CLOSE TO HOME:
CELEBRATING CALIFORNIA’S ARAB AMERICAN ART

Opening May 31, 2015
in collaboration with the Lebanese American Foundation – House of Lebanon

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When the Arab American National Museum (AANM) opened its doors 10 years ago, its inaugural exhibition In/Visible presented the works of Arab American artists addressing concepts of identity and place. We are now pleased to bring this ongoing conversation between art and Arab identity to southern California with Close to Home: Celebrating California’s Arab American Art. This exhibition reaffirms the AANM’s uncompromising commitment to presenting varied perspectives on the Arab American experience, and it is a perfect way to commemorate the Museum’s 10th Anniversary.

Presented in collaboration with the Lebanese American Foundation – House of Lebanon, this exhibit is the latest in a series of cultural programs the Museum has sponsored in southern California with the Friends of the AANM. Most notably, an exhibition of national service (Patriots & Peacemakers: Arab Americans in Service to Our Country) was on display in January 2013 at the University of California, Irvine and then at the Japanese American National Museum in Los Angeles. Last spring, the Museum hosted a special film screening of Detroit Unleaded, an independent romantic comedy directed by Rola Nashef that is set in the Arab American community of southeast Michigan.

The current collaboration with the House of Lebanon to promote the art of talented Arab Americans based in southern California – John Halaka, Doris Bittar, and Olfet Agrama – is another opportunity to shine a spotlight on the many contributions of our ethnic community. As an institution of national scope, the AANM places immense value on partnering with communities across the country to present, preserve, and celebrate Arab American heritage.

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- $25,000 UNDERWRITER – 10 guests at gala reception, speaking opportunity during program, premiere recognition in all exhibit publicity, recognition for one year on the Arab American National Museum (AANM) Sustainers’ Wall.
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- $5,000 PATRON – 8 guests at gala reception, recognition during program and in exhibit publicity, recognition for one year on AANM Sustainers’ Wall.
- $3,000 STEWARD – 6 guests at gala reception, recognition during program and in exhibit publicity, recognition for one year on AANM Sustainers’ Wall.

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