

# Armenian Variety Show



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*THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE is the first genocide of the 20th Century perpetrated by the Ottoman Turks in 1915 in which 1.5 MILLION Armenians were massacred. The Armenian Variety Show dedicates this issue of the newsletter to the 95<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Armenian Genocide. We shall not forget.*

## POEM: In Memory of The Million

by Jack Hagopian

The spirit of the April Genocide,  
Rustling and blustering  
In its metallic language and iron words  
Crying triumphantly,  
"We are still alive ..."

Through the depth of Der Zor  
The wells of the Euphrates,  
The sandy oceans, The valleys of the death,  
The unquenched horizons of history,  
And from thousand corners this will be heard,  
"We are still alive ..."

Through lost corpses, dried bloods,  
Forgotten memories, and broken thorns,  
The disturbed April spirit  
Whose million bones transformed into earth  
Will scream loudly,  
"We will be living eternally ...."

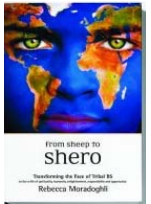
Under every planet, and from one corner to another,  
We will be multiplying in tens and thousands  
Through all times to come.  
Passing from generation to generation we shall never die.  
WE, indeed WE, have been fed and nourished  
From the deserts of DER ZOR.  
The diaspora today in its stubborn march  
Will be marching along with the most prudent,  
The happiest and the greatest Armenian battles,  
"We shall multiply ..."

Increasing in numbers, We shall multiply,  
One Armenian after another,  
Not only to fill up,  
To hold and to replace  
The deserted vacant places of the April Genocide,  
But with our new generation  
Numbering tens of thousands  
We shall increase immensely in numbers,  
We shall reconstruct with our own bare arms  
A huge garden of "GREATER and MINOR ARMENIA ..."

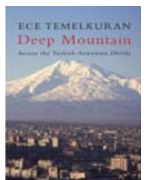
## Our Recent Guests on the Program



**Rebecca Moradoghli**, the co-host of the Armenian Variety Show, was a special guest on the program on June 01, 2010 to present her new book "From Sheep to Shero". From Armenian ancestry and having lived in Germany, Iran, England and now calling Canada home, she is attuned to multicultural and tribal belief systems. Her book is based on an all inclusive international leadership acronym SHERO which stands for living an engaged and empowered life with the principles of Spirituality, Humanity, Enlightenment, Responsibility and Opportunity. Her website is [www.iamshero.com](http://www.iamshero.com).



**Ece Temelkuran**, one of Turkey's best known journalists, was a unique guest on the program on May 18, 2010 to discuss her new book "Deep Mountain", a personal and political journey into the heart of the Turkey-Armenia conflict. She addresses the ideas of reconciliation, Turkish perceptions of time and history, and her personal experience among the Armenians of the Diaspora. The project, a tribute to Hrant Dink, probes deep into this situation by interviewing a range of Armenian activists including Silva Gaboudikian, Arto Tunçboyacıyan and Serge Avedikian.



**Antranig Teghararian**, the deacon of Saint Gregory Armenian Apostolic Church of Richmond, was an honorary guest on the program on August 17, 2010. He talked about his life story of 89 years starting from the survival of his parents from the Armenian Genocide, his early life in Adana and Beirut to present life in Vancouver. Antranig is still very active and serves the Armenian community until this very day.

## Artist of the Newsletter: Adiss Harmandian

**Adiss Harmandian** is a Lebanese-Armenian pop singer born in Beirut, Lebanon on January 14, 1945 but currently residing in Los Angeles, CA, United States. He is an international pioneer of Armenian pop songs known as Armenian "estradayin" music. Some say the whole Armenian estradayin music movement started with the big Adiss Harmandian hit "Nouné". He continued on the momentum created by "Nouné" with another world Armenian hit "Karoun Karoun". Also famous of the genre are his songs "Dzaghigner", "Ayl Atcher", "Aghtamar", "Ashun Eh Ashun", "Jeyrani Bes" and many other songs that are still covered by other Armenian singers today. Adiss Harmandian has released around 30 albums. He has been a renowned songwriter and composer who still travels all around the world keeping the Armenian pop songs alive for more than three generations. Adiss Harmandian has been awarded by His Holiness Catholicos Aram I of the Catholicosate of the Great House of Cilicia the highest Armenian diaspora religious award, the "Mesrob Mashdots Medallion" (with the degree of Prince) title for his 40 years of work. In 2005 he also received lifetime achievement award by the Armenian Music Awards and a certificate from the Los Angeles Council members for lifetime achievement. Upon the proposal of France's Armenian community, the then mayor of Paris Jacques Chirac honored the popular Armenian singer with a medal for recognition of his contributions. For over 40 years, Adiss Harmandian has captivated hearts with his golden voice and his timeless hits. From his soothing ballads, to his fun-filled dance hits, his classics continue to be loved by many around the world. The Armenian Variety Show loves the king of Armenian pop and considers him as one of the best Armenian singers of all times.



### Album of the Newsletter



**SIRUSHO**  
*Havatum Em*

### Top 10 Songs of the Show

- No 1: Anoush and Inga – Menk Enk Mer Sarereh
- No 2: Sirusho – Havatum Em
- No 3: Tata Simonyan – Tesel Em
- No 4: Silva Hakobyan – Siloyi Bar
- No 5: Arame – Ser Im Mi Kna
- No 6: Ara Gevorgian – Sevan
- No 7: Eva Rivas – Apricot Stone
- No 8: Razmik Amyan – Shirazi Govq
- No 9: Arman Hovhannisyanyan – Du Es Du
- No 10: Joseph Krikorian – Tak Tak



**The Armenian Variety Show is a bilingual program in Armenian and English where you can listen to great selection of Armenian music, talks about Armenian literature, history and culture, coverage of major Armenian news, interviews with guests from the community and announcements of local Armenian events!**

### **Spring 2010 Membership Drive**

✓ Armenian Relief Society (HOM)	\$100	✓ Teghararian Anna & Hovan Lucy	\$50
✓ Jesswein Sophia & Lindsey	\$100	✓ Yaghdjian Koko & Astra	\$50
✓ Tossonian Razmig & Azniv	\$100	✓ Davidson Harold & Hasmig (Hrair Lousararian)	\$30
✓ Zarifian Khachig & Arsho (Seta Zarifian)	\$100	✓ Bedrossian Vahakn & Sona	\$25
✓ Badkerhanian Genetta	\$50	✓ Demirdjian Isgouhi	\$25
✓ Baghamian Dzaghig	\$50	✓ Gedikian Suzy (Haroutioun Gedikian)	\$25
✓ Deyermenjian Diran	\$50	✓ Kondakjian Sona (Hagop Kondakjian)	\$25
✓ Hogikian Berjouhi	\$50	✓ Lousararian Hermine (Hrair Lousararian)	\$25
✓ Kullahian Nerses	\$50	✓ Maranjian Sergey & Anoush	\$20
✓ Tossonian Harout	\$50	✓ Teghararian Antranig	\$20



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