



بطولة الرباطية الدولية لجمال الخيل العربية  
Alrubatiya International Arabian  
Horse Championship

International B-Show  
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Muscat Bay, Muscat, Oman

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**W**e met Al Sayyida Dhabia Sami Al Busaidi, who organized the first Arabian horse show in the Sultanate of Oman which will take place next January, 20th and 21st 2023 in Muscat.

***Al Sayyida Dhabia Sami Al Busaidi it's a pleasure to meet you. Thank you for your time given to this interview. You and your staff have worked a lot to give birth to this brand new horse event, the first international Arabian horse show in Oman.***

*The pleasure is mine and would like to thank you for this interview. Yes, we really have and I'm grateful for the amazing team I have.*

***Our readers would like to know more about you, your staff and your experience inside the Arabian horse world. Can you tell us?***

*It's always been my dream to own a horse since childhood but owning an Arabian beauty horse just takes you to another level of affection. Having a strong, trusted team makes it easier to reach our goals, especially with Fredericke Kopp by my side. She's my one woman army.*

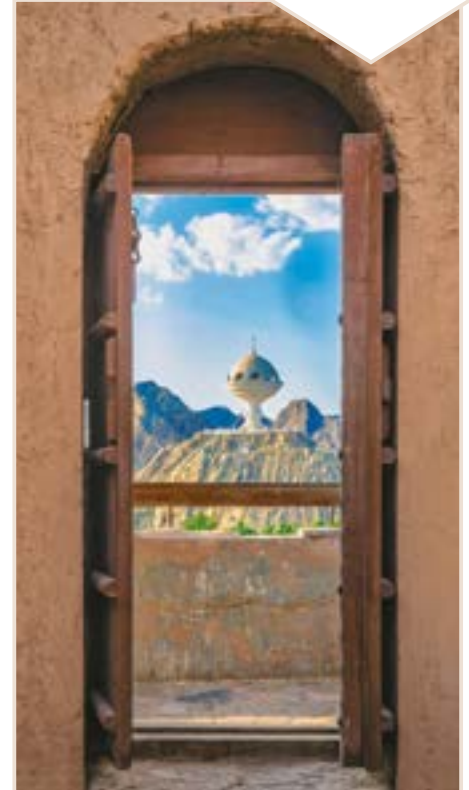
*I'll try simplifying the Arabian horse world, its crazy! yet beautiful and challenging. I just recently started breeding and to me personally it was difficult to find the perfect match. So I started making decisions based on my gut feeling. Passion and determination gives the best results.*





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***Can you explain us how did you and your staff designed this event and how did you plan it? When and where it will take place?***

*I was very keen in doing something a little different and interfered in every detail that you will get to see in the show.*

*While searching for a suitable location I stopped by Muscat Bay. They had a beautiful area by the sea with old ruins and said "This is it!", this is where I want the show to be so after gathering the team together, we decided to change the view of the show, finalized everything and got ready to move forward.*

*Now we have the show on 20 and 21 January 2023, which will be held on the beach at Muscat Bay.*

***It's the first time Oman hosts an international show. Starting with a new show asks great courage and will, more than ever in this moment. What does it mean for this country to be the protagonist of such an event and what's your plan for the future?***

*Of course and it's not easy but if you love what you do you'll enjoy every part of it. Having an International show in Oman puts the country on the map in the Arabian horse world. It's been a long time coming and finally with the positive feedback from everyone here and our neighbor countries, we're extremely excited to do this. Our plan is to maintain the Championship and make it a yearly event.*

***How this event and the starting of a show season inside the country will contribute to the market of Arabian horses in Oman?***

*I'm sure it'll have a positive impact in the Arabian horse industry and encourage more Omani enthusiasts to buy or breed Arabian horses.*

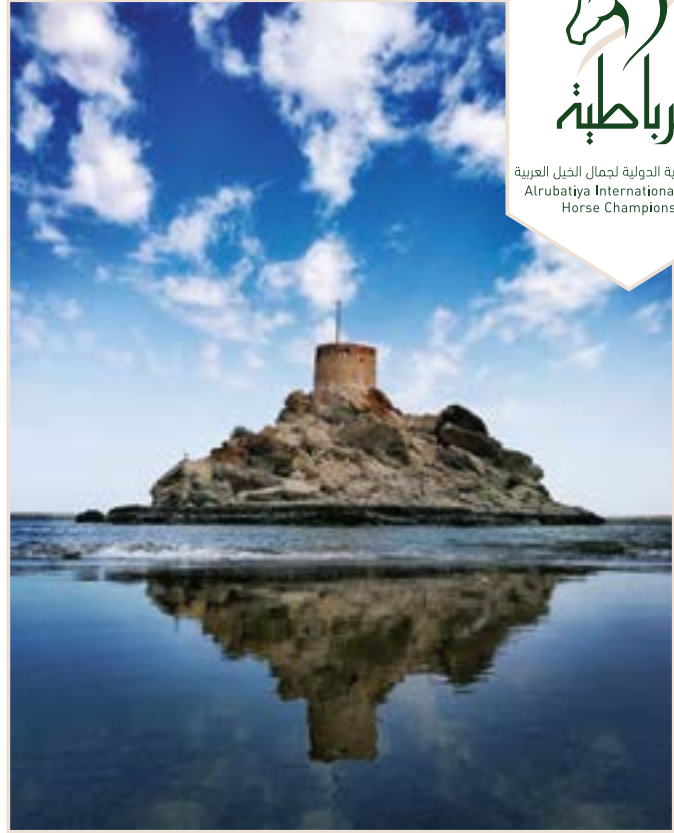
***What's the plan for improving and helping local Arabian horse breeders?***

*We're organising an Initiative Fund for the Omani Breeders to support their breeding program, as well as educate them in breeding and nutrition. Also creating a base for the*



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*Omani handlers by sending them abroad for training courses at some of the biggest training centers in Europe.*

***Organizing a new show in a country which has never hosted one is an honour and a burden: what's the most difficult part in starting a new project like this and how did you manage it?***

*There has been Nationals Shows in Oman before but never an International one. So it is really an honor to host a B*

*level Championship. The burden is perceived as a challenge and that just makes us stronger as a team to overcome any obstacles we face.*

***Being a new show in calendar means also being an annual appointment. What's your plan for the year in progress?***

*Hopefully yes, learn from our mistakes and strive to make it as well organized as possible.*