

Periodic Newsletter issued by Cinema Jenin, brings you the latest events, cultural achievements and future goals of the cinema.

Cinema Jenin Quarterly Newsletter

October 2013

- In the first week of October, "Marj Ibn-Amer" Festival for Culture and Arts was organized by Jenin Governorate in collaboration with the Ministry of Culture. The childrens activities of the festival took place in Cinema Jenin outdoor theatre, where the attendance was phenomenal with massive public presence.



- During the periodic screenings for the documentary film "Omar" by the Palestinian director Hany Abu-Asaad, a group of 70 women came to see the movie on the 2nd of October, in cooperation with the local women's associations which was followed by a long discussion.



- During the promotional and cultural cinema events in the governorate, a Cinematic meeting was held for Al-Yamoun secondary school students from a nearby village close to Jenin on October 7th, 2013.
- On October 19, 2013 a Scientific Creativity Festival was organized in collaboration with Al-Qattan Foundation in Ramallah and with participation of a wide range of discerning students. The students have created a workshop giving information about the work involved with the alternative energy (solar power), which is intended to take place periodically in Jenin.



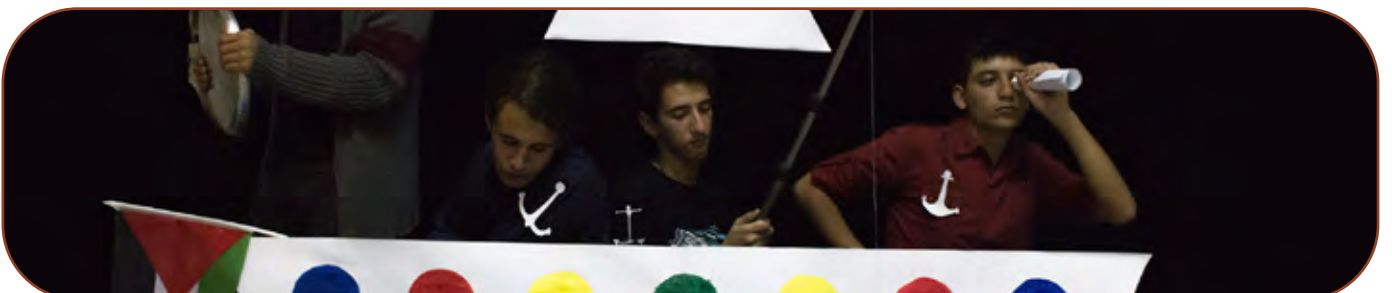
- On October 26, 2013 Cinema Jenin welcomed a delegation of 25 friends from Germany to see the movie "Cinema Jenin", a story of a dream, by film producer MarcusVetter, demonstrating in detail the different phases of the renovation and restoration process of Cinema Jenin.
- Cinema Jenin in cooperation with its partner the Popular Art Centre in Ramallah organized the Sixth Heritage Festival, attended by Akaleel band and Naba'a Torath Jerusalemite troupe For Dabka on October 27th. The festival had a great attendance and all seats were full .



- Naqsh Band for Folk Art dancing, sponsored and supported by Cinema Jenin, participated in the Sixth Heritage Festival Competition in Ramallah, with 15 other teams of the same category, from all around the country on October 25, in which Naqsh won the competition and received the Award for best performance.



- Cinema Jenin held two workshops shared by German volunteers together with Cinema Jenin staff from October 20th through October 30th . The first workshop name was 25 Pictures and Dreams in which five young men ages 16 to 20 years participated, and the second one's name is the Mask Industry, which involved children of 7-13 age group.

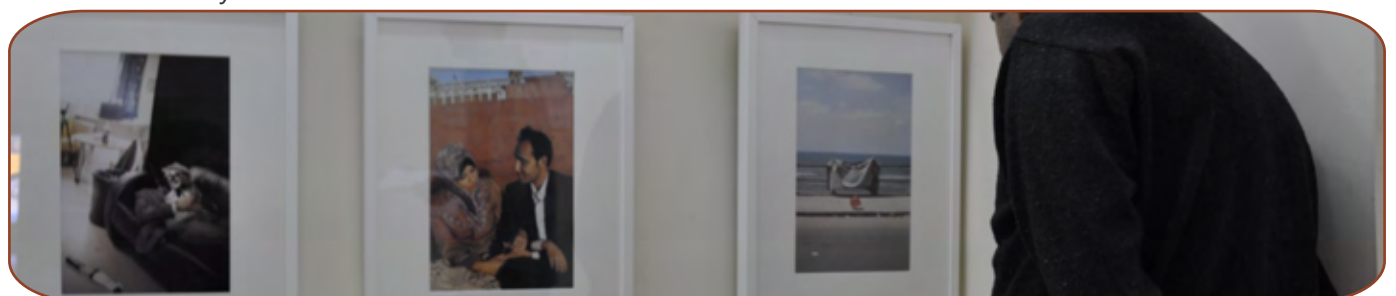


November, 2013

- Cinema Jenin organized a series of cinematic meetings during November 2013 for school students in collaboration with the Ministry of Education. The meetings took place in Cinema Jenin on October 9th, 19th, 25th, 27th and 28th where a documentary film about the famous poet "Fadwa Touqan" was presented to the governorate schools.
- Society of Cinematic Palestinian Youths, in collaboration with Cinema Jenin organized the Second International Youth Film Festival at Cinema Jenin on November 11th, 12th and 14th. The festival received a huge admiration from the local community and presented 18 short films from around the world within the days of the festival, while students showed a great interest in the festival, particularly university students from the Arab American University near Jenin.



- Cinema Jenin welcomed a group of international film makers working on a film called the Cinema Piracy by a British producer Trisha Ziff who used cinema Jenin and its staff to shoot part of her film with the participation of Palestinian director George Khalifa from Nazareth, who held a series of meetings with Cinema Jenin staff discussing cinema work in Palestine.
- In the context of promoting the cinema culture in Jenin governorate, cinema Jenin held a meeting on November 17, with the Ya'bad Cultural Forum where the meeting had a good attendance from Ya'bad village.
- On November 11, Cinema Jenin had a meeting with the Chamber of Commerce where they discussed the importance of the mutual cooperation with the cultural and trade sector in Jenin and agreed on holding activities of common interest, where culture and trade coincide.
- Civil defense organized an event on November 21st in collaboration with Cinema Jenin to raise child awareness about the importance of the community participation in the success of the civil defense tasks.
- A workshop for entrepreneurship, activation and development was organized by the Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with Cinema Jenin on November 23rd.
- Sponsored by Goethe Institute and in cooperation with Cinema Jenin, a photo gallery for the photographer Malin Schultz was set up by Cinema Jenin, the gallery was received with admiration by so many people who track the cinema activity and value the contribution of the Goethe Institute in Ramallah.



- At the end of November, YMCA organized in collaboration with Cinema Jenin a cinematic cultural event to provide psychological support for children in need which is one of YMCA's main concerns



December, 2013

- Cinema Jenin worked on a contract to offer proactive activities for children in collaboration with Clown Jackie Group on the 1st, the 10th and the 26th of December and it was received with an excellent participation by the local kindergarteners. It was agreed to have periodical activities by Clown Jackie Group as the group achieved an excellent success based on the previous activities and the desire of the kindergartens to continue with those activities.



- Cinema Jenin has continued to hold cinematic meetings to school students showing a documentary film about the poet "Fadwa Toukan" where it was screened on the 9th, 15th, 16th and 17th of December in coordination with the Ministry of Education in Jenin.
- Within the activities of the ARTE-film week, Cinema Jenin displayed on the 3rd day and the 4th, the films "Turtles Rage" by the director Pary Al-Qalqili talking about her exiled Palestinian father, and Gangster Lanfer film.



- Since Cinema Jenin is a member of the Advisory Board of the Ministry of Culture. Cinema Jenin participated in the meeting which was held on December 12, to discuss the technical plan for 2014 for the ministry of culture.
- Cinema Jenin in cooperation with the Arab American University organized a discussion for the film "Omar" by the Palestinian director Hany Abu-Asaad on the Arab American University campus and the discussion received very good attention by many participating students. Cinema Jenin is working on setting weekly screenings on the campus due to the encouraging students reaction.



- Al-Galeel Society for Community Care and Rehabilitation in collaboration with Cinema Jenin celebrated the World Disabled Day on December 24th.
- A poetry seminar was held and a group of students from the Arab American University attended . The seminar was organized by the Ministry of Culture, in collaboration with Cinema Jenin on December 26th.



- On December 30th Cinema Jenin hosted a concert where a young famous singer Tariq Khlouf a student from the Arab American University sang along with the "Wattar" music Band. The concert was a hit for young audience.



- Cinema Jenin hosted and sponsored Mad Mics band which is a group of young people who sang hip-hop and played Rap music on December 31st.



IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS

- There is an invitation from an Italian magazine organization called "Confronti" for two delegates from Cinema Jenin to visit Italy for one week between 24th and 31st March to talk about our work and discuss all activities and workshops that we do in the cinema. As they requested, a technician and a public relations officer will be going to answer questions in detail after every screening of our self made films in Italy. The purpose of the visit is to try to convince Italian donors to support Cinema Jenin financially and culturally.
- We will be having a Winter Camp for children and young students from 18th January until end of February to learn photography, acting, film making and folklore dancing (Dabka) .
- Cinema Jenin has signed an agreement with the Ministry of Education to screen documentary films for students of 7-17 age group such as : "Mahmoud Darwish" biography and "A Journey to the Edge of the Universe" about planet and nature, also "Formation and Origination" about the end of universe.
- Another contract was signed with the Arab American University effective from 1st February until 1st September to establish a membership program for students to watch movies in Cinema Jenin for a discounted members fees and also to attend other cultural events and festivals.