

Chamber Talks

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Gülderen Bölük

The First Woman Photographer Naciye Hanım



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With a view to adding a fresh perspective to İstanbul studies, the Chamber Talks, “Arka Oda Toplantıları”, resumes its journey into the secret history of the city with conferences centered on the Byzantine, Ottoman and Republican periods of the city.

The first session of Chamber Talks’ new season is taking place on the 24th November with Gülderen Bölük with the topic *The First Women Photographer Naciye Hanım*.

"It is the beginnings of 1919. A 37 years old young woman, places a signboard on the Sait Pasha Mansion, which reads "Turkish Women Photography Studio-Naciye"! After that day, some soldiers at war received letters from their wives enclosed with photographs. In fact, women of the period, who were not approved to open their veils to male photographers, felt free to pose for Naciye Hanım, daughter of a pasha and spouse of a soldier, with their faces open and hair down their shoulders."