Successful IXO Poetry Slam Night!

Special thank you from IXO for all those who made the night possible.

May 11th IXO hosted an exciting Slam Poetry night, which had over sixty people in attendance. It was an enjoyable night with entertaining and talented poets taking the stage. Thanks to all those who attended, recited their poetry and helped make it happen!

Full Scholarships for Summer 2011 Arabic Language Immersion in Muscat (ALIM) at the World Learning Oman Center (WorLOC)

ALIM: Arabic Language Immersion in Muscat

- **Level:** Intermediate (two years of university Arabic or the equivalent)
- **Instruction:** Modern Standard Arabic, media literacy, passive comprehension and active use of “educated speech” (lughatalmuthaqafeen) as used on Al Jazeera
- **Textbook:** Al Kitaab fii Taalum Al Arabiya II (and authentic media material)
- **Program dates:** June 10-July 21, 2011 (six weeks)
- **Schedule:** Four hours daily, five days a week (three hours of classroom instruction and one hour in conversation with a peer facilitator)
- **Instructors:** Native Omani Arabic speakers, with formal AFL training and experience teaching foreign university students and other international audiences
- **Accommodations:** Students live with local homestay families, providing a window into Omani life and culture
- **Cultural activities:** Lectures and films, museum visits, interactions with peer facilitators, participation in homestay family leisure activities
- **Class size:** Two classes, six students each
- **Excursions:** Weekend trips to interior villages and wadis

**FULL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY. APPLICATION DEADLINE MAY 29.**

Application form link below:


SERVAS International

SERVAS is a multi-cultural peace organization and NGO, run by volunteers in over 100 countries. Cultural understanding is promoted by the use of approved volunteers, who open up their doors as hosts for 2-3 days (perhaps more, but only at the host's invitation), providing meals and perhaps a tour of the area they live in. SERVAS is ideal for getting to know the heart of a country, not just the capital cities, but also small villages and forgotten towns. There is no cost to travelers for staying with these hosts during the 2-3 day period.

You can apply to be a traveler for a small fee, and if interested, you can apply to be a host yourself. The United Arab Emirates holds 10 hosts, you are able to apply directly for a SERVAS ‘passport’ in the country (ie apply to be a host, traveler or helper), by emailing: unitedarabemirates@servas.org.