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Spotlight

Commemorative stamp honors AUB on its 150th anniversary

A commemorative stamp has been issued by LibanPost, in coordination with the Ministry of Telecommunications, in honor of AUB's role and impact in Lebanon and the region over 150 years. A limited collection was postmarked with the issue date December 3, 2016—exactly 150 years after AUB's foundation on December 3, 1866.

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Shakespeare's King Lear in Arabic

In celebration of AUB's 150th anniversary and the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death, the Theater Initiative at AUB presents the world premiere of the first translation of Shakespeare's King Lear into Lebanese ammiya.

Dec. 1-18, 8:30pm, Masrah al-Madina, Beirut

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Handel's Messiah

A very special Christmas concert of the AUB Choir and Choral Society in honor of AUB's 150th anniversary on Dec. 5 and 6 at 7:30pm, Assembly Hall.

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Dr. Ali Fakhro Distinguished Lecture

As part of AUB's 150th anniversary, Dr. Ali Fakhro will give a lecture (in Arabic) on Dec. 8 at 5:00pm, OSB, Maamari Aud.

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Founders Day 2016

Keynote speaker: Eve M. Troutt Powell, PhD, Associate Dean for Graduate Studies at the University of Pennsylvania on "The Poet in the Boardroom: Liberal Arts and the Future of Our Students"

Dec. 5, 12 noon, Assembly Hall

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AUB's 150th Birthday Celebration

All AUB community members are invited to College Hall Plaza to celebrate AUB's 150th with special performances by Beirut Vocal Point and the Arabic Music Ensemble of the AUB Zaki Nassif Program.

Dec. 7 at 5:00pm.

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News

"Breakthrough prize awards \$25m to researchers at 'Oscars of science'"

Events

Upcoming Events

- Department of English and Theater Initiative lecture "The Base of Everest:"

AUB Trustee and alumna Huda Zoghbi receives one of the five Breakthrough prizes in life sciences at 'Oscars of science' and plans to set up scholarships at AUB (The Guardian - Dec. 5)
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"Palestine Book Awards 2016: Winners Announced"

AUB Professor Anaheed Al-Hardan's book "Palestinians in Syria: Nakba Memories of Shattered Communities" announced a joint winner of the Academic Prize in the 2016 Middle East Monitor Palestine Book Awards in London
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Al-Malik Lear' adds Lebanese twist to Shakespearean tragedy

Shakespeare's King Lear is being staged in Beirut for the first time in translation into colloquial Lebanese Arabic, as part of AUB's 150th anniversary celebrations, which coincide with the 400th anniversary of the death of the celebrated English dramatist.
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AUB holds e-age 2016 international platform on integrating Arab e-infrastructures in a global environment

AUB hosted the Arab States Research and Education Network international meeting for this year to focus on research and education in the region and build collaboration and research services to Lebanon and the region.
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UNDP launches Arab Human Development Report 2016 at AUB: Youth as shapers of development in the region

UNDP launched the latest edition of the Arab Human Development Report at AUB.
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Exploring Shakespeare's King Lear," by Mark Leipacher, Dec. 5, 5pm Nicely Hall, Room 409
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- **Asfari presentation and launch of the "Arab Studies Institute's Knowledge Production Project on the Middle East," by Bassam Haddad**, Dec. 6, 5:30pm, Van Dyck Hall, Nabil Boustany Aud.
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- **History and Archaeology and Center for Arts and Humanities conference '1516: The Year That Changed the Middle East and the World,'** Dec. 7-9, 9am-5pm, College Hall, Aud. B1
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- **Office of Strategic Health Initiatives (SHI) conference "Rebuilding Health Post-Conflict: A Dialogue for the Future,"** Dec 8-10, West Hall
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- **IFI seminar "The Crime of Genocide and the MENA Region: Lessons Learnt for Prevention or Protection,"** Dec. 9, 9am-5:30pm, IFI Aud.
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- **Zaki Nassif Program presents "...and Always Singing" by Sonbola Choir**, Dec. 10, 6pm, Assembly Hall
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