

Newsletter

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The quarterly newsletter of ECEB aims to present the main cultural activities and events that were organized during the past three months. It also highlights the latest news and announcements that could be of interest to the academic community.

ECEB Participates in the Largest Annual Cultural Event in Washington DC "Around the World"



Thousands of visitors experienced the rich culture of Egypt during the largest cultural event in DC "Around the World" which enables visitors to visit the embassies of different countries, and explore their culture in one day.

The Egyptian Cultural and Educational Bureau showcased the affluent heritage of Egypt through varied engaging activities. A live performance of Tannoura and Tahteeb; the latter is one of the Egyptian intangible heritage listed on the UNESCO world heritage list, attracted the visitors and received thier praise.

The visitors acknowledged the Arabic calligraphy display, and enjoyed writing their names in Arabic and in hieroglyphs.

Tthousands of visitors queued paitently to visit the museum at the Egyptian Cultural and Educational Bureau, and both children and adults enjoyed Henna tattoos, coloring activities, music, and Egyptian handmade artifacts.

The Photo Booth, Egyptian koshary and tannoura performance were the highlights of the day.



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ANCIENT EGYPT IN THE EYES OF MEDIEVAL ARAB SCHOLARS

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ANCIENT EGYPT IN THE EYES OF MEDIEVAL ARAB SCHOLARS

Ancient Egyptian heritage has always fascinated visitors to Egypt. Due to the fame of Egypt as the land of science and wisdom, many medieval Arab scholars visited the country to study its heritage and ancient scriptures. Some of them were chemists, others were sufis, yet all their efforts contributed to a better understanding of ancient Egypt.

The medieval interest to study Ancient Egypt was discussed in the lecture of Dr. Okasha El-Daly on 13th June, and the lecture explained how the efforts of the Medieval Arab scholars paved the road to European scholars and contributed to the establishment of Egyptology as a field of study.

ECEB Participates in the Muslim Women Association's Bazaar



ECEB participated as part of the Egyptian Embassy in the annual bazaar organized by the Muslim Women Association, on 11 May, by showcasing handmade artifacts reflecting the unique Egyptian heritage.

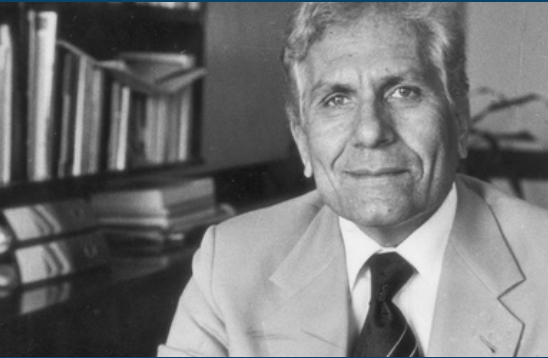


ECEB Participates in the Cultural Day at Charles Drew Elementary School



ECEB participated in the "International Cultural Day" at Charles Drew Elementary School on 17 May. The children learned about Egypt through writing their names in hieroglyphics, coloring Egyptian scenes, and taking photos dressed in Egyptian clothes.





Celebrating the birth anniversary of the Egyptian novelist Yusuf Idris (May 1927- Aug. 1991) in May, the members of the ECEB book club spent the month reading his works. The Book Club members discussed Yusuf Idris's famous novels and short stories such as "The Cheapest Nights", "The Forbidden", "The Sin", "The Black Soldier", "The Critical Moments" and "Al-Farafeer".

The discussion highlighted the features of Yusuf Idris books, and his writing style, reflecting on the Egyptian society when his stories were issued.

ECEB Book Club Members Read Yusuf Idris's Works

The Egyptian Community Celebrates Eid Al-Adha at ECEB

On the 16th June, a large number of the Egyptian community together with guests from Uzbekistan, Pakistan, Tunisia, Sudan, Morocco and USA gathered to celebrate Eid al-Adha at the Egyptian Cultural Bureau. Imam Bashar Arafat, director of CECF, led the prayer and highlighted, in his khutba, the significance of the Eid and symbolism of sacrifice.

The families enjoyed the warm atmosphere of the celebration, the workshops for children to make sheep, and the gifts for the children.



The Taste of Egypt



The Egyptian Cultural and Educational Bureau organized, on 28 June, a cultural event titled “The Taste of Egypt” about the culinary heritage of Egypt. Aida Mady, the author of “Heart to Heart”, a book about the famous Egyptian dishes, presented an engaging presentation about the rich culinary heritage, some traditional dishes, and the origin of some Egyptian recipes. Aida focused on dates, and her demonstration showed the various usage of dates as the main component in a wide range of dishes and desserts. The attendees enjoyed learning and tasting samples of Egyptian herbs, spices, and date ball desserts.



Leaders Initiative Summer Intern Students Visit ECEB

The Egyptian Cultural and Educational Bureau welcomed a visit of 45 students of the Leadership Initiative Summer Internship Program as part of their program to explore world countries, learn about leadership skills, and gain real-world experience. Dr. Heba Saad, the Cultural Attaché presented an overview of Egypt, highlighting its history, heritage, traditions and customs, and most recent achievements. A rich discussion was held with the students who were eager to learn about the Egyptians nowadays, and the role of ECEB in the USA.



ECEB Book Club



ECEB Book Club members had a special reading experience in June, reading books on psychology. They met to discuss the books of Dr. Mohamad Taha, Dr. Emad Rashad Othman, and Dr. Yousuf Al-Hosny. The discussion revealed the importance of reading on psychology to raise awareness about types of personalities, and how to deal with each type, and to help us solve our daily-life problems.



The Egyptian Embassy in Washington DC celebrated the National Day, featuring the 23rd of July revolution. Ambassador Motaz Zahran invited American guests, the technical offices of the embassy, and the Egyptian community to the reception held for the occasion.

In his speech, Ambassador Zahran highlighted the strong relations between Egypt and the USA, and emphasized the pivotal role of Egypt in the region.

Prof. Dr. Heba Saad, the Cultural Attaché, and Mrs Dalia Zahir, the Administrative Attaché, attended the event.

The Egyptian Embassy of Egypt Celebrates the National Day



ECEB participates in EducationUSA Forum

On 31 July, the Egyptian Cultural and Educational Bureau participated in "EducationUSA Forum, " an annual forum organized to connect American Universities and counterparties worldwide, and discuss educational issues. Dr. Heba Saad, the Cultural Attaché, provided information about Egyptian universities, and opportunities for study in Egypt through the "Study in Egypt" and EGY-AID initiative.



Cultural Attachés Meet to Plan for WINTERNATIONAL



Preparing for Winternational, a large cultural event to showcase the diversity and variety of cultures, representatives of embassies and cultural attachés of more than 50 countries met to discuss the preparations for the intended event in December.



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Latest News

- Signing MOU between Western University for Health Sciences and Alexandria University.
- Signing MOU between James Madison University and Alamein International University

Upcoming Events

- Opening of “Embassy of Knowledge” at ECEB to provide all the resources of Alexandria Library at ECEB.
- Talant Show for Egyptian Youth.
- Lecture: Prof. Betsy Bryan speaks about the ancient Egyptian civilization.

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