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## SAIMA AWARD FOR CONTEMPORARY ARAB CREATION

2017 Edition

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The 'SAIMA Award for Arab contemporary creation' highlights emerging visual artists from the Arab World.

- ❖ The Price supports the production of an artwork (€ 5000)
- ❖ The winner participates to an exhibition into the Arab World Institute
- ❖ The awarded artwork enters the AWI museum's collections

The Second edition of the 'SAIMA Award for Arab contemporary creation' will be organized in conjunction with the exhibition '**From Timbuktu to Zanzibar**', which will be inaugurated in April 2017 at the AWI.

The theme of 2017 SAIMA Award is: **Sahara, as circulation spaces**

Call for entries is open to candidates who fulfil the following conditions:

- Nationality : Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, the Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, the United Arab Emirates, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Mauritania, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, or Yemen
- Artists inclusive 40 years
- Presenting alone or as a collective
- Their artwork must never have featured in a monograph (except gallery & art school)

The candidates will be required to submit to the judging panel an art project associated with one of the following disciplines: painting, sculpture, drawing, photography, video, or an installation.

Submission deadline: December 31<sup>th</sup>, 2016. The laureate will be rewarded by a panel of professionals in March, 2017.

### The Friends of AWI

The Friends of the AWI (la Société des Amis de l'IMA, 'SAIMA') is a non-profit association, created in to support the mission of the Arab World Institute (AWI). Working alongside the Arab World Institute, the Friends of the AWI helps promote awareness and understanding of Arab culture in all its diversity.

Infos & Call for project :

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