

Hovanness Badalian would have been 85 this year. The Music Fund established in memory of the beloved singer in 2004 has contributed financially to many children and music educators her in the US and in Armenia.

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I am overwhelmed with honor that I have a chance to speak of such a great man to you today. Hovanness Badalian was a man who carried his sense of identity with such absoluteness that his identity molded him rather than the contrary. Thus his great art beseeched him and his country listened.

*To have such an infectious passion can only inspire us
His voice led me to these images*

Adagio from the east beckons
Pulled toward the sky surrounding me
I hang on to each branch offered
my eyes drift north to the palisades of a colossal past
rich as the land we're grounded on,
sound rumbles throughout the fields
legends live within our tears
the sable obsidian is dripping within my thoughts
with a voice of hundreds before me.....
I anchor my lineage on an abstraction... intangible to the touch
an impetuous pulse finds every branch.
Holding on
I am never alone,
I am never forgotten

Zepure Arman
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