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Amman Design Week and Darat al Funun Host the Disarming Design from Palestine Program

Amman - Amman Design Week is collaborating with Darat al Funun to host a team of designers from Jordan, Palestine, and the Netherlands for an educational exchange experience under the “Disarming Design from Palestine” Program.

Based in Ramallah, the program unites Palestinian craft communities and contemporary designers and artists from Palestine, with Masters students from the Sandberg Institute in Amsterdam to allow for the exchange of knowledge, experiences and techniques among them. Both parties will collaborate in an effort to develop a line of thought-provoking products that speak of Palestine’s current reality. These products will then be sold both locally and internationally to spread alternative stories and reflect upon the function of creative practice in situations of conflict.

This year, the program is coming to Amman with the aim of engaging Jordanian designers and local craftswomen from Palestinian refugee camps in Amman. The participants are invited to share their stories, skills and knowledge, in reference to the Palestinian diaspora. The workshop, taking place in September, will include sessions at Darat al Funun’s “The Lab” and at a local refugee camp.

During the workshop, the team of designers will be closely working with the Palestinian artisans in Jordanian refugee camps, to jointly design new and useful products. A selection of the workshop’s designs will be taken to production and afterwards exhibited (and sold) at “The Lab” during the Amman Design Week, taking place from 6-14 October 2017.

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