

## **FRIENDS OF ARIT LECTURE ANNOUNCEMENT**



### ***Zeytin ekirdekleri***

### ***Olive Seeds***

***Social Action through  
Music, Art and Sports***

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The Olive Seeds Program (Zeytin ekirdekleri) emerged in 2014 as a collaboration of local governmental bodies, public schools, and local, national and international volunteers involved in the spheres of art, sports and education. This presentation will focus on the history and the aims of this initiative creating social and cultural forums for children of different social and economic backgrounds, ages 5-18, and providing free training programs in order to contribute to their growth through workshops in music, theater arts, sports and other topics, such as ecology. Within the past four years, a substantial degree of development has been observed in a large number of participants demonstrating the value of social action projects in contributing to social goals. This success can be summarized as: *Good Individuals make Good Communities* or *Happy Individuals make Happy Communities*. As part of Zeytin ekirdekleri, a large group will travel to Paris in April 2018 to celebrate the National Sovereignty and Children’s Day with a trip to UNESCO, a concert, and a trip to music-related centers, among others. Zeytin ekirdekleri aims at improving social awareness by implementing such programs for social and educational success and by providing a positive influence on children at a young age.

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