

#### AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF ARMENIA

Banquet honoring

## HIS EXCELLENCY AMBASSADOR AND MRS. ROUBEN SHUGARIAN FIRST ARMENIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES

Guests of Honor

### CONSUL GENERAL AND MRS. ARMEN BAIBOURTIAN FIRST ARMENIAN CONSUL GENERAL IN LOS ANGELES

Tenth of September, nineteen hundred and ninety-five At the Residence of Mr. & Mrs. Krikor Bezdikian, Brentwood



#### HIS EXCELLENCY ROUBEN SHUGARIAN

#### ARMENIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

#### **Biographical Notes**

Ambassador Rouben Shugarian is the first Armenian Ambassador to the United States. Prior to being appointed Ambassador, Mr. Shugarian was Press Secretary to President Levon Ter Petrossian, the first to hold such a post since the Republic declared its independence in September, 1991.

Ambassador Shugarian graduated from the Foreign Languages Institute in Yerevan in 1985 with a degree in English and Russian languages and literature.

Mr. Shugarian has been the invited speaker at many political and cultural events. In June, 1995, he was awarded the Arthur H. Dadian Armenian Heritage Award by the Armenian Students Association at their National Convention in Philadelphia. The award was "in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the preservation and presentation of the rich Armenian culture to the world community."

Mr. Shugarian is married to Lilit Karapetian and they have two sons, Narek and Dickran.

#### PROGRAM

#### RECEPTION AND CARZOU EXHIBIT

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**CONSUL GENERAL ARMEN BAIBOURTIAN** 

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THE HONORABLE ARMAND ARABIAN

Justice of the California Supreme Court

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HIS EXCELLENCY AMBASSADOR ROUBEN SHUGARIAN

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#### **JEAN CARZOU**

Carzou's works can be found in public collections throughout the world: The Musee d'Art Moderne, Paris; The Bibliotheque Nationale, Paris; The Musee de l'Ile-de-France; the national museums of Rouen, Marseille, Albi, Lyon, LeHavre, Cairo, Alexandria, Yerevan, Adelaide, Jakarta and in the United States, The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City and the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco.

His latest exhibit of paintings of Versailles Palace and the Gardens was held in New York at the Wildenstein Art Gallery in January 1995. He is considered one of the most famous living Armenian artists.

#### LIST OF LITHOGRAPHS ON EXHIBIT

1. L'île Fortifiée	1972	18/28	Black
2. La Pagoda (Epreuve sur Japon)	1973	13/34	Color
3. Rue à New York	1974	60/177	Color
4. La Courtisane	1974	42/156	Color
5. Manhattan (Epreuve sur Japon)	1975	33/34	Color
6. Contre-Voie	1975	12/75	Color
7. Arabesque	1976	22/37	Black
8. Au Fil de l'Eau (blue)	1976	38/60	Color
9. Le Port (Epreuve d'Artiste)	1976	13/36	Color
10. Le Quai de la Seine	1976	13/39	Black
11. Paysage Romantique	1977	27/32	Color
12. Hommage à Paris	1977	40/122	Color
13. La Caravelle	1979	33/45	Color
14. Les Officiantes	1979	142/220	Color
15. Mirage (Epreuve sur Japon)	1980	27/45	Color
16. Rituel (Epreuve sur Japon)	1980	8/38	Color
17. Le Cloître	1981	28/36	Black
18. Chantilly (Epreuve d'Artiste)	1983	39/60	Color
19. Le Plénit-Brurré (Epreuve d'Artiste)	1983	37/60	Color
20. Les Champs-Elysées III	1984	7/44	Color
21. Le Chevet de Notre Dame (Epreuve sur Japon)	1974	42/156	Color
22. Le Voyage de Galion	1987	2/30	Black
23. Arménie II	1988	66/147	Color
24. Vaux-Le-Viconte (Epreuve d'Artiste)	1988	42/60	Color
25. Le Palais Princier	1992	67/175	Color

# FACTS ABOUT THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF ARMENIA (AUA)

Founded in September, 1991.

Classes started with 101 graduate students on the day (September 23) the Parliament of Armenia declared independence.

AUA is the joint undertaking of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Armenia and the American University of Armenia Corporation (AUAC).

AUAC is an Affiliate of the University of California and its office is co-located in the Oakland office of the President of the University of California system.

AUA is sponsored by the Armenian General Benevolent Union. AGBU provides the major portion of the university budget from donations received from the Armenian-American community.

#### Academic Program

AUA is a post graduate school that accepts the graduates of the national universities for a Master's Degree (two years) or a Certificate (one year) program. Its curriculum is based on the University of California's curriculum except the Public Health program that is based on the curriculum of Johns Hopkins University with whom AUA has an affiliation agreement in Health Sciences.

The departments are as follows:

Business Management
Industrial Engineering
Earthquake Engineering
Political Science and Public Administration
Public Health
Teaching English as a Foreign Language

#### **Research Centers**

AUA has established centers of research and development where faculty members, graduate research assistants and scientists from local institutions work together for solving social,

economic and scientific problems. The Centers are:

Center for Business Research and Development (CBRD)

Engineering Research Center (ERC)

Environmental Research and Management Center (ERMC)

Center for Policy Analysis (CPA)

Center for Public Health Services (CPHS)

Center for Economic Planning Research and Analysis (CEPRA).

#### **University Extension**

AUA's Extension program serves as the University's interface with the community. More than 1500 persons attend each year the seminars, short courses and symposia offered by Extension.

#### Students

The university admits about 180 students each year into the Intensive English program before they register for their chosen disciplines. Total enrollment has increased from 101 students in 1991 to about 500 graduate students in 1995. All courses are post graduate, and students are full time.

#### **AUA Alumni**

This year, more than 90 students will receive a Master's degree and 25 students will receive a Certificate.

Alumni of the first two years consist of 52 graduates in 1993 and 67 graduates in 1994. The great majority of the alumni are employed in Armenia. Nineteen are in the USA pursuing studies for doctoral degree or are trainees under special scholarships. Ten are in Moscow employed by foreign organizations and three are in Tbilisi.

#### Budget

The university budget is approved by the Board of Trustees on an annual basis. The university's master plan for academic programs in implemented on the basis of availability of funds. Operating annual budget for 1994-1995 was \$1,600,000. Sources of funds: AGBU (\$1,000,000, including amounts raised at fund raising special events), Lincy Foundation (\$250,000), Mr. Sarkis Acopian of Easton, PA (\$100,000), and other private and US government sources (\$250,000). Capital improvement budget: \$400,000 provided by the American Schools and Hospitals Abroad Office of the US Agency for International Development.

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