

DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES — July 5, 2015: GPP is pleased to present new exhibition “Constructing Portraits”

## EVENT DETAILS

Name: Constructing Portraits  
Address: Alserkal Avenue, Warehouse D36, Al Quoz, Street 8, Dubai, +9714 380 8545  
Opening: July 31, 2015 @7pm  
Dates: 31 July - 31 August, 2015

### About the exhibition

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The photography project will take shape over the course of Eid al Fitr, when a group of volunteers organized by GPP will be photographing and printing professional portraits to gift to individuals from the labour force based here in Al Quoz, Dubai. The religious holiday is a wonderful opportunity to reach out, when members of the community have time to sit, share a smile and think of family back home.

The upcoming exhibition emphasizes our common ground: moving beyond the boundaries of nationality, language and job description to instead celebrate the universal language of photography and the joy of sitting for a dignified portrait. The images will be paired with interview questions that touch on personal themes that all can relate to. The purpose of the project and resulting exhibition is to bring together UAE residents from all walks of life and show shared commonalities. Connecting over personal joys, achievements and hopes for the future, the exhibition aims to bring together often-divided communities.

The exhibition will be open to the public from opening evening on July 31 through to Aug 31, 2015. The exhibition will take place in the GPP gallery space in Alserkal Avenue.

### About Gulf Photo Plus

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Gulf Photo Plus (GPP) is Dubai’s photography centre, dedicated to developing the knowledge and appreciation of photography through education, exhibitions, and a variety of events held throughout the year. Over the course of ten years, GPP has garnered an international reputation as a leader in photography events. It exists at the epicenter of the photography community in the MENA region, and continues to develop its international presence through its GPP PopUp events held around the world from Seattle to Singapore. GPP’s annual calendar includes photography exhibitions, movie nights, free artist talks, regular photography workshops, and Slidefest evenings where local creatives can share personal projects and find new inspiration.

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