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INTERCULTURAL RESIDENCY

ALIM & FARGANA QASIMOV



Spiritual Music of Azerbaijan



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Alim Qasimov merges his own consummate musicianship with that of his daughter, Fargana, and the accompanying ensemble in a performance of classical mugham. The concert will draw in part from the repertoire of Azerbaijani ashigs—singer-songwriters whose songs portray, often with humor and irony, the power of love and the pain of separation.

ALIM & FARGANA QASIMOV

THURSDAY, MARCH 4

9:00 AM-NOON SLOSBERG MUSIC CENTER

Performances for Visiting Schools

*Event cosponsors: Department of Music,
Waltham Public Schools*

4:00-5:00 PM ABRAHAM SHAPIRO COMPLEX ATRIUM

Improvised Conversations

An opportunity to hear about the life and work of Azerbaijani daughter and father vocalists Fargana and Alim Qasimov.

*Event cosponsor: Slifka Program in
Intercommunal Coexistence*

FRIDAY, MARCH 5

9:40-11:30 AM SLOSBERG MUSIC CENTER

Open Class

Join *ENG 109a Poetry* and *FA 3b Drawing* in exploring connections among the visual arts, the spoken word, and music. Music and discussion with residency artists and Theodore Levin, the Arthur R. Virgin Professor of Music at Dartmouth and curator of this residency on behalf of the Aga Khan Music Initiative.

12:10-1:30 PM SLOSBERG MUSIC CENTER

Open Class

Join visiting artists and *ANTH 114b Verbal Art and Cultural Performance*; *WMGS 140a Diversity of Muslim Women's Experience*; *WMGS 5a Women and Gender in Culture and Society*; and *THA 4a Vocal-Physical Connection* for music and a discussion.

1:40-3:00 PM SLOSBERG MUSIC CENTER

Open Class

Join *MUS 3b Introduction to World Music* for music and a discussion, led by residency curator Theodore Levin.

3:10-4:00 PM SLOSBERG MUSIC CENTER

Friday Music Break

Renowned ethnomusicologist and residency curator Theodore Levin speaks about his life and travels.

Event cosponsor: Department of Music

4:30-6:00 PM SLOSBERG MUSIC CENTER

Improvisation Workshop with Visiting Musicians

Sign up: eissenbe@brandeis.edu

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SATURDAY, MARCH 6

7:00 PM SLOSBERG MUSIC CENTER

Preconcert Talk with Residency Curator Theodore Levin

8:00 PM SLOSBERG MUSIC CENTER

World Music Concert:
The Spiritual Music of Azerbaijan

Event cosponsor: Department of Music

For World Music Concert

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Tickets are \$20/\$10 in advance,
\$25/\$15 at the door.

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cosponsored by the Aga Khan Trust
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the Arts, and the International Center for
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“TO BE A MUSICIAN, THERE HAS TO BE A FIRE BURNING IN YOU.”

—ALIM QASIMOV