

From 3 September to
31 December 2017

Autumn 2017 Disabilities Education Programme

The Autumn 2017 Disabilities Education Programme, which takes place from 3 September to 31 December, includes a wide range of educational offerings for individuals with physical, learning and developmental difficulties to help them discover new ways of self-expression through art. Designed for participants ranging from 3 to 25 years of age, all workshops are facilitated by experienced professionals.

For further information and registration, email education@sharjahart.org or call (06) 5685050.

Sharjah Art Foundation welcomes participants of all abilities, and all events are free and open to the public. Materials will be provided by the Foundation.

Key to symbols:



Person who is blind or has low vision



Person who is deaf, hard of hearing or has auditory disorders



Person with physical disabilities



Person with Down's syndrome



Person with autism spectrum disorder (ASD)

Workshops

Weekly Workshop: Drawing Day

Every Monday from 25 September to 11 December

5:00 pm–6:30 pm

Meeting point: Art for All Centre, Al Mureijah

Ages: 8+

Participants and their families are invited to participate in this weekly workshop, where they will learn various drawing techniques, from basic mark making to portrait drawing.



Workshop: Make Your Own Flip Book

Wednesday, 27 September

10:00 am–12:00 pm

Location: The Flying Saucer, Dasman area of Sharjah

Ages: 10+

Participants will learn the steps for making a four-page flip book along with basic drawing and writing skills. At the beginning of the session, participants will pair up to create a flip book on a topic from a preselected list. One member of the pair will write; the other will draw. At the end of the workshop, the different pairs will read and show their flip books to other pairs. Children who are good at drawing and writing are encouraged to attend this workshop.

Google map link to The Flying Saucer, Sharjah:
<https://goo.gl/maps/HcwmWYud7ky>



Workshop: Make Your Own Freestyle Fabric and Net Sculptures

Wednesday, 3 October and Thursday, 4 October

10:00 am–12:00 pm on both days.

Meeting point: Art for All Centre, Al Mureijah

Ages: 10+

Participants will meet at the beginning of each session at the Art for All Centre. On the first day of this two-day workshop, participants will visit a tailoring shop and gather some fabric scraps of their choice. On the second day, they will learn how to make a sculpture out of wire net material, the fabric scraps they gathered and a battery-operated candle.



Workshop: Make Your Own Movie Poster at the Sharjah Children's Film Festival

Tuesday, 10 October

10:00 am–12:00 pm

Location: Al Jawaher Reception & Convention Centre, Sharjah Airport Road

Ages: 10+

Participants will create their own movie poster with specific dimensions. They will get their inspiration from a cartoon poster that will be shown to them during the workshop.

Google map link to Sharjah Children's Film Festival:
<https://goo.gl/maps/UGbePWc8EZ42>



Workshop: Learn Photography Basics at the Sharjah Children’s Film Festival

Thursday, 12 October

10:00 am–12:00 pm

Location: Al Jawaher Reception & Convention Centre, Sharjah Airport Road

Ages: 10+

Participants will learn the art and basic techniques of taking good photographs with various devices, including a mobile phone, digital camera and Polaroid camera.

[Google map link to Sharjah Children’s Film Festival:](https://goo.gl/maps/UGbePWc8EZ42)

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Workshop: Paint with Your Feet

Saturday, 21 October

4:00 pm–6:00 pm

Location: Art for All Centre, Al Mureijah

Ages: 5+

Most of the time hands are used to create an art project, but this workshop teaches participants to use their feet to paint abstract murals with acrylic paints in stunning colour combinations.



Workshop: Charcoal Studio

Tuesday, 24 October and Thursday, 26 October

10:00 am–12:00 pm

Location: Art for All Centre, Al Mureijah

Ages: 13+

This two-day workshop will introduce participants to the basics of charcoal drawing. On the first day, they will learn about charcoal as a medium for drawing, and on the following days, they will choose an object suitable for a still life artwork and create an object drawing in charcoal. These workshops teach balance and composition.



Workshop: Using Wool Yarn and Fabric for Artistic Expression

Saturday, 4 November

4:00 pm–6:00 pm

Location: Hai d3, Dubai Design District

Ages: 5+

Using wool yarn, scrap fabric and glue, participants in this workshop will learn new forms of artistic expression. First, they will try their hand at sketching with wool yarn, and second, they will work on wrapping techniques. Finally, they will learn to repurpose and beautify a recycled object like a bottle or coffee tin using the simple but creative art of fabric wrapping. This course is suitable for all abilities and improves concentration and fine motor skills.

[Google Map Link to Dubai Design District:](https://goo.gl/maps/cF6iRJDuwv72)
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Workshop: No-Brush Painting at Abu Dhabi Art Fair

Tuesday, 7 November

Time: To be confirmed

Location: Manarat Al Saadiyat, Saadiyat Island, Abu Dhabi

Ages: 8+

Participants can express themselves with acrylic paint and a small canvas by making a painting using tools such as toothpicks and paper clips. The technique is called 'no-brush painting'.



Workshop: Creating Rhythms with Voice

Saturday 18 November

6:00 pm-7:00 pm

Location: Hamdan Bin Moussa Courtyard, near the Urban Garden

Age Group: 5+

Participants will be introduced to a new but basic form of voice modulation similar to the style of El Foukr Assembly's singing.



Workshop: Make Your Own *Raku* Ceramic Sculptures

Tuesday, 21 November and Wednesday, 22 November

Time: 10:00 am–12:00 pm on both days

Meeting Point: Art for All Centre, Al Mureijah

Ages: 16+

This workshop will introduce participants to *Raku*, a Japanese ceramic sculpture technique that uses a kiln in which the temperature is gradually raised from low fire to high fire. Participants will learn to make sculptures and decorate them with colourful sandpaper. Then they will place them in a kiln to fire, and the sculptures will develop fascinating patterns as the sandpaper melts on them. This workshop is more suitable for older special education participants.



Workshop: Make Greeting Cards for the 46th UAE National Day

Tuesday, 28 November

10:00 am–12:00 pm (first session)

2:00 pm–4:00 pm (second session)

Location: Arts Square between the Sharjah Art Museum and Sharjah Art Foundation offices

Ages: 7+

As part of the Sharjah Art Foundation's Education Programme event to celebrate UAE National Day, participants will make a greeting card for UAE National Day using UAE colours and heritage symbols.

Workshop: Urban Gardening Basics

Saturday, 9 December

4:00 pm–6:00 pm

Meeting Point: Art for All Centre, Al Mureijah

Ages: 5+

This workshop teaches participants the basics of gardening and planting in a pot. The initial meeting point will be the Art for All Centre, and then the group will proceed together to The Urban Garden. This session requires participants to wear comfortable shoes.



Workshop: Make Your Own Geometric Pattern Fridge Magnets

Tuesday, 12 December

10:00 am–12:00 pm

Location: Art for All Centre, Al Mureijah

Ages: 8+

By combining shapes like lines, triangles and squares, participants will learn how to make their own abstract geometric pattern. After they finish designing their pattern on paper, they will make their pattern into a fridge magnet.



Locations and Meeting Points

Many of the sessions in the Autumn 2017 Disabilities Education Programme take place or initially meet at the Arts for All Centre, built in collaboration with Sharjah Humanitarian City.

Easily accessible, the Art for All Centre is located between Sharjah Art Foundation exhibition spaces in Al Mureijah Square and Calligraphy Square.

Google map link for the Arts for All Centre:

<https://goo.gl/maps/fCzEF5yWaQU2>.

GPS coordinates for driving and parking: 25.362180, 55.387338

Other session venues for the Autumn 2017 Disabilities Education Programme and their locations are included with the individual workshop descriptions.

