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## **COUSU MAIN - UNIQUE EXHIBITION FROM WOMEN DETAINEES FROM VERSAILLES PRISON**

### **ARAB WORLD INSTITUTE - WOMEN EXHIBITION**

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**USPA NEWS** - "Cousu Main" the last project of the ARAB WORLD INSTITUTE is to bring the Museum to a female prison and to host female's creativity at the Museum. The textile field is one of the most ancient industries created by man with which he keeps having intimate and social relationships. That gave wonders...

The aim of this project, which lasted nine months, was to give the opportunity to the femal prisoners who choosed freely to join the workshop, to get back their self-esteem and to reconnect with other detainees and outsiders. To propose to those volunteers to create with their own style a full dress including a wallet, a vest and a kaftan. Through this activity of pure artistic creativity, women and young girls, the 12 detainees, can tell a story with those three pieces of work (choice of fabrics, their associations and their ornamentation). After the nine months of very exciting and demanding involvment, an Exhibition was given at Maison d'Arrêt de VERSAILLES. Will follow the same kind of Exhibition in September for temporary time at IMA

So, the Arab World Institute will be hosting this promising women's Exhibition with the Vernissage on September 19, 2015 (European Heritage Days being on Saturday September 19, Sunday September 20). After the Arab World Institute, the Exhibition will be hosted by La Fondation EDF, Partner of this Event.

IMA is an organization founded in Paris in early 1980's with the help of Arab countries constituing the Arab League and France. The aim was to research and desseminate information about the Arab World and its cultural and spiritual values. The Institute also promotes cooperation and exchanges between France and the Arab nations, particulary in the areas of Science, Technology, Literature, Art, Cinema. The Exhibition is part of it its way.

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