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Amman Design Week Launches Urban Park Design Competition

Amman - Amman Design Week (ADW) announces the launch of the Urban Park Design Competition, organized in partnership with the Greater Amman Municipality (GAM) and Mohammad Zakaria, co-founder of 7Hills Skatepark.

The ADW Urban Park Design Competition invites urban, architectural and landscape designers to transform the Samir Al Rifai Park, located on Prince Mohammad St., into a functional recreational space.

The competition is an extension to Zakaria's recent development of 7Hills Skatepark, which is situated within the Samir Al Rifai Park. Visited by a diverse audience of skateboard enthusiasts, athletes, families, children and students from neighboring Samir Al Rifai School, the skatepark, is one of the few public parks in Amman.

The 7Hills Skatepark was cofounded by Philadelphia Skateboards, a Jordanian skateboard company run by Zakaria and Make Life Skate Life, a volunteer-run non-profit organization that works with local communities to build accessible skateparks around the world.

Under Amman Design Week's initiative to address local urban issues, designers are encouraged to think about creative ways to integrate facilities and recreational spaces in the area surrounding 7Hills Skatepark in order to promote a sense of community and active lifestyle in Amman.

A jury of architects and city representatives will select one winning designer or team to receive a 5000 JOD grant for the implementation of their proposal, and will be given the chance to present the design during Amman Design Week, taking place this October 6-14 2017.

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