



# NEWSLETTER

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## **President Ilham Aliyev received President of Kazakhstan on official visit to Baku**

On April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017, President Ilham Aliyev received President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, who was on official visit to Azerbaijan. During the visit, one-on-one and expanded format meetings were held between the Presidents, and following the meetings, Azerbaijani-Kazakhstan documents were signed in the fields of transportation, finance, and foreign affairs. Also during the visit, President I. Aliyev presented the “Heydar Aliyev Order” to President N. Nazarbayev.

## **First Novruz Festival held in Calgary**

On April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, the Alberta Azerbaijani Cultural Society (ALACS) participated in the First Calgary Novruz Festival. The program included information booths, cultural displays and dances presented by Novruz celebrating countries. In an interview with Diversity Magazine, the Executive Director for ALACS spoke about the importance of Novruz traditions in Azerbaijani culture.

## **Qarabakh Azerbaijani Language School performs at International Children’s Day Event**

On Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017, the Embassy of the Republic of Turkey hosted a 23<sup>rd</sup> April International Children’s Day and a Turkish Cultural Days program on the occasion of the 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration of Canada and Ottawa Welcomes the World, at the Horticulture Building in Lansdowne Park. As part of the Children’s Day festivities, some of the young dancers of the Qarabakh Azerbaijani Language School performed a dance for the large crowd in attendance. Other stage performances of the event included Turkish Folk Dance Group HOY-TUR, Turkish State Opera, and dance performances by Russian, Indian and other youth groups. The

Turkish Cultural Days continued on Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **4<sup>th</sup> World Forum on Intercultural Dialogue to be held in Baku**

The 4<sup>th</sup> World Forum on Intercultural Dialogue is to be held in Baku from May 5-6, 2017, under the title “Advancing Intercultural Dialogue: New Avenues for Human Security, Peace and Sustainable Development.” The World Forums that have been organized to date have reached notable achievements by bringing together heads of governments, ministers, heads of various international organizations, senior policy makers, cultural professionals, goodwill ambassadors, experts, journalists, practitioners, prominent intellectuals and activists. The World Forum has become an international platform to enable and encourage people, countries and organizations, to take concrete actions in supporting diversity, dialogue and mutual understanding among nations, by raising awareness on the importance of intercultural dialogue worldwide.

## **8<sup>th</sup> Azerbaijan International Environmental Exhibition**

Caspian Ecology – the 8<sup>th</sup> International Environmental Exhibition – is scheduled to take place in Baku on November 14-16, 2017. Caspian Ecology 2017 is the only event held on the topic of ecology and environmental protection in the Caspian and Caucasus regions. This annual exhibition brings together local and foreign companies within the environmental and ecology sphere and serves as a tool for developing business in Azerbaijan.

For more info: <http://caspiancecology.az/2017/>

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