

PROPOSAL FOR DISPLAY OF ISLAMIC ARTS

The Islamic Arts society, a 501 c3 organization, aims to share the rich heritage of arts in Islam. Art is a common language and by presenting Islamic arts we aim to initiate cross cultural dialogue and understanding.

PURPOSE:

To display Islamic arts for cultural education so we can create understanding between cultures and bring the broader Houston community together.

THE ART:

We propose to display 20-30 pieces of Islamic art in the library display area. Various media such as canvas, paintings, wood work, glass and ceramic tiles will be showcased.

DISPLAY:

Members of IAS will set up the display on the designated day. Each art piece will be accompanied by a small descriptive card to explain the art work.

THE ARTISTS:

Our artists are all Houstonians who create Islamic art. Many of them have been trained in traditional style and others are freelancers who have taken up Islamic Arts as their hobby.

PUBLICITY AND MARKETING

We expect the library to advertise the display through their usual channels. We will also announce the event on our Face book page and website.

RECEPTION

We would plan to do a reception/ mixer to coincide with the display. Everyone is invited. Finger food and soft drinks may be provided. This could be an educational program and we can do a short presentation on Islamic arts. We can also provide interactive art demonstration such as Calligraphy, Ebru or Henna art. Such interactive sessions are very popular among attendees. During this program we either hand out the finished Ebru art to attendees, or write the names of attendees in Arabic Calligraphy or draw henna patterns on palms of attendees. These are usually very interactive and well-liked programs.

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