

Completing the Circle:

The Challenges and Opportunities of Creating a Handlist for the
British Library

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Our Path

BL Arabic
Collections

Notable Works

Documentation

Opportunities

Sources



Challenges

BL Arabic Collections

14000 MSS

8th to 20th century

Papyrus, parchment, paper, wood



Add MS 22406



Or 5323

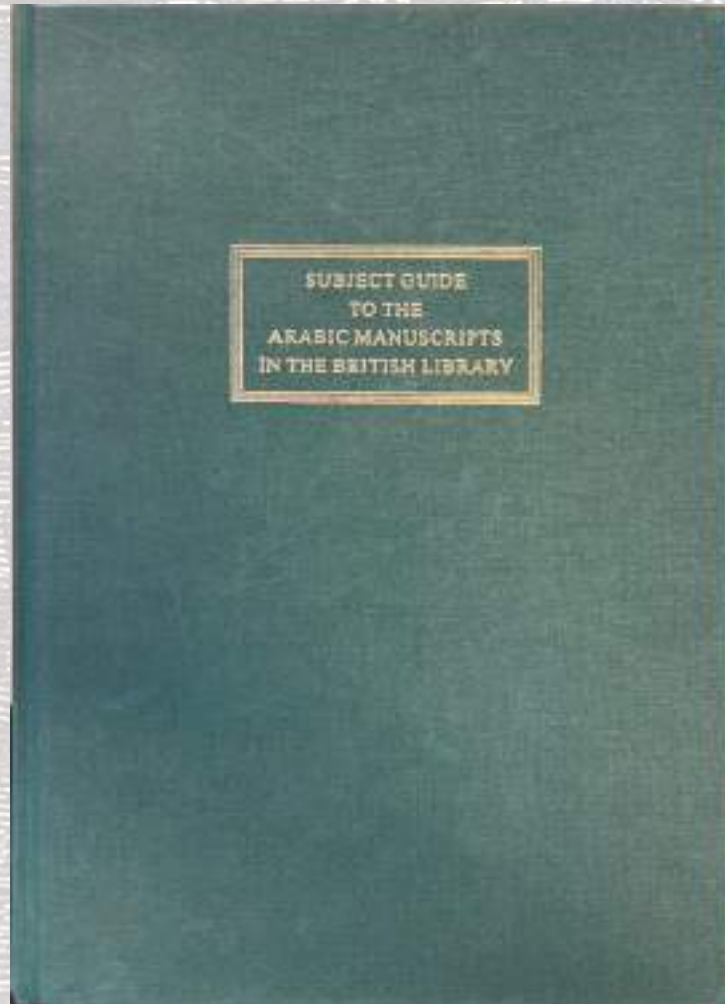


Or 2165



Or 14140

Documentation



**Baker & Stocks
(2001)**

Documentation

Lowe (2021)

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Or 13840

Reference (shelfmark): Or 13840

Title: Maḡhar al-taqdīs bi-dihāḡb dawlat al-faransīs

Scope & Content: Author:

Jabartī, 'Abd al-Raḡmān, 1754-1822

VIAF ID: 100256393

Subject:

Islamic Empire--History

Sources

Acquisition Logs

Auction Catalogues

From scratch

Or 15871

A treatise on Druze theology & poetry

Syria / Lebanon 17th/18th Century

Arabic

Purchased from Bonhams on 24 April 02
Lot 107 (via M Tyler) £700

May 02.

OR. 15044
[Acquisitions section record]
Grangas 'rang gling g.ral 'gyrol. An historical MS. formerly in the collection of Professor David L. Smailgrove. 17th or 18th century.
TIBETAN

OR. 15045
[Acquisitions section record]
rt'ra dug chos 'byang. An historical MS. formerly in the collection of Hugh Richardson. 17th or 18th century.
TIBETAN

OR. 15046
[Acquisitions section record]
dPa' bu gling dug phreng bu 'chos 'byang. An historical MS. formerly in the collection of Hugh Richardson.
TIBETAN

OR. 15047
[Acquisitions section record]
Nasir Husein's ode to the Kaiser-i-Hind. This poem was read in the court of Queen Victoria. 1889.
URDU & ENGLISH

OR. 15048
[Acquisitions section record]
Arabic papyrus. Donated by J. E. S. Edwards, former Keeper of Egyptian Antiquities at the British Museum.
ARABIC

OR. 15049
[Acquisitions section record]
Mawlah-i 'ilm-i Abb. Medical treatise by Muhammad ibn Mahmud Jiraf. 1326/1414.
OTTOMAN TURKISH

OR. 15050
[Acquisitions section record]
Kitab Manahil al-Kubra' fi Ma'rifat al-'Uqul. By al-Tha'li.
ARABIC

OR. 15051
[Acquisitions section record]
Fard 'al. A treatise on law by al-Sajjawi.
ARABIC

Challenges

Scarcity of information

Incorrect information



Or 15504



Or 15742

Challenges



Or 15575



Or 16944



Or 16929

Lack of
specialization

Consistency
across titles

General
custodianship

Opportunities

Or 15607



Enhanced access

Or 15604



Or 16929



Or 15518

Modern understandings

Opportunities



Or 15573



Or 16944



Or 16952

Diversifying the collection

Notable Works

Or 15681



Sini Qur'ans

Or 15605



Dagestani Qur'ans

Or 16927

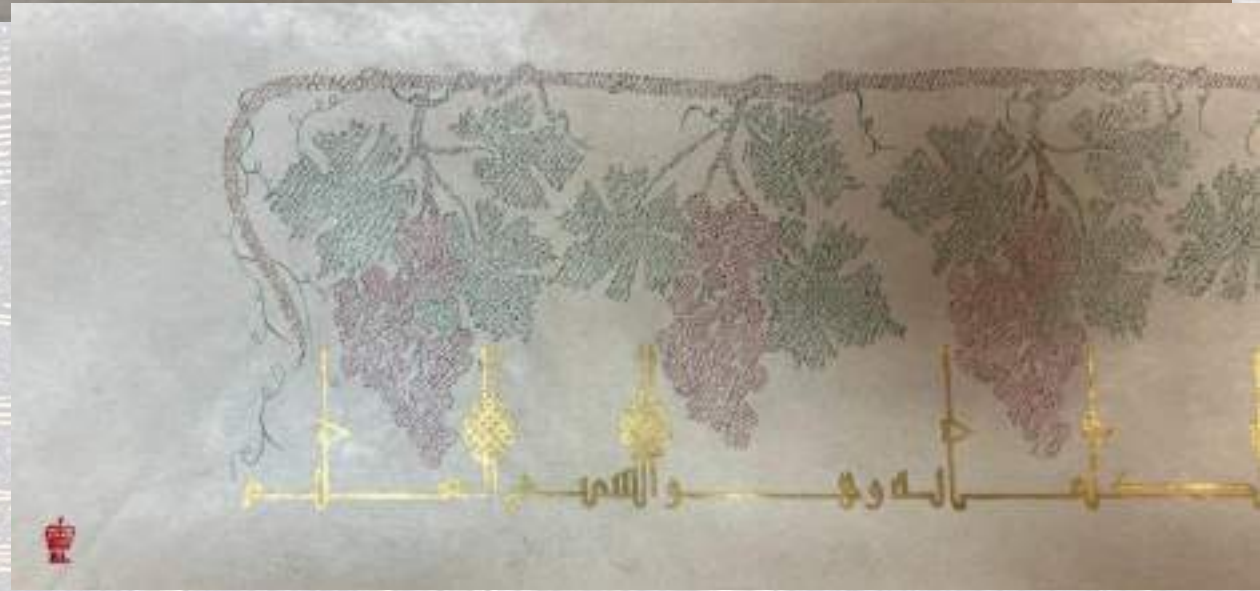


Bosnian Qur'an

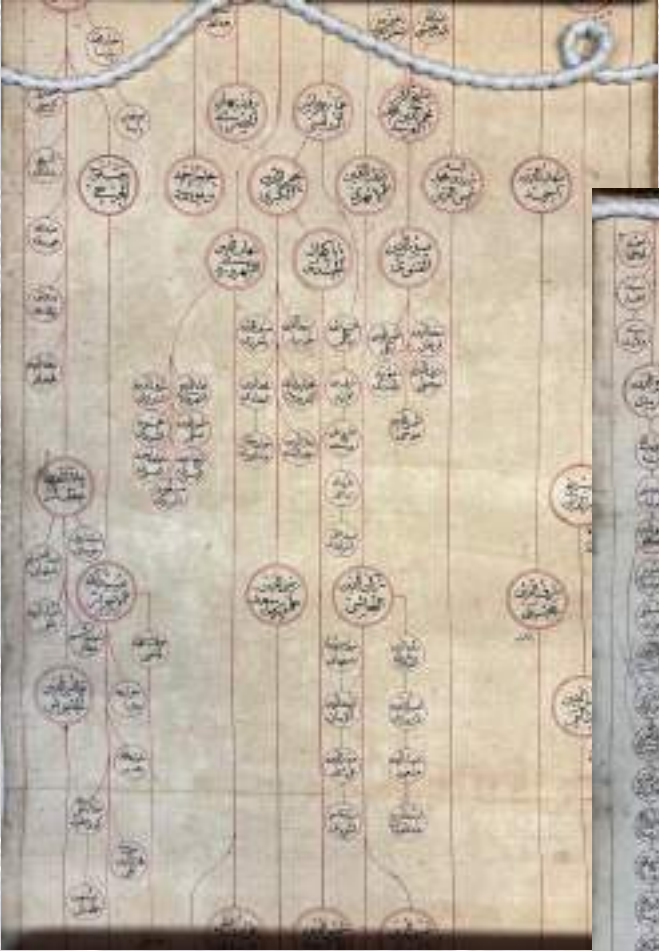
Notable Works



ك العبدون والعراب والحدود والدي لغير في الامان رلك ولاما حمر لواعلا



Scrolls



Notable Works

West African majmū'āt



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شكراً لإهتمامكم!

Thank you!

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