2015
Past Events

**Concert**

Little Night Music Concerts
Instruments Series: Clarinet

14 January 2015 / 19:30

Pera Museum’s “Little Night Music Concerts” started with clarinetist Nusret İspir. In 2014 - 2015 season, each concert embraced an instrument.

**Talk**

“Hot Coffee” Screening
Director Susan Saladoff In Conversation

17 January 2015 / 14:00

More than 15 years later, the McDonald's coffee case continues to be cited as a prime example of how citizens use “frivolous” lawsuits to take unfair advantage of America’s legal system. But is that an accurate portrayal of the facts? First-time filmmaker and former public interest lawyer Susan Saladoff uses the infamous legal battle that began with a spilled cup of coffee to investigate what’s behind America’s zeal for tort reform - which threatens to restrict the legal rights of everyday citizens and undermine the entire civil justice system - in the thought-provoking documentary Hot Coffee.

**Concert**

Turkish Music Concerts “Sadeddin Kaynak”

25 January 2015 / 15:30

Pera Museum’s “Turkish Music Concerts” series' new season started with a program celebrating the composer Sadeddin Kaynak.

**Talk**

“In Search of the Smell of Coffee”
Cansu Şekular

30 January 2015 / 19:00

The talk was organized in the context of Kütahya Tiles and Ceramics Collection Exhibition Coffee Break and Pera Film's first program of the year: Coffee's Just an Excuse, Cinema's The Muse. Speaker Cansu Şekular, who studied the relationship between culture and scent discussed the smell profile of coffee, its cultural importance, the perception of taste, and the ceremonial aspect of coffee service.
Concert

"Little Night Music Concerts"
Instruments Series: Double Bass
12 February 2015 / 19:30

In February Pera Museum's "Little Night Music Concerts" continued with soloist Onur Özkaya. This season, each concert embraced an instrument.

Talk

Talks on Video Art
İşil Eğrikavuk
25 February 2015 / 18:30

Pera Museum presented a new series of talks in the context of Pera Film and Video events. The series kicked off with an artist talk by İşil Eğrikavuk on Wednesday 25 February at the Pera Museum auditorium.

The "Talks on Video Art" series aimed to present both artist talks and discussions on contemporary themes. It brings together video artists, curators, and researchers once a month, creating a common platform for discussion.

The talk was moderated by Leyla Alaton, focusing on the artist's video practice since 2006 as well as her new project "Oriental". Thematizing the surveillance of female body and belly dance as a counter strategy, the project created a common trajectory for both Eğrikavuk and Alaton, who has long been a women's rights defender in Turkey.

Symposium

Life Is Short, Art Long: The Art of Healing in Byzantium
New Perspectives
14 March 2015 / 09:30

A symposium was held at Pera Museum in the context of the Life Is Short, Art Long: The Art of Healing in Byzantium exhibition.

Talk

Talks on Video Art: Yasemin Özcan
18 March 2015 / 19:00

Pera Museum presented a series of talks as part of Pera Film and Video events: "Talks on Video Art". The second event of the series presented Yasemin Özcan’s artist talk on the 18th March Wednesday at Pera Museum auditorium.

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The talk was run under the moderation of Mr. Yavuz Parlar and focused on the artist’s video practice, with an intention to start a discussion on problems and needs of production, and competence in digital platforms.
Concert
"Little Night Music Concerts"
Instruments Series: Harp
24 March 2015 / 19:30
Pera Museum continued its Little Night Music Concerts with soloist Güneş Hızlılar. This season, each concert embraced an instrument.

Concert
Turkish Music Concerts
“Kaptanzade Ali Rızâ Bey and Muhlis Sabahattin Ezgi”
29 March 2015 / 15:30
Pera Museum continued the Turkish Music Concerts series with a program celebrating the composers Kaptanzade Ali Rızâ Bey and Muhlis Sabahattin Ezgi.

Conference
Ali Artun: Giacometti’s cul-de-sac of reality
04 April 2015 / 14:30

Talk
Talks on Video Art
“Françoise Parfait”
22 April 2015 / 19:00
As part of the series “Talks on Video Art”, theoretician and artist Françoise Parfait presented the past and the present of video art.

Concert
Turkish Music Concerts
“Refik Fersan”
26 April 2015 / 15:30
Pera Museum continued the Turkish Music Concerts series with a program celebrating the composer Refik Fersan.
Concert

"Little Night Music Concerts"
Instruments Series: Violin

28 April 2015 / 19:30

Pera Museum Little Night Music Concerts continued with violinist Özgecan Günöz Kızılay.

Talk

Google Art Talk: Street Art in the Museum

04 May 2015 / 19:00

This Live Art Talk with the Google Cultural Institute explored the staging of Pera Museum's Language of the Wall: Graffiti / Street Art exhibition, as well as the digitization of the artworks presented.

The question of bringing urban art into a museum setting was discussed, as well as the permanence granted by digital documentation of artworks which normally tend to be ephemeral in nature.

The talk was streamed live on Google Cultural Institute's YouTube channel.

Speakers
Lucy Schwartz / Google Art Project
Logan Hicks / Artist
Roxanne Ayral / Exhibition Curator, freelance
Bihter Ayla Serttürk / Digital Media Supervisor, Pera Museum
Fatma Çolakoğlu / Exhibition Coordinator, Pera Museum
Tania Bahar / Exhibition Coordinator, Pera Museum

Talk

Director Ali Hamroyev in Conversation

09 May 2015 / 16:30

The director Ali Hamroyev was in conversation following the screening of Bo Ba Bu at 15:00, in the context of Pera Film's program Hidden Treasure: Ali Hamroyev Films.

Talk

Terence Pepper & Joanna Ling
Cecil Beaton: Portraits

13 May 2015 / 19:30

With the participation of Terence Pepper, Cecil Beaton, Portraits exhibition curator and consultant to Photographs at the National Portrait Gallery London, as well as Joanna Ling, the curator of Sotheby's Cecil Beaton Studio Archive, the discussion will offer a glimpse into Beaton's career and an opportunity to have a closer look at the exhibition.
**Talk**

Video Art Talks
“Derya Yücel & Selçuk Artut”

21 May 2015 / 19:00

As part of the series “Video Art Talks”, Derya Yücel and Selçuk Artut talked about adaptation of digital art to the institutional platforms on the 21st May Thursday at Pera Museum auditorium.

**Concert**

“Little Night Music Concerts”
Instruments Series: Oboe

21 May 2015 / 19:30

Pera Museum continues its Little Night Music Concerts with oboist Damla Tuncer. This season, each concert embraced an instrument. The last concert will take place in the Pera Museum Orientalist Paintings Collection Exhibition, Intersecting Worlds: Ambassadors and Painters gallery.

**Guided Tour**

‘Cecil Beaton: Portraits’ with Merih Akoğul

28 May 2015 / 19:00

In this tour, organized in the context of the exhibition Cecil Beaton: Portraits, writer and photographer Merih Akoğul discussed Beaton’s place in the tradition of portrait photography.

**Symposium**

Ottoman Empire & European Theatre VIII

28 – 29 May 2015

Organised by the Don Juan Archive Vienna, this year’s International Ottoman Empire & European Theatre VIII symposium focused on “Culture, Diplomacy and Peacemaking: Ottoman-European Relations in the Wake of the Treaty of Belgrade (1739) and the Era of Maria Theresia”.

**Performance**

Pera Museum’s 10th Year Party

05 June 2015 / 10:00 - 01:00

Pera Museum celebrated its 10th year on Friday 5 June. The Museum was free of admissions all day, with performances by DJ Kulakkurdu and DJ Yabancideğil at Pera Cafe between 19:00 – 01:00.

Visitors was be able to see for the first time the installation sea/see/saw, prepared by young Canadian artists especially for the Museum’s 10th year. The temporary exhibitions Grayson Perry: Small Differences and Cecil Beaton: Portraits could also be visited, as well as collection exhibitions.
Gallery Talk


11 June 2015 / 19:00

Organized in the context of the exhibition Grayson Perry: Small Differences, Jacky Klein, art historian and writer, gave a talk on the artistic practice of Grayson Perry. Klein, who contributed to the exhibition catalogue with a special interview with Perry, talked about key works of the artist throughout his career and particularly looking at some of the recurring themes in Perry's work, from religion and class to gender and consumerism.

Film / Video

BYOB (Bring Your Own Beamer)

04 September 2015 / 19:00 - 23:00

Pera Museum's Film and Video Programming in collaboration with Maybe Art Projects, presented BYOB (Bring Your Own Beamer), a pop-up experimental video exhibition on 4 September Friday between 19:00 and 23:00.

Since 2010, BYOB had been taking place in many different cities around the world, aiming to present a look into the audio-visual creative tendencies in moving images by up-and-coming artists. BYOB’s second edition at Pera Museum aspired to embrace the lesser-known talents of the experimental and avant-garde based in Istanbul. Artists in this year’s selection were: Zafer Aksit, Bahadir Anci, Nurhan Avci, Eray Dinç, Lara Kamhi, Gizem Karakaş, Fikret Karaman, Onur Kemal Kösedağ, Nazlı Tuhera Moral, Etem Şahin, Berkay Tuncay, Kubilay Ural, Müge Yıldız, Bahar Yürükoglu, Wounded Wolf Press

Concert

Turkish Music Concerts
“Fehmi Tokay”

04 October 2015 / 15:30

Pera Museum’s the Turkish Music Concerts series continued with a program celebrating the composer Fehmi Tokay.

Conference

Understanding "Ara"
Fotoistanbul 2015 International Photography Festival

22 October 2015 / 18:30

In this conference Paul Mcmillen, Simber Atay, and Coşkun Aral will talk about Ara Güler and his magical vision.
Concert

Turkish Music Concerts
“Selahattin Pınar”
25 October 2015 / 15:30

Pera Museum continued the Turkish Music Concerts series with a program celebrating the composer Selahattin Pınar.

Screening

Documentary: Nereye?
27 October 2015 / 19:00

Nereye? reveals the complexities of recovering memory in today’s Fener and Balat, two neighbourhoods with a rich tradition of multicultural life situated on the shores of the Golden Horn in Istanbul. Giving voice to present inhabitants of Fener and Balat and making visible traces of former neighbours the film intends to document the erased memory of an urban space that is in process to be re-erased again.

Talk

“This is Not a Love Song”
Christian Marclay: A History of Rock and Ghosts
Javier Panera
25 November 2015 / 19:00

“This is Not a Love Song: Video Art and Pop Music Crossovers” exhibition traced the genealogy of the relations between video art and pop music. The works in the exhibition emphasized the moments from the 1960s to today, in which video art and pop music crossed roads.

Featuring 28 prominent artists including Nam June Paik, Andy Warhol, Yayoi Kusama, Vito Acconci and John Baldessari, the exhibition explored the fields of music and video art in five chapters. The exhibition’s curator Javier Panera, talked about the exhibition in detail.

Symposium

International Interdisciplinary Theatre Meeting
Haldun Taner Birth Centenary
26 - 27 November 2015

The main theme of the 2nd International Interdisciplinary Theatre Meeting was “Haldun Taner”. In Haldun Taner’s birth’s centenary, 2nd International Interdisciplinary Theatre Meeting evaluated his works, his contributions to theatre and commemorated Haldun Taner who projected that there would be a more scientific education in the discipline of theatre in the future; and who emphasized the importance of the connection between theory and practice.

Concert

Turkish Music Concerts
“Cevdet Çağla”
29 November 2015 / 15:30

Pera Museum continued the Turkish Music Concerts series with a program celebrating the composer “Cevdet Çağla”.
Pera Museum presented a new series of concerts from January to May 2016. Programmed by music writer Aydin Büke, “Classical Saturdays” series' opening concert took place on December 12, 2015 at 17:00.

As part of the program "Music Embodied" parallel to the exhibition This is Not a Love Song: Video Art and Pop Music Crossovers, Pera Museum presented a series of talks about performance art and its interdisciplinary collaborations in collaboration with biriken. William Easton brought together a meandering and personal account of histories of performance art and their relevance to contemporary practice at the conference titled “Post Crisis - Performance and the importance of forgetting”.

Complementing the exhibition This is Not a Love Song: Video Art and Pop Music Crossovers and presented as part of the program "Music Embodied", Palmyeler performed a special New Year's concert on 25 December Friday at Pera Museum. Following the Palmyeler concert Age Reform played Pop songs that left permanent marks on the Y generation's and his music's DNA.

Pera Museum continued the Turkish Music Concerts series with a program celebrating the composer “Mustafa Nâfiz İrmak”.

Concert

“Classical Saturdays”
Borusan Quartet and Bülent Evcil

12 December 2015 / 17:00

Conference

Post Crisis - Performance and the importance of forgetting
William Easton

19 December 2015 / 14:30

Concert

Palmyeler
DJ Set: Age Reform Plays POP

25 Aralık 2015 / 20:00

Concert

Turkish Music Concerts
“Mustafa Nâfiz İrmak”

27 Aralık 2015 / 15:30