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The “Untouchable Instrument” comes to Nicosia

The European Commission in partnership with the Embassy of the Netherlands and LTB announces a unique performance in Cyprus of the “untouchable instrument” – the Theremin. Invented in 1920 by Russian physicist Léon Theremin, this peculiar electronic musical instrument which incorporates two metal rods, is played using the fingers without touching it and produces a bewitching sound with string and human voice qualities. Dutch soloist Thorwald Jørgensen, “one of the most important exponents of classical music on the Theremin”, will perform along with the Nicosia Municipal Orchestra at Levent College, Nicosia on Sunday January 17 at 6pm.

The aim of the concert is to promote European culture and provide the Turkish Cypriot community with an opportunity to experience a rare and unique performance.

Background:

The European Commission has a strategy called “Creative Europe” to support arts and culture in Europe. The cultural and creative sectors embody Europe’s immensely rich and diverse cultural heritage, and contribute to the development of our societies. These sectors play a big role in the European economy and help generate growth and jobs. Creative Europe provides €1.46 billion over seven years to strengthen Europe’s cultural and creative sectors.

For more information visit: http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/creative-europe/index_en.htm

Note:

The Theremin is an electronic musical instrument in which the tone is generated by two high-frequency oscillators and the pitch controlled by the movement of the performer's hand towards and away from the circuit.

Participation in the concert is free, however, registration is necessary.

Interested individuals can get more information on these events on the EU Infopoint Facebook page f/abbilgi or by contacting the EU Infopoint: info@abbilgi.eu, 228 2577 and 11A Hasene Ilgaz Sokak, Köşklüçiftlik Nicosia.

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