





SABIS® STARS is a biennial, regional educational competition that gathers students across SABIS® Network schools to meet and compete in competitions that are designed to challenge them beyond academics. The event is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate and showcase the many different ways students are encouraged to explore and develop their talents, interests, and creativity.

This year's event was held on April 19 and 20, 2024 at The International School of Choueifat – Muscat, Oman.























A VIBRANT SHOWCASE OF STUDENT TALENT

SABIS® STARS 2024 brought together around 500 students from 36 SABIS® Network schools in 17 countries to participate in 10 different categories. The experience included debates and speeches, student-led advertising campaigns, science exhibitions with students' original projects, photography, paintings, poetry recitals, creative writing, singing, and solutions for a better and greener world.



ADVERTISING

In this category, students went beyond creating slogans.

They crafted full marketing campaigns, complete with a product, a target audience, and a creative pitch – all designed to impress the audience and judges.

The winners were Defne Turan, Emine Irem Karaman, and Jahan Aghayeva from SABIS® SUN in Azerbaijan. Their campaign was compelling and successful, to say the least!

















In the Painting category, students unleashed their imagination.

This competition allowed them to express themselves through their art. From abstract masterpieces that evoke emotions to detailed portraits that capture a person's essence,

their artworks were incredible, to say the least.

Vala Al Jaf from ISC-Sulaimani in Kurdistan-Iraq was awarded the Senior winner title and Samar Kheriba from SIS-Yas Island in the U.A.E. claimed the Junior winner spot. Their art spoke volumes and moved us all!











PHOTOGRAPHY

Photography goes beyond taking photos. Students were asked to capture a specific theme through their lens and presented the most breathtaking shots.

They used their skills and creativity to choose the perfect angle, subject, and shot for the competition.

Mayon John from SABIS® Runda in Kenya shone as the winner of the competition. He captivated us with his impressive photography skills!















This category is for students who love to craft stories. In the competition, students were judged on their storytelling ability, originality, and use of language.

Inspired by a given prompt, students wrote captivating short stories that left the judges in awe.

In this competition, Anna Rizk from SIS-Adma in Lebanon was named the winner. Her compelling story transported us to a whole other world!









SCIENCE INCUBATOR

In the Science Incubator category, students showcased innovative projects that could potentially solve real-world problems.

Here, students combined their technical skills and creativity to come up with functional, innovative projects.

The Senior Science Incubator winners were Islam Alnoamany and Yasmin Alnoamany from AIS-Al-Sulaimaniah in K.S.A. As for the Junior Science Incubator winners, Aabir Abdullah and Adam Elsayed from ISC-Sharjah in the U.A.E. secured the victory.

Their knowledge and ability to come up with original ideas was very impressive!

















POETRY RECITING

In this category, students became performers, using tones of voice, body language, and eye contact to bring poems to life. Contestants were asked to select five poems from any period or style and prepare to recite them.

The Poetry Reciting Competition was divided into two separate categories: Arabic Poetry Reciting and English Poetry Reciting.

In the English Poetry Reciting competition, Mira Merchad from ISC-Choueifat in Lebanon emerged victorious. As for the Arabic Poetry Reciting competition, the winner was Habib Joukhadar from ISC-Koura in Lebanon.

Their fluency and passion for poetry really stood out!















PUBLIC SPEAKING

In the Public Speaking category, students spoke about an important topic with passion and eloquence in front of the audience and judges.





They used their background knowledge, crafted persuasive arguments, and delivered their speeches with confidence.

Diva Menghrajani from ISC-Dubai in the U.A.E. won the competition. Her confidence and stage presence were powerful assets!











Singing isn't just about hitting the right notes.

Students sang songs in various genres.

This was their chance to impress the audience and judges with their vocal range and stage presence.

Sarah Bayrakdar from ISC-Choueifat in Lebanon emerged as the winner of the competition. Her voice and performance blew us away!















DEBATE

In the Debate category, students researched a disputable issue, forming a well-supported position, and then defending it against their opponent.

The debate winners were Tala Elmubarak, Lamar Hasan, and Taha Sayed from AIS-Al-Sulaimaniah in K.S.A. They presented strong arguments and showcased impressive communication skills!















OUR WORLD - OUR CONCERN

Our World - Our Concern isn't just about awareness.

Students went beyond simply identifying a global issue. They proposed solutions, outlined action plans, and demonstrated a passion for making a positive impact on the world.

SABIS® SUN school in Azerbaijan represented by Fidan Aghazada won this competition. We were amazed by her passion for the environment!











ASTOUNDING PERFORMANCES

The 2024 SABIS® STARS was truly a remarkable event with around 500 students coming together to share in this display of knowledge, original ideas, and artistic talent. The event was a huge success, with students from SABIS® Network schools treating the audience to an outstanding showcase of skill, talent, creativity, and wit. The competition was fierce and the judges were impressed by the participants' work, camaraderie, and the sportsmanship witnessed at the event.











"Over the years, SABIS® STARS has proven to be far more than a talent competition as it has become a staple of students' experience at school. In line with our commitment to offering students a school experience that balances academics, life preparation, and self-development, the competition plays a vital role in fostering important life skills like creativity, confidence, teamwork, leadership, problem-solving, and public speaking, among many others. With an experience like this one to add to their resume, students are being given a huge advantage in university and beyond," shares SABIS® Vice President, Victor Saad.







IENCE TO REMEMBE

SABIS® STARS was a great opportunity for participating students, who returned home with many great memories and the excitement of returning for the 2026 SABIS® STARS competition. Guests were also treated to a great ambiance, vibrant music, tasty food, and entertaining performances.

The event was filled with enthusiasm, mixed with nervous excitement from the participants and strong support from the cheering crowds. This electrifying atmosphere only amplified the spirit of friendly competition and camaraderie that SABIS® STARS fosters.

This global event has been another success of the SABIS® Network and a great organizing effort by the Regional Organizing Committee and The International School of Choueifat – Muscat, Oman.























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