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### World Poetry Day

"*Dünya Şiirinde İstanbul* | İstanbul in World Poetry" celebrates this year's World Poetry Day on **March 26**. The event has been a tradition of the Center for Turkish Literature at Bilkent since 2000. It will take place at C-Block Auditorium (since the 21st falls on Sunday), from **5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

The event will start with an instrumental concert, "*İstanbul Şarkıları* | Songs of İstanbul."

This mini concert will be followed by the poetry reading, "*Dünya Dillerinde İstanbul* | İstanbul in Languages of the World." Poems in English, German, French, Persian, Swedish, Hungarian, Romanian, Russian and Kurdish will be presented to the audience in their original languages, together with Turkish translations. Poems in Turkish will also be recited by distinguished figures such as Ayten Gökçer and Hilmi Yavuz. English translations of these poems will be provided if available.

The Center for Turkish Literature welcomes you to experience the two-fold magic of İstanbul, in poetry and music, on World Poetry Day!

### Turkish Universities Student Council Congress Meets at Bilkent



The Bilkent University Student Council hosted the Turkish Universities Student Council Congress from the 17th to the 19th of March last week. One hundred sixty representatives from 90 universities in Turkey met during this three-day period to attend seminars and meetings held at Bilkent. Social activities were also part of the event, which included a campus tour and a bowling tournament, where Zonguldak Karaelmas University ranked first. Since 2003 this was the first time

### EE Graduate Receives 2010 IBM PhD Fellowship



Can Bayram (EE'2005), a PhD candidate at the Center for Quantum Devices of Northwestern University, IL, USA, has recently been awarded the 2010 IBM PhD Fellowship by the

International Business Machines (IBM) Corporation.

This award was open to students around the world and only given to select candidates world-wide.

Bayram was awarded the 2010 IBM PhD Fellowship in recognition of his contributions to science and technology, and his potential to develop innovative solutions for society's needs.

The IBM Ph.D. Fellowship Awards Program is an intensely competitive worldwide program, which honors exceptional Ph.D. students who have an interest in solving problems that are important to IBM, as well as work that is fundamental to innovation in many academic disciplines and areas of study.

### M.A. Students in Teacher Education Win Outstanding Teaching Awards



Every year Iowa State University hosts M.A. students from Bilkent University's Graduate School of Education within the Turkish Student Teacher Internship Project. Supported by a grant from the U.S. State Department, the project aims to cultivate mutual understanding between the two cultures.

The Bilkent M.A. students had the opportunity to complete an eight week long internship in Iowa high schools.

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