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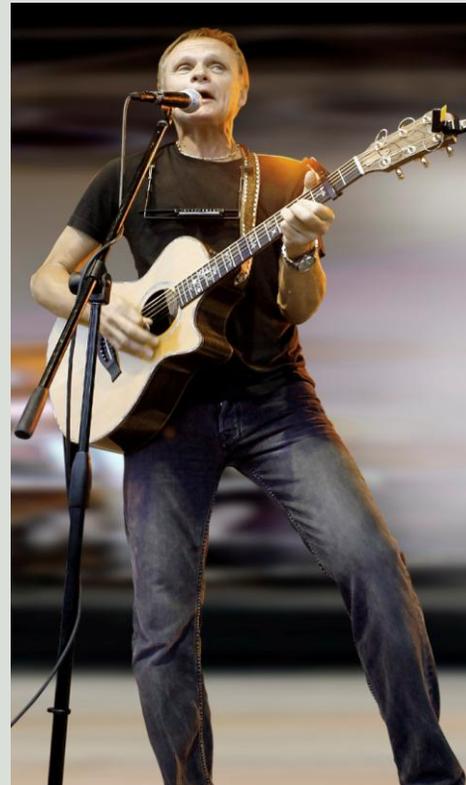
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Thank You!

American Folk Musician Jonathan Edwards Rocks Jerusalem and the West Bank



The U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem hosted American folk rock legend Jonathan Edwards for a cultural exchange program that included several live concert performances and workshops in the West Bank and Jerusalem, from July 16-19, 2011.

عازف الروك الأمريكي جوناثان إدواردز يحيي عروض في القدس والضفة الغربية

استضافت القنصلية الأمريكية العامة في القدس اسطورة الروك الأمريكي جوناثان إدواردز في برنامج تبادل ثقافي ضم عدة عروض فنية في الضفة الغربية والقدس الشرقية من 16 ولغاية 19 تموز.

Secretary Clinton on Combating Religious Intolerance



“No country, including my own, has a monopoly on truth or a secret formula for ethnic and religious harmony. This takes hard work and persistence and patience. But wherever we come from and however we worship, all of us can do more in our own lives, in our positions of leadership, and in our communities, to bridge the divides that separate us. Here in Istanbul, which for so long has symbolized a bridge between cultures and continents, we have the opportunity to recommit ourselves to this goal.”

تصريحات الوزيرة كلينتون حول مكافحة التعصب الديني

“لا يوجد أي بلد، بما في ذلك بلدي، يملك احتكاراً للحقيقة أو لصيغة سرية تؤمن الانسجام العرقي والديني. يتطلب ذلك القيام بعمل جاد والمثابرة والصبر. ولكن بغض النظر عن المكان الذي جننا منه ومهما كانت طريقة عبادتنا، نستطيع جميعاً أن نفعل أكثر في حياتنا الخاصة، في مراكزنا القيادية، وفي مجتمعاتنا الأهلية لراب صدع الانقسامات التي تفصل فيما بيننا. وهنا في اسطنبول، التي طالما ظلت الجسر الذي يربط بين الثقافات والقارات، سنحت لنا الفرصة لتعيد الالتزام بتحقيق هذا الهدف.”

U.S. Consulate Support for Strong Economic Reporting Highlighted During Discussion with American Economic Reporting Expert



On July 14, the U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem sponsored a digital video conference on economic and business reporting with Professor Chris Roush, a well-known American expert on business and economic reporting and the relationship between business and the media. Over 25 Palestinian journalists and editors from Palestinian media outlets as well as representatives from several local organizations that promote business and economic development including the Palestinian Business Women Forum, Young Entrepreneurs Palestine, and the Palestinian Authority Ministry of National Economy participated in the interactive discussion on economic reporting-related topics.

القنصلية الأمريكية العامة تركز على أهمية الصحافة الاقتصادية الفلسطينية

استضافت القنصلية الأمريكية العامة في القدس لقاء عبر الفيديو كونفرنس حول الصحافة الاقتصادية مع البروفيسور كريس راوش وهو خبير أمريكي معروف متخصص بالتغطية الإعلامية للأخبار الاقتصادية وأخبار المال والأعمال والعلاقة بين الأعمال والإعلام. وقد شارك في الجلسة أكثر من 25 صحفي ومحرر اقتصادي من وسائل الإعلام الفلسطينية بالإضافة لممثلين عن عدة مؤسسات اقتصادية محلية. وتأتي هذه الجلسة ضمن جهود القنصلية الأمريكية في تشجيع التنمية الاقتصادية ودعم جهود مؤسسات الإعلام الفلسطينية لتعزيز دقة وجودة التغطية الإخبارية حول مواضيع التنمية الاقتصادية المحلية والإقليمية والدولية. وخلال الجلسة ناقش البروفيسور راوش أفضل الطرق التي بإمكان المرسلين الإقتصاديين و المحررين اتباعها لتحري الدقة والموضوعية في التغطية. كما ناقشوا العلاقة بين الإقتصاد بشكل عام و الصحافة الاقتصادية بما فيها كيفية تأثيرها على تقدم الإقتصاد الوطني وكيف يؤثر غياب التحليل العميق سلبيًا على نمو الإقتصاد المحلي. وقد أشار راوش في حديثه خلال الجلسة إلى أهمية التغطية الاقتصادية في نقل الصورة الحقيقية للتنمية الاقتصادية لأنه "كلما زادت جودة الصحافة الاقتصادية كلما زادت فرص الإقتصاد في النمو.

Ahla Saut - Ghaneeha! Rocks Ramallah!

Congratulations to this year's winner: Aseel Agha

أسيل أغا حاملة لقب احلى صوت غنيها 2011

بدعم من القنصلية الأمريكية العامة في القدس وتنفيذ و اشراف مركز تطوير التعليم، عقد الحفل الختامي لبرنامج احلى صوت غنيها، ومن على خشبة مسرح وسينماتك القصة، وبعد تفاعل غير مسبوق من قبل الجمهور مع ثمانية مواهب فلسطينية غنائية شابة، ووسط ترقب حذر وانتظار نتائج التصويت وقرار لجنة التحكيم، تم اعلان حامل لقب برنامج احلى صوت .. غنيها - 2011 المتسابقة "أسيل أغا"، والفائز الثاني " غسان مشعل"، حيث تنافس على الحصول على اللقب ثمانية متسابقين وهم: باري جدعون - بيت لحم، دانا القاضي - الخليل، سعيد زرزور - بيت لحم، احمد مزعرو - القدس، غسان مشعل، القدس، محمد عباسي القدس، اسيل اغا - رام



For more pictures from last night's Ghaneeha! finale check out our [Facebook](#) page!!

- **Fulbright Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) Program:** The U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem Announces the AY 2012 Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant Program The U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem is pleased to announce the AY 2012 competition for the Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant (FLTA) program. The Fulbright FLTA program is an integral part of the Fulbright student program. The nine month, non-degree program will host around 125 Arabic FLTAs from Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Oman, the Palestinian Territories, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, the United Arab Emirates, and Yemen.

The FLTA program, funded by the State Department Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), is aimed at strengthening foreign language instruction at U.S. colleges and universities, and some high schools, while providing future foreign teachers of English with the opportunity to refine their skills, increase their English language proficiency and extend their knowledge of U.S. society and culture. FLTA fellows spend nine months during the academic year serving as teaching assistants at U.S. educational institutions while also taking courses in English teaching and American Studies as non-degree students. FLTAs also interact with their host communities in conversation groups, extracurricular activities and community outreach projects.

FLTA fellows may teach up to two language classes and are required to enroll in at least two courses per semester, one of which must be in American studies. The remaining coursework must relate to their careers in English language teaching. FLTA fellows will also be expected to facilitate cultural events, language clubs and language tables.

FLTA fellows will be required to attend a regional orientation arranged by ECA during the summer of 2010 before arriving in the United States in August. FLTA fellows will also be required to attend a mid-year enrichment workshop that will be hosted by ECA in the United States to share and discuss foreign language best practices and their current teaching experiences with other FLTA fellows. Application Guidelines: Interested candidates are required to submit an on-line application via the on-line system at the following website: <https://apply.embark.com/student/fulbright/flta/>

Deadline: Friday, August 5, 2011. Inquiries:

West Bank/East Jerusalem residents:

Tel: (02) 622-7172, or by email to exchanges@state.gov

Gaza Residents: (08) 286-4623, or by email to exchanges@state.gov

- **The Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars** is pleased to announce the opening of its 2012-2013 Fellowship competition. The Center awards approximately 20-25 academic year residential fellowships to individuals from any country with outstanding project proposals on national and/or international issues. The Center accepts non-advocacy, policy-relevant, fellowship proposals that address key challenges of past, present, and future issues confronting the United States and the world. Applicants must hold a doctorate or have equivalent professional experience. The Center also supports projects that intersect with contemporary policy issues and provide the historical and/or cultural context for some of today's significant public policy issues. Fellows are provided stipends (which include round trip travel), private offices, Windows based personal computers, loan privileges with the Library of Congress, and part-time research assistants.

For more information and application guidelines please contact the Center at:

Tel: 202-691-4170; Fax: 202-691-4001; E mail: fellowships@wilsoncenter.org.

You can apply online or download the application from the Center's website at <http://www.wilsoncenter.org/fellowshipapplication/>

Deadline: October 1, 2011

- **CRDF Global announces first Global Innovation through Science and Technology (GIST) competition:**

Innovators, scientists, and entrepreneurs are encouraged to participate in GIST's multinational technology idea competition. From July 1 through October 31, CRDF Global will accept two-minute video entries that present technological solutions to economic problems. Twenty-five semi-finalists will be selected by popular vote on the GIST website and will receive coaching and training. In late 2011 an expert panel will award \$20,000 to the grand prize winner. The top 11 concepts will receive a total of \$60,000. Judges will look for individuals or teams who embrace risk from the GIST-eligible countries, which include the Middle East and North Africa. The idea should have market traction. The applicant must not have raised capital for the idea before, cannot be incorporated, and be willing to form a new company. Here is more information:

<http://gist.crdfglobal.org/gist-programs/regional-competitions>

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