



## PIXEL PASSION

**Khawla AlHassan, a popular Digital Artist in Bahrain, has taken the lesser trodden path of computer-based art making, giving it a new outlook and dimension**

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**B**ack when professional digital artist Khawla AlHassan was in high school, she learned a very important lesson about friendship and her passion.

She had a hard time finding somebody among her peers who shares the same connection and passion for art as she has, from her surroundings where art was not considered as a serious career path. This has taught her the lesson that being alone in a path with your passion is better than walking beside

In order to get back on track, Khawla went the only way with a field related to arts as she joined BA course in Mass Communications and Digital media in the University of Bahrain. "I chose this time to walk without my friends and follow my instincts even if it's going to cost me 8 years of studying. It was one of the best decisions that I have ever made. I enjoyed every part of this long journey," she said.

Khawla had earned her experience in creating and managing websites for 8 years locally and globally for her own business 'Imaginary Art'. After joining UoB, she managed several projects



Khawla AlHassan



Khawla's works displayed in an exhibition

### Khawla's passion for Design

Talking about her passion for design, she said, "It's a common language. Some people might not understand numbers, equations, or words. But design is the language of everybody. Every single person can interact and analyse the colours, lines, images, videos differently."

As she treaded further, Khawla also entered her newfound passion

for teaching and went to become a Research and Teaching Assistant. Earning the attention of her professors as a student, she was given an opportunity to teach in their classes.

Khawla has plans for a Master's degree as well as plans to teach visual effects and cinematic composing in the future. "We need this major in the gulf region especially Bahrain," she commented.



A design by Khawla

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One of Khawla's work

everybody without your passion.

When she applied to study fine arts in the same year, the programme got cancelled and she ended up with a diploma in a major that didn't appeal to her.

including earning the roles of designer for the National Day exhibition for HM King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, Head of Layers exhibition for digital medial projects and being awarded for Best Adobe Director Project, Web Project

and Ideal Digital Media student.

In 2015, Khawla created her own business called AlHasan Design where it specializes in Architectural modeling, 3D Animation, Video Production, Video Games production for smart phones and Graphic Design.

## Man held for having sex with minor to get nod for marriage

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**A** person reportedly had sex with a minor girl to force her family to give nod for their marriage.

The 14-year-old girl went with the accused to his house and spent a night there with him, according to court files.

"After my daughter disappeared from home, she contacted me from an

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unknown mobile number, and she told me she is safe and that we don't need to worry about

her," the mother of the girl told prosecutors.

"When we tried calling back,

we could not reach her. And the next day, when I managed to reach the number, a boy answered the phone. He told me he loves my daughter and wants to marry her," the mother added.

She reportedly convinced the accused to come to a local mall along with her daughter and informed police about it.

Officers nabbed him when he showed up to

meet the mother, court files indicated. The accused, who is unemployed, is reportedly implicated in 14 cases, ranging between robbery, drug abuse and physical assault.

He had been having an affair with the victim for three months, according to his testimony before prosecutors.

"I love her and I want to marry her. But I am jobless and knew her parents would never

accept me. So we decided to have sex, to put pressure on them," he said.

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