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**Official Websites:**

<http://jerusalem.usconsulate.gov>

<http://arabic.jerusalem.usconsulate.gov>

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## **“A Moment of Opportunity”**



“For six months, we have witnessed an extraordinary change taking place in the Middle East and North Africa. Square by square, town by town, country by country, the people have risen up to demand their basic human rights. Two leaders have stepped aside. More may follow. And though these countries may be a great distance from our shores, we know that our own future is bound to this region by the forces of economics and security, by history and by faith.”

## [Secretary Clinton's Introduction to President Obama's Speech on Middle East and North Africa](#)



"This moment belongs to the people of the Middle East and North Africa. They have seized control of their destiny and will make the choices that determine how the future of the region unfolds.

But, for America, this is a moment that calls out for clear vision, firm principles, and a sophisticated understanding of the indispensable role our country can and must play in the world. Those have been the hallmarks of President Obama's leadership from his first day in office."

### **See Also:**

[U.S. Policy in the Middle East and North Africa](#)

[Secretary Clinton Interview with Katie Couric of CBS News](#)

## U.S. Consulate General Hosts Bazaar in Support of Women Entrepreneurs

On May 12, the U.S. Consulate General in Jerusalem and America House hosted a bazaar showcasing local handicrafts produced by Palestinian women entrepreneurs from throughout the West Bank, Gaza Strip, and East Jerusalem. The bazaar brought together thirty artists, merchants, designers, and manufacturers of goods, including traditional Palestinian embroidery, hand-made soap, jewelry, foodstuffs, ceramics, and stone- and glass-ware. The bazaar was held at the YWCA in Sheikh Jarrah, Jerusalem.



### القنصلية الأمريكية العامة تستضيف بازار لدعم النساء الرياديات

استضافت القنصلية الأمريكية العامة والبيت الأمريكي في القدس اليوم بازارا لعرض المصنوعات اليدوية المحلية لسيدات فلسطينيات رياديات من مختلف أنحاء الضفة الغربية وقطاع غزة والقدس الشرقية. وقد عرض البازار قطع تطريزية فلسطينية تقليدية وصابون وحلي ومأكولات وسيراميك ومواد مصنوعة من الزجاج والحجر لأكثر من 30 سيدة .

## **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](mailto:exchanges@state.gov)

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

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## Regional News

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[Remarks by President Obama and King Abdullah II of Jordan](#)

[Secretary Clinton Meets Jordanian King Abdullah II \(video\)](#)

[U.S. Sanctions on Syrian President, Six Senior Officials](#)

[Counterterrorism Adviser Brennan's Call with President of Yemen](#)

[Remarks by National Security Advisor Donilon on Middle East](#)

[U.S. Entrepreneur and Arabs Partner for Job Growth](#)

[فحوى مكالمة مستشار شؤون مكافحة الإرهاب جون برنن مع الرئيس البين](#)

[نص كلمة مستشار الرئيس الأميركي للأمن القومي دونيلون حول الشرق الأوسط](#)

[نص تصريحى الرئيس أوباما والعاقل الأردنى](#)

[شراكة بين رائد أعمال اجتماعى أميركى والشباب العرب لتنمية فرص العمل](#)

[كلمة الوزيرة كلينتون قبل اجتماعها بالعاقل الأردنى](#)

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## Other Useful Subjects and Links

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[Secretary Clinton on U.S. International Strategy for Cyberspace \(video\)](#)

See the White House [blogs](#) on this subject.

Also: [U.S. Seeks Global Consensus for Open, Secure Cyberspace](#)



[Dr. Suzan Johnson Cook sworn in as Ambassador-at-Large for International Religious Freedom](#)