



SHARJAH ART FOUNDATION

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**SAF Summer School**  
**June 20 – July 8, 2013**  
**9am – 5pm**  
**SAF Art Spaces, Building P**

**Sharjah Art Foundation (SAF)** announces it's first annual SAF Summer School that will take place from June 20 until July 8, 2013 at SAF Art Spaces in Al Mureijah. The summer programme will give children and young adults the opportunity to discover their artistic creativity while learning about art and culture through workshops, a family concert series, day excursions and a children's library.

A variety of workshops for children will be offered, including Sculpture, Collage, Watercolour, Printmaking, Performance Art, Drawing and a Darkroom Workshop. In addition to the Children's Programme, SAF Summer School will offer a series of intensive workshops, discussions and networking opportunities for young adults. The Young Adult Programme features courses that include Artist Statement Writing, Portfolio Review, Exhibition Design and an Art Writing workshop.

The aim of SAF Summer School is to raise sensibilities and understanding of the aesthetics, logic and approaches of contemporary art, as well as to promote and

encourage the practice and interaction with its various disciplines and forms. SAF Summer School is part of SAF's ongoing Education Programme which focuses on building recognition of the central role art can play in the life of a community by promoting public learning and appreciation while encouraging a participatory approach to art. The compelling programme of workshops, courses and events encourages and promotes looking, thinking and questioning while giving children and young adults the capability to develop their artistic talents.

Parents are welcome to register their children to the full programme or select activities that appeal to particular interests at [education@sharjahart.org](mailto:education@sharjahart.org) or phone 06 568 5050. All events are free and open to the public and all material is provided by Sharjah Art Foundation.

**About Sharjah Art Foundation's Education Programme:**

Sharjah Art Foundation's Education Programme offers a dynamic range of lectures and workshops for participants of all ages from students to young professionals. We are committed to creating programmes that encourage public engagement, emphasise creativity and enrich the cultural experience of our local community.

**About Sharjah Art Foundation:**

Sharjah Art Foundation brings a broad range of contemporary art and cultural programmes to the communities of Sharjah, the UAE and the region. Since 2009 SAF has built on the history of cultural collaboration and exchange that began with the first Sharjah Biennial in 1993. Working with local and international partners, we create opportunities for artists and artistic production through our core initiatives that include the Sharjah Biennial, the annual March Meeting, residencies, production grants, commissions, exhibitions, research, publications and a growing collection. Our education and public programmes focus on building recognition of the central role art can play in the life of a community by promoting public learning and a participatory approach to art. All our events are free and open to the public. Sharjah Art Foundation is funded by the Department of Culture and Information, Government of Sharjah.

For more information on SAF and its programmes, visit <http://www.sharjahart.org>

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