

AN EVENING WITH CELEBRATED AUTHOR, POET AND MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT OF ROMANIA VARUJAN VOSGANIAN

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Join Vartan Abdo and journey into the life and works of celebrated author, revolutionary and former Minister of Economy and Finance Varujan Vosganian. Special attention shall be given to the newly released English edition of *The Book of Whispers* (Yale University Press; 2017). Lauded for its ability to stir deep reflections on humanity and identity, it has been translated to over twenty languages.

VARUJAN VOSGANIAN participated in the Romanian Revolution in 1989 and has been a Member of Parliament since 1990. He is president of the *Union of Armenians a*nd first vice president of the *Union of Writers* in Romania. The discussion will be in English and Armenian.

Praise for THE BOOK OF WHISPERS-

one to compare with *One Hundred Years of Solitude....* visual and poetic.... dozens of stories are intertwined to depict a portrait of the Armenian soul while trying to make sense of history, time and suffering- *European Literature Network*

a magnificent novel which belongs to universal literature, being probably one of the reference books of the 21st century- *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, Germany*

Without preaching, pathos or overwhelming guilt, Romanian great writer Varujan Vosganian has created a powerful portrait of the Armenian genocide. Varujan Vosganian wrote the best novel in Romanian contemporary literature. – *Haaretz, Israel*

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St. Leon Armenian Church/Charles & Grace Pinajian Youth Center

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THE EVENT IS FREE. A RECEPTION WILL FOLLOW THE DISCUSSION AND BOOK SIGNING.