

**July–August 2017**

## **Summer 2017 Art Centres Children's Education Programme**

The Children's Education Programme at Sharjah Art Foundation art centres has organised courses for summer 2017 that focus on different aspects of contemporary art practices. Taking place between 2 July and 31 August, the sessions are open to participants aged 9 to 15. All courses and workshops are conducted in Arabic unless otherwise indicated.

All Sharjah Art Foundation events are free and open to the public, and all the materials used in the courses are provided by Sharjah Art Foundation.

### **Course: Enhancing Arabic Calligraphy**

Sunday and Tuesday, 4–20 June

9:00 am–12:00 pm and 4:30 pm–6:30 pm (This course has two sessions each day.)

Al Hamriyah Art Centre

Ages: 10–15

Participants will be introduced to the correct sitting posture and method of holding pencils in order to write the Arabic letters in a basic, non-cursive style and coordinate them on the baseline.

### **Course: Relief Sculpture**

Sunday to Thursday, 2–13 July

9:00 am–12:00 pm and 4:30 pm–6:30 pm (This course has two sessions each day.)

Al Hamriyah Art Centre

Ages: 9–15

In this course, participants will be trained in the stages of relief sculpting, following the instructor's style. They will learn how to add and remove and how to use the appropriate tools to facilitate their work with the right techniques. Participants will also receive a simplified explanation of how to distribute shapes on a clay surface and study different perspectives from the height of the sculptural blocks.

### **Course: Basics of Ceramics**

Monday to Wednesday, 3–26 July

4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Al Madam Art Centre

Ages: 10+

This course will focus on the basics of ceramic making techniques. Participants will learn about slab making, hand building, wheel throwing and surface decoration to create their own ceramics artwork.

## Course: Painting with Watercolours

Sunday to Thursday, 9–13 July

9:00 am–12:00 pm

Kalba Art Centre

Ages: 9–15

Participants in this course will learn the techniques of painting with watercolours, first developing an understanding of the composition of watercolours and their combinations. They will then apply their new knowledge in a still life painting session using watercolours. This course aims to cultivate the creative skills inherent in children to express their imagination and memories through the medium of watercolours.

## Course: Ornamental Decor

Sunday and Monday, 16–31 July

4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Kalba Art Centre, Dibba Al Hisn Art Centre, Khorfakkan Art Centre

Ages: 9–15

Participants in this course will learn how to create simple decorative items from clay such as big forks and spoons that are ornamented with various Islamic designs. This course aims to teach a method for participants to create simple decorative ornaments as part of their daily lives.

## Course: Principles of Painting

Sunday and Monday, 16–31 July

4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Kalba Art Centre

Ages: 9–15

Participants in this course will learn the main skills for the art of painting, with a special focus on how to use primary colours and blend them to create paintings that demonstrate all the necessary painting skills and aesthetic principles. This course aims to teach participants basic techniques for making simple shapes and the value of colour.

## Course: Aesthetics of Arabic Calligraphy

Sunday to Thursday, 6–31 August

9:00 am–12:00 pm and 4:30 pm–6:30 pm (This course has two sessions each day.)

Al Hamriyah Art Centre

Ages: 9–15

This course aims to highlight the beauty of Arabic lettering and present a comparison between vowels and consonants to distinguish their differences and teach the rules and angles of these letters.

## Course: Sculpting Techniques

Sunday to Thursday, 6–31 August

9:00 am–12:00 pm and 4:30 pm–6:30 pm (This course has two sessions each day.)

Al Hamriyah Art Centre

Ages: 9–15

Participants in this course will learn the techniques used in the art of sculpting and ways to deal with each material. They will use modern materials and practise stone and wood sculpting with the tools provided in this course.

## Course: Forming Pottery Vases

Sunday to Thursday, 6–31 August

9:00 am–12:00 pm and 4:30 pm–6:30 pm (This course has two sessions each day.)

Al Hamriyah Art Centre

Ages: 9–15

Participants in this course will learn the technique of shaping pottery through the use of miniature clay ropes. They will manipulate the ropes to produce small decorative vases and use sculpting techniques to decorate the surfaces.

## Course: Basics of Ceramics

Sunday to Thursday, 20–31 August

4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Kalba Art Centre, Dibba Al Hisn Art Centre, Khorfakkan Art Centre

Ages: 9–15

This course will focus on the basics of ceramic making techniques. Participants will learn about slab making, hand building, wheel throwing and surface decoration to create their own ceramics artwork.

## Course: Using a Single Colour Gradient in Paintings

Sunday to Thursday, 20–31 August

4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Kalba Art Centre

Ages: 9–15

Participants in this course will use a single colour and its varying degrees to produce the effect of shadow and light in paintings. They will draw elements from still life and colour them using one acrylic colour, which they will lighten with white. This course aims to teach participants the production of a shape painted in a single colour gradient and ways to size the shape and apply artistic colour values using gradients of the chosen colour.

## Course: Monotyping Technique

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 21–23 August

10:00 am–12:00 pm

Al Dhaid Art Centre

Ages: 6+

Participants in this course will learn how to print using the monotype technique and bright colours.

## Workshop: Creating Artworks from Various Materials

Monday, 3 July

4:00 pm–6:00 pm

Family Development Foundation – Al Shuwaib Centre

Participants in this workshop will learn how to create models or paintings using plastic, paper or metal waste materials. They will combine these materials together in an artistic way with colours and adhesive materials.

## Excursion: Mleiha Archaeological Centre

Tuesday, 4 July

9:00 am–12:00 pm

Meeting point: Al Dhaid Art Centre

Ages: 9–15

Participants in this excursion will visit Mleiha Archaeological Centre to learn about the traditional lifestyle of the inhabitants of that area during a certain period. They will then sketch some of the scenes found at the centre.

## Workshop: Paper Creations

Monday, 10 July  
4:00 pm–6:00 pm  
Al Madam Art Centre  
Ages: 9–15

Participants in this workshop will create different expressive shapes and paintings from coloured or white paper to produce 3D objects, such as a Japanese fan and facial models of different animals like cats or elephants suitable for the age of the participant.

## Workshop: Sculpting Basics

Wednesday, 19 July  
9:00 am–11:00 am  
Al Dhaid Art Centre  
Ages: 6+

Participants in this course will learn how to blend clay to create shapes with different colours.

## Workshop: Painting on Stones

Monday, 24 July  
4:00 pm–6:00 pm  
Al Madam Art Centre  
Ages: 9–15

Participants in this workshop will discover the art of stone selection and mixing to fit a particular artwork while learning expressive vocabulary inspired by the shape and composition of the stones. They will then use the colours provided to add their own colourful aesthetic and expressive touches to the stones or paint the stones in bright colours or decorative patterns.

## Workshop: Sculpture Using Metallic Wires

Tuesday, 25 July  
10:00 am–12:00 pm  
Al Dhaid Art Centre

In this workshop, participants will learn how to make 3D shapes using wires, tape and spray paint. They will also use materials from their surroundings.

## Workshop: Making Birdhouses

Tuesday, 1 August  
10:00 am–12:00 pm  
Al Dhaid Art Centre

In this workshop, participants will learn how to use available materials and tools to make birdhouses that help decorate gardens and streets.

## Workshop: Making Dolls for a Puppet Show

Thursday, 3 August  
10:00 am–12:00 pm  
Al Dhaid Art Centre

In this workshop, participants will learn how to use cupcake liners to make dolls for a puppet show. This workshop aims to encourage children to read, act and create voices for characters in stories.

## Workshop: Tissue Paper Art

Tuesday, 8 August  
10:00 am–12:00 pm  
Al Dhaid Art Centre

In this workshop, participants will learn how to make artworks inspired by the summer season from tissue paper and other necessary materials.

## Workshop: Sculpture Using Rocks and Shells

Sunday, 13 August  
10:00 am–12:00 pm  
Al Dhaid Art Centre

In this workshop, participants will learn how to make 3D sculptures using rocks, shells, paints and other materials found in their surroundings.

## Workshop: Sculpture from a Variety of Materials

Tuesday, 15 August  
10:00 am–12:00 pm  
Al Dhaid Art Centre

In this workshop, participants will learn how to make 3D shapes using socks, wire, and both poster and acrylic paints.

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