

Mohammad is Cultural Personality of the Year

Vice-President chosen in recognition of his initiatives to promote UAE and social causes

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His Highness Shaikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice-President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, has been chosen Cultural Personality of the Year by the Shaikh Zayed Book Award.

The award was given to Shaikh Mohammad in recognition of his work and initiatives in promoting the UAE and social causes. Other initiatives highlighted in the award were Shaikh Mohammad's work in promoting and preserving Emirati culture, ensuring social justice and welfare, protecting the rights of Arab women, and his focus on creating programmes to help children and young people.

President His Highness Shaikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan

congratulated Shaikh Mohammad for the honour. "Shaikh Mohammad truly deserves being named the Cultural Personality of the Year, an iconic award that is named after the founding father, the late Shaikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan," said Shaikh Khalifa.

Shaikh Khalifa said that there is no one more worthy of such an honour, and added that the people of the UAE, Arab and the Islamic world, and everyone who knows Shaikh Mohammad can testify to his achievements.

Congratulating Shaikh Mohammad, His Highness Shaikh Mohammad Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces, said: "Naming Shaikh Mohammad Bin Rashid the Cultural Personality of the Year is meant to honour the vision and achievements of a leader who has sought to have the name of the UAE be engraved in golden letters in history, as well as to strengthen the UAE position on the global arena."