



Achievements of Nation's Women Honored on Emirati Women's Day

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On August 28, the UAE celebrated Emirati Women's Day, which recognizes the achievements and contributions made by women across all aspects of society.

From astronauts and scientists, to artists and entrepreneurs, Emirati women are blazing new trails and leading the UAE forward.

In 2022 alone, Emirati women have:

- ▶ Led the UAE's presidency at the UN Security Council
- ▶ Trained at NASA's Johnson Space Center for future space missions
- ▶ Steered Expo 2020 Dubai to a successful conclusion
- ▶ Medaled at the Special Olympics Unified Cup
- ▶ Taken up more positions on the boards of directors of listed companies than ever before

Happy Emirati Women's Day to the talented and ambitious women who call the UAE home.

[Watch](#) Deputy Chief of Mission Shaima Gargash discuss some of the many impressive strides made by Emirati women in recent years.

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"Women in the UAE wear many hats: We are lawyers, authors, artists, politicians, CEOs, doctors, students, and poets. Our leadership actively encourages us to pursue our dreams even if the path to success is riddled with challenges, because we know we will not be limited by our gender."

- H.E. Noura Al Kaabi, UAE Minister of Culture and Youth



"One of the UAE's most noteworthy efforts in human capital terms is its effort to involve women in all levels of government and business...[it] stands out in its recognition that it cannot realize its economic, political and cultural potential without the full participation of half of its citizens."

- H.E. Barbara A. Leaf, US Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, former US Ambassador to the UAE

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Women in the UAE have always played a crucial role in our nation's journey. On Emirati Women's Day, we extend our gratitude to the women of the UAE for their exceptional achievements in a wide range of fields and unflinching dedication to the progress of our society and country.



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Entering NYU's PhD social work program this fall is Emirati student Layla Al Neyadi. For #EmiratiWomensDay, Layla shares why she chose social work and how she plans to contribute to the UAE's developing mental health infrastructure.

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For #WomeninSTEM, Budoor and Shamma, #EmiratiWomensDay is a chance to celebrate their achievements in an often male-dominated field.

Watch to hear how their studies @NYUAbuDhabi brought them to study abroad at @nyuniversity. 🙌 #UAEUSA



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Growing up, Emirati artist @maisonalsaleh always felt at home in the US surrounded by diverse cultures.

From dressing up with friends for Halloween to sharing Eid al-Fitr with her neighbors, she shares how her #UAEUSA childhood inspires her art today:
https://bit.ly/50Faces_Alsaleh



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For #EmiratiWomensDay we asked our @SmithsonianFolk artists and performers what the day means to them.

Watch as they honor the past and celebrate what it means to be a woman in the UAE. 🙌



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Our #EWA campaign shines a light on 51 remarkable Emirati women striving for a sustainable UAE.

Watch this video to see how the Emirati female entrepreneurs are transforming the economic landscape of

the nation!

Download the commemorative book: <http://bit.ly/3R7pDg7>



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Emirati Women are at the forefront of establishing #YasCreativeHub, the new home for media, entertainment and gaming in the region. They are the makers of an inspiring reality and a sustainable future. Watch the video to know their pivotal role in shaping our vibrant community.

Women in Government by the Numbers



Women make up nearly

one-third

of the UAE cabinet, among the
HIGHEST IN THE WORLD.

The UAE is also a leader in increasing women's representation in parliament, recording gender parity in 2021.

UAE Embassy to Host Women's Art Exhibition in Washington, D.C.

The UAE Embassy, in partnership with Abu Dhabi-based Dirwaza Curatorial Lab, will present a contemporary art exhibition in Washington, D.C. honoring the women who are shaping the UAE's creative landscape.

The show, titled *While the Coffee Grounds Settle: Stories from Women in the UAE*, features a diverse group of female artists from across the UAE, spanning nationalities, generations and artistic styles. It celebrates and honors women who have contributed immensely to the development and progress of the UAE's vibrant and diverse cultural ecosystem, while

examining how indoor social spaces, like the living room, can foster community-building among women.

While the Coffee Grounds Settle: Stories from Women in the UAE runs from 23 September – 14 October at the Fathom Gallery in Georgetown. The exhibition is open to the general public 23 September – 14 October from 11:00AM to 6:00PM each day (with the exception of 12 and 13 October). Admission is free.

Learn [more](#).



This Month in History

On August 27, 1975, the UAE General Women's Union was established under the chairmanship of HH Sheikha Fatima bint Mubarak to serve as the national mechanism for the empowerment and entrepreneurship of women in the United Arab Emirates.



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