

PRESS RELEASE

17th Edition of the Mawazine Festival Rhythms of the World

Mawazine welcomes the soprano of Arabic music

**The Mohammed V National Theatre will vibrate with the sound
of Majida El Roumi**

Rabat, March 26th, 2018: Under the high patronage of His Majesty King Mohammed VI and for its 17th edition, The Mawazine Festival Rhythms of the World is offering a stunning program with the biggest names in Arabic music such as the iconic Majida El Roumi.

For this year, the prestigious Lebanese soprano will perform at the Mohammed V National Theatre on Thursday June 28th, for an unforgettable evening.

Considered by music lovers to be the last diva worthy of the name, Majida El Roumi is known for her great success in oriental, romantic and patriotic songs. Advocating for peace, the rebirth and union of the nation, Majida El Roumi sings words of great poets and collaborates with successful composers.

Participating in the biggest events in the world, decorated and rewarded throughout her career, Majida El Roumi is Honorary Ambassador of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) for the fight against famine in the Arab world. In 2013, she was made Officer of Arts and Letters in France.

A graduate in Arabic literature, Majida El Roumi saw her artistic career take off thanks to the acclaimed “Kalimat”, by the great poet Nizar Qabbani, which is to this day an anthem in the Arab world. She offered a multitude of beautiful melodies and exquisite poems magnified by her unique voice. Songs such as «*Ib7at 3anni*», «*Maa Al Jarida*», «*Koun Sadi9i*», «*O7ebbok wa ba3d*», «*E3tazalt El Gharam*» and «*Saqata Al Qina*» are today considered classics.

With Majida El Roumi, joy, emotion and beauty resonate everywhere!

Useful Information:

17th edition of the Mawazine Festival Rhythms of the World: From the 22nd to the 30th of June 2018.

Majida El Roumi on Thursday, June 28th 2018 – Mohammed V National Theater

About Mawazine Festival Rhythms of the World

Established in 2001, the Mawazine Festival Rhythms of the World is the essential rendezvous for music amateurs in Morocco drawing for the past 15 years, over 2 million festivalgoers at each edition. Held over a period of nine days, Mawazine offers a rich and diversified program where performers from all four corners of the world make of the cities of Rabat and Salé a world stage for music. Committed to promoting Moroccan Music, the Festival devotes more than half of its shows to national artists. As a firm believer in the values of peace, tolerance openness and respect, 90% of the concerts are free of charge for everyone to enjoy. Mawazine participates in the region's economy, attracting tourists from all over the world; and is a leading player in the creation of a real entertainment industry in Morocco

About Maroc Cultures Association:

Created in compliance with the provisions of November 15, 1958 Dahir, and further to a General Assembly held in Rabat on October 23, 2001, Maroc Cultures is a non-profit association whose main mission is to offer to the public of Rabat-Salé-Zemmour-Zaër region a highly professional cultural and artistic entertainment worthy of the capital of the kingdom. Echoing the fundamental values of His Majesty King Mohammed VI development policy, Maroc Cultures materializes this mission through Mawazine Rhythms of the World Festival as well as various events, multi-disciplinary symposia, plastic art exhibitions and concerts.