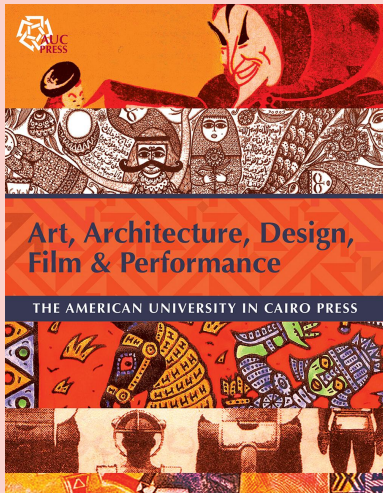


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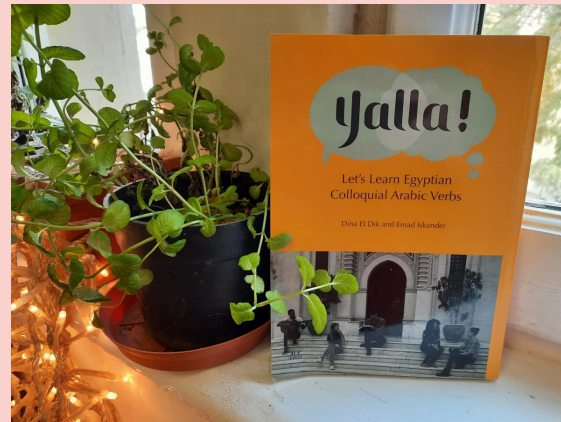
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### YALLA! CONJUGATE YOUR VERBS WITH EMAD!

Emad Iskandar is the co-author, with Dina El Dik, of the very handy new Arabic Language Learning textbook *Yalla! Let's Learn Egyptian Colloquial Arabic Verbs* (AUC Press, 2021). [Click here](#) to start conjugating your first verb.

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## SPRING BOOK FAIR

**17-31 March**  
10:00AM-6:00PM  
AUC Tahrir Bookstore & Garden  
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There will be discounts up to 75% and prices



starting LE30.

Valid ID, face mask, and proof of vaccination are required.

## BOOK DISCUSSION WITH RAPHAEL CORMACK

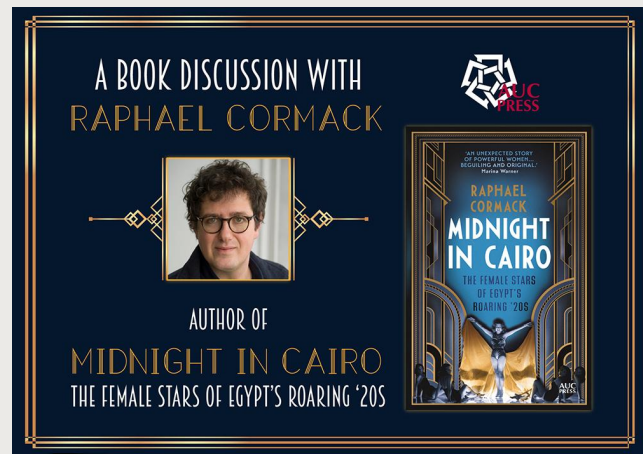
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Raphael Cormack will be talking about his bestselling book, *Midnight in Cairo: The Female Stars of Egypt's Roaring '20s* (AUC Press, 2021), which brings alive a thrilling cast of characters, divas, dancers, and singers, and a world of revolutionary ideas and provocative art – one which laid the foundations of Arab popular culture today.

Limited seating | valid ID, face mask, and proof of vaccination are required.



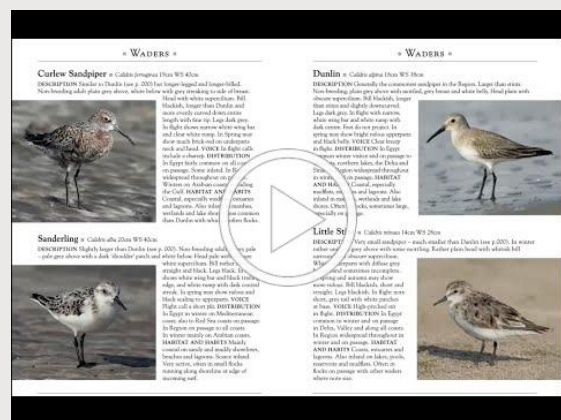
Ahdaf Soueif, author of *Cairo: Memoir of a City Transformed*, describes it as “A book full of surprises. A lively story of women shaping gender, class, money, and national liberation.”

## WHAT ABOUT EGYPT'S URBAN SPACE AND HOUSING PROJECTS?



Yahia Shawkat is a housing and urban policy researcher who specializes in legislative analysis,

## RICHARD HOATH'S 280 BIRD SPECIES



Last month, during a recorded virtual book talk, Richard Hoath, leading

data visualization, and historical mapping. He is research coordinator for 10 Tooba, a research studio he cofounded in 2014 that focuses on spatial justice and fair housing. His work has been published in *Egypte Monde Arabe* and *Architecture MPS*, and he has contributed to *Mada Masr*, *Open Democracy*, *Heinrich Boell*, and the Middle East Institute among others. Earlier this month he had a conversation with reporter and essayist Ursula Lindsey about his book *Egypt's Housing Crisis: The Shaping of Urban Space* (AUC Press, 2019). To watch the recording of the virtual event, [click here](#).

Cairo-based naturalist and environmental columnist, and author of the newly released *The Birds of Egypt and the Middle East* (AUC Press, 2021), spoke about the challenges he faced while compiling the data for the 280 bird species from the region featured in the book. He talked also about his passion for sketching nature's wildlife and the thrill of spending his holidays finding new animals to write about, draw, and paint. [Click here](#) to watch the recording.



## THE TRIBUTE IN MEMORY OF HUMPHREY TAMAN DAVIES

The Cairo-based award-winning British translator of Arabic historical and classical texts and modern fiction **passed away last November**. A number of authors, colleagues, and friends spoke at his memorial last month in Ewart Hall, at the AUC Tahrir Campus. [Click here](#) to watch the recording of the hybrid event.



## REMEMBERING CASSANDRA C. VIVIAN (1942–2021)

A native of Pennsylvania, Cassandra C. Vivian was a historian, experienced photographer, and scholar, and the author of numerous books, including *Egypt: Touching the Land* (AUC Press, 1982); *Islands of the Blest: A Guide to the Western Desert*; *Father of Rivers: A Travelers Companion to the Nile Valley*; *The Western Desert of Egypt: An Explorer's Handbook* (AUC Press, Revised Edition, 2008); and *Americans in Egypt, 1770–1915: Explorers, Consuls, Travelers, Soldiers, Missionaries, Writers and Scientists*. She passed away in the United States on December 13, 2021. [Read more](#).

## REVIEWS & INTERVIEWS

**"It asks if the school as we know it is**

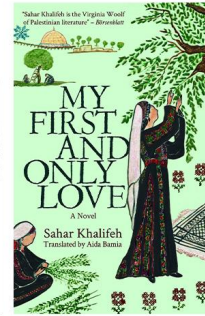
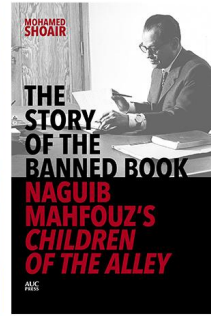
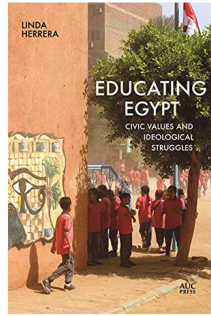
**on its way to extinction?"**

Interview with Linda Herrera about her book *Educating Egypt: Civic Values and Ideological Struggles* (AUC Press, forthcoming, 2022)  
*Jadaliyya*, March 3



**"This delightful story reminds parents to safeguard their children's imaginations – and their own."**

About *The Boy and the Boy King* by George H. Lewis and A.D. Lubow, illustrations by George H. Lewis (AUC Press, 2020)  
*AramcoWorld*, Mae Ghalwash, March 1



**"Along with a magical and poetic story, listeners are treated to a tour of ancient Egypt."**

About *The Boy and the Boy King* by George H. Lewis and Arthur D. Lubow (AUC Press, Audible, 2021)  
*AudioFile*, February

**"Nikolskaya's lens expertly captures an eerie forlornness in some of the places depicted in her book"**

About *Dust: Egypt's Forgotten Architecture (Revised and Expanded Edition)* by Xenia Nikolskaya (AUC Press, forthcoming)  
*The National*, Kamal Tabikha, February 21

**"Readers invested in the ongoing debates about book banning will find this to be a worthy resource"**

About *The Story of the Banned Book: Naguib Mahfouz's Children of the Alley* by Mohamed Shoair, translated by Humphrey Davies (AUC Press, 2022)  
*Publishers Weekly*, February 14

**"Well worth the 10-year wait . . . [a] page-turner"**

About *My First and Only Love* by Sahar Khalifeh, translated by Aida Bamia (Hoopoe, 2021)  
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