THE MUSIC OF SYRIA: A CONCERT BY CONTEMPORARY SYRIAN COMPOSERS
with ASHRAF KATEB & HAMSA AL-WADI JURIS
Thursday, October 18, 2018
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Maddock Alumni Center
38 Brown Street, Providence RI
REGISTRATION REQUIRED
RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

Organized by Elias Muhanna, Manning Assistant Professor of Comparative Literature and Middle East Studies Faculty Fellow
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PROGRAM

DIA SUCCARI (1938-2010)
Sultane de Damas*
Ala Dalona
Au Palais du Temps

SOLHI AL-WADI (1934-2007)
Sonata for Violin and Piano No. 2

FRITZ KREISLER (1875-1962)
La Gitana:
Arabo-Spanish Gypsy Song from the 18th Century

ZAID JABRI (B. 1975)
Gesture*

EDUARD GRIEG (1843-1907)
Arabian Dance

ASHRAF KATEB (B. 1969)
Hommage à Marwan

WALID AL-HAJJAR (B. 1932)
Danse Crépusculaire

BOGHOS GELALIAN (1927-2011)
Preludio e Moto Perpetuo

SYRIA IN MY HEART: CLASSICAL MUSIC BY CONTEMPORARY SYRIAN COMPOSERS

Based in Berlin and Helsinki respectively, violinist Ashraf Kateb and pianist Hamsa Al-Wadi Juris have dedicated themselves to researching, recording, and performing contemporary classical music by Arab-world composers. This concert - part of a five-campus collaboration with Boston University, Yale University, Brown University, and Connecticut College - focuses on Syria, illuminating its rich prewar classical music scene. Kateb and Al-Wadi Juris will play selections - all of which are US premieres - by Dia Succari, Solhi Al-Wadi (Hamsa Al-Wadi Juris’ father), Zaid Jabri, Walid Al-Hajjar, and Boghos Gelalian.

* dedicated to Ashraf Kateb
Note: All the works by Syrian composers are U.S. premieres.