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Upcoming cultural events at AUB

Beirut, Lebanon- 23/03/2015 - The American University of Beirut is holding the following cultural events in the next days:

- **AUB Museum to participate in ‘Night of the Museums’**

The AUB Archaeological Museum will take part in the “Night of the Museums” which will be observed by 10 museums in Lebanon, on Friday March 27. On that date, the AUB Museum will not close until 10:00 pm. The visit is free of charge.

The AUB Museum is the third oldest museum in the Middle East, after Cairo and Constantinople museums.

The Night of the Museums is a cultural event in which museums and cultural institutions remain open late into the night to introduce themselves to new potential patrons.

The first Night of Museums took place in Berlin in 1997.

- **First major international panel on Saadallah Wannous**

As part of the events surrounding the production of Sa’dallah Wannous’ *The Rape*, the AUB English Department will organize the first major international panel on the oeuvre and life of Sa’dallah Wannous, on Wednesday April 1 at 10am, at the Issam Fares Institute Auditorium. Such notable artists as the Lebanese novelist Elias Khoury and the Syrian theatre artist Mohammad al Attar, will join scholars such as Friederike Pannewick, a Professor of Literature at the University of Marburg and a scholar of Wannous’s work, Edward Ziter, chair of the department of theatre at Tisch School for the Arts and the author of a recently published study of contemporary Syrian theatre, and Nada Saab, from LAU, a translator and scholar of Arabic literature. Most interventions will be in English, and simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

REMINDER

AUB is also organizing the following artistic events this week:

❖ **Concert: When Opera meets Broadway**

On Tuesday March 24, at 8:00 pm, in Assembly Hall, the Zaki Nassif Program for Music at AUB will present the concert: “When Opera meets Broadway”, performed by the En Fa Mi Group.

Tickets will be on sale at the following locations:

-AUB Visitors’ Bureau (Monday-Friday, 10:00am-4:00pm / 2 hours before concert)

-Librairie Antoine - all branches

All proceeds from the concert will support the Zaki Nassif Program for Music at AUB

❖ **Exhibition at AUB Byblos Bank Gallery: This is the Time. This is the Record of the time”.**

AUB Art Galleries will open its exhibition “This is the Time. This is the Record of the Time” on Thursday, March 26 at 6 pm.

The exhibition is held at AUB Byblos Bank Gallery and will continue to Saturday July 25, opening Tuesday to Saturday 12pm to 6pm. The exhibition features nine works by nine artists specially commissioned for the exhibit. The artists will be present in the opening ceremony.

❖ **Classical Concert**

On Saturday, March 28, 8:00pm, in Assembly Hall, Hamazkayin in coordination with AUB presents a classical concert by Shoghig Torossian. All are welcome.

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Note to Editors

About AUB

Founded in 1866, the American University of Beirut bases its educational philosophy, standards, and practices on the American liberal arts model of higher education. A teaching-centered research university, AUB has more than 700 full-time faculty members and a student body of about 8,000 students. AUB currently offers more than 100 programs leading to the bachelor’s, master’s, MD, and PhD degrees. It provides medical education and training to students from throughout the region at its Medical Center that includes a full service 420-bed hospital.

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