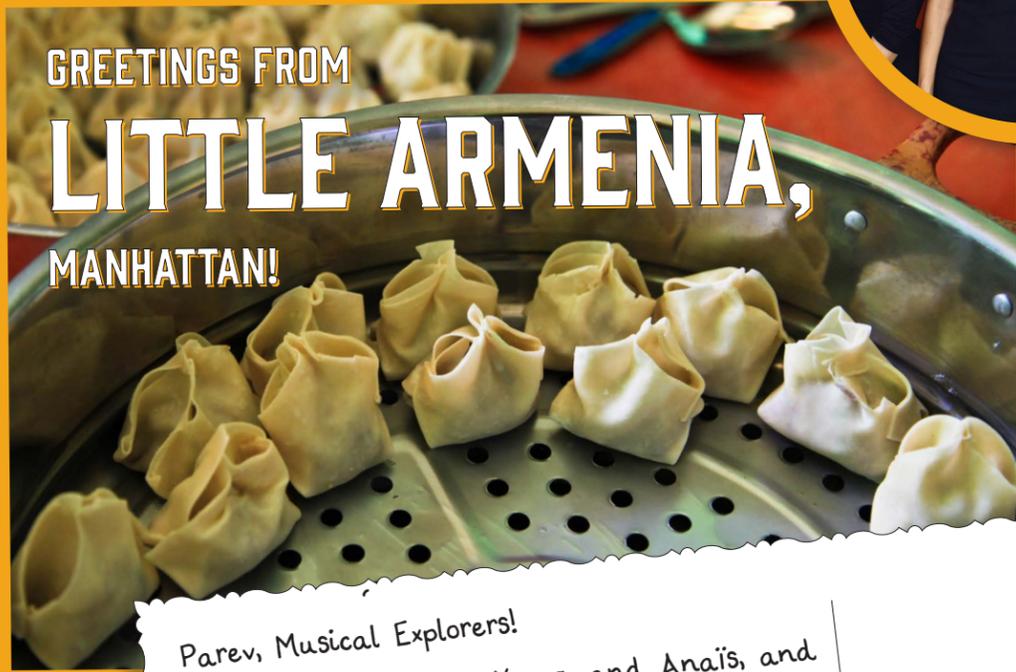


## Meet Zual!

# GREETINGS FROM LITTLE ARMENIA, MANHATTAN!



Parev, Musical Explorers!

Our names are Tena, Yera, and Ani, and together we make up the vocal trio Zual. We are all Armenian, but like many Armenians our families haven't lived in Armenia for two generations: Our parents were born in Iraq, Kenya, Palestine, and Egypt, and we three were born here in the U.S. We connect to our Armenian heritage through the songs that we sing. We're so excited that you'll be learning the songs we love, and can't wait to sing with you at Carnegie Hall!

Ts'dsootyoon,

Tena, Yera, and Ani

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Yera



Ani

Leaving from  
Jackson Heights, Queens



Arriving at  
Little Armenia, Manhattan

## We asked Zual ...

### What is your favorite Armenian food?

There is so much delicious Armenian food! Tena loves vospov kufte, which are lentil patties. Yera loves mante, which are boat-shaped dumplings cooked in tomato-chicken broth and topped with yogurt and mint. Ani loves boreg—buttery pastry triangles filled with cheese.

### Do you have a favorite Armenian holiday?

Our favorite holiday is definitely Hampartsoum, when a wonderful fortune-telling ritual called the vijag is performed. It is believed that on that day the seams of the universe loosen so the future can be told. There are many vijag songs that we love to sing!

### Did you have a favorite Armenian story growing up?

We all love the story of the talking fish! It is the story of a poor fisherman who saves a fish by throwing it back into the water, and how the fish rewards the fisherman. Ask your teacher to tell you the whole story!



Vospov kufte



Armenian flag



Boreg