

**NEWS RELEASE**

***TAMANI Hotels and Resorts raises total amount of AED 1,453,968  
for children in Gaza***

Dubai, 05 Feb 2009: TAMANI Hotels and Resorts in collaboration with Christies UK hosted the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual TAMANI Charity Art Auction last night at the TAMANI Hotel Marina aimed at raising donation funds to benefit the suffering children of Gaza.

Held under the patronage of H.E. Abdul Rahman bin Mohammed Al Owais, UAE Minister of Youth, Culture and Development who commented, "It is my pleasure to be patron for this extraordinary event where TAMANI leads in celebrating the triumphs of humanitarian celebrations. TAMANI Hotels and Resorts have committed themselves to utilize our passion for Arabic and Islamic Art to support children in need."

Founder and Chairperson of TAMANI Hotels and Resorts Khulood Abdullah Al Rostamani stated "we are extremely grateful of the resounding TAMANI Charity Art Auction's success, despite our economic situation, a number of art patrons showed up to support TAMANI's aim to raise funds for children in desperate need of support."

TAMANI Hotels and Resorts is proud of its commitment to social and corporate responsibility, and as such is engaging in social programs that inspire and serve communities in need. This year's TAMANI Charity Art Auction, one of the many initiatives under TAMANI CARES will set the stage for a series of future charity events organized under the TAMANI Hotels and Resorts brand.

TAMANI's core objective this year is to raise fund that will be forwarded to helping children by supporting them morally and financially, especially those who have been ravaged by the war in Gaza.

The event gathered over 150 top VIP's and art collectors, which also saw Hugh Edmeades, Chairman of Christies Kensington UK as the official Auctioneer of the charity art auction which raise over AED 1.453 million at the end of the auction, of which a substantial portion will go to charity.

Michael Jeha, managing director Christie's Middle East states: "Christies is proud to support the efforts of TAMANI Hotels and Resorts in their Charity Art Auction. Our collaboration is a testament of both our brand's commitment to promote Art in Middle East through innovative expositions utilizing Arts and Auction together."

TAMANI Charity Art Auction gathered 31 of the best and prominent paintings in the Middle East wherein art pieces depicting both themes of Middle Eastern and Islamic Arts were auctioned off to art patrons and private art collectors.

The event was made possible with contribution of various institutional corporations such as KM Properties as main sponsor, Emirates National Bank of Dubai as gold sponsor, First Gulf Bank as support sponsor; and leading Art galleries namely Ayyam Gallery, Hunar Art Gallery, Third Line Gallery, Green

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Art, Gallerie Al Marsa, Shams Gallery and Piu Plus, Private Art Collectors and Canvas magazine.

To view the remarkable paintings, visit the TAMANI Charity Art Auction website at [www.tamani.com](http://www.tamani.com) .  
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### NOTES FOR THE EDITOR

#### **About TAMANI Hotels and Resorts:**

TAMANI Hotels and Resorts is an innovative hotel management company dedicated to delivering genuine hospitality through creative and outstanding service with *wholesome* values that are people-focused and performance oriented. TAMANI Hotels and Resorts combine recognised local values with a passion for creativity and excellence. TAMANI Hotels and Resorts in February 2008 was heralded by Dubai Tourism and Commerce Marketing (DTCM) as the First UAE Islamic hotel brand. For more information, please visit: [www.tamani.com](http://www.tamani.com)

#### **About TAMANI Hotel Marina**

The five star business hotel having the distinction of being the tallest all-suites hotel in Dubai, is located right at the heart of the commercial business hub of Dubai Marina. This most sought after landmark for stylish meetings and romantic accommodation is your new corporate address, with its upscale residences, the most alluring destination for culinary delights, wellbeing and holistic journey. Each 55-storeys evoke a unique breathe epitomizing nothing but discreet luxury; make it your perfect choice for hosting successful meetings, business gatherings, or leisure. TAMANI Hotel Marina adds more personalized service to its customers by providing a dedicated Ladies' Floor as well as a state of the art business centre. Also as a special treat to its customers, the hotel features serviced offices and extremely spacious luxury suites. For more information, please visit [www.tanimarina.com](http://www.tanimarina.com)

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