

Tarek Atoui: Cycles in 11 **Learning Programme for Children and Families**

14 November 2020–10 April 2021

Running in parallel with the exhibition *Tarek Atoui: Cycles in 11*, Sharjah Art Foundation's Learning Programme for Children and Families will offer workshops on painting, sound and instrument-making from 14 November 2020 to 10 April 2021.

Marking over a decade of collaboration with Sharjah Art Foundation and the surrounding community, *Tarek Atoui: Cycles in 11*, on view from 19 September 2020 to 10 April 2021, centres around experimental and innovative musical forms and offers audiences opportunities to learn about and explore instrument-making, compositional structure and musical collaboration.

All workshops in the Foundation's Learning Programme for Children and Families are conducted by professional artists working in a broad range of visual and performing arts. Designed for participants aged 6 to 15 and their families, the programme aims to teach children technical art skills in order to strengthen their creative expression.

Workshops will take place on Saturdays from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, and sessions will be held at Bait Al Serkal and the Collections Building in Arts Square, Al Shuwaiheen. Depending upon the needs of the participants, sessions will be conducted in English and/or Arabic.

Sharjah Art Foundation is committed to making its programmes as inclusive and accessible as possible. Disability symbols are included with all session descriptions to indicate accessibility.

Key to symbols:



To learn more about the Learning Programme for Children and Families and to register, email children.education@sharjahart.org or call (06) 568 5050.

All workshops offered by the Learning Programme for Children and Families are free and open to the public. Materials are provided by the Foundation.

TOUR AND WORKSHOPS

Exhibition Tour and Experimentation with Musical Instruments Programme for Children and Families

Date: 31 October 2020–10 April 2021

Timings: 9:00 am–9:00 pm (Tours can be scheduled anytime during working hours, but advance booking is required. Please click [here](#) to reserve a date and time to visit and tour the exhibition.)

Location: Bait Al Serkal, Arts Square

All ages

Languages: Arabic and English



Visitors of all ages can book a slot between 9:00 am and 9:00 pm to tour the exhibition *Tarek Atoui: Cycles in 11* and learn about a range of original musical instruments. Both guided tours and materials for self-guided tours are available at the entrance to Bait Al Serkal. After the tour, visitors can use the materials provided to create musical compositions in their family groups.

Paint with Music

Workshop for Children and Families

Date: Saturday, 12 December 2020

Timings: 11:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Collections Building, Arts Square

All ages

Languages: Arabic and English



In this workshop, participants will listen to music being played at different tempos and volumes while painting on a large canvas. They will see how different types of music—both fast and loud and slow and soothing—can affect their work.

Instrument-Making

Workshop for Children and Families

Date: Saturday, 26 December 2020

Timings: 11:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Collections Building

All ages

Languages: Arabic and English



In this workshop, participants will work with an artist who will teach them how to create musical instruments using found objects.

Exploring with Sound

Workshop for Children and Families

Date: Saturday, 9 January 2021

Timings: 11:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Bait Al Serkal, Arts Square

All ages

Languages: Arabic and English



In this workshop, participants will explore sound through found objects such as keys, bells, and spoons. They will experiment by combining the objects into sculptures and noting how each object makes a different sound when it hits another one.

The Colour of Sound

Workshop for Children and Families

Date: Saturday, 23 January 2021

Timings: 11:00 am–1:00 pm

Meeting point: Collections Building, Arts Square

All ages

Languages: Arabic and English



In this workshop, participants will visit the exhibition of Tarek Atoui's work and find inspiration in the artist's focus on instrument-making, musical collaboration and compositional structure. They will be provided with pens and sketchbooks, where they can reflect on their feelings, even if they produce only a few lines or words. Participants will then head back to the Collections Building and create their own artwork using coloured pencils, coloured chinks and watercolours.

Sounds in Groups

Workshop for Children and Families

Date: Saturday, 6 February 2021

Timings: 11:00 am–1:00 pm

Meeting point: Collections Building, Arts Square

All ages

Languages: Arabic and English



In this workshop, participants will explore the variety of sounds in Tarek Atoui's work. At the exhibition venue, they will be divided into groups, and each group will focus on sounds emanating from a specific work. Group members will consider how the instruments are used and the sounds and tones produced, and they will reflect on their feelings about the sounds. At the end of the workshop, all groups will come together to discuss the sounds of the work that they processed together.

Experimental Sounds and Music

Workshop for Children and Families

Date: Saturday, 20 February 2021

Timings: 11:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Collections Building, Arts Square

All ages

Languages: Arabic and English



In this workshop, participants will work individually to create their own sounds from different kinds of materials located in the workshop space. Participants will explore both their hearing and artistic skills in order to create tones and sounds. For inspiration, they will also listen to different types of instrumental music during the workshop.