

PRESS RELEASE



THE PAYVAR ENSEMBLE FROM IRAN

The AMC believes that music creates understanding and is a force for peace in the world.

In a world of unrest, we are very pleased to be presenting a superb ensemble of traditional classical music from Iran. This is music with great depth, beautiful and variety.

The Payvar ensemble is named after the great Iranian musician and composer – OSTAD PAYVAR. A master of the *SANTOOR*, he promoted both traditional music based on the *dastgahs* (Iranian classical music) as well as contemporary music.

THE PAYVAR ENSEMBLE was formed forty years ago in honour of the great master and has since then performed and represented Iranian music all over the world. The ensemble includes outstanding musicians such as Ostad Houshang Zarif (*tar*) and Ostad Mohammadali Esmaeili (*tombak*)

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Ostad Houshang Zarif	tar (plucked)
Ostad Mohammadali Esmaeili	tombak (drum)
Mohammad Moghaddassi	kamancheh (bowed)
Mohammad Delnavazi	oudh (plucked lute)
Said Sabet	santoor (dulcimer)
Davood Varzideh	ney (flute)
Reza Abaee	gheichak (bowed instrument)
Alireza Fereydounpour	vocal

TOUR DATES

21 st October 2006.	Cadogan Hall, London	020 730 4500
22 nd October 2006	National Centre for Early Music , York	010904 65833
26th October 2006.	Strathclyde Suite, Royal Concert Hall Glasgow	0141 353 8000

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