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State's Posner on Political Transitions in Middle East



"This moment of profound transformation was generated by the peoples of the Middle East, and they are the ones who will shape their future... As citizens and leaders in the Middle East and North Africa move down the path of democratic change, we will support their efforts. And we look forward to the day when all the citizens of the region, men and women of all faiths, are able to have their voices heard, their rights respected, and their aspirations met."

مسؤول أميركي يستعرض طفرات الحرية والديمقراطية في الشرق

الأوسط وشمال أفريقيا

"بصورة أساسية، لقد ولدت شعوب الشرق الأوسط هذه اللحظة من التحول العميق وهي بالذات التي سوف تُشكّل مستقبلها. ولكن لدى الولايات المتحدة مصلحة في نجاحها وتقف إلى جانب أولئك الموجودين عبر المنطقة الذين يعملون على تحقيق تغيير ديمقراطي سلمي. اننا ملتزمون بمستقبل هذه المنطقة حيث توجد لنا العديد من المصالح الرئيسية ونؤمن بطاقة شعوبها. ومع سلوك المواطنين والقادة في الشرق الأوسط وشمال أفريقيا الطريق المؤدي إلى التغيير الديمقراطي، سوف ندعم جهودهم وسوف نتطلع بثقة قداماً إلى اليوم الذي يتمكن فيه جميع المواطنين في المنطقة، رجالاً، ونساءً من جميع الأديان، من إسماع أصواتهم، من احترام حقوقهم وتلبية مطالبهم. إننا نتطلع بثقة قداماً للاستمرار بالعمل مع هذه اللجنة ومع الكونغرس للمساعدة في جعل ذلك المستقبل حقيقة."

Palestinian Teenager Wins Recognition in Events Management



In 2010, President Obama invited Waed al Taweel to the Presidential Summit on Entrepreneurship in Washington. She was the youngest participant and a speaker on the panel on youth entrepreneurship. Babson College President Len Schlesinger was so impressed with her that he offered her a scholarship to study in the master of business administration program at his school. At that time, al Taweel had an idea for a recreation and entertainment center for young Palestinians in the West Bank. "I want it to be a unique gathering place, to combine fun and personal growth," al Taweel said.

شابة فلسطينية صغيرة تفوز بجائزة تقدير في إدارة المناسبات والأحداث الخاصة

في عام 2010، دعا الرئيس أوباما الطويل لحضور القمة الرئاسية لرواد الأعمال في واشنطن. وكانت الطويل أصغر المشتركات سناً وتحدثت في حلقة نقاش حول روح ريادة الأعمال لدى الشباب. تأثر بها رئيس كلية بابسون، لن شلزينجر، إلى درجة أنه قدم لها منحة دراسية للحصول على درجة الماجستير في برنامج إدارة الأعمال في كليته.

The U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem Announces the AY 2012 Fulbright Science and Technology Scholarship PHD Student Program

The Fulbright Science and Technology Scholarship is a highly selective program for Ph.D. study at top U.S. institutions in science, technology, or engineering. Approximately 40 awards will be competed worldwide for candidates who demonstrate unique aptitude and innovation in scientific fields. Scholarships will be awarded to applicants who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership qualities, and a commitment to improving cross-cultural relations through international exchange. Students will be enrolled for Ph.D. study at top U.S. universities in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and math beginning in fall 2012 for academic year 2012-2013.

The fellowship will provide the following benefits: Activities, tuition and fees; A monthly stipend for up to 36 months; Book and equipment, research and professional conference allowances; J-1 visa sponsorship for up to five years; Round-trip airfare from fellow's home city to the host institution in the United States; Health and accident coverage as per U.S. Government guidelines; and specially tailored enrichment activities. After three years, the host U.S. University will be expected to cover the remaining expenses toward completion of the Ph.D. J-1 visa sponsorship will be provided for up to five years.

Eligible fields include: aeronautics and astronomic/aeronautical engineering, agriculture and aeronautical engineering, astronomy/planetary sciences, biology, biomedical engineering, chemistry, computer sciences/engineering, energy, engineering (electrical, chemical, civil, mechanical, ocean, and petroleum), environmental science/engineering, geology/earth and atmospheric sciences, information sciences and systems (engineering focus only), materials science/engineering, mathematics, neuroscience, oceanography, public health (biostatistics and epidemiology) and physics.

A completed online International Fulbright Science and Technology Application which is located at <https://apply.embark.com/student/fulbright/international>. Also, please complete, sign and send your application to exchanges@state.gov.

Deadline and inquiries:

May 16th, 2011 Late applications will NOT be accepted.

West Bank/East Jerusalem residents: Tel: (02) 622-7172 or 0545-420953 email: exchanges@state.gov

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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.

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Useful Links and Resources

[Youth Entrepreneurship:](#)

Today's young people are more connected to each other and to the wider world than any previous generation. Many reject the status quo because they see alternatives, know that a better life is within grasp and are willing to reach for it. That's how U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton described the youth of the Middle East and North Africa on April 12. But this description can be applied to youth almost anywhere. This publication discusses many of the opportunities and challenges of being an entrepreneur today. It also discusses — and debunks — persistent myths about entrepreneurship. If you are a young person interested in exploring the path of entrepreneur, you can read about how some of your peers have started their ventures and set off on a new path in life: [1st story](#), [2nd story](#), [3rd story](#)

[Debunking the Myths about Entrepreneurship](#)

[تفنيد ودحض الخرافات حول ريادة الأعمال](#)

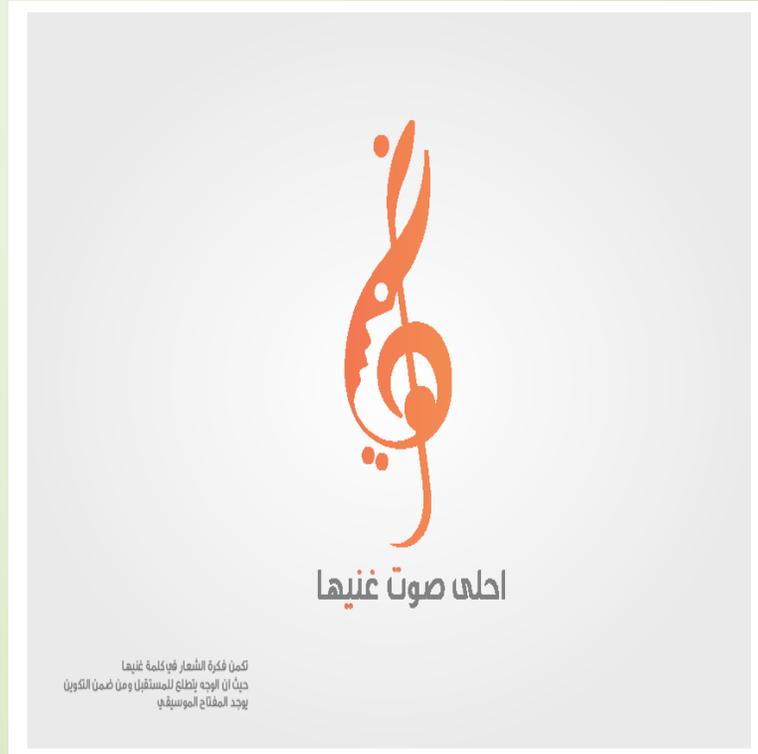
Social Media

Egyptian Blogger Wael Abbas: "**Social Media** Is Tool for Democratic Change"
See this [video](#) that features Egyptian blogger Wael Abbas.

And join us to learn more about what Arab American civil society is doing to support change in the Middle East. This [Arabic-English language webchat](#) that will take place on May 18, features Egyptian American businessman Hossam Abdel-Maksoud and business and social entrepreneur Ron Bruder. They will discuss their joint efforts to support transformation in the Middle East through their organizations Egyptian American Community Foundation and Education for Employment (in Jordan, Egypt, Morocco, Yemen, West Bank, Gaza and will be opening an office in Tunisia).

We are proud to announce the [All New Talent Competition](#):

Ahla Sout...Ghaneeha! Join us for auditions this month in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Nablus! And watch the competition on Wattan TV in June and July!



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