



Kamelia Bin Zaal



### SILVER STAR

Kamelia Bin Zaal celebrated her first appearance at London's Chelsea Flower Show by winning a prestigious Silver Gilt medal for her show garden, titled 'The Beauty of Islam'.

Created in honour of His Highness Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan, the late President of the UAE, the garden took visitors on a sensory journey through Islamic and Arabic culture.

Kamelia, the first Emirati landscape designer to appear at the world-famous event, said: "I am absolutely thrilled to have won a Silver Gilt medal,

and so delighted to be sharing this great honour with everyone who has made this wonderful garden possible.

"I am delighted that I achieved my intention of making The Beauty of Islam a true celebration of heritage, art, design and culture, and for all the plants to reflect the diversity of the UAE's plant life.

"If I know that through the garden I have inspired even just a handful of people with my culture, then I leave Chelsea a very happy person indeed."

Kamelia is the creative director of Al Barari, a sustainable luxury development where 80 per cent of the land - 1.71 million square metres - is dedicated to landscaping. ■