

More Than Toys

Hands-on art zones debut at EWB



Fun and learning activities for the Kingdom's young aspiring artists



DIY art for families

Festival expands creative focus

Local studio leads workshops

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What began as a celebration of toys is fast transforming into a full-blown creative festival.

Exhibition World Bahrain (EWB) is launching a hands-on

art zone called 'EWB's Imagination Station', offering a new layer to the Bahrain Summer Toy Festival 2025 with daily interactive workshops and walk-in art experiences for families.

The new station, developed in partnership with the Bahrain-based creative studio Artly, aims to deliver more than just entertainment.

Running from July 1st to August 5th alongside the Toy Festival, the initiative turns part of EWB's East Lounge into a working arts lab filled with painting stations, crafting corners, and design challenges for children, teens, and adults.

Among the standout attrac-



tions is the 'Fluid Bear Bar', where visitors can paint acrylic designs on bear figures, along with canvas sessions that bring Bahrain's iconic landmarks to life.

Other options include tote bag painting and guided DIY art classes for age groups starting at four years old and extending

to adults.

Each week, a rotating schedule will feature new creative experiences such as mask-making, cookie decorating, paracord bracelet weaving, clay modelling and more, ensuring no two visits are alike.

"We're turning EWB into a year-round destination for creativity, learning, and family engagement," said Huda Al Shamlan, Director of Marketing, Communication and Partnerships at EWB. "The Imagination Station is more than a summer add-on. It is part of a wider strategy to deepen the value of public-facing events at our venue."

Labour Ministry Launches 12 Rest Stations for Delivery Drivers



One of the rest stations
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As part of a pioneering initiative to enhance the safe working environment for those working in the delivery sector, the Ministry of Labour has announced the launch of 12 air-conditioned and fully equipped rest stations for all delivery drivers from various companies and establishments, in cooperation with Talabat Bahrain, during the summer season.

These stations offer com-

prehensive services including secure parking, rest areas, and essential facilities such as air conditioning, seating, and other services.

The stations will be distributed in locations near delivery driver gathering points across different areas of the Kingdom, making them easily accessible.

This initiative aims to improve driver comfort, enhance professional performance, and raise the quality of services provided to them.

Health Minister participates in Brussels summit on immunisation

Brussels

Her Excellency Dr. Jaleela Hibint Al Sayed Jawad Hassan, Minister of Health, led Bahrain's delegation to the high level global summit Health and

Prosperity through Immunisation, organised in Brussels by Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, in partnership with the European Commission and the Gates Foundation.

The summit brought together

heads of state and government, health ministers, and representatives of international organisations and agencies.

Dr. Jaleela emphasised Bahrain's commitment to global immunisation and preventive

health efforts, citing the Kingdom's approach under the leadership of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and the directives of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and

Prime Minister.

She highlighted efforts to strengthen international partnerships that protect society and future generations from infectious diseases.

The minister said the sum-

mit offered a global platform to highlight the importance of international solidarity in ensuring fair and equal access to vaccines as a foundation of health and sustainable development.

Hilton Bahrain Brings Pet Lovers Together for 'Raise the Woof!' Community Gathering

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Hilton Bahrain, widely known as the most pet-friendly hotel in the Kingdom, once again opened its doors to the dog-loving community with a fun and meaningful event: "Raise the Woof! - Petworking" yesterday, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Timed in honor of World Day Against Pet Abandonment, the event aims to raise awareness about animal welfare and promote responsible pet ownership, while donating a portion of the entry fee to Bahrain Strays.

Having already hosted successful and quirky pet-focused events like a pet fashion show and a recent conducted dog adoption event in collaboration with Bahrain Strays, the hotel has earned its place in the hearts of Bahrain's pet parents.

Building on that momentum, Raise the Woof! introduces the concept of "pet-working" — yes, networking with a "p" — an event designed not only for pet owners to socialize but also for their furry companions to do the same.



Dog lovers at the Hilton Bahrain event



This pet-loving hotel continues to establish itself not just for pet overnight stays, but as a lively destination for pet-posi-



tive experiences. For BHD5 net, each guest will receive a complimentary soft beverage and access to an



evening full of joy, connection, and purpose.

Pet owners and their four-legged companions will be treated

Hilton Bahrain celebrates World Day Against Pet Abandonment with a "pet networking" event—supporting Bahrain Dog Adoption and bringing the dog-loving community together.

to a variety of thoughtfully prepared activities and surprises by Hilton Bahrain and its event partners.

From delicious treats to interactive games, the evening promises a blend of relaxation and excitement.

Lucky winners

One of the main highlights is the Pet Parent Bingo, where lucky winners will get a chance to win exciting prizes — including a one-night stay at Hilton Bahrain.

Guests will also enjoy music from a live DJ, adding a vibrant atmosphere to the open-air lounge where the event will take place.

Beyond the fun and festivities, guests will also have the chance to meet the adorable rescue dogs from Bahrain Strays, all of whom are looking for loving forever homes.

This event is proudly supported by a group of passionate local partners and sponsors, including Pet Studio, Bubbles & Miche, Bed & Biscuits, and VIBES, all of whom share Hilton Bahrain's commitment to animal welfare, community engagement, and responsible pet ownership.

"This event is not just about a great evening out," said Tamer Farouk, General Manager, Hilton Bahrain. "It's about building a community around shared values — joy, compassion, and connection. At Hilton Bahrain, we believe pets are family, and we're proud to create spaces and experiences that reflect that."

With this event, Hilton Bahrain continues to lead with heart, combining entertainment with purpose for the good of the community — and its beloved animals.

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