



DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATION

LISBOA 2018

3 July 2018

Dear Artist,

Welcome to the Diamond Jubilee Celebration - Lisboa 2018.

On 11 July 2017, we all came together as a global Jamat to commence celebrations of Mawlana Hazar Imam's Diamond Jubilee year, commemorating 60 years of the Imam's spiritual and worldly guidance to the Ismaili community, and his lifelong commitment to enhancing the quality of life of citizens around the world. This week, we continue the Diamond Jubilee celebrations in Lisbon, Portugal.

As part of these celebrations, the Jamati institutions have organised a variety of programmes, including the inaugural Jubilee Arts International Arts Festival (IAF), concerts featuring world-renowned performers, the Rays of Light, Ethics in Action and Aga Khan Museum exhibitions, and a general Khushiali celebration. We hope that you and your families will participate wholeheartedly in the events planned for the culmination of the joyous commemoration of Mawlana Hazar Imam's Diamond Jubilee.

The IAF will consist of three anchor events: the International Talent Showcase; the International Art Gallery; and the International Film Festival. This historic five-day arts festival will offer a unique opportunity to Create, Connect and Celebrate our rich cultural traditions and promote an appreciation for the arts.

It is incredibly exciting to know that nearly 600 artists will be featured at the International Arts Festival after being selected from thousands of submissions across 20 National Council Jurisdictions, which held regional and national arts festivals as part of Jubilee Arts, a Diamond Jubilee International Programme. We hope the IAF will enable you to feature your outstanding talents, provide you with the opportunity to learn from leading experts in the field and inspire each other.

On this joyous occasion, I wish you and your family barakah, prosperity and fulfilment in your material and spiritual lives. May the spirit of forgiveness, generosity and kindness prevail, and may we rejoice and give thanks for the blessings of family, loved ones and community.

Diamond Jubilee Mubarak,

Rahim Firozali

President, National Council for Portugal



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Congratulations!

Welcome to the Jubilee Arts International Arts Festival!

The Jubilee Arts Executive Team is excited that you are joining us and thousands of artists, volunteers and supporters from across the world to participate in this inaugural celebration of artists and art practice in the Ismaili community.

This week, we will be experiencing a series of firsts alongside the Diamond Jubilee of Mawlana Hazar Imam: our first open Darbar during this Diamond Jubilee year; the first time the global Jamat is coming together in Lisbon to celebrate so many events; and of course, the first ever Jubilee Arts International Arts Festival. The light you brought over the last several months and will bring to the global Jamat through the International Art Gallery, International Film Festival and International Talent Showcase will create memories that you and our Jamat will share with friends and families for decades to come. So, remember to enjoy this moment, celebrate it and take pride in it. We hope your week at the International Arts Festival, a part of the Diamond Jubilee Celebration, is a memorable experience, and an opportunity to make lasting connections with your fellow artists, which will inspire and enable you to take your artistic pursuits to new heights.

With your participation in Jubilee Arts, you are part of a global group of artists shining a spotlight on the artistic talents of our community. YOU have brought Jubilee Arts to life.

We are so happy and blessed to have you here and look forward to celebrating you and your art this week!

Wishing you all the best on your Jubilee Arts journey.

With love, admiration, and respect,

Jenny Datto
Project Lead

Nabila Samji
Deputy Project Lead

Welcome to Lisbon!

Whether you are from this region, or from the other side of the world, we want you to feel at ease this week. Included in this Welcome Kit are items to help you feel comfortable during your week at the International Arts Festival.

In this Welcome kit, you will find:

- Tote bag - to carry all your essentials
- T-shirt - to wear for casual moments
- Lapel pin - to add to your collection of souvenirs
- Hand sanitiser - an antiseptic product to kill germs
- Water bottle - to keep you hydrated
- Business cards - to make collaboration and networking easier
- Mints - to stay minty fresh, and repurpose the tin for storing valuables!
- Tissues - to stay dry and clean
- Towel - to keep you cool
- Sunglasses - to protect you from the Portugal sun
- A permanent marker - to decorate your bag
- Letters from the Portuguese Council President, and Jubilee Arts Leadership - to welcome you to this incredible week-long event!

In addition to these items, please feel free to contact your respective Artists Managers with any additional questions or concerns.

Below is a list of their names and the team contact information:

International Art Gallery	Anisa Badruddin & Anil Hemani artgallery@jubileeartsfestival.org
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International Talent Showcase	Alykhan Velji & Karina Hussein talentshowcase@jubileeartsfestival.org

We hope you have a fantastic and successful week ahead!

Best Wishes,

The Artist Governance and Experience Team