



The passion for art

Company Profile

ARTDIVANO

“Art is the richest candle by which we enlighten ourselves. “.....” and others” (ARTDIVANO)

Abbas Yousif , Calligrapher,Lithographer,Painter , Kingdom of Bahrain

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gallery & in house archival studio – online gallery – art consultancy

ARTDIVANO's concept and philosophy is based on taking artworks by Arab artists and artists who have chosen the Arab world as their home or who are translating the world's heritage and culture into a unique language of colors and materials onto a new level.

Art Tells stories and our story tells about “ The Divan “, the traditional way of storytelling in the Arabic World.

The “DIVAN“envisions the traditional way of storytelling in the Arab world like nothing else and so shall ARTDIVANO spread the story of Art by and from the region, carrying the tradition from the past into the present and future.

Our art collection tells wonderful stories of the contemporary fusion of Orient & Occident, Tradition & Modernity , Classic & Simplicity.

Our motto: "The Passion for Art", is driven by a strong expertise yet deep emotional approach on Art and a belief that Art without passion is nothing.

We have developed a unique business model in the Middle East by combining Art Consultancy with an Archival Giclee Studio which we are running by ourselves and an Gallery for Middle Eastern and International Art which shall developed and extended into an online gallery platform accessible from all over the world.

The passion for art was the initial spark for a Bahraini National and a German National being a resident of the Kingdom of Bahrain, to embark on a professional life in art, with art and for art.

Our love for Art has brought us together to enjoy and share a life long journey through the world of Art. Since professionally joined and fused our love for Art, our knowledge and experience, we take “The Passion for Art” to the next level with contributing to the meaning and beauty of our world today and in the future.

We are, Afaf Zainalabedin, a Bahraini former Banker and Marion Labani, a curator and artist herself, resident in Bahrain since many years.

We envisioned **ARTDIVANO** in summer 2013 and it became our brain child, which we further developed from the concept of ART lounge, a project created in 2008 and managed by Marion Labani. Recently this establishment has brought us to a very complex and challenging achievement.

In February 2015 we successfully completed works for all guest rooms at the Double Tree Hilton Hotel old Salata Doha – Qatar. We have customized, proudly produced “ Made in Bahrain “ certified and secured installed wall artworks which has been designed specifically for the Hotels design mood and concept.

We are committed to excellence with our inspirational concept and service orientated corporate philosophy to deliver you the perfect art concept for your home, office or hotel/ apartment house projects or any other development of yours which requires an arty touch and a sense for detail.

Marion, our art director and art consultant has established ART lounge in 2008 by curating Fine Art Exhibitions around the island of Bahrain in Hotels, Malls, and Private Residences as well as at the National Museum in Bahrain, promoting the beautiful artworks of Bahraini and resident artists. Marion has developed her artistic carrier and her carrier in art consultancy professionally by arriving in Bahrain in 2003.

One highlight was for her having been the curator and an participating artist at the same time at the exhibition “bilateral relations“ at the National Museum in Bahrain under the patronage of HH Shaika Mai Bint Mohammed Al Khalifa, the Minister of Culture in Bahrain and HE Dr. Hubert Lang, the German Ambassador in Bahrain in 2009.

One year later Marion was appointed as the art consultant for the Sofitel Resort and Spa in Bahrain, where ART lounge successfully handled installing wall artwork frames in the guest rooms with a local theme, completing in 2011. It was a great challenge yet a reassurance on ART lounge’s philosophy which now became a traditional part of ARTDIVANO.

With the cosmopolitan range of visitors and residents in Bahrain, projects like hotels and other commercial properties shall convey a sense of place, time, tradition and heritage in a contemporary design and style. Art is the easiest and most beautiful way to achieve such fusion of the Orient and Occident within the interior design concept. This was ART lounge’s philosophy and continues now with ARTDIVANO and we are very happy that this concept is being more and more recognized.

Marion has also completed installation of wall artwork frames and decorative mirrors in the guest apartments and public areas at the Majestic Arjaan by Rotana in Bahrain, which opened in 2012.

She has successfully completed business at the Renaissance Hotel (now Art Rotana) in Bahrain/Amwaj as their art consultant in 2013 in close alliance with their Singaporean interior designer David Tay, considered a “Guru” in this business, consulting on artworks with a local flavor by Bahraini and Saudi artists.

ARTDIVANO now continues with ART lounge’s concept and carries the philosophy into the future with extending our services and service range to regional and international clients.

We also provide our services to individual art lovers with the possibility to have an “insider” view on local artists and their works by offering the opportunity to choose “The Piece” which speaks to them amongst the latest works at the artist’s studio or at one of the exhibitions we curate or at our Gallery & Boutique at our office premises. Many of such artworks like sculptures, paintings, photographs or lithographs have made their way not only to many residences in Bahrain, yet to Germany, UK, South Africa and the USA.

ARTDIVANO provides unique services to Art lovers all over the world based on our 10 years of experience of the region’s artists and art market.

Being the first in the GCC to establish an online market place for art lovers and collectors alike, Afaf and Marion strive to take Middle Eastern art to International recognized levels

ARTDIVANO's Fine Art collection is rich in history, culture, color and depth with deep roots and inspiring relations to personal stories, feelings, relationships and achievements. With an oriental touch and western influence, art of the Middle East is breathing unique colors, designs and character. **ARTDIVANO** intends to introduce this uniqueness to the world as a different taste to the art market not only to the region but worldwide.

We showcase Original Art works of recognized and well known artists as well as upcoming artists such as sculptures, lithographs, paintings and photographs; artworks of all gamut’s of art media on our upcoming e-commerce website www.artdivano.com.

We have established Bahrain’s first Archival Giclee Studio to proudly produce “Made with passion in Bahrain” Fine Art Reproductions as well as Photo Fine Art Reproductions. Our Archival Giclee Studio produces Museums Quality Reproductions with Archival Ink and Archival Media, to provide the highest standard of Image Reproduction currently available.

ARTDIVANO also performs art consultancy services to corporate and private clients offering services including assistance by choosing and/or commissioning and costumizing the artwork and frames with allocating the most suitable location including delivery and secured fixing of wall artworks. We are managing client’s projects from the first thought until the completion of your imagined vision with experience and professionalism. We offer a range of services to our clients at both, corporate and retail level, following our philosophy of delivering the highest standard of consultancy as well as the best quality available at the market to fully satisfy our client’s requests and inquiries in design and manufacturing with the personal touch of our high end quality art consultancy.

Our latest achievement in art programs for corporate clients was the completions of designing customized wall artworks , producing and framing the artworks “ Made with passion in Bahrain “ and installing more than 800 wall artworks at the guest rooms at the Double Tree Hilton Hotel in Doha/ Old Salata in Qatar in 2015.

We are registered with Qatar's biggest Hotel Construction and Developing Company as their official Vendor in all art related services.

In Bahrain we currently registered with Amlak and are assisting the RAMADA Hotel Bahrain by planning for a major renovation and upgrade on artworks by a Bahraini artist for the guest room corridors.

ARTDIVANO is currently located at Reem Centre, Office 217 in Riffa, Bukowara in the Kingdom of Bahrain, where we are offering artwork viewings on appointment only. We are preparing to move to the art hub in Adliya in summer 2016 with the reopening of the Gallery and a workshop space latest by September 2016.

ARTDIVANO is managed by Managing director Afaf Zainalabedin and Art director Marion Labani.

Please don't hesitate to contact us for an initial meeting at our office in Bahrain or your premises in Bahrain or elsewhere for further information on our services and collections.

Please follow us on Instagram and Facebook.

Our Services:

- Art Gallery - Sculptures& Paintings/ Photographs / Lithographs/ Reproductions / Commissions
- Available at Gallery Bahrain and our Online Gallery
- In house Archival Giclee Studio – Fine Art - & Photography Reproductions “Proudly Made in Bahrain”
- Art Consultancy – customization of art programs for private, commercial and corporate clients
- Interior Decoration Consultancy
- Wedding VIP art deco
- Photography Services for Corporate and Private Clients
- Framing& Installation

Contact:

ARTDIVANO S.P.C.

ARTDIVANO gallery/boutique & ARTDIVANO studio

ART HUB

Al Andalus Garden
Gudaibiya

Kingdom of Bahrain

Opening Hours:
Tuesday to Sunday 10am to 1pm and 3pm to 8pm
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Project List since 2008 and REFERENCES:

2008 Exhibition "Under the Desert Sky "Banyan Tree Hotel and Spa, Bahrain

2009 Exhibition "Bilateral Relations" National Museum Bahrain

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Dr. Hubert Lang, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany in Bahrain from 2007-2011

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2010/2011 Sofitel Resort and Spa, Bahrain

Full art program inclusive production, framing and installation

Mohammed Zayani, Bahrain, Owner, Chairman

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2011/2012 Majestic Arjaan by Rotana, Bahrain

Full art program inclusive production, framing and installation

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2012 Exhibition "Elegance and Modernity "Moevenpick Hotel Bahrain

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- 2012 German Orthopaedic Hospital, Bahrain
- Full art program inclusive production, framing and installation with gallery hanging system*
- Dr. Heinz Roettinger, German Orthopaedic Hospital**
phone private: +973 3962 3440
e-mail: heinz.roettinger@germanortho.com
- 2013 Rotana Hotel Amwaj, Bahrain (former Renaissance and Marriot)
- Full art program and production, framing and installation for mock up rooms*
- David Tay, Principal and Senior Interior Designer**
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- Steve Wormald, Project Manager**
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- April 2013-Feb2015 Hilton Double Tree Hotel Old Salata Doha/ Qatar
- Full art program inclusive design, production, framing, shipment and installation*
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- January 2015 Ramada Hotel ADLIYA Bahrain
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- December 2015 Park Suite Hotel AMWAJ Bahain (Golden Tulip)
- Art Consultancy*
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March 2016

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HOTEL PROJECTS REFERENCES

SOFITEL HOTEL & SPA ZALLAQ BAHRAIN







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MAJESTIC ARJAN BY ROTANA MUHARRAQ BAHRAIN







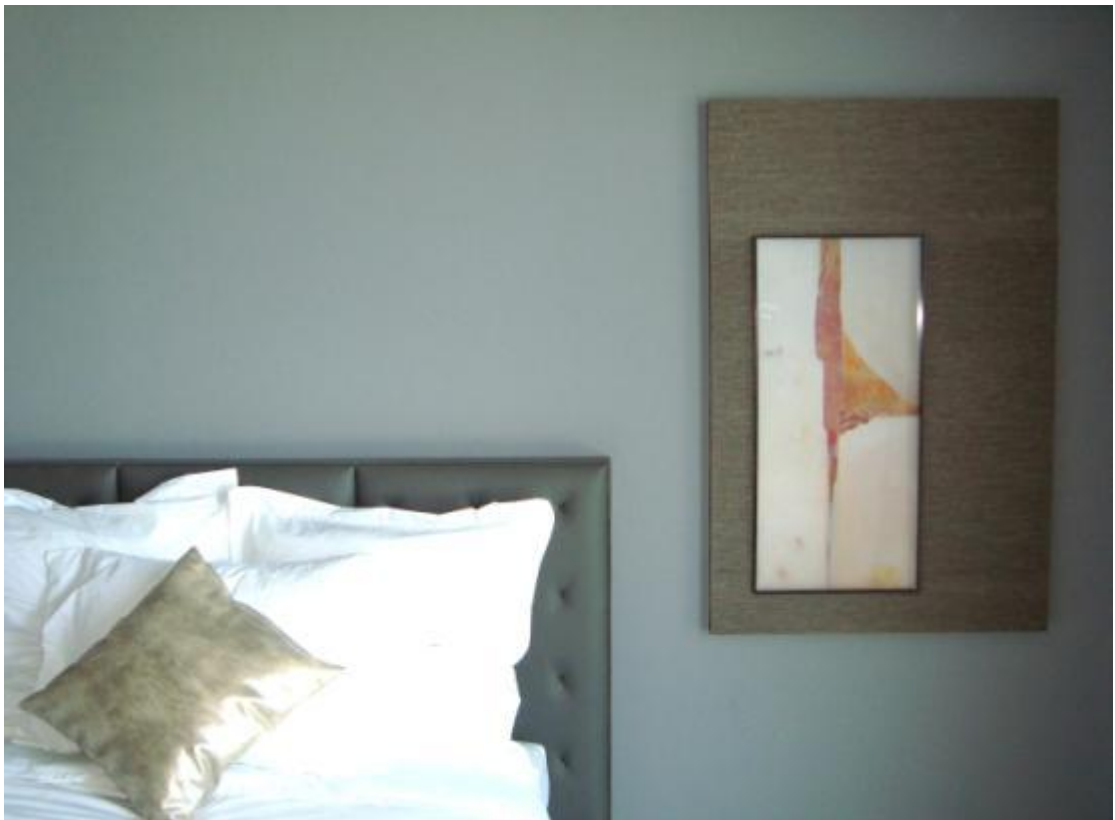


HOTEL PROJECTS REFERENC

RENESSANCE HOTEL AMWAJ BAHRAIN – currently ART ROTANA









HOTEL PROJECTS REFERENCES

DOUBLE TREE HILTON OLD SALATA DOHA QATAR







ATTACHMENTS

Letter, Her Highness Shaikha Mai Bint Mohammed Al Khalifa, Minister of Culture in Bahrain, April 2009

Letter, Dr. Hubert Lang, German Ambassador in Bahrain from 2007 until 2011, November 2009



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Date: April, 20th 2009

**To: Marion Labani
ART Lounge
Promoting ARTISTS in Bahrain**

Dear Mrs.Labani,

I would like to convey my deepest appreciation and thanks for your kind coordination and cooperation with the Ministry team in organizing the Bahraini, German Artists Exhibition which was held at Art Hall at Bahrain National Museum on April 15th, 2009, during Spring of Culture Festival 2009.

I also take this opportunity to express my gratitude for your gesture in offering Bahrain National Museum Delmon Sealed painting; and assure you the Ministry of Culture & Information continuous support which will significantly enhance our two friendly country bilateral relations.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I remain

Sincerely Yours

**Mai Bint Mohamed Al Khalifa
Minister of Culture & Information**



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Dr. Hubert Lang

Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany

Subject **Support of bilateral cultural relationships**
Specif. **Cooperation with the German Embassy, Manama**

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Manama, 02/11/2009

Dear Mrs. Labani,

I would like to express my sincere thanks and gratitude for all your efforts and engagement in supporting the bilateral cultural relationships between Germany and the Kingdom of Bahrain as well as for your previous cooperation with the German Embassy in Manama.

At this point I would like to specifically emphasize the excellent organisation of the exhibition „bilAteral RelaTions“ in April/ May 2009 in cooperation with the Ministry of Culture and Information in Bahrain and equally the continuous contacts to Bahraini artists.

Finally, I would like to point out that I am impressed by your artistic creativity!

Personally I am looking forward to continuing our successful and creative cooperation in the future.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Hubert Lang