Program : Beethoven (Waldstein); Chopin (Andante spianato et Grande Polonaise brillante); Ahmed Adnan Saygun (Sonatine, op. 15); Chopin (Sonata in B minor, op. 58.)

Event is open to public but RSVP is required.

RSVP : consulate.houston@mfa.gov.tr (until April 16, 2013)

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