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The Many Faces of UAE-US Friendship

Cookbook Author. Champion Boxer. Former Secretary of Defense.
UAE-US friendship comes in many forms and from many faces.

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"Things went wrong and air support was not available for some of our NATO forces who were in contact with the enemy. So immediately the call went to the Emiratis and asked, 'Can you do it right now on your first check ride in theater?' And they just said, 'Roger, we're ready to go' and they flew the mission. And it was emblematic of what we've come to expect from the Emirati forces, that they come in, they're trained, they're ready to perform at the varsity level, and they deliver."

General James Mattis

The former commander of US Central Command and secretary of defense describes the close cooperation between UAE and US armed forces



"Thanksgiving would always be at our house [in Abu Dhabi]. There were a few Americans, and I would always invite my Emirati friends who knew about it or studied in the States. And interestingly, over the years, Thanksgiving has now become quite a popular tradition here."

Hanan Sayed Worrell

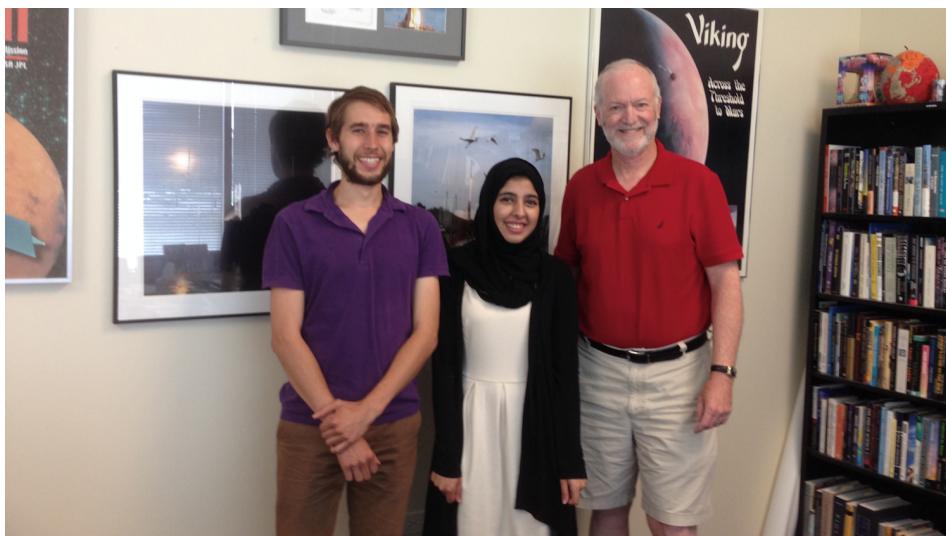
An American author's first Thanksgiving in Abu Dhabi



"My father got a scholarship from Sheikh Zayed in 1968 with two other colleagues to travel to Phoenix, Arizona [to study agriculture.] Muhammad Ali knew that there were three students from Abu Dhabi and wanted to meet them and get some information about Islam and their religion. He told my dad that he will visit the region sometime in the near future. After Phoenix, my dad took him for a tour of the [Saadiyat Island] greenhouses to show him the University of Arizona project and the research regarding turning Abu Dhabi, and the UAE afterward, into green country. The visit of Muhammad Ali, it's a miracle."

Ali Kaddas Al Romaithi

The story of Muhammad Ali's visit to an innovative farm in Abu Dhabi



"It was extremely nice to see that this professor from [CU Boulder], who had no ties to me in any way whatsoever, was just so passionate about having people interested in science, and helped out this young girl from the UAE pursue that as a career option."

Noora Alsaeed

An Emirati researcher studies Mars from her second home in Boulder, Colorado



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"To be right under this beautiful mosque dedicated to Mary the mother of Jesus was something that blew my mind. That there was a mosque, named for a person, honored, I thought just in a Christian faith but also in the Islamic faith too was something that I don't think is all too readily told in the West."

Dr. Michael Bates

The Catholic school leader discovers the UAE's diverse religious community

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Amb Al Otaiba: "As the first sitting US President to visit the UAE, President Bush experienced Emirati culture first-hand and witnessed the UAE's progress over the years. We are thrilled that he shared his reflections about the UAE's golden jubilee."



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[@Tala Al Ramahi](#)

It was the honor of my career to play a humble role in the success of the Special Olympics World Games, and it would not have happened if it weren't for the grand vision and political will of the leadership here. Thank you 🙏



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this interview series, and showcasing the great
experience I had with the American people.

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