



**Fatima bint Hazza Cultural Foundation** was founded by Her Highness Sheikha Fatima bint Hazza bin Zayed Al Nahyan to promote intellectual, creative and cultural endeavors and support cultural interaction that empowers people. The foundation aims to enrich the cultural scene in Abu Dhabi and the UAE in particular and the region in general through organizing open to the public colloquia and seminars, exploring further means of art and music, introducing more awards for illustration and art, and collaborating on a local and international level with similar entities, while keeping children literature and education at its very heart.

The foundation is a realization of a bigger dream that started with Her Highness Sheikha Fatima bint Hazza Arab Child Prize in 1997 to develop tools to deal with the young readers in a way that moulds them to adapt with the world's rapid updates in a very exciting and smooth style that represents our heritage and culture. This prestigious prize for children's literature aims to cultivate in the young generation values of honesty, self-confidence, the love of one's land, tolerance, good deeds and the pleasure of reading.

The prize's published stories were shortlisted among hundreds of stories submitted from all the Arab World. The committee of judges included writers and specialists from all over the Arab world highly renowned for their level of excellence and expertise. And so stories came to life considerate to the language grammar rules, the smooth flow of ideas, the sound language and text, the social and psychological liaison, and the richness in ethics such as love, the integrity and acceptance of one another. The award's library enjoys 150 printed books, 60 braille books and 20 iPad applications available on the App Store.