

105 years "to understand": The time has come for action!

## From Institute Director, Salpi Ghazarian

Each year, around this time, I reconfirm that I have an obligation to the grandparents I never knew that they not be buried under dismissals, falsehoods or silence. And more and more, I realize I also have an obligation to my grandchildren that they not be destined to live in a world with man-made horror - and the misinformation and ignorance that feeds it.

On this April 24, which will be like no other, we will be at home, commemorating the Genocide of Armenians in the Ottoman Empire in solitude, and seeking our own ways to understand.

Whether remembering the genocide of 1915, or living in self-isolation during the pandemic of 2020, the search for knowledge, the need to identify and understand facts - these are the responsibilities of scholars.

Below are our offerings: Podcasts and talks produced by the Institute and our scholar partners, as well as a delightful video from our colleagues at Houshamadyan. The next time someone asks you "What's the point of gathering and collecting?" show them this video. Some of these links take you to talks about the Ottoman period. For obvious reasons. However, many are about the post-Genocide years, about contemporary Turkey, and that's because the impact of the Genocide is real there, like nowhere else.

As we continue to live in a time like no other, on Monday we'll come back to you with a brand new program that makes valuable use of your hours at home, and turns gathering and collecting into an invaluable national endeavor. #MyArmenianStory coming soon, to your living room.

— Salni



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