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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. excellent introduction and reference for this important group of filmmakersBy Henry Berry"Encyclopedia" connotes the comprehensiveness of the material, but not the kinds or variety nor the formatting. The material which exceeds what anyone could be looking for in this subject area and is more informative for the way it is formatted is arranged country by country. Not only are the Arab women filmmakers grouped by country, but there is an introduction to each group which is an overview of the Arab country's film industry noting the particular challenges and advances for its women filmmakers. As for additional material not ordinarily associated with an "encyclopedia," there is an interview with each of the women. And in the section on each is a filmography and also separate "film reviews" of each major film. With this formatting rather than the standard alphabetical arrangement with a reference titled an encyclopedia, the distinctive talent and accomplishments of each filmmaker is presented cogently with accompanying photographs so each one stands out with nearby references to her body of films. Not a conventional type of reference despite its title, this work on this category of filmmaker of rising interest from current international affairs as well as the long-standing special interest in women's accomplishments is really more like a text for use in courses or individual study.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. The history of Arab women's filmmakingBy Midwest Book ReviewCollege-level holdings strong in film history or Middle

East history will both find plenty of depth, detail and description in Encyclopedia of Arab Women Filmmakers, a survey of how these women produce films in a male-dominated profession and world. The history of Arab women's filmmaking and the political and social background of Arab nations are mingled in a blend of biographical sketches, critical film reviews, and discussions that include interviews from the filmmakers themselves. Diane C.

DonovanCalifornia Bookwatch0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great resource for filmmakers in regionBy Melissa Paulsen MokhtariThis was a valuable resource for my research on women in the Arab media. Rather than using it as an encyclopedia, I found the issues, discussions with the filmmakers most revealing. I had to leave my copy in the Gulf and will buy another now that I'm back home.