

**RAMADAN NIGHTS**  
**SATURDAY APRIL 1 & 8, 2023**  
**9:00PM - 12:00AM**

**FULL PROGRAMME**

All sessions are free and open to the public on a first-come, first-served basis.

**APRIL 1**

The Looking Glass Film Club has programmed a lineup of inspiring short films touching on themes that highlight the importance of Ramadan. Observe the stars with Dubai Astronomy or explore a range of books, magazines with a fun night of board games and activities. Visitors will be able to enjoy exhibitions late into the evening and attend curator led-tours.

**9:00 PM- 12:00 AM | Film Screenings: Looking Glass Film Club, Lobby |** A series of short films dedicated to families of all ages. Celebrating short animations from UAE, Iraq, France, Taiwan and Russia, touching themes on humility, tradition, family, introspection, giving and selfless love which highlights the importance of Ramadan. (All ages)

**MR. HORSE**

Students - Ramy Amr Zanaty, Yara Zendaki - FUNN Sharjah

2017 United Arab Emirates

12'14

Arabic dialogue - English subtitles

Live Action

A humorous story of an ex-showjumping star horse who thinks he is too good to be a riding horse in the training school. Humility is the message of this short film.

**LA TABLE**

Eugene Boitsov

2016 France

4'20

No dialogue

Perfect is the enemy of good.

A perfectionist carpenter is obsessed with the idea of creating an ideal object. In this fast-paced short, the focus is on an object, the way its creator gets obsessed with bringing it to perfection, and his difficulty in letting it go, which can turn a healthy creative act into a path of self-destruction.

### **THE OCEAN DUCK**

Huda Razzak  
2021 USA, Iraq  
6'00  
English Dialogue  
Computer Animation

Ramadan is all about giving and family. As a historic tale comes to life, a granddaughter visits her elderly and sick grandmother in a hospital throughout a flood, bringing back warm and loving memories of the past that spill over into magical visions in the present." It combines the splendour of old poems and illuminated manuscripts with a contemporary story about a young woman and her grandma.

### **ABOUT A MOTHER**

Dina Velikovskaya  
2015 Russia  
8'00 mins  
No Dialogue

A story of selfless love!

Inspired by African pictograms and petroglyphs in monochromatic effect, as seen in the paintings of Joaquin Torres-Garcia's 'Universal Art' and even Joan MIRO's 'Dance of characters and birds on a blue sky', a loving mother comes to the rescue of each of her sons in this beautiful tale that illustrates the power of a parent's generosity.

### **TRAVELING THROUGH BRUSH AND INK**

Annlin Chao  
2017 Taiwan  
03'46 No Dialogue  
Stop Motion

Travelling Through Brush and Ink' is a stop-motion animation of a little modern man travelling through four significant ancient Chinese paintings, transforming himself into animals and plants, and becoming part of nature.

\*\*Winner of Worldfest Huston International Film Festival and Mo & Friese Hamburg Children's Film Festival\*\*

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**9:30 PM – 10:00 PM | 10:30 PM – 11:00 PM | Arabian Astronomy and Stargazing** with Dubai Astronomy Group, Roof Terrace | Astronomy has a long heritage in Arabia. Evidence exists of lunar and planetary observatories dating back over 1,000 years across Arabia during what is called the Islamic Golden age. A fitting tribute to this cultural and scientific pedigree is the legacy to have many of the stars retaining their original Arabic names and a multitude of constellations recognized by many with Arabic folklore and prose. This session shares stories told by astronomers and includes a telescopic viewing of celestial bodies including the moon. (All ages)

**10:00 PM - 10:30 PM | 11:00 PM - 11:30 PM | Exhibition tour**, Lobby meeting point | Join this “express tour” to gain special insight on the current exhibitions at the Jameel.

## **APRIL 8**

Learn, make and create during the following evening of Ramadan Nights, dedicated to families of all ages. Featuring locally based creatives and offering hand-ons workshop and self-led Drop In stations, there’s something for everyone. Visitors can enjoy exhibitions late into the evening with specially curated tours, and capture memories at our Ramadan-themed photobooth station. Bootleg Griot will also be making an appearance, offering board games, books, and magazines at their lounge style booth.

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**9:00 PM- 12:00 AM | Air Tells** by Rashed Almheri, Roof Terrace | Air Tells is an activation inspired by oral folklore and the rituals of storytelling. Most Ramadan gatherings centre around sharing stories. In this activation, visitors are invited to gaze the stars, relax, breathe fresh air and share stories or listen to others.

**9:00 PM – 12:00 AM | SAY FREEZE!** with Gulf Photo Plus, Elevator Lobby | Capture a moment frozen in time! Strike a pose with your friends, freeze your moment, and share your unique GIF commemorating your visit during Ramadan Nights!

**9:00 PM – 12:00 AM** | Drop In Activity Station: **Spoon family**, Lobby | Create your family members and characters out of wooden spoons and upcycled fabric scraps.

**9:00 PM – 12:00 PM** | Drop In Activity Station: **Floating Chalk Prints** inspired by Daniele Genadry, Lobby | Create mesmerising chalk prints inspired by Artist Rooms Daniele Genadry, and techniques used to depict distance, light and movement.

**9:00 PM – 12:00 AM** | Drop In Activity Station: **Clay Sculptures**, Lobby | We invite you to create your favourite foods to eat using clay and watercolours!

**9:00 PM – 12:00 AM** | Drop In Activity Station: **Colour Studies**, Lobby | Explore the process of what happens when you mix watercolours, tissue paper and oil pastels. These colourful textural artworks are yours to experiment with and keep!

**9:00 PM – 12:00 AM** | **Drop In Painting Stations**, Lobby | Enjoy and engage in water painting freely at one of our easels.

**9:15 PM – 10:30 PM | 10:45 PM – 12:00 AM** | Workshop: **Melt and pour** led by Rouba Shaath of Saboona, Sahaab | In this hands-on making workshop, participants learn to repurpose leftovers, herbs and spices as part of a waste-conscious soap project. Participants make a soap specific to their tastes and desire through the melt-and-pour soap-making process. (Ages 13+)

**9:15 PM – 10:30 PM | 10:45 PM – 12:00 AM** | Workshop: **Candle Making** by Shaikha Al Zaabi of Beit Al Horof, Project Space | A creative way to celebrate togetherness during the holy month and explore the art of candle making, that you can take home a unique piece as a reminder of your experience and to give as a gift or use it during Ramadan celebrations. (Ages 13+)

**9:15 PM – 10:30 PM | 10:45 PM – 12:00 AM** | Workshop: **Festive Lanterns** by Hanneke Reinalda, Creekside Colonnade | In this family friendly workshop, textile artist Hanneke guides participants through the process of using unconventional materials to create enchanting and decorative lanterns. (All ages)

**9:15 PM – 10:30 PM | 10:45 PM – 12:00 AM** | Workshop: **Festive Mirror Candle Holder** by Mansi Bavishi, Creekside Colonnade | Families are invited to join a traditional mud and clay workshop. Participants learn to experiment with various textures and techniques to create festive candle holders.

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