

BIBLIOGRAPHY

REFERENCES OF WORKS BY AND ABOUT JURJI ZAIDAN

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This bibliography includes Jurji Zaidan's works, some of their existing translations and academic studies on them by specialists of Arabic literature as well as by historians. For every work, the date of the first edition is given; when the PDF of a subsequent edition is posted on this website, a reference to that edition is added. Many works, especially the novels, were republished every decade or so in Egypt or Lebanon. There is a full edition of the whole series in: *Jurjī Zaydān, Al-Mu'allafāt al-kāmila*, 21 vols. Beirut: Dār al-Jīl, 1981-83. This is the most comprehensive repository of Jurji Zaidan's works, including various articles in *Al-Hilāl*, but with no annotated commentaries or sources. The editions used to prepare it are not indicated. Jurji Zaidan's was a prolific writer whose works reproduced in 21 volumes that averaged 700 pages each were written over a period of a little over twenty years.

Unless otherwise indicated, Zaidan's works were originally all published by Maṭba‘at al-Hilāl, later Dār al-Hilāl, the printing and publishing house Jurji Zaidan founded in Cairo in 1892. Only translations into some European languages (English, French and German) are listed here.

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Jurji Zaidan's Works

Al-Hilāl [The Crescent]

A scientific and literary review, launched in Cairo in September 1892. Twenty-two volumes were published during Zaidan's lifetime, between 1892 and his death in 1914. Each volume usually began in September or October of each year with succeeding issues until August to September of the following year. The review became mostly a monthly one after its twelfth year (1903-04); before then it was fortnightly.

¹ Many of Jurji Zaidan's novels were translated into non-European languages in countries with Muslim populations whose mother tongue is not Arabic. In particular, virtually all the historical novels were translated into Persian as well as Turkish (6), Uighur (6) and a few in Urdu, Indonesian, Kurdish and Azeri.

To view, click on <https://archive.alsharekh.org/magazineYears/134> (This is an Arabic website where the main Arabic literary and cultural reviews are digitized). It is also possible to view the *Al-Hilāl* issues published during Zaidan's lifetime as well as all the succeeding issues until February 2007 for a total of 115 years (1892-2007) on this website.

The Series of Islamic Historical Novels

The series of historical novels (in Arabic: *silsilat riwāyāt tārīkh al-islām*) began to be published in 1891. The stories (events) in the first four historical novels, published between 1891 and 1895, occurred in the nineteenth century. After the fifth novel, *Armanūsa al-Miṣriyya*, published in 1896, the events in all succeeding novels occurred in historical sequence as is detailed below, from the beginnings of Islam to the advent of the Mamluk Empire in the 12th century CE. There was one exception with the publication in 1911 of *Al-Inqilāb al-‘Uthmānī*, a novel set in Macedonia on the eve of the Ottoman revolution of 1908.

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