Please join the UCSB Middle East Ensemble for its formal Winter concert. The performance will feature 3 guest artists who will perform a set of Persian classical music:

**Bahram Osquezadeh**, santur (a hammered dulcimer), **Ali Nouri**, tar (a lute), and **Mehrdad Siahcheshman**, tombak (drum). In celebration of Norouz (the Persian New Year), the Ensemble will also perform a set of Persian classical music (including a poem by the 13th-century Sufi mystic, Jalal ud-Din Rumi) and a Persian dance.

The ensemble will also present 3 Egyptian songs, including ‘Abd al-Halim Hafiz’s “Sawwah” sung by **Mohamed Moharram**, and two Umm Kulthum songs (“Aruh Li Min” sung by **Melanie Hutton** and “Lissa Fakir”); a song by the Algerian singer, Warda al-Jaza’iriyya (“Batwannis Bik”) sung by **Giselle Garcia**, and 2 songs (one Greek, one Sephardic) performed by **Andrea Fishman**. **Ziyad Marcus** will also perform a rousing drum solo.

As always, the Ensemble’s Dance Company will perform a wonderful variety of dances, from Egypt, Iran, and Turkey, plus a Lebanese/Andalusian fusion dance (featuring **Sam Khatfar**, solo vocalist), with choreographies by **Renee Bergan** and **Atif Farag**, **Laurel Victoria Grey**, **Ellen Chang** and **Alicia Cordero**, and **Cris’ Basimah**.

**Scott Marcus**, Director of UCSB Middle East Ensemble  
**Sue Rudnicki**, Director of the Ensemble’s percussion section  
**Cris’ Basimah**, Director of the Ensemble’s Dance Company

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