



# St. Nersess Armenian Seminary Ս. Ներսէս Ընծայարան

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## *The Art of Armenian Sacred Song* *A Lecture-Recital by Deacon Rubik Mailian*

SACRED SONG goes back to the origins of Armenian Christianity. There is not a single service of the Armenian Church that is not suffused with vocal melody, be it simple chants or more complex melodies. Why is singing essential to worship? What has beautiful singing to do with God? Deacon Rubik Mailian, Director of Music at St. John Armenian Church (Southfield, MI) will present a lecture-recital, in which he will explore the foundations and essence of sacred song in Armenian Church worship.

**Monday, February 7, 2011 7:30 PM**

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

**A RECEPTION WILL FOLLOW THE LECTURE**



Deacon Rubik Mailian is Music Director of St. John's Armenian Church of Greater Detroit, Michigan. A classically-trained vocalist, he has performed with the Houston Symphony, the Michigan Opera Theatre and the Macomb Symphony Orchestra. He holds the Master of Music in Choral Conducting from the University of Houston as well as graduate theological degrees from St. Nersess Seminary and St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary. As well, he has lectured internationally on the sacred music of the Armenian Church.

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