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SCHOOLS AND YOUTH CENTERS EDUCATION PROGRAMME

Arts Area SAF Art Spaces



Sharjah Biennial 13: SCHOOL AND YOUTH CENTRE EDUCATION PROGRAMME

Sharjah Art Foundation School and Youth Centre Education Programme includes workshops designed specifically for groups, schools and youth centres. Taught by professional artists, each workshop is designed to encourage participants' creativity, develop their communication skills and enrich their knowledge of art. The programme for SB 13, inspired by the key words of water, crops, earth and the culinary, runs from 10 March through 11 June 2017.

Location: Arts Area and SAF Art Spaces.

For further information and to register please email **alkayyat@sharjahart.org** or call *06 568 5050.*

All events are free and open to the public.

WORKSHOPS

Undersea Sketchbook

Ages: 7+

Location: Souq Al Jubail

Exploring Sharjah's busy fish market and Port Khalid, participants will develop an understanding of the journey fishermen take to catch fish and sell them at Souq Al Jubail fish auctions. Participants will identify species and learn features, colours and other facts about local fish. They will make drawings and paintings based on their impressions of the species they identify to compile a personal fish encyclopaedia to take home.

Viewfinder Ages: 7+

Location: SAF Neighbourhood

In this workshop, participants will create viewfinders to observe living organisms that can be found in their immediate surroundings. In a tour around the souq, participants will use the viewfinders they have made to frame a scene containing their selected organisms and create a unique perspective of this environment. They will commit the scene to memory and then draw the scene on canvas.

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Pop-up Cards Ages: 7-10

Location: Collections Building

Participants will create pop-up cards out of paper and found objects from nature.

Environmental Patterns

Ages: 10+ Location: Open

In this workshop, participants will journey through the desert and to the sea to observe and understand the patterns that waves and sand drifts create through natural factors. They will study these patterns and compile them into a series of overlap drawings.

Nature's Colours

Ages: 7+

Location: Collections Building

In this workshop, participants will identify fruits, spices, plants and other natural elements that we use in our daily lives. They will go to the souq looking for these elements and will learn how to extract pigments from them. Participants will use these natural pigments to create nature-inspired paintings.

Making Scarecrows

Ages: 10+

Location: Collections Building

Participants will study textiles and traditional outfits from different regions and cultures. The workshop will focus on details such as patterns, shapes and colours and how they permeate our daily life. The scarecrow is a familiar symbol recognised around the world as a protective element used by farmers and gardeners. Workshop participants will create their own scarecrows composed of and inspired by textiles and traditional garments.

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Mutations of Nature

Ages: 7+

Location: Collections Building

In this workshop, participants will monitor the mutations of nature in their surroundings. The participants will merge past, present and future mutations in a mixed media artwork by applying an imaginary life onto a panoramic landscape from present-day Sharjah.

Film from Archive

Ages: 10+

Location: Collections Building and SAF Neighbourhood

This workshop is divided into two parts. The first part will involve an excursion around the SAF neighbourhood. Participants will take Polaroid photos of colours, signs, buildings, patterns and anything else that captures their attention. In the second part of the workshop, participants will create a basic film inspired by the photos they took in the first part.

Art from the Environment

Ages: 7+

Location: Collections Building

In this workshop, participants will pick items from the SAF neighbourhood like leaves, stones, feathers or any other object that has no perceived purpose or usage in daily life. Participants will then create an artwork from the items.

The Art of Carpet Creation

Ages: 7+

Location: Collections Building

Participants will recognise differences in carpets from around the world. They will study carpet patterns and colours to create a sketch for a minicarpet they will produce using basic carpet-making techniques.

Self-Preserving Nature

Ages: 7+

Location: Collections Building

In this workshop, participants will take a careful look around the SAF neighbourhood to find objects made out of natural materials that had a previous life or use, such as rocks, leaves, bones and more. Participants will use their imagination to create histories for these objects and present them as objects imbued with new personality.