



Online Auction Artists with Beirut is Using Creativity to Help Rebuild the City

Two Lebanese creatives have come together to launch an online art auction in support of the valuable work of the Beirut Emergency Fund. It launches on September 25th, 2020

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P.C.-RANIA MATTAR
Mariam, Khiyam Detention Center by Lebanese/Palestinian/American artist Rania Mattar

Artists with Beirut is an online art auction that will take place from September 25th to October 2nd, 2020 to help raise relief funds for Beirut. The initiative is born from the efforts of L.A-based Franco-Lebanese filmmaker and art collector, Sabine El gemayel-d'Herbécourt and Mira Hawa, the Beirut-based communication specialist and project designer who has represented creative talent on international platforms such as the London Design Biennale, Institut du Monde Arabe and La Biennale di Venezia, amongst others.

"I'm too far to brandish my broom in solidarity to clean the streets of Beirut and the houses of my people," says Sabine of her motivation to found Artists with Beirut. "I'm too far to cook and distribute food to the hundreds of thousands of people in need of basic necessities. But I'm not too far to help from my home and do what I know which is fundraising for a cause."

Guided by art advisor and curator Margot Ross from Show Gallery in Los Angeles, and Anne-Dominique Toussaint's Galerie Cinéma in Paris, Artists with Beirut have amassed a diverse portfolio of artists who have donated their work for the benefit auction. These include: François Moret, Mansour El Habre, Irene Ghanem, Rania Mattar and Jean-Marc Nahas, amongst others.

Listed on Artsy and Artnet, the auction will be held through ArtScoops, an auction house and online marketplace presenting contemporary art and objects from artists and galleries from the MENA region. Often referred to as the go-to platform for discovering both emerging and established artists, and buying art from artists, galleries and private sellers, ArtScoops will not be taking any fees for this fundraising auction.

The funds raised from this auction will support the on-ground rebuilding efforts of the Beirut Emergency Fund. Donations collected by this fund will be disbursed with full transparency to well-vetted NGOs according to the most pressing needs, which include shelter and rehabilitation for households, medical and mental health, and assistance for SMEs.

Take part in the Artists with Beirut auction [here](#). A preview will be held from 22nd - 24th October, 2020.

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