



AZERBAIJANI Radio Hour Begins 2011-2012 Season

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Washington, D.C. September 9, 2011 - This Sunday, September 11, from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm, the Azerbaijani Radio Hour: The Voice of the Karabakh Foundation inaugurates its 2011-12 season on 1120 am, New World Radio, broadcast from Falls Church, Virginia.

This premiere program features an interview with Dr. Elin Suleymanov, Consul General of the Republic of Azerbaijan in the United States. In commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the attacks on the United States, Dr. Suleymanov speaks with Foundation Executive Director Diana Cohen Altman about Azerbaijani-U.S. friendship over the years. This special program reinforces the Karabakh Foundation's commitment to fostering understanding between Azerbaijanis and Americans.

The only program of its kind, the Azerbaijani Radio Hour is accessible to five million listeners in Washington, D.C.; Virginia; and Maryland beginning in September through May and to millions via the Internet yearround. Listeners in the region may tune into 1120 am, whereas cell phone listeners can access the program by dialing 712-432-6620. Previously-broadcast shows are accessible at <http://www.karabakhfoundation.org/pages/gallery/audio/>. The 2011-12 Radio Hour season includes interviews between the Foundation and guests ranging from historian Dr. Audrey Altstadt to Azerbaijani music and textile expert Jeffrey Werbock to host of the Discovery Channel's program

About the Karabakh Foundation

The Karabakh Foundation is a U.S. 501(c)(3) cultural charity foundation based in Washington, D.C., that seeks to increase awareness and understanding in the United States of the cultural

heritage and traditions of the country of Azerbaijan, the Caucasus area, and the Karabakh region of Azerbaijan. While coalescing significant artistic and scholarly talent, the Foundation is nurturing a new generation of artists and scholars toward important accomplishments.

The Foundation serves as a dynamic facilitator and clearinghouse raising the public profile of Azerbaijan, its Karabakh region, and the Caucasus region in general. Main activities include preserving and disseminating cultural content via archival collecting, public programs, publications, exhibitions, speaking forums, international collaborations, scholarly exchange, artistic sponsorship, and related venues.

Foundation support comes primarily from Khazar University, the first private university in Azerbaijan and one of the country's leading institutions of higher learning. Support also comes from the U.S.-based Allaverdy Foundation. Additional information about the Karabakh Foundation may be found at www.karabakhfoundation.org.