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ACADEMIC PROFILE / EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Professor at Hacettepe University Ankara State Conservatory, Department of String Instruments. Renowned for his cellistic performance and pedagogy in Turkey, as well as his pioneering work in Baroque Cello performance (A=415 Hz tuning, gut strings, and endless execution technique). Founder and principal investigator of the digital archive and research project "Turkish Cello Works and Composers", established in 2021.

ACADEMIC RANKS & EXPERIENCE

April 2, 2026	Full Professorship Hacettepe University Ankara State Conservatory
2008	Associate Professorship Interuniversity Council of Turkey (ÜAK)
1993 – Present	Faculty Member / Instructor Hacettepe University Ankara State Conservatory
1990 – 2000	Head of Cello Department Ankara State Conservatory

EDUCATION

1994 – 1998	Proficiency in Art (Ph.D. equiv.) Hacettepe University Ankara State Conservatory
1990 – 1993	Master of Music (M.M.) Hacettepe University Ankara State Conservatory
1980	Bachelor of Music (B.M.) / High School Ankara State Conservatory

PROJECTS, BOOKS & REPERTOIRE CONTRIBUTIONS

- Project Founder & Director:** "Turkish Cello Works and Composers" (2021 – Present) – A comprehensive digital archive project on YouTube and major platforms featuring over 100 episodes documenting, recording, and performing the Turkish cello repertoire.
- Research Book:** "Contemporary Turkish Composers Who Wrote for Cello and Their Works" (2014).
- Repertoire Contribution:** Premiered over 20 contemporary Turkish cello works; introduced and promoted authentic Baroque performance practice in Turkey.

MASTER TEACHERS STUDIED WITH

André Navarra	France	Alexander Rudin	Russia
Robert Cohen	United Kingdom	Marcio Carneiro	Brazil / Switzerland
Prof. Doğan Cangal	Turkey	Nuray Eşen	Turkey
Ignacio Botella Ausina	Spain	Antonio Alzina	-

NOTABLE STUDENTS

Aslı Gültekin Orkestra Akademik Başkent	Taşkın Sözen Orkestra Akademik Başkent
Yılmaz Bişer Principal Cellist, Istanbul State Symphony	Başak Canseli Çiftçi Orchestra Filarmonica Italiana
Benyamin Sönmez Late Cellist (Honored via annual competitions)	Ashhan Gençgönül Professional Cellist
Ebubekir Ferhat Güneri Professional Cellist	

ORCHESTRAL PERFORMANCES (SOLOIST)

Date	Orchestra / Event	Repertoire
02.07.2025	Muğla Metropolitan Municipality Orchestra	L. Boccherini Cello Concerto G.480
04.11.2022	Orkestra Akademik Başkent	L. Boccherini Cello Concertos G.479 & G.480
13.11.2018	Edirne State Music Ensemble	A. Vivaldi Concerto for 2 Cellos
26.02.2014	Hacettepe University Symphony Orchestra	J. Haydn Cello Concerto in D major
20.06.2005	İzzet Baysal Academic Orchestra	L. Boccherini Cello Concerto in D major
26.01.1993	Başkent Chamber Orchestra	J. Haydn Cello Concerto in D major

RECITALS & SOLO PERFORMANCES

Date	Venue / Event	Program Highlights
26.06.2025	Çankaya Municipality Yaşar Kemal CC	L. Boccherini Sonatas No. 10, 11, 12 & J.S. Bach Suite No. 6
09.04.2025	Izmir International Baroque Music Festival, AASSM	Telemann, Vivaldi, Boccherini Baroque Program
02.10.2024	Çankaya Municipality Yaşar Kemal CC	L. Boccherini Sonatas No. 2, 6, 7, 8
09.05.2024	Hacettepe University	L. Boccherini Sonatas No. 1, 2, 3, 4
29.05.2024	Historic Italian Church, Edirne	Luigi Boccherini Sonatas & Bach Violin-Cello Duo
17.04.2024	Izmir Adnan Saygun Arts Center	Beethoven Sonatas No. 1 & 4, Boccherini Sonata No. 11
04.03.2024	Ankara Music and Fine Arts University	L. Boccherini Sonata & J.S. Bach Suite
19.04.2022	Izmir Yaşar University	Turkish Composers Cello Works Recital
22.11.2021	Eskişehir Opera Hall / AASSM Izmir (14.11)	J.S. Bach Complete Viola da Gamba Sonatas
19.06.2019	Poland Recital International	L. Boccherini Cello Sonatas
19.04.2017	Hacettepe University	A. A. Saygun Partita, B. Britten Solo Suite
19.12.2016	Eskişehir Atatürk Cultural Center	Britten, De Falla, Beethoven Op. 69
25.02.2014	Presidential Symphony Orchestra (CSO) Hall	Beethoven Sonatas Op. 5 No. 1 & 2
16.04.1997	Spain Recital International	Locatelli Sonata, Schubert Arpeggione Sonata

CHAMBER MUSIC PERFORMANCES

05.03.2025	Ankara MGÜ (R. Glière – Cello Duo Works)
08.08.2024	Ankara CAC (J. Offenbach – Duo Op. 49 & 51)
30.07.2024	Yaşar Kemal CC (Offenbach Duo Op. 49 & 51)
04.07.2024	Yaşar Kemal CC (F. Dotzauer Duo Works)
29.12.2023	Ankara CAC (Works for 4 Cellos)
17.11.2023	Hacettepe Uni. (F. Geminiani Op. 5 Sonatas)
21.05.2022	Germany International (Cello Orchestra Concert)

PRESENTATIONS & CONFERENCES

- **04.03.2024:** Ankara MGÜ - "Cello Education in Turkey" (Lecture)
- **13.12.2022:** Akdeniz Uni. - "Turkish Cello Literature" (Conference)
- **23.11.2022:** MSGSÜ Istanbul - "Turkish Cello Works" (Seminar)
- **23.02.2022:** Yaşar Uni. - "7 Turkish Composers & Cello Works"
- **30.11.2021:** Kafkas Uni. - "Cello Works of 15 Turkish Composers"
- **23.11.2019:** Gazi Uni. - "Piatti Caprice Analysis & Presentation"
- **20.11.2011:** Kırıkkale Uni. Int'l Congress - "Foreign Terms in Music"

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

- May 2023:** "An Analysis of Ludwig van Beethoven's Cello Sonata Op. 5 No. 2", *Hacettepe University Journal of Art Writings*, Issue: 48.
- July 2021:** "Structural Analysis of Ludwig van Beethoven's Cello Sonata Op. 5 No. 1", *DergiPark AMADER*.
- October 2020:** "Recognition Status of Cello Works Composed by Contemporary Turkish Composers", *DergiPark Balkan Music Journal*.

MASTERCLASSES & JURY SERVICE

- **11.04.2025:** Ankara Music & Fine Arts University Masterclass
- **29.04.2024:** Trakya University Masterclass (Edirne)
- **16.04.2024:** Dokuz Eylül University Masterclass (Izmir)
- **05.03.2024:** Ankara MGÜ Masterclass
- **2023:** 1st National Doğan Cangal Cello Competition (Jury Member)
- **20.08.2019:** Bursa ÇAKA Cello Masterclass
- **2018:** Trakya & Kocaeli University Masterclasses