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Cities are hubs for ideas, trade, culture, science, production, social development, and other human activities. They play a crucial role in enabling people to achieve social and economic advancement. It is essential to mobilize support to ensure that policymakers are convinced of the need to include access to information in national and regional development plans.

Alnoor University participated in the Short Film Festival hosted by Al-Kitab University, with the participation of more than 42 public and private universities from across Iraq. The university presented its film “Cooperation,” which stood out for its creative directorial vision and succeeded in winning the Best Director award among all participating works, marking a new achievement in the university’s support for artistic talent. This festival comes within efforts to support student cinema, enhance artistic creativity among university students, and provide a platform for showcasing young talents and exchanging experiences between academic institutions.



Alnoor University's media team documented distinctive scenes of the Alnoor tourist bus touring the streets of Baghdad alongside the Iraqi national team players, amid exceptional festive atmospheres that reflected the scale of public joy over this major sporting achievement. The streets of Baghdad witnessed wide public engagement, as crowds gathered to welcome the players and express their pride in the national team, in a scene that embodied unity of feelings and a strong sense of belonging. The participation of the Al-Noor tourist bus came as part of the university's contribution to this national occasion, serving as a unique celebratory platform accompanying the players in a tour among the public, reaffirming the university's role in supporting national events and keeping pace with moments that unite Iraqis.



Alnoor University delivered a distinguished participation in the Flower Festival in Mosul, in collaboration with Baytna Foundation for Culture, Arts, and Heritage, an event organized by the Mosul Municipality at Al-Shaab Park. This participation reflected the outcome of joint cooperation, as Alnoor University handled the organization of attendance and participation, while the Baytna Foundation took the initiative to manage and implement the pavilion's activities through the university. The pavilion appeared in a remarkable form that embodied a spirit of beauty and creativity, presenting a model that supports culture and the arts in a contemporary style aligned with Mosul's identity and heritage. Alnoor University also expressed its appreciation for the visitors' attendance and engagement with this event, which strengthened the presence of art and culture within the community.



As part of its support for community initiatives and the promotion of a culture of volunteerism, Alnoor University participated, in cooperation with the Mosul Municipality, in a large-scale campaign to clean the Waterfalls tourist area. This effort aimed to help preserve the beauty of natural sites and highlight the positive image of the city of Mosul and Nineveh Governorate. The university contributed to the campaign by deploying its fleet of transportation buses to ensure participants' access to the campaign site, reaffirming its commitment to supporting community activities and meaningful volunteer initiatives. This participation aligns with Alnoor University's vision of strengthening its role in initiatives that serve society, contribute to environmental preservation, and promote the values of cooperation and collective work.



College of Arts

The Department of Archaeological Tourism at the College of Arts at Alnoor University, in cooperation with the Continuing Education Center, organized a workshop titled “Investigating Archaeological Treasures in the Old City of Mosul.” The lecture was delivered by Professor Dr. Ahmed Qasim Al-Jumah, Head of the Department, who reviewed the most significant archaeological treasures found in the Old City of Mosul, highlighting their historical and cultural value as well as methods for their preservation and conservation. The workshop was attended by a number of faculty members and students interested in archaeology, who actively engaged with the lecture through questions and academic discussions. This event comes as part of Alnoor University’s efforts to promote awareness of cultural heritage and emphasize the importance of preserving the historical legacy of the city of Mosul.



As part of the World Heritage Day events in the city of Mosul, the panel discussion entitled “Emergency Response to Living Heritage” witnessed the participation of Alnoor University, attended by the Deputy Governor for Administrative Affairs, Mr. Ghazwan Al-Daoudi; the Deputy Governor for Technical Affairs, Mr. Khaled Al-Obaidi; the Vice Chairman of the Nineveh Provincial Council, Mr. Mohammed Abdullah Al-Jubouri; and the Inspector of Antiquities and Heritage of Nineveh, Mr. Ruwaid Al-Layla. This participation أكد the importance of supporting efforts aimed at protecting cultural heritage and enhancing community awareness of its value. It comes within the framework of supporting cultural initiatives that contribute to safeguarding civilizational heritage and reinforcing the role of heritage as a fundamental element in building and sustaining identity. The event also witnessed wide attendance, including government officials, representatives of official institutions in Nineveh Governorate, as well as a distinguished group of academics, researchers, and specialists in archaeology and heritage, in addition to the participation of local and international organizations concerned with protecting cultural heritage, civil society institutions, and media outlets, reflecting a growing awareness of the importance of preserving Mosul’s rich cultural legacy.



In the presence of Professor Dr. Yaseen Taha Al-Hajjar, President of Alnoor University, Dr. Nabil Ahmed Jargis, Administrative Assistant to the University President, and Professor Dr. Khazal Fathi Zaidan, Dean of the College of Education, the Cultural Activities Unit within the Student Activities Department at the university organized a poetry competition. The event was managed by Assistant Lecturer Ru'a Fares Mohammed and attended by a judging panel composed of the Head of the Union of Writers and Authors in Nineveh, one of the union's poet members, and faculty members from the Department of Arabic Language at the College of Education, Alnoor University. Students from various colleges recited their poems, and winners were selected for the top positions.

