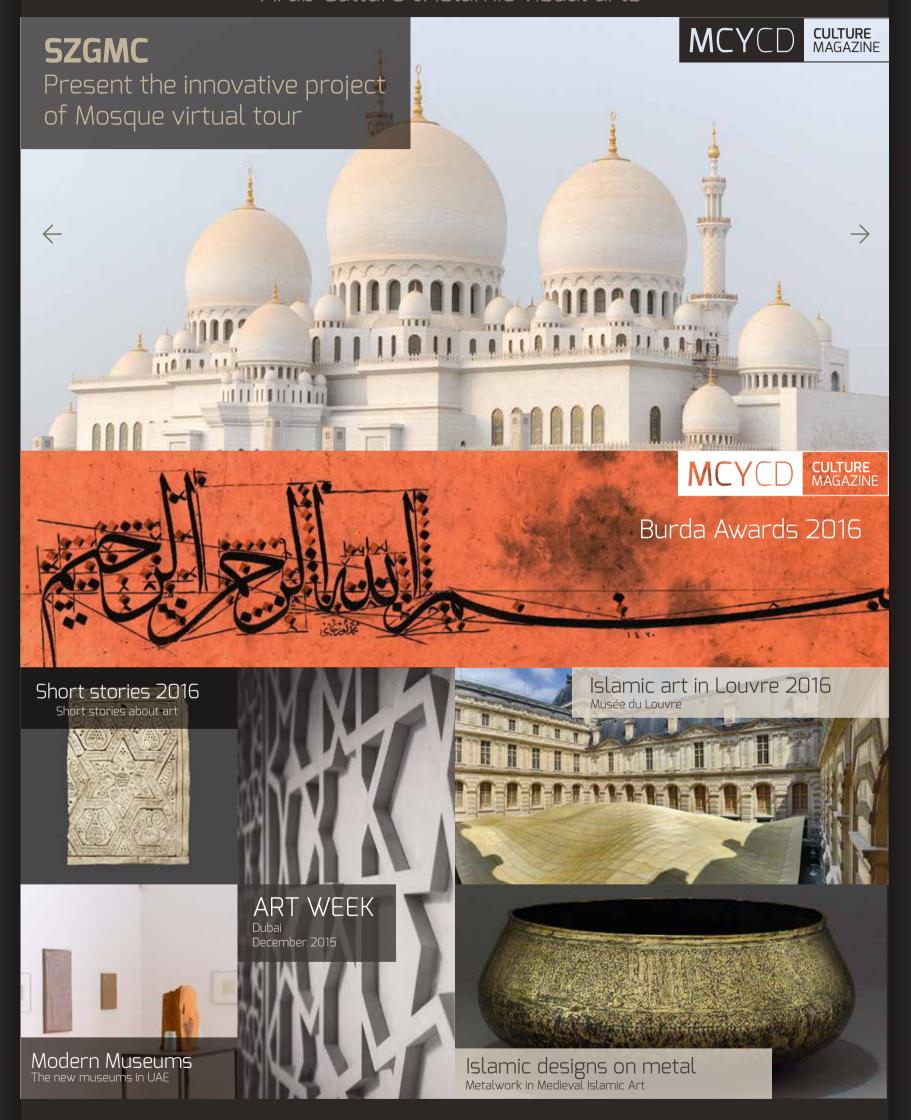
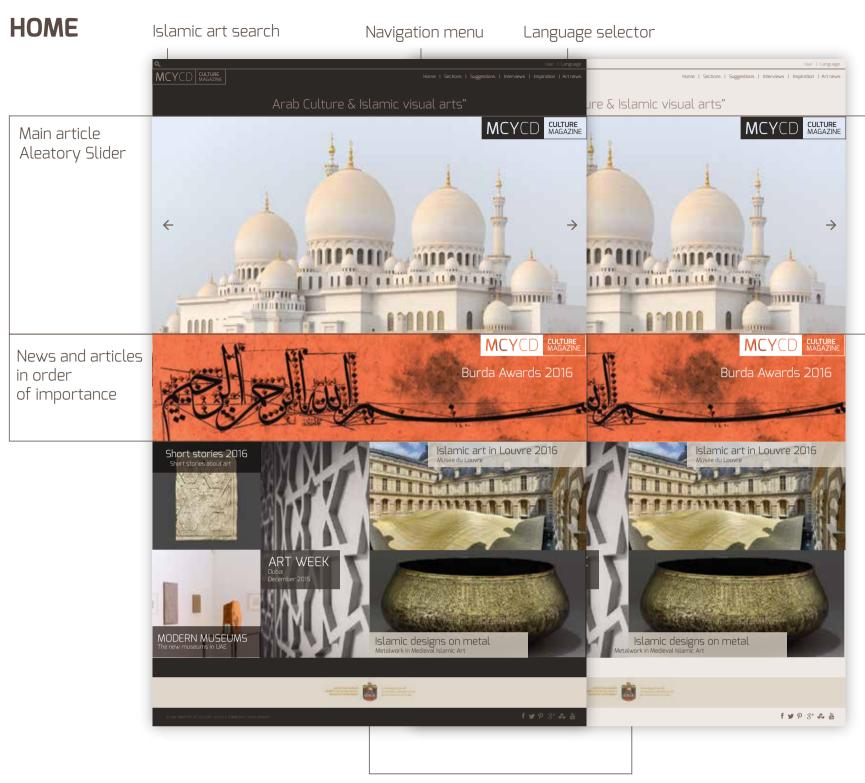




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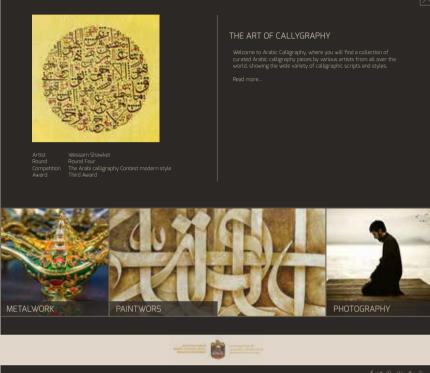
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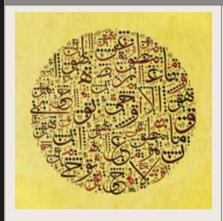
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The magazine is a digest of some of the best arts and cultural journalism in the arab culture and islamic arts. The MCYCD team select every day, news, events, articles and interviews of interest to artists, culture lovers, teachers and students.





First Electronic Cultural, Arabic and Islamic Art Museum

The Ministry of Culture, Youth and Community Development launched yesterday evening the "First Electroniic Cultural, Arabic and Islamic Art Museum" on the Internet and smart



Persian Islamic calligraphy style Nasj

Heavenly persian pictoric calligraphy. Artist: N. Afyehi



Calligraphy in Islamic art

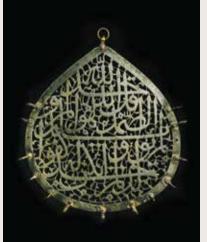
The genius of Islamic calligraphy lies not only in the endless creativity and versatility, but also in the balance struck by calligraphers between transmitting a text and expressing its meaning through a formal aesthetic code.



New Imam Hussain as Zari.

Installation of New Zarih at Imam Hussain's Shrine Begins.





Medallion decorated with calligraphy

Designs with calligraphy were created out of many different materials. Yet calligraphy often imitates the technical effects of pen on paper, even when it appears on other media.



Celestial - Pictorial Persian Calligraphy - Afyehi

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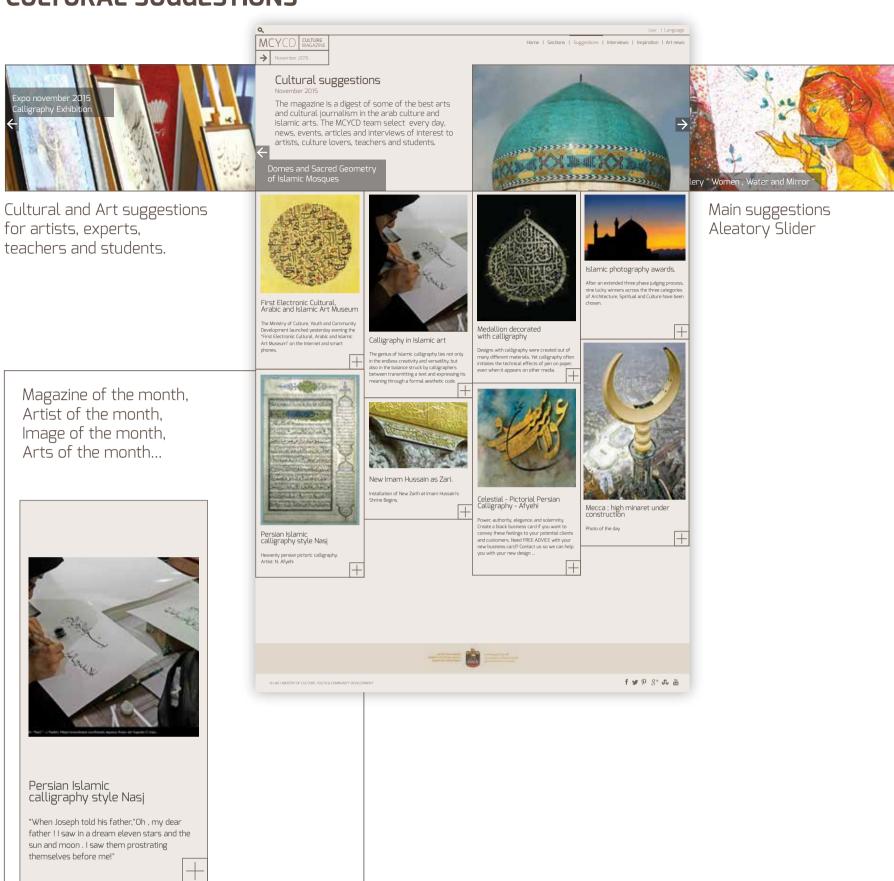


Mecca; high minaret under construction

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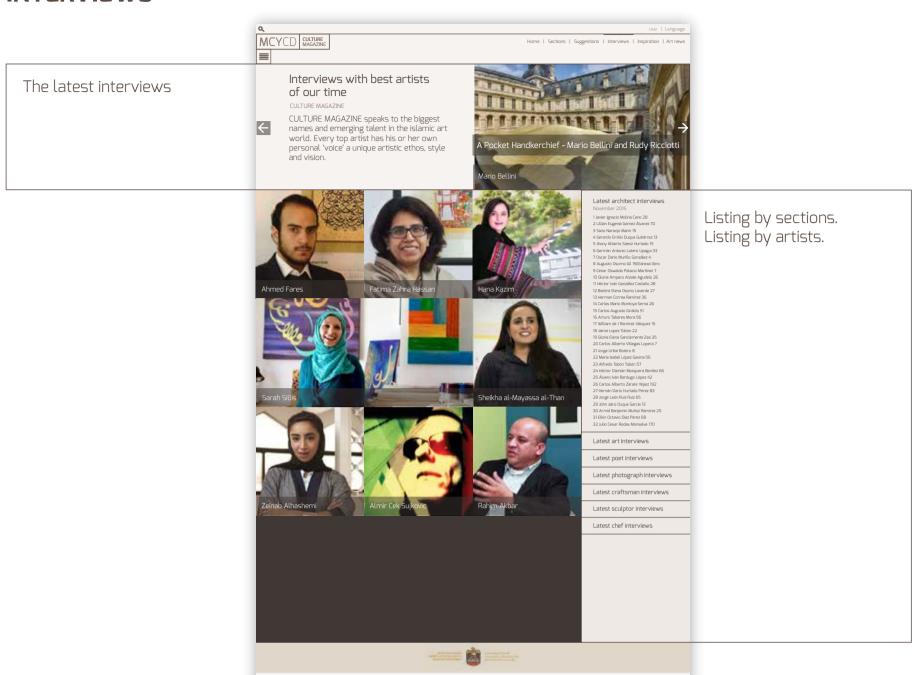
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The New Department of Islamic Art

The Radiant Face of a Great Civilization

Twenty years after the opening of the glass pyramid by IM Pei , the Musée du Louvre today presented its second piece of contemporary architecture to the public.

The new Department of Islamic Art is designed by the Italian architect Mario Bellini and his French colleague Rudy Ricciotti , who won the commission after a competition held in 2005. Both designed something similar to what was done by Pei , this is an underground gallery covered by a wavy glass roof in the courtyard of the historic Court Visconti.

At a depth of 12 meters, 2,800 square meters of open floor will become the new home of the prestigious Louvre collection of Islamic Art. The lower level of the gallery and the long and sculptural staircase consist of a black waxed concrete, providing a stark contrast to the seemingly floating glass roof and glass walls almost invisible on the perimeter.

One of the major design challenges was to create a contemporary and respectful addition, which could coexist with the surrounding walls, belonging to the 18th century.

Bellini describes, "The solution was a foulard rippling as if suspended by the wind in space, almost touching the floor of the courtyard at one point, but without taxing or completely pollution historic facades".

He further argues that "obviously, without reference to flying carpets, Islamic headscarves or musciarabia: Simply is a deep respect for the Islamic collection, combined with personal knowledge (acquired during his travels) from its geographical and cultural context"

The "huge veil" is built by a free-form lattice steel pipes and 8,000 double glazing, covered with a mesh of aluminum in gold and silver tones. Triangular panels of polished aluminum honeycomb are also integrated in the floating structure to refract external images and diffuse the light of day.

The Department of Islamic Art is due to exhibit nearly 3,000 works, whose origins range from Spain to India and date from the 8th to the 19th century. Its holdings amount to 18,000 works from the Louvre's collections or on long-term loan from the Musée des Arts Décoratifs as agreed in 2005.

An incredible show of generosity from donors

The restoration and installation of the Mamluk entrance vestibule, which can be dated from late 15th-century Egypt, and the Cairene mashrabiya window-screen from the Ottoman period, datable to the 18th century, were made possible through the support of Renault, the Louvre International Circle, the Société des Amis du Louvre (Friends of the Louvre), the Fondation Gandur pour l'art, Olivier Chalier Conseils, Philippe Forestier, Jean-Marie Lecomte, François Hemmelmann, Lionel and Ariane Sauvage, and the generosity of the 1,920 donors to the "Treasures of Cairo" fundraising effort. The Samuel H. Kress Foundation funded a grant dedicated to the Mamluk entrance vestibule.

The Louvre Patrons Circle, Olivier Chalier and Philippe Forestier provided generous financial support for restorations of the department's artworks.

The Cour Visconti provides the setting that will play host to Islamic Art. Architects Rudy Ricciotti and Mario Bellini rose to the challenge of covering the courtyard with an undulating glass roof. The galleries thereby created do not detract from the historical façades, while providing 2.800 square meters (over 30,000 square feet) of exhibition space, bathed in discreet natural lighting.



Mario Bellini



Since 2005, the museum's teams have been engaged in an intensive effort prior to the opening of the new site — a huge documentary undertaking to inventory the existing collections, a large restoration campaign, and an analysis of how to display works to their best advantage in the new premises.



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