

### **Innovation Through Community**



## **April Newsletter**

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#### Welcome!

Whether you're a new member or a long-time supporter, we're excited to welcome you to the Arab Tech Collective (ATC) and introduce to you our monthly newsletter. Our newsletter will be your guide to all things tech, community, and culture in the collective and beyond—highlighting upcoming events, exciting opportunities, and important news within our growing community.

Each month, we'll keep you updated on everything you need to know, from emerging tech trends, guest speakers, career resources, and more! If you haven't already, be sure to follow us on Instagram, LinkedIn, and Discord to stay connected.

#### - The ATC Team

# We want to hear from you!



Have a minute? We'd love your feedback through a quick member survey. This helps ensure we are concentrating on the things that matter to our community.

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**Member Survey** 

## **Arab Heritage Month Recap**



This year we were fortunate enough to attend multiple AHM events including one we helped organize! It's important for us to keep taking up space and creating opportunities to discuss and address important topics within our community.

### **Arab America Foundation**

The AAF is a major Arab American institution that has helped advocate for the community since it's creation. This year they planned to have their event at Amazon's HQ2, but due to last minute cancellation by Amazon, they had to change venues 48 hours before the event. Despite this and with help from the community, they were able to pull off a great event. This really demonstrates the resilience of the org and community.

#### **Arab Conference at Harvard**

A yearly student-run event that brings together some of the most incredible speakers from our community across the world, the ACH is a staple that has set the standard for MENA conferences. The organizers persevered despite multiple set backs and multiple sponsors pulling out without explanation.







The organizers truly displayed steadfastness, hospitality, and resilience. Even under immense pressure, the organizers did not cave. They highlighted the most pressing issues our community is grappling with and fought to create a space for us to learn, discuss, and ideate. Speakers ranged from former heads of state to tech executives, to health workers, and artists. It made us proud to see panelists representing and openly discussing Sudan, Syria, Palestine, and many other topics from investment in the region, to geopolitical relations in a multipolar world.

### **Arab Heritage Celebration at Meta**

We are incredibly thankful for the Arab ERG at Meta for their hospitality and for doing the heavy lifting. They put in a lot of time and effort to make this event happen and together we were able to gather some of the Arab ERGs in New York including Amazon, Earnst & Young, Google, Spotify, and many others.





The event started off with a casual networking hour and then we formed groups for guided breakout sessions where we all got to discuss various topics. It was great to see the tech community come together and help facilitate new bonds and relationships. We hope that this elicits more cross-company collaborations in the future.

# We Need Your Help!



We are looking for contacts for student STEAM related groups at Universities. We want to start organizing more in-person events across Universities, starting in NY but expanding slowly across the US and beyond. If you happen to be apart of such a group, or know someone who'd be interested in collaborating, let us know!

**AND** we are looking for philanthropy work to do this Spring as a group. If you know of any group volunteer opportunities (e.g. park cleanup, soup kitchen, clothing drive) reach out to us!

# **Upcoming Events!**

If you'd like to stay informed about upcoming events, we post regularly on IG, LinkedIn, and Discord. If you'd like to host an event in your city or promote one, we recommend reaching out in our Discord, we have a growing number of local channels.

For May office hours, feel free to schedule time on our calendar here: <a href="https://calendly.com/arabtechcollective/30min">https://calendly.com/arabtechcollective/30min</a>

Below are our upcoming events or events we will be attending. We will post more details closer to each one:

• May TBD — ERG Sync, Virtual

For some other fun and interesting events in New York we'd recommend checking out:

- Supermomos NYC tech events & networking
- Lectures On Tap Unique speaker series, think TED Talks in a bar

If you know of any cool events/series in your city, let us know so we can let the community know!

## Call to Publish!



We are now accepting requests from our members, subscribers, and allies who would like to publish content on our Newsletter, Socials, or Community spaces!

If you have any articles, news, events, announcements, or content that you'd like to broadcast, let us know. You can submit requests below.

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