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## Enana Dance Group in Detroit



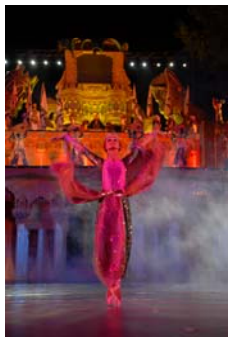
Enana Group for Theatrical Dance was founded twenty years ago in Damascus and shortly after became one of Syria national cultural treasures. The group normally selects a story inspired from our history (e.g., Zenoubia, Salah elDeen, Julia Dumna, Sindibad ...) and presents it in a framework of beautiful music and very artistic and creative theatrical dance. In their performances history, talent, customs, décor, music, dance, and drama all blend together in one fascinating show that captures the imagination and admiration of their audience.

Since their founding the group performed and won many awards in International Festivals in Syria, Lebanon, Tunisia, UAE, Jordan, Oman, Egypt, Morocco, Kuwait, Turkey, China, and India.



For years I have been looking and waiting for the right opportunity to invite Enana to Michigan. I am glad to be partnering with the Arab American National Museum to host Enana at their Annual Fundraising Gala Event that will take place on June 21 at Max Fischer Music center in Detroit. Enana will perform the story of Julia Dumna, the Syrian woman who became the Roman empress in 193. Julia used to accompany her husband emperor Severus campaigns in the East, an uncommon event in a time when women were expected to wait in Rome for their husbands. Julia gained a lot of affection, as demonstrated by minting her portrait on many coins, and by her title mater castrorum (mother of the camp).

The American Syrian Arab Cultural Association (ASACA) in Detroit is a big supporter of the event, and their board has demonstrated a great extent of zeal and commitment toward the success of the event.



The event in Detroit will be Enana first performance in the US. They will travel to Michigan after completing their participation in musical festival in Toronto, Canada. The Syrian community in Michigan and United States should not miss this unique opportunity and plan on inviting many of their friends and colleagues. More detailed information about reservation and tickets will be available soon.

For now mark your calendar, rework your summer travel arrangements, and plan to be with us on June 21st.

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