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ARABESQUE: Arts of the Arab World
February 23 – March 15, 2009

From February 23 – March 15, 2009, the Kennedy Center will present the cultural treasures of the Arab world during *ARABESQUE: Arts of the Arab World*, an international festival showcasing the varied cultures of the 22 Arab nations that represent the Arab world. In cooperation with the League of Arab States, the three-week festival brings together some 800 Arab artists, many of whom making their U.S. debut, in performance of music, dance, and theatre, as well as exhibitions featuring art installations, fashion, a soundscape, cuisine, a souk (market), and much more.

We would like to promote Kuwait's participation in the festival. The following are some of the Kuwaiti participants in *ARABESQUE*;

- *Richard III: An Arab Tragedy* adapted and directed by Sulayman Al-Bassam
- *99 Magazine*: Nawaf AlMutawa
- Chorographers Farid Abdal & Farah Bebihani

For more information, you may go to the Kennedy Center's website (<http://www.kennedy-center.org/programs/festivals/08-09/arabesque>); we encourage everyone's support of the festival.