

FAQ

Most frequent questions and answers

WHAT IS ISLAMIC ARTS SOCIETY?

It is a group of people who want to share the beauty of Islamic arts. The society organizes various art events, including calligraphy demonstrations, art classes, and the annual Islamic Arts Festival.

WHAT IS ISLAMIC ARTS FESTIVAL?

It is a festival to celebrate the beauty of Islamic arts. It is the largest festival of Islamic Arts in America.

WHAT CAN I EXPECT AT THE ISLAMIC ARTS FESTIVAL?

You can expect to enjoy the rich tradition of Arts in Islam. You will see Islamic arts, including calligraphy, woodwork, glasswork, ceramic tiles, and paintings from local artists. You can buy art too. In addition to the visual arts display and sales, there will also be a Film Festival, Nasheed, spoken art program, Muslim comedy show, and Sufi music entertainment program.

WHAT TYPE OF EVENT IS ISLAMIC ARTS FESTIVAL?

It is a fun and interactive indoor art festival for people of all ages. During the festival, demonstrations of Calligraphy, Henna (the art of temporary tattooing based on mignonette tree dyes), Ebru (aqueous surface design), and other art forms are held in the Houston Hall. Performance programs are held in the Theater.

WHO MAY ATTEND?

Everyone. This event is open to the general public. People of all faiths and backgrounds are welcome.

WHEN IS THE FESTIVAL?

The festival is held in fall every year. It is a 2-day weekend event.

WHAT IS THE COST?

The event is free. There is no fee for the visual arts display program. The other programs may have a fee; check the main festival page.

WHERE IS THE FESTIVAL LOCATED?

University of Houston, Students Center South, 4455 University Dr, Houston, TX 77204

WHERE CAN I PARK?

On-site public parking is available in the nearby parking lots at a cost of \$10 per day. You can park at the covered “Welcome Center Garage” or the open air “21C parking lot”. Both parking spaces are off the University Drive

IS FOOD AVAILABLE?

Food is sold in the food court located in the PLAZA between Student Center South and Student Center North. American and International food is available. Food or drinks are not allowed inside the exhibit area.

HOW DO I BECOME A VOLUNTEER AT THE FESTIVAL?

Sign up [here](#). You can help promote local Islamic artists and mingle with like-minded art enthusiasts.

CAN I BUY ART AT THE FESTIVAL?

Yes, our festival is the best place to buy and commission Islamic art in America.

HOW DO I PURCHASE ART AT THE FESTIVAL?

Cash, checks, Credit, or debit cards may be used to purchase art at the festival.

ARE THERE ATMS ON SITE?

Yes

WHERE CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES AND ENTERTAINMENT?

Visit our website at www.IslamicArtsSociety.org

WHO ARE THE FEATURED ARTISTS FOR THE FESTIVAL?

Many artists from Houston and surrounding areas will participate. Many acclaimed Islamic artists from all over America also attend the festival.

WHERE CAN I FIND A FESTIVAL SITE MAP, EVENT GUIDE, OR SCHEDULE FOR THE FESTIVAL?

Festival site maps, event guides, and schedules will be available at the festival entrance and on our website close to the festival's date.

WHAT SHOULD I WEAR TO THE FESTIVAL?

Please wear weather-appropriate clothing in case of rain or cold weather. Wear comfortable shoes.

CAN I BRING STROLLERS, WAGONS, OR WHEELCHAIRS?

Yes. All areas of the festival are accessible for strollers, wagons, or wheelchairs.

WHAT IS PROHIBITED ON SITE?

You may not bring in outside food or beverages. No unauthorized vending, sales, solicitations, or promotions. No weapons. No pets

WHAT ORGANIZATIONS SPONSOR THE FESTIVAL?

The Islamic Arts Society (IAS) organizes the festival. It is co-sponsored by numerous organizations.

HOW MAY I CONTACT THE FESTIVAL'S ORGANIZERS?

Please email info@islamicartsociety.org with questions or inquiries.