

A festival in the right direction, says veteran Bahraini actor



Scenes from the play



Awwad and chief guests visiting the festival



Al-Naeem Youth Centre crew



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The third edition of Khalid Bin Hamad Theatres Festival For National Clubs, Youth Centres and People With Disability will boost Bahrain's status as the birthplace of brilliant actors and actresses, directors and scriptwriters in the Arab world, said veteran Bahraini Actor Mohammed Awwad.

During a visit to the festival, Awwad also commended the efforts taken by HH Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad

Al-Khalifa in grooming local talents and ensuring their participation in cultural activities.

"Developing their talents and allowing them to demonstrate their onstage skills will promote the Kingdom of Bahrain in the Arab World as the birthplace of brilliant actors and actresses, directors and scriptwriters," Awwad said.

Mohammed Awwad was the guest of honour of the "Speech of the Brush" play performed by Al-Naeem Youth Centre as the last additional

show on the sidelines of the festival at Muharraq members and administration of Al-Naeem Youth Centre for presenting such an outstanding show.

Awwad praised the team members and administration of Al-Naeem Youth Centre for presenting such an outstanding show. The play was also attended by Ahmed Al-Khayat, President of Bahrain Self-Defence Federation and Rashid Nabeel Al-Hamer, Development Manager at Al-Ayam Newspaper.

The shows at the festival

conclude today with the performance of "The Auspicious Visit" play by the National Foundation for the Services of People with Disabilities Team.

The festival is organised for the third consecutive year by the Ministry of Youth and Sports Affairs and the Media Office of HH Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al-Khalifa. It began on October 4 and will conclude on October 21.

The 18-day festival comes within Khalid Bin Hamad Al-Khalifa Initiatives to

support Bahraini youth. This year's edition is themed #Let's_Plant_A_Smile.

Bapco Silver Sponsor

Bahrain Petroleum Company (Bapco) yesterday announced its backing for the third edition of Khalid Bin Hamad Theatres Festival For National Clubs, Youth Centres and People With Disability as a silver sponsor.

HH Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al-Khalifa welcomed the initiative of Bapco and said that the strategies of the

company reflect its concern on supporting the youth, cultural and sports movement in Bahrain.

On his part, Nawaf Hussain Sultan Al-Ghanim, Corporate Communication Director of Bapco said that the company is proud to sponsor the festival and appreciates the support of HH to the youth and sports movement in the kingdom.

He explained that the sponsorship comes within the responsibilities of Bapco to achieve community partnership.

BTEA to host 'Sea Festival' and 'Bahrain Light Festival'



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Bahrain Tourism and Exhibitions Authority (BTEA) yesterday unveiled plans to host the second edition of the 'Sea Festival' and the 'Bahrain Light Festival'.

During a press conference held at Four Seasons Hotel Bahrain Bay, the authority said that the 'Sea Festival' will be held from 26th of October until 4th of November 2017. The 'Bahrain Light Festival' will be held from 23rd - 30th November 2017.

"The festivals will include a series of fun and exciting events for the whole family," said Chief Executive Officer of BTEA, Shaikh Khaled bin



Shaikh Khaled bin Humood Al Khalifa, CEO, BTEA

Humood Al Khalifa

The 'Sea Festival' features a number of activities, including the Techno Aqua World area

for games and leisure activities, a central display related to the history of pearl diving, and the 360 virtual reality gaming zone.

The festival will also include a designated area for pearl and jewellery merchants, a painting zone where children will be able to showcase their painting skills by participating in the dhow painting activity, in addition to several live performances. Furthermore, the outdoor area will include a painting zone where artists will have live painting demonstration dhows that will be displayed throughout the festival.

Other activities include de-shelling oysters; free diving

shows, and many more. The festival will take place from Saturday to Thursday from 4pm to 10pm and from 4pm to 11pm on Friday. Tickets are priced at BD2 per person and free for children under the age of 4.

The 'Bahrain Light Festival' aims to showcase technical artistic dynamics; the latest innovations in lighting by artists from France, Japan and the United States of America, and will also include remarkable artistic performances

Hosting these festivals comes in line with the BTEA's strategy to develop the tourism sector under the slogan of 'Ours. Yours.'