

CLASSICAL MUSIC FROM IRAN WITH THE PAYVAR ENSEMBLE

The legendary musicians of the *Payvar Ensemble* will perform a compelling and richly diverse programme of entrancing Iranian music led by the *tar* (plucked string instrument), *santoor* (dulcimer) and *tombak* (drum).

ON TOUR OCTOBER 2006

Sat 21st Oct 7:30pm

Cadogan Hall, London

0207 730 4500

www.cadoganhall.com

Sun 22nd Oct 7.30pm

National Centre for Early Music, York

01904 658 338

www.ncem.co.uk

Thur 26th Oct 8pm

Royal Concert Hall, Glasgow

0141 353 8000

www.grch.com



The *Payvar Ensemble* was formed forty years ago in honour of the outstanding musician and composer Ostad Payvar. Ostad Payvar has had a pioneering role in composing, playing and promoting understanding of the contemporary *santoor* based on the traditions of the *dastgahs* (Iranian musical scales).

For decades the *Payvar Ensemble* has performed and represented Iranian Music all over the world. The ensemble includes a number of outstanding musicians such as Ostad Houshang Zarif (*tar*) and Ostad Mohammadali Esmaeili (*tonbak*).

THE PAYVAR ENSEMBLE

Ostad Houshang Zarif – *tar* (plucked stringed instrument)

Ostad Mohammadali Esmaeili – *tonbak* (drum)

Mohammad Moghaddassi – *kamancheh* (bowed string instrument)

Mohammad Delnavazi – *oud* (plucked lute)

Said Sabet – *santoor* (dulcimer)

Davood Varzideh – *ney* (flute)

Reza Abaee – *gheichak* (bowed string instrument)

Alireza Fereydounpour – *vocal*