



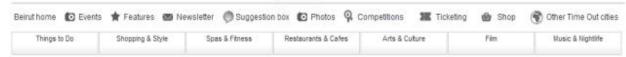
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Samovar, the luxurious rug and antique boutique with star brands such as Rug Star by Jürgen Dahlmanns and Atelier Renaissance by furniture artist Randa Fansa Kuzbari, has come home to the Lebanese capital.

Settling in the Minet El Hosn area in Beirut Central District, Samovar is affiliated with the most prestigious carpet shop in Kuwait.

On April 19, 2012, carpet lovers, decorators and media figures enjoyed a warm artsy ambience and a friendly gathering around a tea selection.

The event's highlight was the presence of German artist Jürgen Dahlmanns showcasing his modern Rug Star collection; a line-up that captured the hearts and minds of all visitors. At the source of this artist's talent lies a passion to create unique pieces that transform each room into a special living space. The Rug Star collection embodies a different personality in every piece, each handmade in a rural Nepalese village.

A carpet show, combining classic and contemporary art designs, transformed the Rug Star collection into works of art, beautifully wrapping the bodies of display models. Visitors were delighted by the originality of the show and the unique way of presenting the masterpieces.

Randa Fansa Kuzbari's furniture items dubbed 'Afelier Renaissance' were just as popular among guests. Randa managed to grab the audience's attention with her unique talent to transform dull furniture items into art pieces by means of personalised painting and restoration services, 'trompe l'oeil' techniques and many other artistic methods. Aligning illusion and reality, the guests were able to explore new interior design dimensions as they wandered around her collection.



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