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**Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Turkish Republic on Turkish Canadian Friendship Day:
Gala Dinner at Fairmont Hotel Vancouver, October 29, 2023**

October 18, 2023 -- To celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Turkish Republic on Turkish Canadian Friendship Day, the Turkish-Canadian Society is hosting a Gala Dinner at the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver Pacific Ballroom, 900 West Georgia Street, on Sunday, October 29, 2023.

This will be an amazing night of elegance and culture where the Turkish community celebrates their shared love of their heritage and the accomplishments of the past century. Whether you have Turkish roots or simply appreciate our culture, everyone is welcome to join in the festivities!

Enjoy a delightful dinner serenaded by enchanting tangos from the Early Republic Era. Get ready to sway to the rhythms of Waltz and Tango with Jorge & Laurel, and savor live performances by Turkish-Canadian Jazz singer Fuat Tuac and Vancouver's beloved ensemble, Istanbul the Band. And do not forget to seize the opportunity to win exciting prizes in The Centennial Gala Raffle.

Doors open at 5:00 pm with a cocktail reception followed by an open buffet dinner and cash bar. Live music and dance performances follows until 10:30pm.

Tickets can be purchased at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/100th-anniversary-of-turkish-republic-tickets-720206816977>

The purpose of the Turkish-Canadian Society is to increase the public knowledge of contemporary and traditional Turkish art and culture while creating a productive environment, as well as sharing the history and teaching the language, for the enrichment and educational benefit of the people of Canada via organizing festivals, conferences, concerts, fine arts exhibitions, a library, community courses, participating in multicultural festivals and other means.

For more information, please contact executive@turkishcanadiansociety.org

Event websites and videos

<https://turkishcanadiansociety.org/republic-day-gala/>

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1015407276275101>

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/100th-anniversary-of-turkish-republic-tickets-720206816977>

Event Sponsorship Package

<https://turkishcanadiansociety.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/TCS-Sponsorship-Proposal.pdf>

Turkish Canadian Friendship Day

<https://www.bclaws.gov.bc.ca/civix/document/id/proclamations/proclamations/TurkishCanadianFriendshipDay2023>

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's Statement for October 29th is attached.



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October 29, 2023

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone commemorating the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Turkish Republic.



This occasion offers a wonderful opportunity to reflect upon the events that have shaped Türkiye's history and to celebrate the many accomplishments of the Turkish Republic since its founding on October 29, 1923.

Canada and Türkiye have a longstanding bilateral relationship and work together as members of several international organizations, including the United Nations, the World Trade Organization, and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. This close bond is further strengthened by a vibrant community of over 65,000 Turkish Canadians who make important contributions to our country's multicultural fabric and prosperity. I look forward to our continued collaboration on shared priorities.

On behalf of the Government of Canada, I offer my best wishes to all those celebrating this centennial anniversary.

Sincerely,

The Rt. Hon. Justin P. J. Trudeau, P.C., M.P.
Prime Minister of Canada