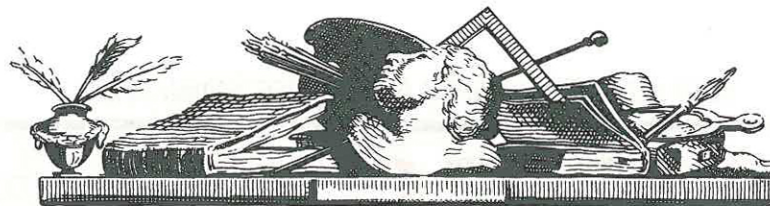


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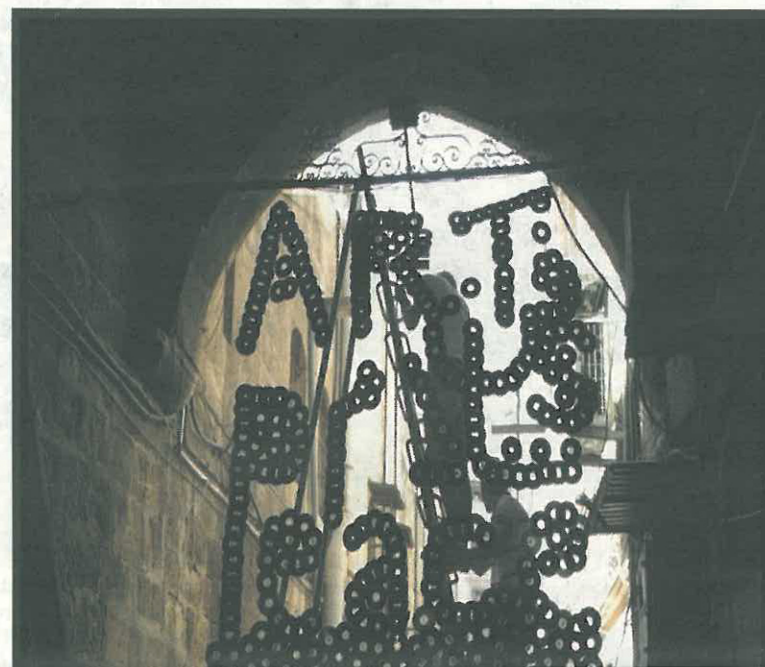
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# The plight of Syria's artists

Artists carry on, even on the front line, but  
exiles face an increasingly precarious situation



CONFLICT

week" when we spoke to him. A bomb  
hit a street near Touma's home, killing  
several people.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

CHINA >>>

### Forbidden City caps daily visitor numbers

■ Entry to the Palace Museum in Beijing's  
Forbidden City (below), which regularly  
attracts more than 100,000 visitors a day,  
has been capped at 80,000  
tourists a day. Shan  
Jixiang, the director of  
the Chinese museum,  
told the *China Daily*  
newspaper that  
the restriction is  
a necessary safety  
measure in the wake of  
the stampede that killed  
36 people on Shanghai's Bund riverfront on  
New Year's Eve in 2014. "Our museum is too  
crowded during peak season," Shan says.  
"We have to be responsible for the safety of  
visitors." According to our annual muse-

