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The Arab Image Foundation is recruiting a Head of Collections

Deadline to apply: March 31, 2014

Since its establishment in 1997, the Arab Image Foundation has been collecting, preserving and studying photography in the Middle East and beyond. The AIF now seeks its first Head of Collections to oversee the development, study and dissemination of its growing collection.

Role

The Head of Collections is a newly created position that will work hand in hand with the AIF director and the Board of Directors to advance knowledge on the AIF collections and to further use of the collection in research and projects.

The Head of Collections will be expected to develop the following areas:

- Expand knowledge of the AIF collection
- Develop research on the history of photography and photographic practices in the region, on intersections between photography and artistic practices, anthropology, sociology, history, etc.
- Design and lead projects related to the AIF collection, joining together scholars, researchers, historians, conservators, curators, artists, etc.
- Develop public programming for the Arab Image Foundation

Profile

Academic background:

The ideal candidate should have a post-graduate degree or a PhD in art history, history of photography, visual anthropology, or related fields, or demonstrate equivalent experience.

Research interests must include history, art history, history of photography, theory of photography and contemporary art, both within and outside the region.

Applicants must have conducted research within the region, and must have published relevant articles, essays or books on relevant topics.

Applicants must have professional experience in project conception and implementation (including exhibitions, publications, conferences, etc).

Applicants must have vision and leadership, yet must be excellent team players.

Candidates should master English and Arabic - knowledge of French is desirable.

Availability

The position is available from June 1, 2014 and is offered on a full-time basis for a period of three years, renewable once.

To apply

To apply, please send a CV and a cover letter to jobs@fai.org.lb before March 31, 2014 in an e-mail with "Head of Collections" in the subject header.

For more information about the position, please contact zeina.arida@fai.org.lb.