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KUWAIT

25 october - 3 november

aspen gallery

'prophecy'
vian sora

After showing in Baghdad, Ankara, Istanbul, Copenhagen, Dubai, Amman, Rome, Zurich and Paris, Iraqi painter Vian Sora returns to Aspen Gallery with her latest collection. Weaving aspects of Arabian life with Contemporary imagery, her Expressionist works offer a glimpse of the mysteries of the past. The signature leather-like surfaces become backdrops for colours, shapes, shadows and symbols and draw one away from the normal burdens of modern life.



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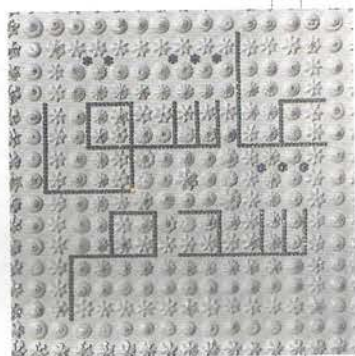
KUWAIT

27 october - 15 november

dar al-funoon

'wedding'
farhad moshiri

After exhibiting in Dubai, artist Farhad Moshiri brings his new collection to Kuwait. Exploring themes of love and marriage, his good-enough-to-eat works are produced with the help of an icing-dispenser. Mimicking the curls and flourishes of wedding cakes, and all that is sweet and sugary, this is a departure from the crackled and glazed pots that he is known for. With exhibitions in London, New York, Rome and Zurich, this is an exhibition guaranteed to sate your appetite, as well as your artistic senses.



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MANAMA

4 october - 31 december

la fontaine centre of contemporary art

'the doors to yemen: 3000 years of art and civilisation'

This is a glorious journey into the ancient kingdom of Sabaa - perhaps better known as Sheba. Explore the legend of the Queen of Sheba and King Solomon, immortalised in both the Qur'an and the Bible, and revisit the culture of the ancient South Arabians through an array of jewellery, embroidery and textiles. From frankincense and myrrh, to the start of Islam in Yemen, highlights of the exhibition include a lecture and book signing by Khadija Al-Salami, on the occasion of her latest book 'Tears of Sheba'.



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MUSCAT

29 october - 8 november

bait muzna gallery

'recent works'
karen carpenter

A resident of Oman for the past decade, artist Karen Carpenter draws inspiration for her mainly figurative works. From local culture to tradition, she is also influenced by the quality of light in the region.

Carpenter's art employs a variety of different media, including acrylics, oil, charcoal and pastels. Capturing the details of everyday life, her compositions are full of Omani colour and celebrate its traditions and way of life.



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