

IDSO IS CELEBRATING THEIR 75TH ANNIVERSARY

Istanbul State Symphony Orchestra (IDSO) Opened its 2020-2021 Season

NEW SEASON OPENING CONCERT OF IDSO DENİZBANK CONCERTS HELD ON FRIDAY, 02 OCTOBER 2020 AT 21:00 AT CEMAL REŞİT REY CONCERT HALL

IDSO DenizBank Concerts 2020-2021 opening concert was held at **Cemal Reşit Rey (CRR) Concert Hall** on **Friday, October 02, 2020 at 21:00**. In the concert, where **IDSO** presented a music festival to the audience and the hygiene and distance rules were meticulously followed, **one third of the seats in the hall were filled with art lovers**.

The conductor of the orchestra was Ender Sakpınar, who is also the General Music Director of IDSO.

Istanbul State Symphony Orchestra DenizBank Concerts "**2020 - 2021 New Season Opening Concert**" was conducted by **Ender Sakpınar**, the conductor of the orchestra and also the General Music Director of IDSO. In his opening speech, **Sakpınar** thanked **DenizBank** for 17 years of invaluable support in IDSO's 75 years of corporate life. **Zeki Bilsel**, DenizBank Advertising, Public Relations and Administrative Affairs SVP, received the plate of appreciation presented by Sakpınar.

IDSO accompanied the famous French cellist **Gautier Capuçon** at the concert. In the concert held at **CRR on Friday, October 02, 2020 at 21:00**; "*Cello Concerto No.1*" by **Joseph Haydn** and "*St Paul's Suite*" by **Gustav Holst** were played.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Due to the COVID 19 Pandemic, a limited number of people were accepted to the hall.

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Istanbul Municipality City Orchestra roots of which go back to 189 years ago when Donizetti Pasha founded Mizika-i Humayun in 1827, was founded in 1945 under control of the composer Cemal Resit Rey. In 1972, its name was changed as Istanbul State Symphony Orchestra after it had been assigned to Ministry of Culture. İDSO, which has an important place in Istanbul's musical life, started to give regular concerts when conductor was Prof. G.E. Lessing and director Mükerrrem Berk. Accompanying world-renowned local and foreign soloists, the Istanbul State Symphony Orchestra successfully represented Turkish art and culture abroad as well as in domestic tours. They performed concerts at international festivals of Istanbul, Ankara, Bratislava and Patras. They gave concerts in "Süleyman the Magnificent" exhibition held in Memphis, USA, Spain, Italy, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Austria and Greece. They represented Turkey at "Europa Musicale" Festival in Munich and Athens Festival in Greece. As well as the 15-day tour in Bulgaria, they were invited to Japan to give the opening concert of the Asian Orchestras Week, and it was a great success. İDSO, which has received great appreciation with its concerts in Cairo and Alexandria cities of Egypt, also toured Germany, Spain and Italy, South America Tour covering Argentina, Brazil, Peru and Chile in June 2017, and organized the "China Tour" which included 10 different cities of China in December 2018 and January 2019.

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