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### Amman Design Week 2026 Opens Its Call for Participation

With the continuous support of **Her Majesty Queen Rania Al Abdullah**, **Amman Design Week (ADW)** returns for its fourth edition, taking place in October 2026 under the theme "Accumulations", a reflection on how time, effort, and knowledge gather and converge into new cultural and material possibilities.

After a six-year pause, this much-anticipated edition marks the continuation of a growing ecosystem that connects designers, educators, and communities across Jordan and beyond. Since its inception, Amman Design Week has become a cornerstone of the region's creative landscape, offering a platform for dialogue, experimentation, and collaboration that extends far beyond the week itself.

The theme Accumulations invites reflection on the invisible forces that build over time: human creativity, shared knowledge, and the resilience of natural and social systems. It asks us to look beyond the finished product to the processes, materials, and relationships that sustain design practice - celebrating design not as an isolated act, but as a living exchange between people, culture, and the environment. In the context of Jordan, where heritage, innovation, and resourcefulness intersect, Accumulations becomes a way of understanding how ideas, practices, and traditions persist, adapt, and transform through time.

**Amman Design Week 2026** will unfold across multiple venues in Amman, activating the city through a network of exhibitions, installations, and public programs. Alongside its main exhibitions, this edition will highlight a robust program of workshops, talks, panels, and performances that transform spaces into platforms for experimentation, learning, and exchange. Participants will include designers, craftspeople, researchers, students, and cultural practitioners from across disciplines - coming together to share knowledge and explore new forms of creative expression.

Organized under the curatorial direction of **Faysal Tabbarah** and **Khalid Al Bashir**, this edition continues Amman Design Week's mission to cultivate a vibrant platform for design and creative exchange rooted in the region's unique social, cultural, and material context. Both curators bring distinct perspectives, together shaping an edition grounded in critical inquiry, experimentation, and collaboration.

Applications are now open through two open calls:

**Exhibit Your Work:** for designers, makers, and studios interested in showcasing their projects and research:

<https://ammandesignweek.com/participate/exhibit-your-work>

**Propose a Program:** for individuals and collectives proposing talks, workshops, performances, or other public engagement formats: <https://ammandesignweek.com/participate/propose-a-program>

Both calls are open to local and regional practitioners across disciplines, including architecture, product and furniture design, fashion, digital media, crafts, and beyond. Selected participants will contribute to a dynamic program that reflects the spirit of collaboration and the multiplicity of voices that define Amman Design Week.

**Deadline for applications: 5 January 2026**

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