

**OPENING WEEK SCHEDULE**  
**Sharjah Biennial 15:**  
***Thinking Historically in the Present***  
**7–12 February 2023**



**GENERAL PROGRAMME**

**TUESDAY, 7 FEBRUARY**

9:00 am	Welcome remarks by <b>Sheikha Hoor Al Qasimi</b> , President of Sharjah Art Foundation and curator of SB15, Al Mureijah Square  Opening of Sharjah Biennial 15 (SB15) Al Mureijah Square venues (Galleries 1–6 and heritage houses) Calligraphy Square Al Hisn and Bank Street Building Arts Square venues (Bait Obaid Al Shamsi, Bait Al Serkal and Sharjah Art Museum)
11:00 am–12:00 pm	<i>The Tea We Drink</i> <b>Annalee Davis</b> Tea ceremony and conversation with <b>Yeori Guépin, Shiraz Bayjoo, Bahar Behbahani</b> and <b>Tahila Mintz</b> Bait Al Hurma, Al Mureijah Square
4:00 pm–5:00 pm	<i>burbang-buwanha winha-nga-nha (Returned Ceremony of Memory)</i> <b>Brook Andrew</b> Performance Bait Hassan Abdallah, Al Mureijah Square
10:30 pm–11:00 pm	<i>Brothahood   Gnawa and Capoeira</i> <b>Hassan Hajjaj</b> with <b>Mestre Pastel</b> and <b>Maalem Marouane</b> Performance Al Mureijah Square, Sharjah
11:00 pm–12:30 am	<i>Gnawa Capoeira Brothahood</i> <b>Hassan Hajjaj</b> Film Screening Mirage City Cinema, Al Mureijah Square

\*All venues will be open from 9:00 am.

## WEDNESDAY, 8 FEBRUARY

Tour of venues in Kalba City and Khorfakkan City (East Coast)

Tour itinerary: Kalba Kindergarten, Kalba Ice Factory, Khorfakkan Art Centre, Khorfakkan Cinema and Sharjah Performing Arts Academy

(Transportation will leave for Kalba City from Al Mureijah Square at 8:00 am.)

10:00 am–11:00 am	Tour of Kalba Kindergarten, Kalba
11:00 am–12:00 pm	<i>The Unknown Sailor</i> <b>Abdulrahim Salem</b> Performance Kalba Ice Factory, Kalba
12:00 pm–1:00 pm	Lunch in Kalba Ice Factory, Kalba (Transportation from Kalba to Khorfakkan leaves at 1:00 pm.)
2:00 pm –3:00 pm	Tour of Khorfakkan Art Centre, Khorfakkan
3:00 pm –4:00 pm	<i>Hikayat Wanatentrem Story Telling</i> <b>Maharani Mancanagara</b> Performance Khorfakkan Art Centre, Khorfakkan
4:00 pm–5:00 pm	<i>Bird</i> <b>Selma Ouissi &amp; Soufiane Ouissi</b> Performance Khorfakkan Cinema, Khorfakkan (Limited capacity: 60 people)
5:00 pm–6:00 pm	Conversation with <b>Meleanna Meyer, Solomon Enos</b> and <b>Kahi Ching</b> Khorfakkan Art Centre, Khorfakkan (Transportation from Khorfakkan to Sharjah Performing Arts Academy leaves at 6:00 pm.)
7:30 pm–8:00 pm	Refreshments Sharjah Performing Arts Academy, Sharjah
8:00 pm–9:00 pm	<i>Gueules Noires</i> <b>Compagnie Niya &amp; Rachid Hedli</b> Performance Sharjah Performing Arts Academy, Sharjah

## THURSDAY, 9 FEBRUARY

Tour of venues in Sharjah City and Al Dhaid City (Central Region)

Tour itinerary: Khalid Bin Mohammed School, The Flying Saucer, Sheikh Khalid Bin Mohammed Palace and Farm, and Old Al Dhaid Clinic

10:00 am–11:00 am	Tour of Khalid Bin Mohammed School (The Africa Institute), Sharjah
11:00 am–12:00 pm	Tour of The Flying Saucer, Sharjah (Transportation will leave for Al Dhaid from Al Mureijah Square at 12:00 pm.)
1:00 pm–2:30 pm	<i>Don't let the beautiful colors fool you, who would draw Goofy inside the rooms of grownups?</i> <b>Ali Eyal</b> Performance Sheikh Khalid Bin Mohammed Palace and Farm, Al Dhaid
2:30 pm–4:00 pm	<i>Performance and Lunch</i> <b>Michael Rakowitz</b> Sheikh Khalid Bin Mohammed Palace and Farm, Al Dhaid
4:00 pm–5:00 pm	Tour of Al Dhaid venues
6:30 pm–7:30 pm	<i>Tear Out The Eyes</i> <b>Gabriela Golder</b> Performance Sheikh Khalid Bin Mohammed Farm, Al Dhaid (Transportation will leave for Al Mureijah Square at 7:30 pm.)

## FRIDAY, 10 FEBRUARY

Tour to venues in Al Hamriyah City and Sharjah City

Tour itinerary: Al Hamriyah Studios, Old Al Diwan Al Amiri, Old Al Jubail Vegetable Market, Arts Square and Al Mureijah Square

11:30 am–1:00 pm	Tour of Al Hamriyah Studios, Al Hamriyah (Transportation will leave for Al Hamriyah from Al Mureijah Square at 11:00 am.)
1:00 pm–2:30 pm	Lunch Old Al Diwan Al Amiri, Al Hamriyah (Transportation will leave for Al Mureijah Square at 2:30 pm.)
3:00 pm–3:30 pm	Tour of Old Al Jubail Vegetable Market, Sharjah
3:30 pm–4:00 pm	<i>Mango Slice / The King's Wife</i> <b>Joiri Minaya</b> Performance Old Al Jubail Vegetable Market, Sharjah
4:30 pm–8:30 pm	Tour of Arts Square, Sharjah (Tours every hour in all Arts Square venues)
8:30 pm–11:00 pm	Talk and Film Screening TBC Mirage City Cinema, Al Mureijah Square
9:00 pm–9:30 pm	Refreshments Fen Café & Restaurant Al Mureijah Square, Sharjah

## SATURDAY, 11 FEBRUARY

Tours and performances across Sharjah City venues

- |                   |  |
|-------------------|--|
| 9:00 am–9:00 pm   | Tours on the hour<br>All SB15 venues   |
| 11:00 am–12:00 pm | <i>The Willing</i><br><b>Helina Metaferia</b> with <b>ArinMaya</b> and <b>Abby Dobson</b><br>Performance<br>Arts Square, Sharjah                     |
| 3:00 pm–5:00 pm   | Mastering the Art of Capoeira<br><b>Hassan Hajjaj</b> with <b>Mestre Pastel</b><br>Open Session<br>Arts Square, Sharjah                              |
| 4:00 pm–5:00 pm   | <i>burbang-buwanha winha-nga-nha (Returned Ceremony of Memory)</i><br><b>Brook Andrew</b><br>Performance<br>Bait Hassan Abdallah, Al Mureijah Square |
| 5:00 pm–6:30 pm   | <i>The Search for Power</i><br><b>Tania El Houry</b><br>Performance<br>Old Al Jubail Vegetable Market, Sharjah<br>(Limited capacity: 30 people)      |
| 8:00 pm–9:00 pm   | <i>Water is a time machine</i><br><b>Aline Motta</b><br>Lecture Performance<br>Bait Obaid Al Shamsi, Arts Square                                     |
| 9:30 pm–10:30 pm  | <i>Performance</i><br><b>Basel Abbas &amp; Ruanne Abou-Rahme</b><br>Bait Haider Abadi, Al Mureijah Square<br>(Limited capacity: 30 people)           |

## SUNDAY, 12 FEBRUARY

Tours and performances across Sharjah City venues

- |                  |  |
|------------------|--|
| 9:00 am–9:00 pm  | Tours on the hour<br>All SB15 venues   |
| 2:00 pm–3:30 pm  | Gnawa Meets Capoeira: From Slavery to Global Fame<br><b>Hassan Hajjaj</b> with <b>Maalam Marouane, Maalem Younes, Mestre Pastel</b> and <b>Americano Antonio</b> . Moderator: <b>Surafel W. Abebe</b><br>Panel Discussion<br>Gallery 1 and 2 Courtyard, Al Mureijah Square |
| 5:00 pm–6:30 pm  | <i>The Search for Power</i><br><b>Tania El Khoury</b><br>Performance<br>Old Al Jubail Vegetable Market, Sharjah<br>(Limited capacity: 30 people)   |
| 8:00 pm–9:00 pm  | <i>The Foiled War of Bharatayudha</i><br><b>Heri Dono</b><br>Performance<br>Calligraphy Square, Sharjah  |
| 9:30 pm–10:30 pm | <i>The Wake</i><br><b>The Living and the Dead Ensemble</b><br>Performance<br>Bait Obaid Al Shamsi, Arts Square   |