

DANA DAJANI.Poetry CV

Live Spoken Word Performances

Van Cleef & Arpels “The Treasure of Gems” Exclusive Event	2025	@ Buhais Geological Park	Sharja, UAE
“Art as Activism”	2024	@ Doha Fire Station	Doha, Qatar
“Poetry of the Spirit”	2024	@Theatre of Digital Art	Dubai, UAE
“Language of the Soul”	2024	@Emirates Literature Fest	Dubai, UAE
“Heartwood Poems”	2024	@Emirates Literature Fest	Dubai, UAE
“Desert Stanzas”	2024	@Emirates Literature Fest	Dubai, UAE
“Without Hope we are Lost” Tribute to Mahmoud Darwish	2024	@Emirates Literature Fest	Dubai, UAE
“An Olive Branch”	2024	@Palestival	Bali, Indonesia
“An Olive Branch”	2024	@Kawalees	Montreal, Canada
“An Olive Branch”	2024	@GenQ Studio	Los Angeles, USA
“An Olive Branch” Arab American Heritage Month Celebration	2024	@University of DC	Washington DC, USA
“An Olive Branch” Dinner Show	2024	@Design Space	Amman, Jordan
“I Choose to be Palestinian- Voices For Gaza	2024	@La Cigale Theatre	Paris, France
“Voices from Palestine”	2024	@Rainbow Theatre	Amman, Jordan
Palestine Writes Festival	2023	@University of Pennsylvania	Philadelphia, USA
Art for Tomorrow Conference 2024	2024	@Palazzo Grassi+Palazzo Cavalli Franchetti	Venice, Italy
Global Med Live	2023	@Lipasmata Multifunctional Park	Athens, Greece
Athens Democracy Forum	2023	@ Stoa of Attalos and other locations	Athens, Greece
Democracy & Wellbeing Weekend	2023	@Piqantro, Navarino Hills	Costa Navarino, Greece
AWS Women’s Day event	2023	@ Amazon Web Services HQ	Dubai, UAE
“Poetry & Prose”	2023	@Alia’s Bookshop	Beirut, Lebanon
“An Olive Branch” Dinner Show	2023	@LIVINC	Salt, Jordan
Art for Tomorrow Conference 2023	2023	@St Regis Hotel	Florence, Italy
A Weekend with Brunello Cuccinelli	2023	@Solomeo Theatre	Solomeo, Italy
Unfinished Democracy Conference	2023	@Ateneul Român	Bucharest, Romania
Qatar Creates	2023	@Mathaf Museum	Doha, Qatar
Doha Women’s Forum- “Women in Action on Climate Change”	2023	@Centara Hotel	Doha, Qatar
“Repattern the Fractal”- Gates Foundation Event	2022	@Innovations for Post-Pandemic Future	Doha, Qatar
“An Olive Branch” @PAL Arts Fest	2022	@ RichMix	London, UK
Mindvalley A-Fest	2022	@ Marriott Dead Sea	Amman, Jordan
Van Cleef & Arpels “Sous les Étoiles” Collection Launch	2022	@ Al Maha Resort	Sharjah, UAE
Kalimat V2 x MARSM	2021	@ Grand Junction	London, UK
“An Evening of Poetry and Rhythm”	2020	@ Corners Pub	Amman, Jordan
Global Citizen Festival	2020	@ Reem Island	Abu Dhabi, UAE
Kalimat x MARSM	2019	@ Rich Mix	London, UK
FloVortex	2019	@ Hideaway Live	London, UK
Poetryhood	2019	@ 1Life D3	Dubai, UAE
Emirates Airlines Festival of Literature	2019	@ InterContinental Hotel	Dubai, UAE
Cisco “Women of Impact” Performance	2019	@ Cisco Offices	Dubai, UAE
BOLDtalks “Poetry > Politics”	2019	@ 1Life D3	Dubai, UAE
Swarovski “Sparkle Eternal”	2019	@ Armani Hotel	Dubai, UAE
Ga3da	2019	@ 1Life D3	Dubai, UAE
“Poetry of the Spirit” Ramadan Whirling Poetry Performance	2019	@ Manarat al Saadiyat	Abu Dhabi, UAE
Flo Vortex	2019	@ Hideaway Live	London, UK
“Festival of Womanhood”	2019	@ Amnesty UK Feminists	London, UK
“Night of San Juan Festival”	2019	@ Ruinas de la Iglesia Santa Maria	Cazorla, Spain
“Poetry of Jenny Holzer & others” Arymux Collab	2019	@ Guggenheim Museum	Bilbao, Spain
Liverpool Arab Arts Festival Opening Night	2019	@ Royal Court Studio	Liverpool, UK
Liverpool Arab Arts Festival “They Write the Shadows into Light” fireside chat	2019	@ VideOdyssey Toxteth TV	Liverpool, UK
Women’s Day	2018	@ Dubai Mall	Dubai, UAE
Cairooke UK Tour Supporting Act	2018	@ Jazz Cafe London, Birmingham + Liverpool	UK
TEDxSPJain Dubai	2018	@ SPJain University	Dubai, UAE
Amman Poetry Slam	2017	@ Jadal	Amman, Jordan
Blank Canvas	2017	@ Café Arabia	Abu Dhabi, UAE
Festival @ Ideas Forum	2017	@ NYU Campus	Abu Dhabi, UAE

Poeticians + Punch @ Emirates Airlines Festival of Literature	2017	@ InterContinental Hotel	Dubai, UAE
Stylist 50 Live	2016	@ Jumeirah Beach Hotel	Dubai, UAE
TEDx talk: <i>Babelogue: Reprogramming the Human OS</i>	2016	@ Cambridge HS	Abu Dhabi, UAE
Poeticians @ Launch of “3arabi Song”	2016	@ Fraiche	Dubai, UAE
Poeticians + Punch @ Emirates Airlines Festival of Literature	2016	@ Bastakiya Cultural District	Dubai, UAE
The Muslim Protagonist Literary Festival	2015	@ Columbia University New York	NYC, USA
Noor Wa Nar Collective	2015	@ Manna Festival	Beida, Jordan
Poeticians + Punch @ Emirates Airlines Festival of Literature	2015	@ InterContinental Hotel	Dubai, UAE
Dubai Poetry Slam	2015	@ Impact Hub	Dubai, UAE
Poeticians @ Launch of “Nowhere Near a Damn Rainbow”	2015	@ Sublime	Dubai, UAE
It's a Funny Story / Urban Arts in Support of PCRFB	2015	@ Centre for Musical Arts	Dubai, UAE
Hopes for Women in Education	2014	@ Kempinski Hotel	Amman, Jordan
To North Africa	2014	@ Fraiche	Dubai, UAE
This is Palestine Festival	2014	@ Meydan	Dubai, UAE
Rooftop Rhythms	2014	@ The Basement	Dubai, UAE
Poeticians @ Launch of “On the Same Road Back”	2014	@ Sublime	Dubai, UAE
What Do You Hear @ SIKKA Art Fair	2014	@ Bastakiya	Dubai, UAE
Poeticians @ Emirates Airlines Festival of Literature	2013/4	@ InterContinental Hotel	Dubai, UAE
Poeticians @ SIKKA Art Fair	2012-4	@ Bastakiya	Dubai, UAE
One Woman Shows @ SIKKA Art Fair	2012	@ Bastakiya	Dubai, UAE

Live Online Performances & Talks

- 2024 - April** - On poetry, Palestine, and Storytelling (UK)
- 2023 - Dec** - Palestinian Women Voices (Qatar)
- 2022 - Mar** - Palestine Solidarity Campaign - Land Day Event (UK)
World Poetry Day Interview- Islam Channel (UK)
- 2021 - Feb** - BBC Radio London “Late Show” with Lionheart
Dialogues.onePanel “Art as Social Healing Process” (Brazil)
Arts Canteen In Conversation (UK)
- Mar** - Emirates Airlines Festival of Literature (UAE)
- April** - Centre for Humanitarian Leadership Conference (Australia)
Rutgers Students for Justice in Palestine (USA)
“Iftar with Kindness” Poetry Reading- Level Shoes (UAE)
National Arab American Heritage Month- Arts and Culture Panel (USA)
- May** - “Poetry on Prescription: Nature as Solace”- Milton Keynes Islamic Arts +Culture (UK)
- Nov** - “Poesia sin Fin” Cuba Arist Solidarity Performance (Cuba)
- 2020 - April** - Wjdan (Egypt)
Jaysus (UAE)
- May** - “Iftar with Us” Poetry Reading- Level Shoes (UAE)
- Jun** - Mystic Fridays - Online Writing Workshop (Jordan)
- Aug** - Artists in Action Global Summit (Global)
- Sep** - “Dreaming into an Empowered Education” Habib Public Schools Library Convention (Pakistan)
- Oct** - “Build Palestine” Conference Closing Performance (Palestine/ USA)
- Nov** - “Unmasked Conversations: Feminine Resistance” (USA)

Publications

- *HeARTwood Poems* a collection of poems for the feminine by Dana Dajani
- *The Black Book 3.0 2024 - MultiDirectional Memory Cultures. Restitution Justice In Times of Artificial Intelligence and War* - 3 poems
- *Exiled Ink Magazine* 2024 - 3 poems
- *Poesia de Resistência Palestiniana* 2024 - 3 poems
- *The Wall Between: What Jews and Palestinians Don't know About Each Other* 2023 - 1 poem
- *Deep Times: The Work that Reconnects Journal* 2018 - 1 poem
- *Dubai Poetics Issue XII* 2017 - 1 poem
- *Nowhere Near a Damn Rainbow* 2015 - 3 poems
- *Uncommon Dubai* 2014 - Op Ed
- *Campaign Magazine* 2014 - Op Ed
- *Quint Magazine* 2012/11 - Op Ed
- *Muse* 2006/5 - 2 poems
- *Teen Ink* 2004 - Op Ed



Commissions

- **Van Cleef & Arpels** “*Treasure of Gems*” Poetry Commission and Performance - 2025
- “*Language of Poets*” Poetry Commission and Video for **Northwestern University Qatar’s Media Majlis** - “The Limits of my Language are the Limits of my World” Exhibition - 2024
- **Hamad Medical Corporation** - Nurse’s Day poem Commission and Performance - 2023
- **Musical Theatre Lyrics Translation** Project- 2023
- **Van Cleef & Arpels** “Mother Sky” Poetry Commission and Performance - 2022
- “We Conquer” **Breast Cancer Awareness Event** Poetry Commission and Video - 2022
- **Gates Foundation** - “Repattern the Fractal” Poetry Commission and Performance for “Innovations for a Post Pandemic Future” Conference 2022
- “Are you a Human-itarian?” Poetry Commission and Performance for the **Centre for Humanitarian Leadership Conference** 2021
- **Liverpool Arab Arts Festival 2021-** “Origin Story” Poetry Video
- **3x Songwriting Commissioned by AR Rahman** for “Why? The Musical” Dubai Expo 2020
- **Manarat Al Saadiyat** “Prayer of Light” Poetry Commission and Video - 2020
- Manarat Al Saadiyat “All is One” Poetry Commission and Video - 2020
- **Swarovski** “Sparkles Eternal” Poetry Commission and Performance - 2018

Poetry & Music Performances

Type Two Error

Type Two Error is an experimental collaboration with Dubai-based cellist and producer, Aaron Kim, which fuses electronic sounds and poetry in a wicked and sensual electronica. The duo recorded and released a 4 track EP in 2013.

Festival@ Ideas Forum	2017	NYU Campus	Abu Dhabi
Mother of the Nation Festival	2017	Corniche	Abu Dhabi
SIKKA Art Fair	2016	Bastakiya	Dubai

Floetics

Floetics is a collaboration of poetry, melody, and lyric. A freestyle riff on rhythm and rhyme. The soulful voice of Layla and the tantalizing wordplay of Dana is brought to life by Ansar on Guitar, and the collaborative stylings of amazing and established musicians from around Dubai.

- 2015 Selected to be among 100 artists and creators from Shanghai, New York, Milan, and Dubai. Photographed by Fabrizio Ferri to feature in a book published for the Maserati and Zegna “ONE IN 100” Campaign
- 2014 Recorded and released a 6 track album- Free Flow Live
- 2014 Recorded a session for The Flex which aired on FOX Arabia for 1 year

Dedicated to Rumi	2019	Kishmish	Dubai
House of Harper’s Bazaar	2017	Mall of the Emirates	Dubai
Global Education and Skills Forum	2016	Atlantis	Dubai
The Fridge Concert Series	2016	The Fridge	Dubai
Action Care Gala	2015	Le Meridien	Dubai
Marina Music Festival	2015	Marina Promenade	Dubai
Dubai International Writers Center Anniversary	2015	Bastakiya	Dubai
Various Concerts	2014	The Jam Jar	Dubai
	2013/4	Jazz@Pizza Express	Dubai
	2013	DIFC Art Night	Dubai
	2012	The Gramercy	Dubai
Freshly Ground Sounds	2013	The Magazine Room	Dubai
FORTOM First Ladies (For The Love of Music)	2013	The Music Room	Dubai
TWANG	2012	The Music Room	Dubai
SIKKA Art Fair	2012	Bastakiya	Dubai

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