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# ***TURKEY'S POLICY FOR SAFEGUARDING INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGES***

*In accordance with the UNESCO Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage each State Party shall draw up, in a manner geared to its own situation, inventories of the intangible cultural heritage present in its territory. Executive organ of the Convention in Turkey is the “Intangible Cultural Heritage Department” in the “General Directorate of Research and Education of the Ministry of Culture and Tourism”. The intangible cultural heritage studies are conducted under the consultation of the “Commission of Experts”, which is attended by academicians and NGO representatives from related departments, research centers and institutes of universities. Turkey has two types of national inventory. These are:*

- 1. Living Human Treasures National Inventory*
- 2. Intangible Cultural Heritage National Inventory*

*City inventories constitute the foundation of Intangible Cultural Heritage National Inventories. Inventory activities in the cities are conducted under the coordination of provincial directorate. Steps regarding the inventory are;*

*1. City Inscription Committee is setup with participation of related institution/organization, research center/institute, NGO representatives, experts and in necessary situations conveyors of intangible cultural heritage.*

*2. This committee relegates the intangible cultural heritage properties and living human treasure candidacy recommendations to the General Directorate of Research and Training periodically twice a year with the required inscription.*

*3. General Directorate of Research and Training evaluates the data arriving from the cities at the Experts Commission comprised of related institution/organization, research center/institute, NGO representatives, experts and in necessary situations conveyors of intangible cultural heritage, identifies the elements to be included in the inventory and submits for approval of the office.*

*4. Elements which are decided to be included are recorded to the inventory system and shared with the public through the website of the General Directorate.*



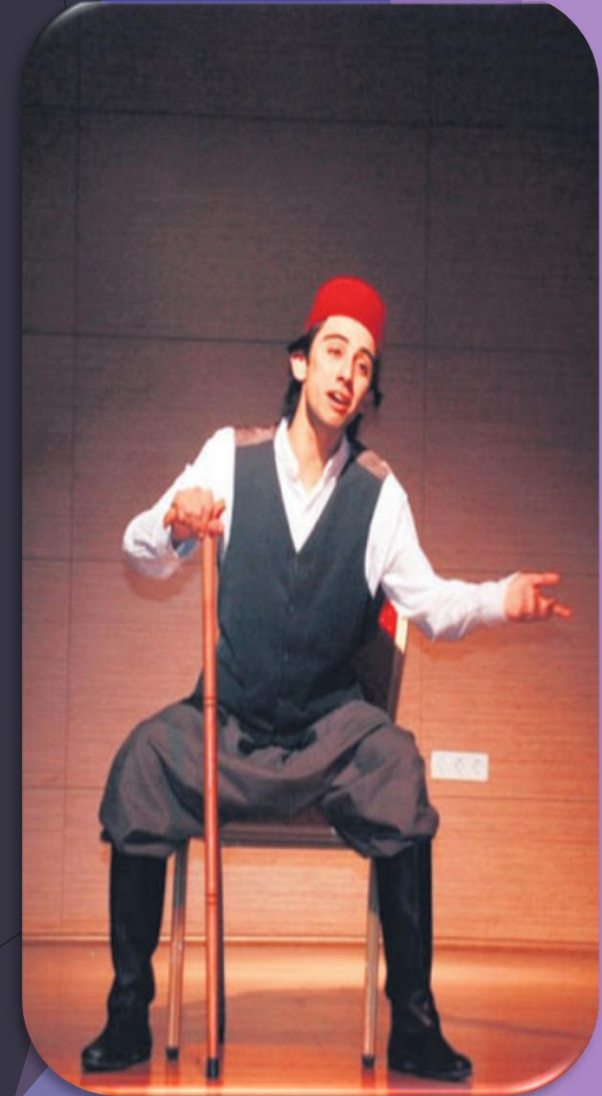
*Turkey with its 21 elements inscribed on UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage List is among the top 5 in 178 countries. These are as in the following...*



# *Mevlevi Sema Ceremony (2008)*



*Arts of the Meddah, Public  
Storytellers (2008)*





## *Karagöz and Hacivat (2009)*





*Aşıklık  
(Minstrelsy)  
Tradition (2009)*





# *Nevruz Spring Festival (2009)*



# *Traditional Conversation Meetings (2010)*



# Semah, Alevi Bektashi Ritual (2010)





*Ceremonial Keşkek  
Tradition (2011)*





# Mesir Paste Festival (2012)



*Kırkpınar Oil  
Wrestling  
Festival (2010)*





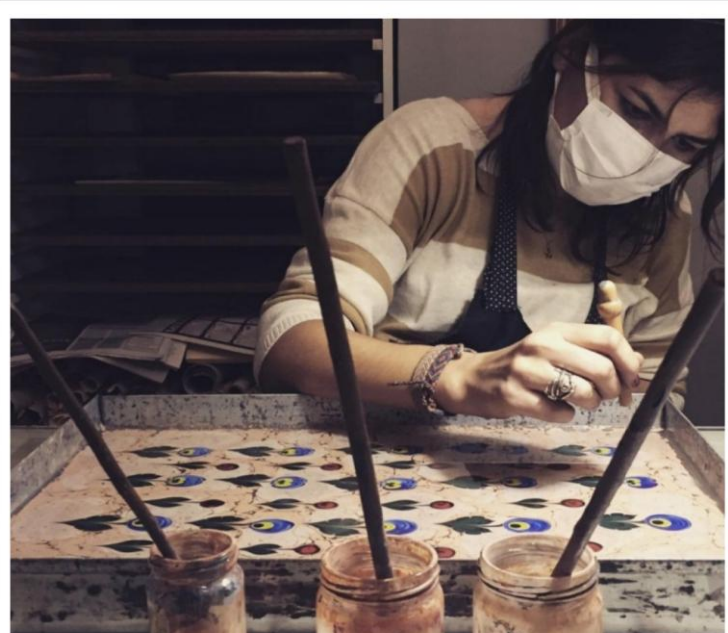
## *Turkish Coffee Culture and Tradition (2013)*



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*Ebru, Turkish Art  
of Marbling  
(2014)*



*Flatbread  
Making and  
Sharing  
Culture  
(2016)*



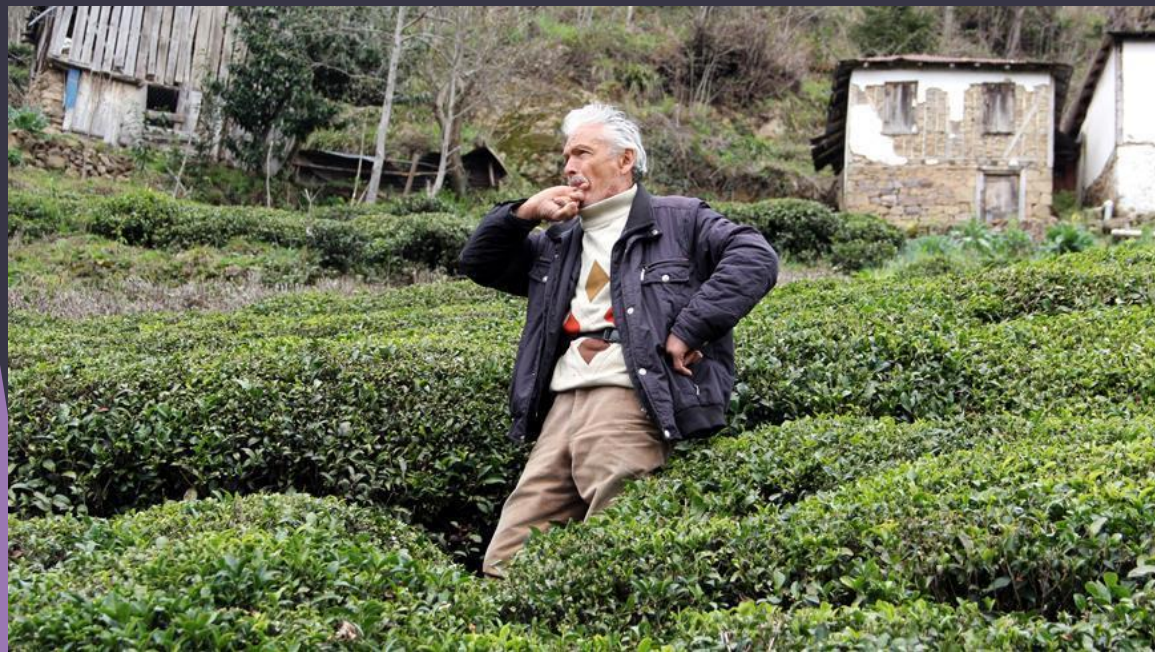
# *Traditional Craftsmanship of Çini Making (2016)*





# Hıdırellez Spring Celebration (2017)

# *Whistled (Bird) Language (2017)*



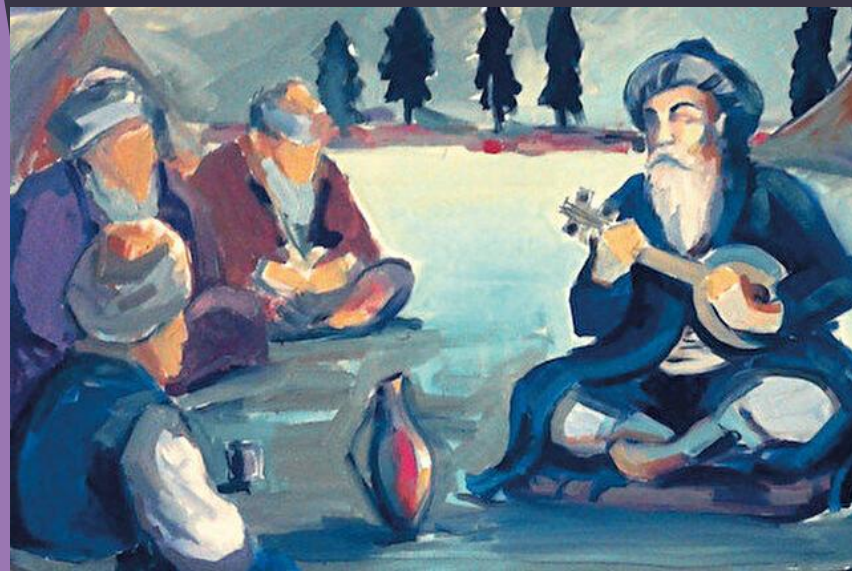


## *Traditional Turkish Archery (2019)*



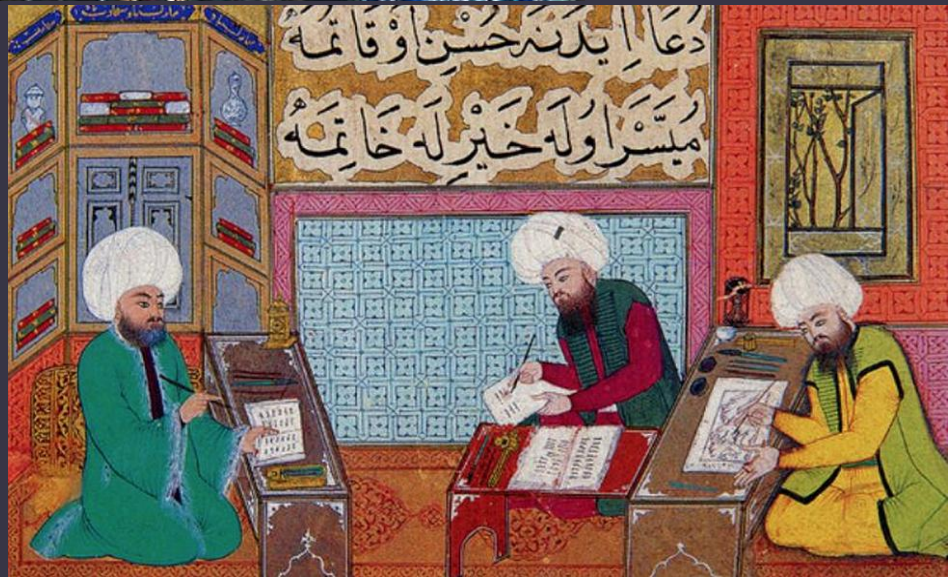


*Heritage of Dede Korkut,  
Epic Culture, Folk Tales  
and Music (2018)*





# Art of Miniature (2020)



*Traditional  
Intelligence  
and Strategy  
Game of  
Mangala  
(2020)*



# *Traditional Folk Dance of Horon (2021)*

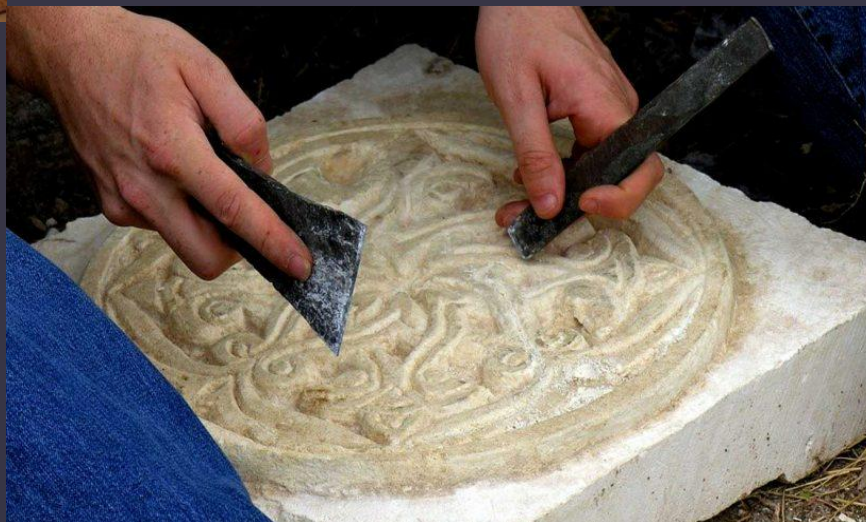


# *Aşure Ritual (pending)*

*There are also 4  
pending nominations  
for Turkey to enter  
the list of the  
UNESCO Intangible  
Cultural Heritage of  
Humanity.*



*Sabantoy, Habantoy  
(pending)  
Ahlat Stoneworks  
Tradition  
(pending)*



*Living Human Treasures National Inventory: Living Human Treasures are people who possess to a high degree the knowledge and skills required for performing or re-creating specific elements of intangible cultural heritage. In Turkey, Living Human Treasures conducted the supervision of the Commission Experts that created AREGEM in the Ministry of Culture and Tourism. The Living Human Treasures nominees are chosen by the Provincial Directorate of Culture and Tourism, with the officials of the Public Education Center, scholars on the subject, NGO representatives, ICH practitioners and experts on folk culture. As of 2021, there are 45 people who are considered as living human treasures in Turkey's inventory.*

*The 16th Session of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection of the Intangible Cultural Heritage was held entirely online between 13-18 December 2021. Mr. Punchi Nilame Meegaswatte, Secretary General of the National Commission for UNESCO in Sri Lanka, chaired this annual meeting, which brought together hundreds of participants, representatives of States Parties, non-governmental organisations, cultural institutions and other stakeholders from around the world. Also at this session, the accreditation of our Anatolian Handicrafts Survival and Development Association (ANELSANDER) was accepted.*



# ***Glass Evil Eye Beads***

***In our program flow on  
wednesday, we will  
introduce you to Mr.  
Mahmut Sür, who is on the  
UNESCO Living Human  
Treasures list.***





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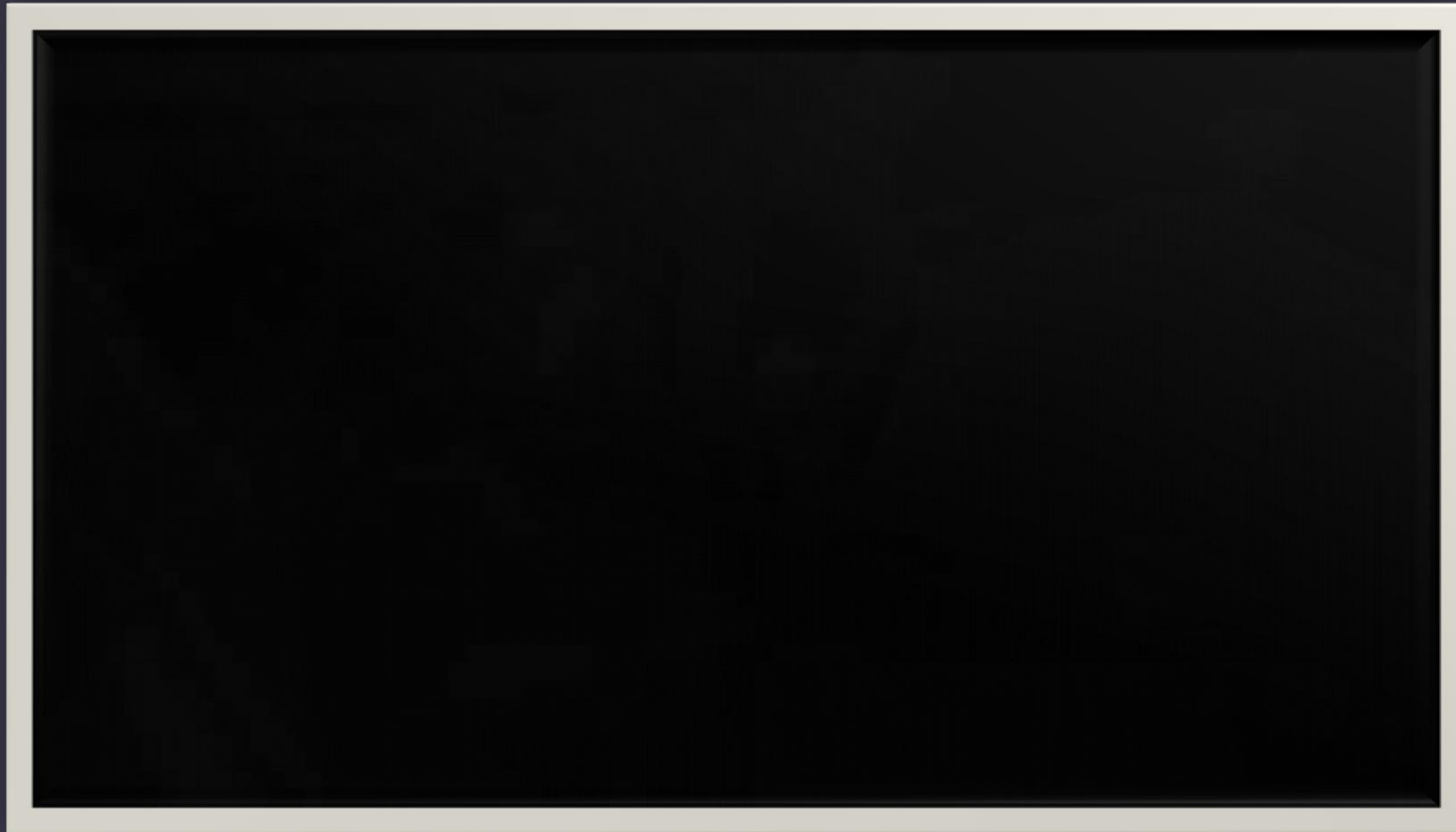




# Turkish Lace



# *Traditional Turkish Embroidery*



# Coppersmiths/Product Preparation Process



# *Straw Weaving*





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