

# What's On



Some of the AUK's graphic design students projects

## Exhibition celebrates students creativity, power of art and culture

# AUK students showcase artwork in history of Arab Design Expo

KUWAIT CITY, Feb 9: Graphic design students at the American University of Kuwait (AUK) showcased their work in an exhibition that centered on the history of Arab design. The exhibition was organized by assistant professor of graphic design, Dr. Fahad Dhawi, for his Special Topics course.

The event showcased how Arabic graphic design is influenced by history, regional trends, and cultural phenomena, and to develop critical thinking and effective communication as it pertains to Arabic graphic design.

The exhibited projects encompassed Arabic calligraphy, typography, lettering, sculpture, mix media, painting, illustration and manuscript. Mashrabiya, poster, product, and furniture designs were also incorporated into the students' work.

Commenting on the significance of this exhibition and its distinctiveness, Dr. Dhawi stated, "The course and final projects featured in the exhibition highlight the importance of visual identity and culture. There is no design course in the Gulf region that covers the work of more than 200 Arab designers, or detailed information (time-

lines) on the establishment and evolution of Arab art and design colleges, editorial design, poster design, cinema, typewriter, language learning, printing press, and calligraphy in pre-colonial and post-colonial eras in one semester. Therefore, this course would be one of the first in Kuwait — if not in the region — that exposes students to this content through written reflection papers, engaging lectures, collaborative class activities, and discussions."

An engaging platform was offered for students through this exhibition to celebrate creativity, strength of commu-

nication design, power of voice and artistic expression as well as the power of art, culture, and collaboration.

The American University of Kuwait (AUK) is an independent, private, equal opportunity, and coeducational liberal arts institution of higher education. The educational, cultural and administrative structure, methods and standards of AUK are based on the American model of higher learning. The language of instruction is English. More information on the American University of Kuwait can be found at [www.auk.edu.kw](http://www.auk.edu.kw)

**What are you going to wear?**  
**Seriously, what are you going to wear on**

Robert Munsch  
**Pyjama Day!**  
illustrated by Michael Martchenko

Star Wars pyjamas? The polka dots?  
Which pjs to choose?

**Storytime at Amricani**  
Saturday, 11 February at 3:30  
Amricani Cultural Centre  
**Dress Code: Pyjamas optional!**

A flyer of the event.

THE ROLE OF THE EASTERN ARABIAN PENINSULA IN THE HISTORY OF THE ANCIENT NEAR EAST

Jan Tavernier

7 مساءً 7pm

مركز اليرموك الثقافي Yarmouk Cultural Centre

مؤاضرة Lecture

13 FEB

15 FEB

Art & Diplomacy

المؤتمرات والديبلوماسية

مؤتمرات مؤتمرات

مركز الامريكاني الثقافي Amricani Cultural Centre

9 صباحاً 9 am

مشروع السنونو: خامات الكترونية

The Sununu Project: Electric Textures

حصّة الحميفي Hussah al-Humaidhi

7 مساءً 7pm

مركز اليرموك الثقافي Yarmouk Cultural Centre

موسيقى Music

15 FEB

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## 'We have many lessons to learn from the leader's life'

# OICC honors NK Premachandran with 'award'

KUWAIT CITY, Feb 9: Leader K Karunakaran Karma Puraskaram organized by Overseas Indian Cultural Congress (OICC) Kuwait Alappuzha District Committee in memory of former Chief Minister Leader K Karunakaran was presented to NK Premachandran MP at a grand function held in Indian Community School (Senior) Salmiya, recently.

OICC Kuwait National Committee President Varghese Puthukulangara inaugurated the function. After a long break due to health reasons, Varghese Puthukulangara's emotional opening speech was received by the audience with cheers. He said that he will continue his service in the field of organizing activities for the expatriates in the future.

The Leader K Karunakaran Karma Award was then presented by Shaji Jobi, Platinum Sponsor of the award evening and CFO of OCS Kuwait.

After receiving the award in his reply speech NK Premachandran MP opined that contemporary Kerala politics have many lessons to learn from the leader's life and his leadership qualities and political skills paved the way for the revival of Congress and UDF.

Without any doubt Leader K Karunakaran is the 'Bhishmacharya' in Kerala politics who was the chief minister of the state four times and with all the pride he is receiving the first leader K Karunakaran Karma award for the best parliamentarian instituted by Kuwait OICC Alappuzha district committee in Leader's name.

OICC Alappuzha District Committee President Vipin Mangattu presided over the function and General Secretary Binoy Chandran welcomed the gathering. KMCC President Sharafuddin Kanneth, Samuel Chacko, BS Pillai, Varghese Joseph Maramon, Manoj Channapetta, Binu Chempalayam, Rajeev Naduvilemuri, Mathew Chennithala, Shibu Cherian and others spoke. Then various art programs were staged.

Biji Pallickal, Kalesh B Pillai, John Varghese, Johncy Samuel, Hari Pathiyoar, Kurian Thomas, Sabu Thomas, Sabu Kochukunju and others led the program.

Program Convener and OICC Alappuzha District Youth Wing President Manoj Roy expressed his gratitude for the meeting.



A flyer of the event.



International Academy for Sports and Culture students



ISAC students undergo training

## Int'l Academy for Sports & Culture starts functioning

The International Academy for Sports and Culture (ISAC) is an initiative launched with the sole intention of inculcating a healthy and ethical culture, creating a passion for excellence and sportsmanship in the way of sports and culture, and emotional manners. Students undergo constant training under the close supervision of expert trainers and mentors. Coaching classes are organized for students of different age groups like Foot-

ball, Basketball, Volleyball, Cricket, Swimming, Chess, Athletics etc.

The organizers said that they want to give individual attention to find out the true champion in every child by inculcating healthy sportsmanship, social competence and well-being of the student. Best and constructive support and cooperation is expected from all dear parents and well-wishers to support the initiative.

## Bags top prize

# IPS excels in Holy Quran recitation competition

KUWAIT CITY, Feb 9: The students of Indian Public School (IPS), Salmiya were a cut above as they bagged the coveted prizes in the Kuwait International Quran Recitation Competition organized by Khaitan International Pakistan School in collaboration with Kuwait Islamic Affairs from 28th November to 1st December 2022.

The competition was conducted for grades II to XII and outstanding performers in each grade were awarded. IPS students Hussain Mustafa Rafat of Class XIC,

Shaza Amin of IX B and Hamza Wasif of VIII D were the proud recipients of the First prize; Yaseen Mohammed of Class II D got the Second prize and Amnah Imtiaz of XII B got the Third Prize respectively.

The prize distribution ceremony was held on Feb 6, 2023 and the students received the Holy Quran and noteworthy gifts. The Principal Mrs Lucy A Cherian appreciated the students as well as their mentors, the Islamic Teachers Abdul Rahim and Mrs Sajida Durani for their remarkable performance.