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GUEST OF HONOR

Christina Maranci is the Mashtots Professor of Armenian Studies at Harvard University, appointed in both the Departments of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations and the History of Art and Architecture. She earned a BA in Art History at Vassar, and an M.A. and Ph.D at Princeton in the Department of Art and Archaeology. Her work explores the art and culture of Armenia in all aspects, but with special emphasis on the late antique and medieval periods. She is the author of four books and over 100 articles and essays on medieval Armenian art and architecture, including most recently, *The Art of Armenia* (Oxford, 2018). Her 2015 monograph, *Vigilant Powers: Three Churches of Early Medieval Armenia* (Brepols, 2015) won the Karen Gould Prize for Art History from the Medieval Academy of America and as well as the Sona Aronian Prize for best Armenian Studies monograph from the National Association for Armenian Studies and Research (NAASR). She is co-founder of East of Byzantium, a workshop and lecture series designed to support doctoral students working on the Christian East.

Maranci has worked on issues of cultural heritage for over a decade, with a focus on the at-risk Armenian churches and monasteries in what is now Eastern Turkey. She is the author of op-eds and essays in *The Wall Street Journal*, *Apollo*, *The Conversation*, and *Hyperallergic*. She has also been featured on National Public Radio's Open Source with Christopher Lydon. At the moment, she is working on a book about the city of Ani during the tenth and eleventh centuries.



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Adi Ignatius, Editor-in-Chief of *Harvard Business Review*, is an internationally recognized editor, author, and journalist. Previously, he served as Deputy Managing Editor for *TIME*. He is the editor of two books: *President Obama: The Path to the White House* (2008) and *Prisoner of the State: The Secret Journal of Premier Zhao Ziyang* (2009). Both books made *The New York Times* Bestseller List. He worked for many years at *The Wall Street Journal*, serving as Beijing Bureau Chief and Moscow Bureau Chief, and as Managing Editor of *Central European Economic Review* and Business Editor of *Far Eastern Economic Review*. Ignatius received his BA in History in 1981 from Haverford College. He is a former member of the NAASR Board of Directors. He lives in live in Stonington, CT, and Cambridge, MA.

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Saturday, May 6, 2023

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One Bennett Street, Cambridge, MA*

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7:00 p.m. Seated Dinner

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