



ILDA SIMONIAN

Armenian Singer with a Story

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Performances, broadcasts, festivals, workshops, artistic projects and milestones - arranged from oldest to newest

1994

14 May 1994 Guest-performance with the traditional-musicensemble of the Komitas-conservatory from Yerevan directed by Ardzas Woskanian at the Meervaart Theater in Amsterdam

1995

30 mei '95 Optreden voor Armeense vereniging Hayots Houys te Maastricht

1997

13 April 1997 Live performance, a capella, in the radio-show "De andere wereld van zondagmiddag", IKON-radio

5 July 1997 Performance at the television-show "Lombok kookt", NPS-tv

1998

17 March 1998 Solo-concert accompanied on piano by Ronald van der Valk at the Reformed Church at Den Burg /Texel

30 August 1998 Performance at the Uitmarkt Amsterdam, Polo de Haas-series, accompanied on piano by Polo de Haas in the Beurs van Berlage theater, Yakult Zaal

3 October 1998 Concert in the Polo de Haas-series in the Beurs van Berlage theater, Aga Zaal

1999

3 March 1999 Short concert in the Kleine Zaal of the Concertgebouw Amsterdam, accompanied on piano by Polo de Haas

26 March 1999 Solo-performance, accompanied on piano by Ronald van der Valk at the Bakkenesserkerk in Haarlem, on behalf of the foundation Schuurman Schimmel- van Outeren

3 October 1999 Performance and interview in the television show "Langs heilige huisjes", NCRV-tv

7-9 December 1999 Guest-performance: Komitas'-songs, at the concert in honour of Armenuhi Kevonian, named "Songs of Moosh" presented by the Sayat Nova choir in Istanbul.

2000

16 January 2000 Solo-performance accompanied on piano by Liesbeth Spits, presented by the foundation Stichting Drie Plus Twee Huisconcerten in Utrecht

25 February 2000 Royal Netherlands Institute for the Tropics, Tropenmuseum in Amsterdam, opening of the exhibition "Armenians in the Netherlands" accompanied on piano by Ashot Soukiasian

17 March 2000 Solo-concert accompanied by Ashot Soukiasian in Theater West in Rotterdam

2001

21 January 2001 Solo-concert accompanied by Liesbeth Spits in the painters'-atelier De Droomladder in Amsterdam

13 February 2001 Solo-performance, a capella, at the occasion of the 40-years jubilee of the theater De Nieuwe Doelen in Gorinchem

25 February 2001 Solo-concert accompanied by Liesbeth Spits at De Schuilkerk in Gorinchem

27 April 2001 Solo-concert accompanied by Liesbeth Spits at Het Cultuurcentrum VU Griffioen in Amstelveen

3 November 2001 Opening exhibition "Armenia: Medieval miniatures from the Christian East" at the Museum Catharijneconvent in Utrecht

2002

- 3 October 2002** Solo-concert accompanied by Liesbeth Spits at the "School for Music Amsterdam East-Central"
- 13 October 2002** Solo-concert accompanied by Liesbeth Spits at the Palladio theater in Utrecht
- 26 October 2002** Guest-performance at "Diyarbakir Gecesi: a cultural evening from Diyarbakir" at the Stadsschouwburg Amsterdam, presented by Theater Rast

2003

- 26 January 2003** Solo-concert accompanied by Liesbeth Spits at the Surp Sahak Mesrop church in Cologne/Germany, within the program of "Armenische Kulturwochen Köln 2003"
- 17 April 2003** Sing for peace /concert on behalf of the children of Iraq organised by Musicians without Borders & Griffioen in Amstelveen <http://www.musicianswithoutborders.nl> <http://www.vu.nl/Nieuws/...>
- 24 April 2003** A capella solo concert in het herdenkingsprogramma van 24 april 1915 te Assen
- 26 April 2003** Songs and poetry for peace/ organised by TSV in Amsterdam on behalf of the children victims of the war in Iraq <http://www.turksestudenten.nl>
- 24 May 2003** Solo-concert at the opening of the Third Diyarbakir (Turkey) 24 May / 1 June 2003 , accompanied by Suren Astryan, (doudouk), Murat Usanmaz (acoustic guitar), Raschmi Bhatt (tabla/ as guest)
- 4 oktober 2003** Solo-concert at the opening of the First Botan Culture and Art Festival of Siirt (Turkey) , accompanied by Ahmet Yakup Yildiz, (fluit), Recep Yurekdurmaz (akoestische gitaar), Servan Sarac (percussie) in Kizlar Tepesi Amphie Theater at Siirt
- 12 oktober 2003** Gastoptreden: Het Eerste Hasankeyif Culture and Art Festival of Batman (Turkey), accompanied by Ensemble Knar at Batman

2004

- 29 september 2004** Solo-concert at the opening of Foundation Utopiya organized "Leven in twee talen, schrijven in twee talen" accompanied by Garbis Serikoglu (gitaar) and Taner Erkek (viool) in De Balie at Amsterdam
- 27 november 2004** Dersim-Amsterdam Festivali in Tropenmuseum at Amsterdam Kleine Zaal

2005

- 13 Marc 2005** Solo-concert with Gomidas Ensemble at the program for 8 maart 2005 International Women's Day by Human Rights Association of Turkey / The Netherlands in Den Haag
- 13 August 2005** at 20:00 hours, in the churchyard. The Festival will begin immediately afterwards. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on
- 14 August 2005** at 10:00 hours. Following the Divine Liturgy, the traditional service of "The Blessing of the Grapes" (or Khaghogh Orhnek) will be held.
- 15 August 2005** Mousa Dagh - Vakifli Koyu The annual pilgrimage to the Armenian Church of the Holy Mother of God, in the Vakifli village, on the slopes of Mt. Musadag, in the province of Antakya (Antioch), will be led by the Revd. Fr. Drtad Uzunyan.
- 5 November 2005** 1600 Jahre ARMENISCHE SCHRIFT Solo-concert accompanied by Liesbeth Spits at the Surp Sahak Mesrop church in Cologne/Germany, within the program of "Armenische Kulturwochen Köln 2005"
- 10 November 2005** 16.00 tot 17.00 hours at Radio NMO- VERKENNINGEN 747 AM In this program Verkenningen song by Ilda Simonian. <http://nmo.omroep.nl/cgi/nmo/index.php?s=5&id=13&e=563>

2006

- 12 February 2006** Turkije/Armenie ; Tv program "Andere Tijden" VPRO <http://geschiedenis.vpro.nl/programmas/2899536/afleveringen/26605365/>
- 22 april 2006** Traditionel music and Religious music from Armenia Solo Concert with Ensemble Gomidas from Armenia at the Het Muziekgebouw aan 't IJ | Grote Zaal | 20.30 uur at Amsterdam
- 11 juni 2006** Solo-concert accompanied by Liesbeth Spits in Koln. Armenier in der Türkei vor 100 Jahren Ausstellung mit Postkarten des Sammlers Orlando Carlo CalumenoAlle Veranstaltungen finden im HISTORISCHEN MUSEUM statt
- 15 september 2006** Stichting Doen. A capella performance for at the 15 year jubilee of Stichting Doen in a project of componist Merlijn Twaalfhoven seng with other 6 zsingers from different cultures Farida, Ilda Simonian, Monica Akihary, Niza Udenhout, Mary Prado, Duru
- 5 oktober 2006** Gri presentatie GSI in Okura in opdracht van La vie sur terre -Merlijn Twaalfhoven. A capella performance with Farida, Jaso en Monika Akhira

2007

- 30 januari 2007** Solo-concert for MOVISIE (v/h TransAct) is expert in de aanpak van huiselijk en seksueel geweld & kwaliteitsverbetering van de zorg door rekening te houden met sekse en etniciteit (diversiteit). Onze drie kerntaken zijn Kennis en Methodiekontwikkeling, Beleidsanalyse en Agendering, Training en Advies
- 10 februari 2007** Turkije Nu, Ontsluierende Ontmoetingen 3: Etniciteit in de kunst; Solo optreden van Ilda Simonian en vervolgens gesprek met Ilda Simonian en Sinan Cihangir over gestolde herinneringen en verzwegen identiteiten in Podium Mozaik te Amsterdam
- 21 maart 2007** NEWROZ vieringen meer dan 600.000 publiek Dikranagerd/ Diyarbakir/Amed
- 21 juni 2007** In opdracht van La vie sur terre - Merlijn Twaalfhoven. A capella uitvoering tijdens De Kleur van de Nacht te Arnhem/Het Sonsbeekpark

2008

- 8 maart 2008** Woman is life, let life live Op " Internationale Vrouwendag " besteedt de Internationale Vrije Vrouwen Stichting aandacht aan het geweld tegen de vrouw. Van 14.30 tot 17.30 uur bespreekt een panel de vele facetten van deze problematiek op internationaal, Europees, Nederlands en Turks/Koerdisch niveau. Vanaf 19.00 uur is er een concert met Koerdische, Berberse en Armeense artiesten. Zo kunnen de onderdrukte culturen elkaar ontmoeten. De inkomsten van deze dag worden gedoneerd aan de Vereniging Kircicegi, die steun en opvang biedt aan slachtoffers van geweld.
- 12 June 2008** Relais of my first cd Izler/ Hedker/ Traces by Kalan Muzik in Istanbul
- 9 augustus 2008** "Asik oldugum sarkilari soylerim" 20 temmuz 2008 Hurriyet Gazetesi
- 2 november 2008** Womex 2008 in Sevilla
- 8 November 2008** ARMENISCHE LIEDER UND DER SEHNSUCHT UND HOFFNUNG Ermeni Ozlem ve Umut Sarkilari . Solo-concert with Gomidas Ensemble Spits at the HISTORISCHEN MUSEUM in Frankfurt
- 12 December 2008** Optreden "Canto Hererophonico" samenstelling, arrangement en regie door Merlijn Twaalfhoven Tijdens de conferentie "Together Forever" georganiseerd door Kosmopolis te Jaarbeurs Utrecht <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GTJxclAvhWA>

2009

- 9 January 2009** Théâtre Saint-Gervais Genève "Mémoires blessées" Ilda Simonian (Netherlands) will be performing at 9th of January 2009 (Mémoires blessées) at the "Théâtre Saint-Gervais Genève" dans le cadre: "Mémoires blessées"
- 13 January 2009** Bijdrage mini optreden: MUSIC FOR GAZA Merlijn Twaalfhoven & friends in Paradiso te Amsterdam
- 14 februari 2009** Solo optreden Ilda Simonian tijdens de werkconferentie 4, dag 3, Zaal De Unie te Rotterdam "Nieuw cultureel burgerschap", Stichting InterArt i.s.m. Kosmopolis Rotterdam www.cultureelburgerschap.nl/.../17/14_februari_2009
- 22 Juli 2009** Discovery Atelier tijdens de "Europa Cantat XVII te Utrecht 2009 met de titel Classical Armenian Music".
- 17 Augustus 2009** Musical intermezzo by Ilda Simonian solo a capella AMSTERDAM MASTER'S IN MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY GRADUATION CEREMONY
- 16 October 2009** Solo-Concert at The First Hasankeyif- Culture and Art Festival of Batman (Turkije) , accompanied by Lyudmil Krumov
- 1 november 2009** Vernissage Out of Context - Etty Elbaz Griffioen /Stichting De Levant te Amsterdam

2010

- 6 maart 2010** ATİK | Confederation of Workers from Turkey in Europe Saalbau Griesheim adres:Schwarzerlenweg 57-65933 Frankfurt am Main
- 30 mei 2010** Nationaal Theedrinkdag
- 20 Juni 2010** Solo optreden met de gedichten van Anthonie Holslag op de Wereldhumanistendag- Levens-kunst i.o.v. Humanistische Verbond Amsterdam/Amstelland in Het Koetshuis van Huize Frankendael

2011

- 17 Augustus 2011** | AMMA AMMA | AMSTERDAM MASTER'S IN MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY GRADUATION CEREMONY Musical intermezzo by Ilda Simonian solo a capella

2014

- 1 november 2014** HEIMWEE LIEDEREN <https://nbe.nl/programma/heimwee-liederen/>

2015

2015 Noorderzon Performing Arts Festival Groningen Moravian folk songs of Leos JANACEK with Ensemble Montage te Groningen

2016

2016 Heimweelieder: Podium Mozaiek, Amsterdam Het NBE en Theatergroep RAST geven een vervolg aan het programma Heimweelieder, dat in het kader van 50 jaar Turkse migratie werd georganiseerd. Nederlandse en Turkse musici bezingen de gevoelens van heimwee en verlangen en over de verscheurdheid tussen het moederland Turkije en het nieuwe vaderland Nederland. Nederlands Blazers Ensemble - NBE & Theater RAST i.s.m. Gülseven Medar, Karsu, Ilda Simonian, Alper Kecec, Emrah Oguztürk, Orkun Agir, Makiz Baklatzis Concept en Regie: Celil Toksoz

12 Januari 2016 Podium Mozaiek Amsterdam

13 Januari 2016 Stadsschouwburg Utrecht

15 Januari 2016 Zuiderstrandtheater Den Haag

17 Januari 2016 Deventer Schouwburg

2018

26 Januari 2018 Nacht van de Mystiek- Oosters Nabij Nacht van de Mystiek- Oosters Nabij

18 Juli 2018 Club Antre te Amsterdam, i.s.m. Ensemble Tombaz
<https://www.stichtingantre.nl/performance/club-antre/>

2019

23 November 2019 MIASIN , Internationaal Dansensemble Paloina aan Miasin! - Armeense dag

2020

27 september 2020 Ilda Simonian and Ensemble Ararat Stadspodium Djemaa el Fna Rotterdam 2020

2021-2022

2021-2022 REALIZING HERITAGE - Realizing Heritage - Armenian Singer with a Story. A heritage project centred on Armenian music, memory and personal artistic narrative.

2023

25 October 2023 Founding of Stichting GRUNG - Amsterdam, Netherlands. Ilda Simonian founded Stichting GRUNG to preserve, present and pass on Armenian music and cultural heritage through concerts, education and cultural projects.

2024

10 January 2024 Vocal Workshop - Egide Cimo Music School, Istanbul. Vocal coaching and Armenian song workshop.

23 October 2024 Vocal Workshop - Tarkmantchats Varjaran, Istanbul. Vocal coaching and Armenian song workshop.

2 November 2024 HERITAGE | MIRAS | ԺԱՌԱՆԳՈՒԹԻՒՆ - Concert with Storytelling. Surp Vortvots Vorodman Church, Kumkapi, Istanbul. A project by Stichting GRUNG, preserving and transferring Armenian cultural heritage through music.

2025

28 June 2025 Armenian Songs of Longing, Desire and Hope - English Church, Amsterdam.

2026

13 March 2026 Ilda Simonian - Hasret, Özlem ve Umut Dolu Ermeni Şarkıları. Yeldeğirmeni Sanat, Kadıköy, Istanbul. Armenian songs of longing, yearning and hope.

15 March 2026 İLDA SİMONIAN (Burunkışla, Ortaköy, Amsterdam) - Կարօտի եւ Յոյսի Երգեր. Surp Yerortutyun Armenian Church, Naregyan Hall, Beyoğlu, Istanbul. Armenian songs of longing and hope.