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## Register Now for Spring 2003 Sports Courses

The Physical Education and Sports Center affords you the opportunity to participate in a variety of different sports courses. To use any sports facility or to participate in any sports course, all you need to do is show your Bilkent ID card. Registration for Spring 2003 sports courses will take place at the Student Dormitories Sports Hall and Main Campus Sports Hall between **February 3-17**.

### Sports Courses for Spring 2003:

Aerobic / Step / Aikido / Badminton / Basketball / Ball Room and Club Dancing / Capo-eira / Fencing / Fit Boxing / Fitness Strength Training / Ice Skating / Squash / Table Tennis / Taekwondo / Tai Chi / Tennis / Turkish



Folk Dancing / Volleyball / Wing-Tsun / Yoga

### New... New... New...

**Aikido:** Aikido is a Japanese martial art focusing not on punching or kicking opponents, but rather on using their own energy to gain control of them. It is not a static art, but places great emphasis on motion and the dynamics of movement.

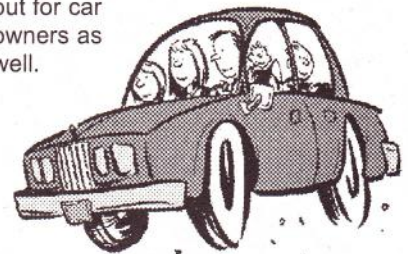
**Capo-eira:** Capo-eira is a Brazilian Martial Art which possesses a unique style bringing together beauty, power, mental balance, physical conditioning, self-defense and music. Capoeira can be learned by anyone of any age or size.

## Why Not Carpool?

The Carpool program, an alternative mode of transportation to campus, is up and running for the new semester, offered through the Transportation Unit.

Carpooling is an easy way to lower your daily transportation expenses, and also helps to decrease the amount of pollution caused by automobile exhaust. Students or faculty members can register to carpool and find out who else is departing from convenient locations around campus. After registration on the web, participants can choose their fellow carpoolers based on the information provided on the website. The forms you fill out also assure the credibility of both the driver and riders.

Carpooling is not only beneficial for those students who do not have cars, but for car owners as well.



Carpooling is cheaper, especially for drivers, since expenses for fuel are shared and the drivers can take turns driving. It is also convenient because everyone can be picked up near the location they desire. Information and registration forms are provided at <http://xena.bilkent.edu.tr/~carpool>

## Bilkent Symphony Orchestra Spring Concerts Start

After a successful Autumn series, the Bilkent Symphony Orchestra is opening it's second half of the season on **February 4**. The concert will be the first of it's Brahms Series which will continue through out this season to include all of the composer's orchestral works.

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## Time to Add Some Spice to Your Life!

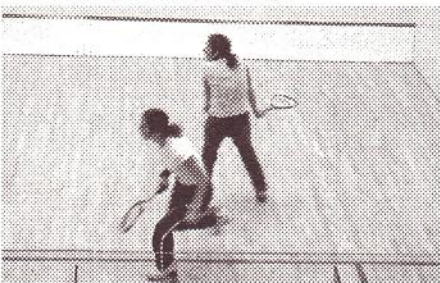
Here is an intriguing way of adding spice to your life: Sports! The more you get involved in sports, the more your social life is enriched and the fitter you will feel and look.

Don't forget that the Physical Education and Sports Center offers a wide variety of facilities to accommodate the different physical fitness interests of the community. The Student Dormitories Sports Hall houses three squash courts, a fitness room, a table tennis room, two mirrored studios, a running /



walkingtrack, which is designed to reduce the risk of injury during activities, and a basketball / volleyball court. The fitness room holds 10 rowing machines, 15 treadmills, 10 stationary bicycles, 3 cross trainers, 6 steppers and various kinds of weight lifting equipment.

For any questions and more information call the Student Dormitories Sports Hall at **ext. 1651 or 1993**. Be part of the action and come join your friends at the Student Dormitories Sports Hall.



## BUSEL 8th International ELT Conference

BUSEL held its 8th International Conference at the Bilkent Hotel between 23-25 January. This year's theme was "Speaking in the Monolingual Classroom: A need for a fresh approach?". The school hosted over 50 speakers from 6 different countries, including Britain and the USA, as well as over 250 participants from 4 different continents, with presentations and workshops on diverse topics linked to the theme of teaching and speaking in today's world. The conference addressed some of the key issues involved in teaching and speaking in the mono-lingual context and drew upon the experiences of teachers, learners, trainers, materials writers, and researchers.

This year's plenary speakers for the conference included, Martin Bygate (University of Leeds), Hugh Dellar (University of Westminster), Jeffrey Connor-Linton (Georgetown University), Barry O'Sullivan (University of Reading), Alan Tonkyn (University of Reading) and Adrian Underhill, (International Teacher Training Institute,



Embassy CES), all renowned researchers in the field. Research papers presented by the BUSEL staff stressed the importance of training students to better express themselves in informational, interactional and instructional contexts as well as in oral presentations.

The annual BUSEL ELT Conference is now an established event in the ELT

world, attracting prominent names from Britain and the USA. The conferences have provided a rich forum for teachers, lecturers, teacher trainers, researchers, curriculum and testing experts, materials writers and educational managers from a variety of institutional contexts to explore issues and share their views, perceptions and experiences.

## Bilkent Symphony Orchestra Spring Concerts Start



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Below is the concert program for this month:

### Tuesday, February 4 at 8 p.m.

Emil Tabakov, conductor  
François Weigel, piano  
J. Brahms / Academic Festival Overture, Op.80  
J. Brahms / Piano Concerto No.1 in D minor, Op.15  
J. Brahms / Symphony No.1 in C minor, Op.68

### Tuesday, February 18 at 8 p.m.

Festival Strings Lucerne  
Achim Fiedler, conductor  
F. Schubert / German Dances, D.90

A. Webern / Slow Movement in C minor  
F. Schubert-A. Fiedler / Quartet Movement in C minor, D.703  
H. Holliger / Frost Flowers  
F. Schubert-G. Mahler / Theme and Variations on "The Dead and the Maiden"  
B. Bartok / Romanian Folk Dances, Sz.68

### Sunday, February 23 at 5 p.m.

Bilkent Chamber Orchestra  
Server Ganiyev, conductor-soloist  
Terci-Korad Guitar Duo  
Kürşad Terci, Kağan Korad  
A.Vivaldi/ Symphony No.2 in G major  
A.Vivaldi/ Concerto Grosso in D minor  
A.Vivaldi/ Concerto for Four Violins No.8

in A minor, Op.3  
Transcribed for Two Guitars (K.Korad)  
A.Vivaldi/ Four Seasons

### Tuesday, February 25 at 8 p.m.

Avi Ostrowsky, conductor  
İdil Biret, piano  
K.M. von Weber / "Oberon" Overture  
R. Schumann / Piano Concerto in A minor, Op.54  
F. Mendelssohn / Symphony No.3 in A minor, Op.56 "Scotch"

Tickets are available at the Faculty of Music and Performing Arts. You can also buy your ticket by credit card at ext. 1775.

### Highlights:

#### The Brahms Cycle

Led by Maestro Emil Tabakov, Bilkent Symphony Orchestra Music Director, the Bilkent Symphony Orchestra will perform Brahms's Symphonies and Concertos along with his "German Requiem, Op.45".

#### Sunday Concerts (New!)

The Bilkent Concert Hall will host the Bilkent Chamber and Bilkent Wind Orchestras as well as the FMPA Youth Symphony Orchestra. The Sunday Concerts Series will focus on widely appreciated composers' works such as Vivaldi.

#### Guest Orchestras

The Festival Strings Lucerne Orchestra, led by Achim Fiedler will perform selected pieces for a string ensemble.