

Studio Art Workshops at Sharjah Art Institute

Learning Programme for Youth and Adults

10 July–24 August 2023

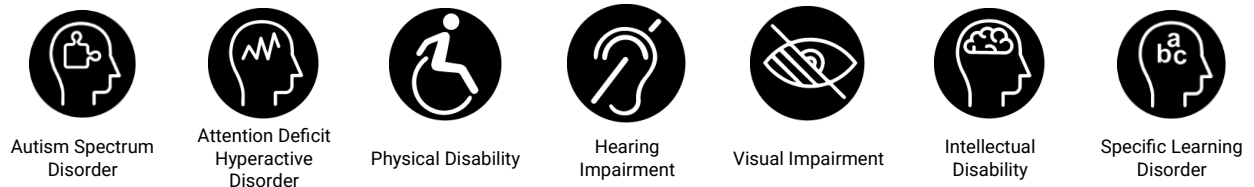


Take part in studio art courses, workshops and talks at the Sharjah Art Institute this summer, and express your creativity through ceramics, sculpture, engraving, printmaking, painting, drawing and photography. Designed for youth (ages 17+) and adults, the sessions introduce concepts, theories, tools and techniques that will help you develop your artistic skills. Sessions are in Arabic and/or English, depending on the needs of the participants.

Running from 10 July to 24 August 2023, most of the short courses and workshops are free, but a fee is charged for one of the courses (see below). All materials are provided. To find out more, please email institute@sharjahart.org, or call (06) 568 8800.

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

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EXHIBITION TOURS

Join guided tours of all our exhibitions, in both Arabic and English, and then attend our workshops to learn more about the artworks on view.

To book a visit, please email institute@sharjahart.org.

SHORT COURSES AND WORKSHOPS

Ceramics Fundamentals

Ages 17+

Dates: Monday and Tuesday, 10–11 July 2023

Timings: 10:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Discover some of the main manual and tool-based techniques for creating ceramics. Experiment with lumps, slabs and coiled ropes of clay to create your own ceramic works.

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Understand Colour Techniques

Ages 17+

Dates: Monday to Wednesday, 10–12 July 2023

Timings: 10:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Explore the differences between watercolour, oil and acrylic techniques as well as the aesthetics of colour relationships with reference to harmony, neutrality, complementarity and contrast.

Linoleum Printing

Ages 17+

Date: Tuesday, 11 July 2023

Timings: 4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Learn the basics of linoleum printing, a type of relief printmaking used by artists since the early twentieth century. Begin by drawing a design of your choice and carving it onto the linoleum. Participants can then roll ink over the carving and press it firmly over paper to print multiple copies of their artworks.

Decorate Ceramic Tiles

Ages 17+

Date: Sunday, 16 July 2023

Timings: 4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Paint decorative patterns on ceramic tiles in different colours to explore the process of drawing geometric and botanical motifs.

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Basics of Silkscreen Printing

Ages 17+

Dates: Monday to Wednesday, 17–19 July 2023

Timings: 10:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



In silkscreen printing, ink is pushed through a thin mesh which is supported by a frame. You can make a design by using a stencil or by applying a screen block onto your screen. Learn how to prepare the silkscreen for printing, how to install it on the wooden frame, and the materials used for insulation after completing the drawing.

Geometric Abstraction

Ages 17+

Dates: Monday to Thursday, 17–20 July 2023

Timings: 4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Immerse yourself in a discussion about rational abstraction and modernism with a focus on artists who use the former as their predominant style. Then using watercolours or acrylics, experiment with geometric abstraction, a form of abstract art based on the use of geometric forms.

Making Paper and Printing with Stamps

Ages 17+

Date: Sunday, 23 July 2023

Timings: 10:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Explore the techniques of making paper manually, and then imprint it with handmade stamps of simple geometric or plant drawings in various colours and shapes.

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Experiments With Charcoal

Ages 17+

Dates: Sunday to Monday, 23–24 July 2023

Timings: 10:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Learn about the global abstraction movement and then explore the concept through a series of calligraphic forms and charcoal-treated paintings.

Experiment with the Pottery Wheel

Ages 17+

Dates: Monday to Thursday, 24–27 July 2023

Timings: 10:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Learn how to operate and use an electric pottery wheel, one of the most common methods for producing pottery, to make your own pottery.

Explore the Colour Wheel

Ages 17+

Date: Tuesday, 25 July 2023

Timings: 10:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Investigate the colour wheel and its related primary and secondary colours as well as complementary colours and warm and cool tones. You can also learn about saturated and mixed colours and their relation in terms of harmony, neutrality and contrast.

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Linoleum Designing and Printing

Ages 17+

Dates: Tuesday to Thursday, 25–27 July 2023

Timings: 10:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Learn the basics of linoleum printing, a type of relief printmaking used by artists since the early twentieth century. Begin by drawing a design of your choice and carving it onto the linoleum. Participants can then roll ink over the carving and press it firmly over paper to print multiple copies of their artworks.

Visual Motifs

Ages 17+

Dates: Tuesday to Thursday, 25–27 July 2023

Timings: 10:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Express your personality through visual motifs, which are repeated patterns and elements that emphasise a work's theme. Using inks and pastels, design symbols, augmented lines or abstract formations that express who you are, and come to understand the purpose of visual motifs in art.

Interactive Printing

Ages 17+

Dates: Sunday to Wednesday, 30 July–2 August 2023

Timings: 4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Participants will gather to create a mural interactively using a variety of painting and printing techniques.

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Marathon Drawing

Ages 17+

Dates: Monday to Thursday, 31 July–17 August 2023

Timings: 10:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic

Fee: 200 AED



Draw complex subjects such as human figures, overlapping plants and diverse still life subjects with charcoal. You can work on paper and pieces of cardboard in various sizes as you learn how to deal with more intricate artistic subjects.

Basics of Silkscreen Printing

Ages 17+

Dates: Tuesday to Thursday, 8–10 August 2023

Timings: 10:00 am–1:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



In silkscreen printing, ink is pushed through a thin mesh which is supported by a frame. You can make a design by using a stencil or by applying a screen block onto your screen. Learn how to prepare the silkscreen for printing, how to install it on the wooden frame, and the materials used for insulation after completing the drawing. Later, apply the process to print botanical themes in an unconventional way.

Paint with Pastels

Ages 17+

Dates: Wednesday and Thursday, 9–10 August 2023

Timings: 4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

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Learn how to paint, distribute and combine chalk pastel colours on the surface of an artwork.

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Design Ceramics Using Moulds

Ages 17+

Dates: Sunday and Monday, 20–21 August 2023

Timings: 4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Learn about the properties of the clay used for ceramics and produce your own ceramic works by employing clay ropes and pressure to mould either by hand or with some helpful tools.

The Art of Monoprinting

Ages 17+

Dates: Monday and Tuesday, 21–22 August 2023

Timings: 4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Learn the basics of producing a monoprint, a form of printmaking by which an image can be made only once, making it a preferred choice for creating spontaneous art. Participants will learn all about the engraving and printing process involved so they can design their own unique print using either multiple colours or a single-colour treatment.

Create Contemporary Portraits

Ages 17+

Dates: Monday to Thursday, 21–24 August 2023

Timings: 4:00 pm–7:00 pm

Location: Sharjah Art Institute, Arts Square

Languages: English and Arabic



Draw personal portraits in various styles using charcoal and gouache on different sizes of paper.