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**HAFEZ ix. HAFEZ AND MUSIC**

The poetics of Hafez depends on a sensuality of language and imagery. Smell, taste, texture, color and certainly sound imagery abound. Translations and adaptations from Hafez have repeatedly been set to music of the Western classical music tradition.

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**SATTĀR KHAN**  
(1868-1914), defender of Tabriz during

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### ***Brief History***

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The non-profit Encyclopaedia Iranica Foundation is dedicated to guaranteeing the Encyclopaedia's intellectual independence by covering parts of its operating budget.

The first fascicle of the Encyclopaedia's printed edition appeared in 1982, while the first version of the web-based digital edition was established in 1996.

### ***Scope and Coverage***

The academic reference work will eventually cover all aspects of Iranian history and culture as well as all Iranian languages and literatures, facilitating the whole range of Iranian studies research from archeology to political sciences.

### ***Kind of Information***

The Encyclopaedia Iranica is dedicated to the study of Iranian civilization in the Middle East, the Caucasus, Central Asia and the Indian Subcontinent. The left side of the home page there is a content of articles which contains actually A-Z alphabets hyperlinked with articles. An article "The concept of water in ancient Iranian culture" from this encyclopedia gives long article on this topic. Along with that list of bibliographies are also provided. There is an option to tag articles. All the tags are provided with the articles. The above mentioned articles include tags like Gosl, Poonawala, Vozu. The article is actually a part of another entry "[ĀB](#)" which means "Water" in Iranian language. The super ordinate part of this article is also provided for browsing. The article where applicable includes images also. At the end the citing format of the article is also provided.

***Special Features***

- There is an option to give comment on articles.
- The users are also provided option to tag articles.
- The articles are updated in daily basis. The last updated date is also provides at the end.
- The encyclopedia provides calendar of current events of country Iran.

***Arrangement Pattern***

The left side of the homepage contains a list of A-Z alphabets. Each alphabet is linked with articles starting with those alphabets.

***Remarks***

This encyclopedia is a national encyclopedia of Iran. It is an essential source for Iranian civilization and culture.

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