

QATAR NATIONAL LIBRARY PLANS A SERIES OF ENGAGING EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER

QNL Invites Qatari Community to Participate In Upcoming Events

Doha, Qatar, 3 November 2015: Qatar National Library (QNL), a member of Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development (QF), is organising a series of social and educational activities throughout November aimed at engaging members of the community.

The month of November kicks off with the inaugural Music Movie Night this evening featuring 'Blue Note-A Story of Modern Jazz', a movie on the famous jazz label established in 1939 showing the rise of modern jazz including interviews and live footage of some of the greatest jazz performers of their time. Participants will be given a brief introduction to the movie and will have a chance to discuss at the end. The movie was chosen from the QNL Online Resources.

Through these events, QNL exemplifies its firm commitment to QF's mission to unlock human potential and preserve the nation's history for future generations. By sharing valuable information and cultivating creativity, QNL supports QF's efforts to foster a progressive society, while preserving Qatar's and the Arab and Islamic world's heritage.

This month's Book Discussion series will feature 'The Holy Sail', written by Qatari author Abdulaziz Al Mahmoud. The novel brings to life events from the turn of the 15th century when the Gulf region faced the Portuguese fleet targeting to control the region's spice trade. The author delivers a riveting account of the medieval world of Lisbon, Cairo, Jeddah and Istanbul with re-occurring themes of love, honour and nobility.

Teenagers and families are invited to participate in 'CreaTeens', an event focusing on nurturing the imagination and creativity of teenagers through interactive activities including educational and entertaining activities such as electronic games, team activities and crafts and puzzles. Lastly, a training session will take place on selected science databases, covering MarinLit, Merck Index Online, Royal Society of Chemistry, Taylor and Francis, Springer Link and Nature.

Furthermore, this month, QNL will take part in various regional and international events including the International Istanbul Book Fair and the Philippine Librarians Associations Inc (PLAI) National Congress to share the progress of Qatar's Libraries with an international audience.

Various teams from QNL have recently participated in the Frankfurt Book Fair and the 26th Annual Arab Federation for Libraries and Information (AFLI) Conference that was held in Amman, Jordan.

Details of the events taking place in November:



Music Movie Night: Blue Note-A Story of Modern Jazz 1.

Venue: Al Khor Room, Education City Clubhouse

Date: 4 November, 2015 Time: 6:00pm-8:00pm

2. Book Discussion - 'The Holy Sail'

Venue: TV Lounge, HBKU Student Centre, Education City

Date: 11 November, 2015 Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

3. Training Session on 'Selected Science Databases'

Venue: Computer Labs, HBKU Student Centre, Education City

Date: 13 November, 2015 **Time:** 2:00 pm – 6:30 pm

4. Children's Event - 'CreaTeens

Venue: Recreation Centre, Education City

Date: 26 November, 2015 **Time**: 4:00 pm – 6:00pm

For more information on upcoming events, please visit: http://qnl.qa/news-events/all-news

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Qatar National Library - Bridging with knowledge Qatar's and the Arab and Islamic world's heritage and future

Qatar National Library (QNL) is a non-profit organisation under the umbrella of Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development (QF). QNL is supporting Qatar on its journey from a carbon-based economy to knowledge-based economy by providing resources to students, researchers, and the community in Qatar. It was announced in November 2012 by Her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser, Chairperson of Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development.

QNL carries out its mission through three functions: National Library, University and Research Library, and a Metropolitan Public Library of the digital age. The National Library function collects and provides access to global knowledge relevant to Qatar and the region. It also collects, preserves, and provides access to heritage content and materials about Qatar and the region. The University and Research Library function supports education and research at all levels by providing printed and digital library materials for students and researchers. Metropolitan Public Library delivers library services and information for everyone to enjoy reading, meet people, and become information literate.

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