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Antiquities, Arts, Astronomy, Cinema, Cuisine, Culture, Dance, Fashion, Folklore, Gastronomy, Harbour Activities, 'Human Chess', Handicrafts, History, Jewellery, 'Journeys of mystery and discovery', Music, Poetry, Puppets, Science, Sporting and Water-events, Theatre and Youth activities.



AlexFest 2010
16-30 October

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Art
Gary Zukh, abstract depictions of horses in motion and other subjects
Russian Cultural Centre, Batalsa Street
20 October 7pm, then 21-25 October, from 10am to 5pm Entry free
The Art Miles Mural Project, Exhibition:
The culmination of a 12 year movement to use art to promote global peace and harmony
Bibliotheca Alexandrina, East Exhibition Hall
28 October 12 noon (by invitation only), then from 2pm to 9pm, to 31 October Free Entry
Japanese ceramics
Alexandria Cultural Centre for the Arts, 22 October, from 7pm, runs to 4 November

Photography
Alexandria and the US – in a photographic symphony;
Magdi Hanna, American Center, 21 October, 10am to 4pm
Our Mediterranean neighbourhood Illustrations of coastal preservation projects jointly undertaken by Italian and Alexandrian marine environmentalists, Location TBA, to 31 October, Time tba
The life and works of Guglielmo Marconi Photographic exhibition on the life and discoveries of the Nobel Prize winning Italian inventor of wireless telegraphy
Exhibition to be opened by Marconi's daughter, Elettra who will donate "My beloved Marconi" to the Bibliotheca Alexandrina
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Western Hall
26 October, 11am, exhibition runs until 31 October (2pm to 9pm)
Archaeological sites in Macedonia
Hellenic Foundation for Culture, 18 Sidi Mitwally, Attarin
Opening 6.30pm

Lectures
The story of Modern Astronomy Dr Aymen Ibrahim
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Auditorium, 19 October 1pm
Fascinating Journeys into the Eastern Desert; Magdi Hanna, Bibliotheca Alexandrina Multipurpose Hall
19 October, 5pm
"Cavafy, Alexandria's poet"
Professor Anna Abou-Raya, University of Alexandria
Suzanne Mubarak Regional Centre for Women's Health and Development, 19 October, 7pm
Our Mediterranean neighbourhood
Prof. Giovanni Battimelli, Università La Sapienza, Rome
Location tba, 20 October Time tba
Resurrection and Immortality in Ancient Egyptian Thinking
Dr. Abdel Halim Nureldine, Professor of Ancient Egyptian Language, Faculty of Antiquities, Cairo University
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Auditorium, 21 October, 12 midday
Early shipbuilding techniques in the Eastern Mediterranean
(with film), Dr Mohamed Abdel Meguid, Alexandria Cultural Centre for the Arts, 24 October, 7.30pm
Revealing Cleopatra's secrets Professor J-Y Empeureur, director of research with CNRS, the Centre d'Études Alexandrines, Alexandria Cultural Centre for the Arts
25 October, 7.30pm (English), Location to be confirmed
26 October, 7.30pm (French) see AlexFest website
The historical Relations between the Vikings and the Arabs
Professor Bengt Knutsson, Swedish Institute, 27 October, 6pm
The life of Guglielmo Marconi Elettra Marconi
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Multipurpose Hall, 28 October, 11.30am
Progress in Communications (TBA)
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Multipurpose Hall
28 October, 12 noon
"Mecca and Main Street: Muslim life in America" Book discussion
Dr Fathy Abou Ayana, Professor of Human Geography, University of Alexandria, American Center, 27 October, 6.30pm
Space travel, the reality and the ambition
The challenges of space travel, speaker tba (English)
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Multipurpose Hall
26 October, to be confirmed
Space travel, the reality and the ambition
The challenges of space travel, speaker tba (Arabic)
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Great Hall
29 October, 10am (to be confirmed)

GUIDE 2009

Film
Yossef Chanine Year
18 October "Fagr Youm Gedid" (DAWN OF NEW DAY) Egypt 1965 (125 min)
19 October "El-Nil Wa El-Hayaf" (THE NIL AND THE LIFE) Egypt/Ussr 1968 (105 min)
20 October "El-Ard" (THE LAND) Egypt 1969 (130 min)
21 October "El-Oustour" (THE SPARROW) Egypt/ Algeria 1972 (100 min)
22 October "El-Youm El-Sadis" (THE SIXTH DAY) Egypt/ France 1986 (105 min)
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Auditorium, 7pm
Histoire de la Francophonie
18 October: Série du court métrage et du documentaire tunisien
25 October La fiancée syrienne (Éran Riklis)
(Le destin d'une jeune femme confrontée à l'absurdité des traditions et de la bureaucratie), French Cultural Centre, salle de spectacle, 7pm
"Going North: Global Warming Escape Routes" Film (54 mins, Arabic and Italian)
With lecture and discussion led by Dr. A. Provenzale, scientific advisor to the film, French Cultural Centre, salle de spectacle, 27 October, 7pm
Distance Learning for Cinema and TV
Dr Mona El Sabban, Arab Film & TV School, Professor of Arts Cinema Institute, Academy of Arts
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Auditorium, 23 October, 7pm - 9pm
Latin American Film Season, 19 October Esas no son penas (Ecuador)
20 October La Perrera (Uruguay)
21 October El telon de azucar (Cuba/France)
22 October El violin (Mexico)
French Cultural Centre, salle de spectacle

Masterclass
Guitar, Fernando Perez, Alexandria Cultural Centre for the Arts
29 October 12 noon to 3pm (registration required)
Sport
Yacht races, Alexandria Yacht Club, 17/18 and 24/25
Egyptian Soccer League, Ettihad Club--v--Entag Harbi
Alex Stadium, Shallalat, 19 October, 5pm
The Palace to Palace Half Marathon, Start: Qaitbey citadel, 23 October at 8am
Golf competition, Time TBA Registration tba
Alexandria Sporting Club, 24 October
Sub Aqua diving
Dive with confidence with guides approved by Egypt's Supreme Council of Antiquities
Sea fishing, Take a boat safari to Abu Kir and other destinations along the coast. Full catering on board. Tel +20 3 483 2045
Annual Egyptian Jet Ski Festival
Grand Marine, Comiche, 28-30 October, see AlexFest website

Children
Children's Art Bazaar, Music, Cinema, Theater, Storytelling, Plastic Arts
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Plaza, 16 and 30 October, from 1:30 pm to 5:30 pm, (Ages 9-12), Free Entry (registration required)
"Mini Marathon" with entertainment
Finish line, Montazah Gardens, 23 October, 8am to 12 noon See AlexFest website
Comedy
Stand-up Comedy Show with Hamza Namira – Contemporary Egyptian Songs
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Great Hall, 30 October 8pm, tickets: EGP 25

Poetry
We remember Laila Dowidar
Poetry readings to include Sonnets by Shakespeare to mark the 400th anniversary of their publication
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Small Theater, 17 October, 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Ramleh Station
Travel with Cavafy! Join others in a private city tram reciting Cavafy's poetry to the sound of the Oud. All languages provided for. Return journey 90 minutes, 23 and 30 October, 5pm tram leaves Ramleh Station
Reservation from AlexFest Information Centre. Tickets EGP 20 see AlexFest website

Music & Dance
Carl Nielsen Celebration
BA Orchestra: Conductor Frans Rasmussen (Denmark)
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Small Theater, 16 October, 8pm, Tickets: EGP 10
Egyptian Musical Youth Society with the Music Ensemble & Hamburg Children Choir, Sayed Darwish Opera House, 16 October, 8pm
Anna Lindh Festival
Music: Art: Handicraft: Gastronomy: Exhibitions: UNESCO
Qaitbey Citadel, 16 October, 4pm - 10pm tickets EGP 1
17 October, 4pm - 8pm tickets EGP 1
The Songs of Sayed Darwish, together with English and German folk songs, The Sol Children's Ensemble (Germany)
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Great Hall, 17 October, 8pm
"Welcome to AlexFest" Gala Evening
Alexandria songs, Pharaonic music; youth bands: "Youth of Siberia" dance troupe, Bibliotheca Alexandrina Great Hall, 18 October, 8pm
Ahmed el Saïdy
Alexandria Cultural Centre for the Arts, 19 October, 8.30pm
Nuba through the eyes of Nubians The language, literature, and art of Nubian culture including the El-Kenouz Wedding Ceremony. (English and Arabic)
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Small Theater, 19 October, 5pm
Youth of Siberia Russian Dance ensemble
19 October Sayed Darwish Opera House EGP 10
20 October Shallalat Gardens, 21 October Russian Cultural Centre
Cultural Salon, Sayed Darwish Opera House, 21 October, 8pm
The Maha7a band, Alexandria Cultural Centre for the Arts, 21 October, 8pm
Alexandria Opera Ensemble for Music & Arab Singing
Sayed Darwish Opera House, 22 October, 8pm tickets
A Rainbow of Song, reliving cosmopolitan Alexandria through its music
Les Compagnons
Alexandria Cultural Centre for the Arts, 22 October, 7pm
Music for guitar
Fernando Perez and Masterclass guests
Alexandria Centre for the Arts, 23 October, 8pm
a Capella concert: Malga Roma Alpine Choir, 50th anniversary of Italian El Alamein memorial
Santa Caterina Catholic Church, Mansheya, 24 October, 8pm
Chamber Music Concert
BA Orchestra Violin Soloist and Conductor Khaled El Showeikh
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Small Theater 24 October, 8pm Tickets: EGP 15
The Gipsya Band
Sayed Darwish Opera House, 25 October, 8pm EGP 10
Concert: Masar Egbari
Sayed Darwish Opera House, 26 October, 8pm EGP 10
Entrancing combinations
music for piano, flute, guitar and voice
Conservatoire de musique d'Alexandrie
Alexandria Centre for the Arts, 26 October, 8pm
The Mythical Dimension (Greece)
Sayed Darwish Opera House, 27 October, 8pm tickets
Mikis Theodorakis Orchestra
Sayed Darwish Opera House, 28 October, 8pm tickets
Night of Scots Culture, Music and Song A celebration to mark the 250th anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns, famous Scottish poet.
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Small Theater, 29 October, 8.00pm
Ana el masry band
Alexandria Cultural Centre for the Arts, 29 October, 8.30pm
Fernando Perez (Spanish and Arabic guitar) and Mohamed Antar (Ney)
Original compositions played in the traditional style of Spain and Egypt.
with guest artists Dalia Ferrer (flamenco dance) and Ayman Mabrouk (percussion), Sayed Darwish Opera House, 29 October 8pm EGP 10

Concert: Y Crew, Alexandria Cultural Centre for the Arts, 31 October, 8pm
The Blue Project – Azra Samawy Band
Guitar Duo Billi Jack and Shady Nagy
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Small Theater, 31 October, 8pm, tickets: EGP 15
Sächsische Staatskapelle Dresden, Conductor: Herbert Blomstedt
Sayed Darwish Opera House, 31 October, 8pm tickets

Cuisine
Book launch: Amy Riolo, Nile Style on Egyptian Cuisine and Culture
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Small Theater 18 Oct 4.15pm - 5.30pm
Anna Lindh Festival, Qaitbey Citadel, 16 and 17 October

City Visits
Harbour boat tours
Grand Marine, Comiche, near Fish Market, From 10am, hourly
Alexandria public gardens
Music and entertainment. For dates, see AlexFest website
Shallalat Gardens, International Gardens
Montazah Gardens, Antoniadis Gardens
Cultural Routes of Alexandria, guided tours
See AlexFest website for Tour dates
Turkish Town Tour, from Manshieh Square to Kom El-Nadoura
City Centre Tour, from Saad Zaghloul Square to Tomb of the Unknown Soldier
Archaeological Tour, from Chabty Necropolis to Kom el Shoqafa catacombs
Architectural Tour, citywide, East of the City, Bibliotheca Alexandria to Abu Kir
West of the City Tour, from Lake Mareotis to Sidi Abdel Rahman hotel
One Day Tour [1], from Shallalat Gardens to the Bibliotheca Alexandrina
One Day Tour [2], from the Fine Arts Museum to the Antoniadis Gardens

Seminars and Symposia
Space and Sound - Striving for Perfect Resonance
Kjetil Thorsen, Architect (Norway), Andreas Eggertsen, Architect (Sweden), Hans Johannsson, Violin Maker (Iceland)
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Multipurpose Hall, 18 October, 2pm - 4.15pm
Continuity of Egyptian Heritage
Prof F Haykal, Prof F Abu Ayana and Prof Mostafa El Abbadi
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Multipurpose Hall, 18 October, 2pm - 4.15pm
Greek Contribution to Science
Prof Zerefos, Prof Tassios and Prof Fifi
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Small Theater
19 October, 3pm-4.30pm
Saving the Heritage of Hassan Fathi, Symposium
To include the the Hassan Fathi Architectural Award
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Great Hall, 28 October, 9am to 9pm

Puppets
El-Leila El-Kebira (The Big Night) Puppet Operetta
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Great Hall, 20-23 October, 8pm EGP 10
Workshop
Gamal Krayem (Lebanon): Clown workshop for adults (18 Years)
Bibliotheca Alexandrina Great Hall, 22-29 October, 6pm - 8pm
Mosaic Scenes
In cooperation with the Alexandria Studies Center
Alexandria Atelier, 6 Viktor Bassily Street, Al Azarita
29/30 October 5pm to 8pm EGP 10 (Ages 11-14), call 034809479 to register
Young People
Human Chess A game of victory and defeat played on a giant chessboard with unexpected results, AlexFest Youth Group
23, 25, 27 October Shallalat Stadium, 30 October Ettihad Stadium
See AlexFest website