

HOME 7 WORKS

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November 11th to 24th, 2015
Beirut, Lebanon

Guest Kit

Dear Home Works Forum 7 Guests,

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to the 7th edition of Home Works Forum. We hope you find this guest kit helpful throughout your time in Beirut.

Enjoy your stay!

– Ashkal Alwan Team

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Directions We are located in the Jisr El Wati area, opposite Souk Al Ahad (Sunday Market), on the first floor of the pink building, next to Beirut Art Center, and facing Chevrolet Impex Garage.

Emergency and Health Numbers

Police 112
Ambulance (Red Cross) 140
General Security 1717
Doctors on Duty +961 (0) 3 497 730
American University Hospital (AUBMC) +961 (0) 1 350 000
Roum St. Georges Hospital (Geitawi) +961 (0) 1 585 700
Hotel Dieu Hospital (Ashrafieh) +961 (0) 1 615 400
Pharmacy Wardiyeh (Hamra) open 24/7 +961 (0) 173 944 /
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Mazen Pharmacy (Mazraa) open 24/7 +961 (0) 1 313 362

Phone & Internet

You can buy a pay-as-you-go SIM card from the airport (look out for the ALFA or TOUCH signs) or later from any multi-media store in the city. You will need a copy of your passport to register a phone line. A line with ALFA or Touch costs approximately \$30. You can top-up your phone line with anything from \$5 to \$100 of credit for calling, messages, and web/data. Pre-paid international calling cards are also available.

Prior to Arrival

Any passport that contains an Israeli stamp will be denied entry into Lebanon. Please make sure to check your passports before traveling.

Currency

There are exchange offices on Hamra Street and Mar Mikhael. Lebanese Pounds ("lira") and US Dollars are used interchangeably in Lebanon. The exchange rate is fixed at 1,500 Lebanese Pounds to USD \$1.00.

OMT Currency Exchange located at the end of Gemmayze beginning of Mar Mikhael, on the intersection of Gouraud Street and Akawi Street

Abou Al-Nasr Bassatni est located on Omar Ben Abdel Aziz Street, Hamra, facing the Domtux Building

Security

Please carry a copy of your passport at all times. Taking pictures or filming without a permit in areas such as Downtown Beirut/ Solidere, the suburb of Dahieh and any military, police or government buildings and property can result in questioning by authorities.

Public Transportation

Authorized taxis and "service" carry a red license plate; do not get in any car that does not have one. Beirut has a shared cab system known as "service". The standard fare per person is 2,000 L.P. The "service" has set trajectories, and will drop you off on a main road closest to your destination. For longer journeys, drivers may double the rate. "Services" also operate as taxis. The average fare for a trip within Beirut is between 10,000 L.P. and 15,000 L.P.

Below are numbers of private taxi companies we recommend using:

Jopi Taxi +961 (0) 1 563 340
Alfa Taxi +961 (0) 1 560 910
Charlie Taxi +961 (0) 1 285 710

Home Works 7 Forum Venues

Ashkal Alwan Building

Building 110, Street 90, Jisr El Wati, near Souk AlAhad, the pink building next to Beirut Art Center, facing Chevrolet Impex Garage | Tel: +961 (0) 1 423 879

Beirut Art Center

Building 13, Street 97, Jisr El Wati, off Corniche al Nahr | Tel: +961 (0) 1 397 018

Hoïna Center

Montreal Building, 7th floor, Hamra | Tel: + 961 (0) 3 936 350

Metropolis Empire Sofil

Sofil Center, Charles Malek Avenue, Ashrafieh | Tel: +961 (0) 1 328 806

.PSLAB

Nicholas Turk Street, Mar Mikhael | Tel: +961 (0) 1 442 546

Station

Jisr El Wati, Souk El Ahad, near Beirut Art Center and Chevrolet Impex Garage | Tel: +961 71 684 218

Sunflower Theater

Sami El Solh Avenue, end of Badaro Tayouneh roundabout | Tel: +961 (0) 1 426 869

Sursock Museum

Greek Orthodox Archbishopric Street, Ashrafieh | Tel: +961 (0) 1 202 001

Saint Joseph University

Human Sciences Campus, Damascus Street, Mathaf, East Side | Tel: +961 (0) 1 202 422

Beryte Theater

Damascus Street, Mathaf, East Side. Located in Saint-Joseph University's Human Sciences Campus | Tel: +961 (0) 1 202 422

Zico House

Yammout Building, 174 Spears Street, Sanayeh | Tel: +961 (0) 1 381 290

Recommended Hotels and Accommodation

Ashrafieh

Albergo Hotel

137 Abdel Wahab El Inglizi Street, Ashrafieh, Beirut | Tel: +961 (0) 1 339 797

Saifi Urban Gardens

Pasteur Street - Behind "Coral" gas station and "Loge", Gemmayze | Tel: +961 (0) 1 562 509
Note: All room bookings are processed through the website.

Hamra

35 Rooms

Baalbeck Street, Hamra | Tel: +961 (0) 1 345 676

Radisson Blu Martinez Hotel

Ain El Mreisse, PO Box 11-1267 | Tel: + 961 (0) 1 368 111

Palm Beach Hotel

Phoenicia Street, Ain El Mreisseh | Tel: +961 (0) 1 372 000

Mar Mikhael

Port View

Gouraud Street, Ashrafieh, Beirut, Lebanon | Tel: +961 (0) 1 567 500

Museum Area

Golden Tulip Hotel De Ville Beirut

75 Sodeco Street | Tel: +961 (0) 1 637 777

The Smallville Hotel

Damascus Street, Badaro | Tel: +961 (0) 1 619 999

Down Town

Ramada Hotel

Chateaubriand Street, Mina El Hosn | Tel: +961 (0) 1 990 299

Saifi Suites

Maroun Naccache Ave - Saifi, 1100 | Tel: +961 (0) 1 566 567

Places to Eat and Drink

Gemmayze and Mar Mikhael

- **Seza** Armenian Bistro | Patriarch Arida Street, next to the Spoiler Centre, Mar Mikhael | Tel: +961 (0) 1 570 711 / +961 (0) 3 251 257 | Opening hours: Tuesday to Sunday noon – 4 pm and 8 pm – midnight
- **Em Nazih** Affordable Bar and Lebanese restaurant, with a friendly atmosphere | Located on the ground floor of the Saifi Urban Gardens, Pasteur Street next to Coral gas station, Gemmayze | Tel: +961 (0) 1 562 509 / +961 (0) 3 080 379 | Opening hours: 8 am – 4 pm
- **Ginette** Café with wifi access and outdoor seating area | Convivium 5 Building, Gouraud Street, Gemmayze | Tel: +961 (0) 1 570 440 | Opening hours: 8 am – midnight
- **Radio Beirut** Café and bar with DJs, live music, and an online radio station | Armenia Street, Mar Mikhael | Tel: +961 (0) 1 561 577 | Opening hours: 6 pm – 1:30 am
- **Internazionale** Bar with a relaxed atmosphere, especially nice during the day | Armenia Street, Mar Mikhael | Tel: +961 (0) 1 565 463 | Opening hours: 6 pm – 1:30 am
- **Demo** Bar-café with DJ sets on most nights | Lebanon Street, Gemmayze | Tel: +961 (0) 3 958 504 | Opening hours: 6 pm – 1:30 am
- **Anise** Small friendly bar with good cocktails and snacks | Alexander Fleming Street, Mar Mikhael | Tel: +961 70 977 926 | Opening hours: 6 pm – 1:30 am
- **Torino** Small local bar, one of the oldest in the area | Gouraud Street, Gemmayze | Tel: +961 (0) 1 361 110 | Opening hours: 6 pm – 1:30 am
- **Frosty Palace** Gourmet diner serving burgers, milkshakes and desserts | Pharaon Street, Mar Mikhael | Tel: +961 (0) 1 449 595 | Opening hours: Monday – Saturday 11 am – 11 pm
- **Mitsuya** Upscale Japanese restaurant, reservation is mandatory | Georges Bou Nader Building, Ground Floor, Gouraud Street, Gemmayze | Tel: +961 (0) 1 561 110 | Opening hours: 11 am – 4 pm and 7:30 pm – midnight
- **Motto** Pay what you want restaurant with a variety of cuisines and brunch on Saturdays; reservation is advised | Rabat Street, Mar Mikhael | Tel: +961 (0) 3 235 717 | Opening hours: noon – midnight
- **Coop D'Etat** Rooftop bar with a great view | Located on the rooftop of Saifi Urban Gardens, Pasteur Street next to Coral gas station, Gemmayze | Tel: +961 71 134 173 | Opening hours: 5 pm – 3 am
- **Tawlet** Farmers' kitchen of Souk el Tayeb (local organic market) | 12 Nahr Street, Armenia Street | Tel: +961 (0) 1 448 129 | Only open for lunch
- **Marinella** Italian trattoria | Madrid Street, Mar Mikhael | Tel: +961 (0) 1 442 342 | Only open for lunch, closed Sundays
- **Food Dealer** A deli that serves sandwiches, salads, and drinks | Street 61, District 75, Mar Mikhael | Tel: +961 (0) 1 570 942 | Opening hours: 9 am – 11 pm

Badaro

- **Roy's** Small, quaint coffee shop that serves drinks and food | Badaro Main Street | Tel: +961 71 295 252 | *Opening hours: 7 am – midnight*
- **Kissproof** Casual and laid-back spot with great cocktails, friendly staff and an outdoor terrace | Badaro Main Street | Tel: +961 (0) 1382 992 | *Opening hours: 10 am – 1 am*
- **Troika** Cozy bar with great ambience and music | Tel: +961 (0) 3928 562 | *Opening hours: 9 am – 2 am*
- **Orient Express** Café/ bar with good sandwiches | Badaro Main Street | Tel: +961 (0) 1390 408 | *Opening hours: 9 am – 2 am*
- **Onno** Armenian restaurant, quaint and reasonably priced | Badaro Main Street | Tel: +961 (0) 1393 293 | *Opening hours: noon – midnight*

Hamra

- **Café Younes** Open-air café with free wifi and a good selection of coffee | Off Hamra Street next to Orient Watches | Tel: +961 (0) 1750 975 | *Opening hours: all day until early evening*
- **T Marbouta** Restaurant / Café, Lebanese mezze at reasonable prices, books available for reading | Hamra Square, ground floor, next to Starbucks on Hamra Street | Tel: +961 (0) 1350 274 | *Opening hours: 10 am – 1 am*
- **Jai** Small Asian food restaurant with a chef's table. Best for take-out and delivery | Next to Bardo and Haigazian University on Mexico Street, Hamra | Tel: +961 (0) 1341 940 | *Opening hours: 11 am – 11 pm*
- **Bardo** Restaurant / bar with free wifi | Mexico Street next to Haigazian University and Trad Hospital, off Clémenceau Street | Tel: +961 (0) 1752 320 | *Opening hours: 9:30 am – late*
- **Mezyane** Bar / bistro that offers traditional Lebanese mezze and Mediterranean food at reasonable prices with DJs or live music on weekends | Hamra Main Street, Estral Center | Tel: +961 71 382 154 | *Opening Hours: 11 am – 2 am (Kitchen closed on Sundays)*
- **Sporting Club** Private beach club with an outdoor restaurant; good place to eat Lebanese mezze and fresh fish | The café and restaurant can be accessed through the passage just before the Manara amusement Park, Raouché | Tel: +961 (0) 1742 481 | *Opening hours: 9 am – 7 pm*
- **Blue Note** Piano bar and jazz club, serves food | Makhoul Street, Hamra | Tel: +961 (0) 1743 857 | *Opening hours: Lunch till late*
- **Metro Al Madina** Underground cabaret / bar with an active program of screenings and live shows | Saroula Center, Hamra Street | Tel: +961 (0) 1753 021 | *Opening hours: 7 pm – midnight*
- **Dar Bistro and Books** Quiet restaurant and café, with a bookstore, photography lab, and workshops | Roma Street, next to Inter-Design Building, Hamra | Tel: +961 (0) 1373 348 / +961 76 158 429 | *Opening hours: Monday to Saturday 10 am – 11 pm*
- **Bread Republic** Artisan bakery and eatery | Hamra Main Street facing Audi Bank in the narrow alley next to Radio Shack, Nehme Yafet Street | Tel: +961 (0) 1739 040 | *Opening hours: 7:30 am – 11 pm*

Ashrafieh

- **Café Sho** Fusion food at affordable prices | 304 Monot Street, Ashrafieh | Tel: +961 (0) 1424 051 | *Opening hours: 10 am – 11 pm*
- **Mayass** Armenian-Lebanese mezze | Trabaud Street, Monot | Tel: +961 (0) 1215 046 | *Opening hours: noon – 4 pm and 7 pm – 11:45 pm*
- **Abdel Wahab** Traditional Lebanese cuisine | 51 Abdel Wahab el Inglizi Street, Monot | Tel: +961 (0) 1200 550 | *Opening hours: noon – midnight*

Bourj Hammoud

- **Onno** Armenian food at reasonable prices | Aghagabios Street, facing Life Center/ Church, Bourj Hammoud | Tel: +961 (0) 3801 476 | *Opening hours: 9:30 am – 11 pm*
- **Varouj** Small family-owned restaurant that serves Armenian food at reasonable prices | Tel: +961 (0) 3882 933 | *booking recommended*

Places of Interest

Non-profit Art Spaces and Organizations

- **98weeks** Second building to the left in the alley between Bodo and L'Osteria, Mar Mikhael | Tel: +961 (0) 3417 321 | *Opening hours: Monday and Wednesday 3 pm – 7 pm and Friday 10 am – 2 pm | 98weeks.net*
- **Aishti Foundation** Aishti Foundation Seaside, next to Jal el Dib Highway | Tel: +961 (0) 4717 716 | aishti.com/foundation/collection
- **Arab Image Foundation** Zoghbi Building, 4th floor, 337 Gouraud Street, Gemmayze | Tel: +961 (0) 1569 373 | fai.org.lb
- **AUB Art Gallery** AUB Byblos Bank Art Gallery, Ada Dodge Hall, AUB | Tel: +961 (0) 1350 000 ext: 4345 | *Opening Hours: Tuesday to Saturday noon – 6 pm | aub.edu.lb/art_galleries/Pages/index.aspx*
- **Babel Theatre** Cairo Street, Hamra, near American University Hospital | Tel: +961 (0) 1744 033 | *Monday to Sunday from 10 am – 6 pm | facebook.com/pages/Babel-Theater-280790198659644/مسرح-بابل*
- **Beirut Exhibition Center** Beirut waterfront, Downtown | Tel: +961 (0) 1962 000 ext: 2883 | *Opening hours: 11 am – 8 pm | beirutexhibitioncenter.com*
- **Dawawine** Arz Street, Saifi, Gemmayze | Tel: +961 (0) 1567705 | *Opening hours: Tuesday to Sunday 11 am – 11 pm | dawawineblog.wordpress.com*
- **Al Madina Theater** Saroula Center, Hamra Street | Tel: +961 (0) 1753 010 | *call for schedule of events | facebook.com/masrah.almadina*
- **Mansion** Abdul Kader Street, Zokak el-Blat | Tel: +961 (0) 3472 659 | mansion-blatt.blogspot.com
- **Onomatopoeia the Music Hub** Jean Jalkh Street, Sioufi | Tel: +961 (0) 1398 896 | *Opening hours: 10 am – 12 am | facebook.com/onohub/info*
- **Temporary Art Platform / TAP** Ghaoui Street, Furn el Cheback 2801 – 3801 | Tel: +961 (0) 3289 715 | temporaryartplatform.com

Museums

- **Beirut National Museum (Mathaf)** Mathaf Main Street, Mathaf | *Opening hours: Tuesday – Sunday 9 am – 5 pm | beirutnationalmuseum.com*
- **Mineral Museum (MIM)** University Saint Joseph, Sodoco | Tel: +961 (0) 421 672 | *Opening hours: Tuesday to Sunday 10 am – 1 pm and 2 pm – 6 pm | facebook.com/mim.museum*

Galleries

- **Agial Gallery** 63 Abdul Aziz Street, Hamra District, Beirut | Tel: +961 (0) 1 345 213 | Opening hours: Monday to Friday 10 am – 6 pm and Saturday 10 am – 1 pm | agialart.com
- **Galerie Tanit** East Village Building, Ground Floor, Armenia Street, Mar Mikhael | Tel: +961 76 557 662 | Opening hours: Monday to Friday 11 am – 7 pm and Saturday 12 pm – 5 pm | galerietanit.com
- **Marfa'** 1939 Marfa' District, Beirut | Tel: +961 3 020 636 | Opening hours: Tuesday to Saturday noon - 7 pm | marfaprojects.com
- **Sfeir-Semler Gallery** Tannous Building, Quarantine, Beirut | Tel: +961 (0) 1 566 550 | Opening hours: Tuesday to Saturday 11 am - 6 pm | sfeir-semler.com
- **Galerie Janine Rubeiz** Majdalani Building (Bank Audi), 1st Charles de Gaulle Street, Raoucheh | Tel: +961 (0) 1 868 290 | Opening hours: Tuesday to Friday 10 am – 6 pm and Saturday 10 am – 2 pm | galeriejaninerubeiz.com

Bookstores

- **Librairie Antoine** Several branches: Hamra Street; ABC mall; Beirut Souks | Opening hours: Monday to Sunday 8:30 am - 8 pm | antoineonline.com
- **Librairie Al-Bourj** Downtown Beirut, facing Le Gray Hotel, behind Annahar Building | Tel: +961 (0) 1 973 797 | Opening hours: 9 am – 7 pm | librairie-al-bourj.lebanonbookstores.tel
- **RectoVerso Art Bookstore** 58 Monnot Street | Tel: +961 (0) 1 333 090 | Opening hours: Monday to Friday 10 am - 6 pm | rectoverso.libRARY.com
- **Papercup Bookstore** Agopian Building, Pharaon Street, Mar Mikhael | Tel: +961 (0) 1 443 083 | Opening hours: Monday to Friday 10 am - 8 pm and Saturday 10 am - 7 pm | papercupstore.com
- **Plan BEY** Geara building, Armenia Street, Mar Mikhael | Tel: +961 (0) 1 444 110 | Opening hours: Monday to Saturday 11 am - 1:30 pm and 3:30 pm - 8:30 pm | plan-bey.com

Publications and Blogs

- **Kalamon** Literary and arts periodical | Language: Arabic | kalamon.org
- **The Outpost** Cultural and literary / lifestyle periodical | Language: English | the-outpost.com
- **Rusted Radishes** Literary and arts periodical | Language: English | rustedradishes.com
- **Bidayat** Literary and cultural journal | Language: Arabic | bidayatmag.com
- **Portal 9** Cultural periodical | Language: Arabic & English | portal9journal.org
- **Visualizing Palestine** Infographics | Language: English | visualizingpalestine.org
- **Jadaliyya** Cultural / journalistic website | Language: Arabic and English | jadaliyya.com

- **Legal Agenda** Research, legal studies and articles website | Language: Arabic and English | legal-agenda.com

Collectives and Other

- **Waraq** Nabaa El Laban Street, Ras El Nabeh | Tel: +961 (0) 1 659 848 | waraq.org
- **Zoukak Theater Group** Chaghouri Building, 17, 2nd floor, Impasse 39, Najeeb Azouri Street. Adliyah | zoukak.org/pages/about-us
- **Collectif Kahraba** Tel: +961 (0) 3 012 552 | on.fb.me/1Kg4TOK

