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Five Chinese symphonic orchestras invite Iran's musician Rahbari

Five orchestras from different Chinese cities have extended invitations to composer and orchestra conductor Ali Rahbari to serve as a guest conductor in their ensembles.

The Nanchang Symphony Orchestra, Hangzhou Philharmonic Orchestra, Shenzhen Symphony Orchestra, Kunming Symphony Orchestra, and Wuhan Philharmonic Orchestra are among the orchestras that have sought Rahbari's leadership, as reported by Mehr.

Yazd's magnificent monuments unique in the world

Iranica Desk

The city of Yazd, in the central province of Yazd, is known as the first adobe and the second historical city of the world.

The old houses built in Yazd, located in a desert region with hot and dry climate, have a special architectural style. So far, 323 historical houses of Yazd have been inscribed on Iran's National Heritage List.

Khane-ye Taq Bolandha

Dr. Kazem Mandegari, a member of the faculty board of Yazd University's School of Arts and Architecture, said one of the oldest mansions of the city, which is locally known as Khane-ye Bozorg (the Great House), Khane-ye Taq Bolandha (the House of High Vaults), and Khan-ye Hosseinian (Hosseinian House) is

situated in Fahhadan neighborhood of the city.

He added that its high porch, as a unique and special feature, has distinguished this house from other old structures of Yazd.

He noted that various theories have been proposed about the history of the monument; however, regarding the similarity between the main porch of the building and that of the Seyyed Shamsuddin Tomb, it can be traced back to 14th century BCE.

The Seyyed Shamsuddin Tomb, located in Char-Menar neighborhood, is the remains of a building complex belonging to 14th century BCE. Mandegari said, "The house has several names, reviewing each of which can increase our knowledge about the building." According to Karim Pirnia,



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a prominent Iranian architect, author and theoretician (1920-1977), the house belonged to a person named Sharafuddin Hossein, who also established the Hosseinieh School in the same alley. Moreover, the name Hossein-

ian alley is mentioned in a book entitled, "The History of Yazd," which dates back to the 15th century BCE. Thus, most probably the ancient house and school were parts of a complex established by Sharafuddin Hossein.

Iranians awarded in Shanghai Int'l Film Festival

Arts & Culture Desk

Two Iranian films garnered recognition at the 25th Shanghai International Film Festival (SIFF), which took place from June 9 to 18.

Iranian actress Sorour Peyrovani was honored with the Best Actress Award in the Asian New Talent section of the Golden Goblet Awards for her exceptional performance in '1.5 Horsepower'.

Directed by Rasoul Kahani, '1.5 Horsepower' also received nominations for Best Director and Best Screenplay at the 25th SIFF. Davood Malek-Hosseini secured the Best Cinematographer Award for 'Cause of Death: Unknown', directed by Ali Zarnegar. The film awards were part of the es-



teemed Golden Goblet Awards, comprising five categories: the main competition for feature-length films, as well as competitions for Asian new talent, documentaries, animations, and short films, as detailed on the festival's official website.

Among the Iranian films showcased in various categories at the festival were 'The Annoyed', '1.5 Horsepower', 'Cause of Death: Unknown', 'Dolphin Boy', and 'The Passion of Mahmoud'.

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