

Creative Careers Days
You Can't Have Art Without...

Sunday, October 8, 2023

10am – 6pm

Free and open to all creatively-minded youth – families and teachers also welcome.

Monday, October 9, 2023

9am – 2pm

Dedicated to group visits by school and universities only and anyone with a student ID.

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

9am – 2pm

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Jameel Arts Centre, Jaddaf Waterfront, Dubai

Featuring more than 30 entities and booths manned by leading arts organisations and universities* Creative Careers Days gives creatively-minded youth, students (and teachers) a unique opportunity to meet and discuss ideas with key artists, curators and industry specialists.

Inspirational talks, informational workshops – including how to create and pitch your portfolio – and behind-the-scenes-at-the-museum tours run throughout the day.

Programmes highlight a diverse range of creative career pathways and opportunities to network within the speed interviews activation; options in tertiary education, locally and internationally; student and postgraduate open calls, residencies, internships and volunteering opportunities and more.

Students are invited to join career consultation sessions to receive expert advice and guidance on navigating the creative industries, while the Jameel Library displays a special range of resources on pedagogy and arts education for both students and teachers.

Creative Careers Days is supported by the Ministry of Culture and Youth

The event features the participation of:

Ministry of Culture and Youth UAE, Department of Culture and Tourism Abu Dhabi, Dubai Culture & Arts Authority

Abu Dhabi Art, Abu Dhabi Music and Arts Foundation, Alserkal Initiatives, American University of Sharjah, Art Dubai Group, Art Jameel, Art Studio at Manarat Al Saadiyat, Capsule Arts, Cultural Foundation, Dubai Institute of Design and Innovation, Emirates Literature Foundation, Foundry, Gulf Photo Plus, Guggenheim Abu Dhabi, Khosh Bosh, Louvre Abu Dhabi, Maraya Art Centre, Middlesex University, National Pavilion UAE – La Biennale di Venezia, New York University Abu Dhabi, Sharjah Museums Authority, Sharjah Performing Arts Academy, Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi, Tashkeel, The Arts Center at NYU Abu Dhabi, The Institute for Emerging Art, The NYU Abu Dhabi Art Gallery, Zayed Award for Human Fraternity, Zayed University, 421 **and many more!**

All sessions are free.

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

All Day Lobby	Career Surgery Hosted by Art Jameel featuring Osemudiamen Ekore and Zahra Jewanjee <i>The "Career Surgery" station offers one-on-one sessions with arts and culture specialists invited by Art Jameel for Creative Careers Days. Visit the "art-inclined" or "undecided" station for personalised career advice and receive a tailored guide to your journey through the booths, match-making you with industry experts and opportunities to check out both at Creative Careers Days and beyond!</i> Open to all: First-come-first-serve	One-to-One Sessions
All Day Booth 1	Khosh Bosh x Youth Assembly Podcast Special <i>Are you curious about starting a career in the arts? Do you have questions, uncertainties or concerns about navigating the creative field? The Assembly, in collaboration with Khosh Bosh, invites students to ask questions about careers in the arts. Various members from the Youth Assembly alumni will later address questions and apprehensions collected at CCD in the upcoming podcast episode that features your questions and the Alumni's responses. Be sure not to miss out on the unique opportunity to gain insights from individuals who have experienced similar journeys.</i> Open to all	Drop-in Booth
All day Zone 6	Artistic Perspectives of Human Fraternity Led by Zayed Award for Human Fraternity <i>Explore "Human Fraternity," and learn about its principles, origins, and importance in our society and community. During this presentation students understand Human Fraternity through a large-scale mural, exploring creativity, reflection and social exchange. This workshop is recommended for all students interested in expressing their artistic talents on a collaborative mural that is accessible all day!</i>	Interactive Mural
Jameel Library Reviews	Portfolio Reviews <i>In these one-to-one mentoring sessions located at Jameel Library, students receive feedback from industry experts from leading arts organisations on developing their portfolios for residencies, university programs and professional opportunities. These experts mentor students to hone their skills and offer invaluable critique and guidance. Be sure to bring along your portfolios, CV's and cover letters!</i>	Drop-in Portfolio
9:00-10:00am	Foundry (NFTs), Capsule Art (Art and Design)	
10:00-11:00am	Tashkeel (Art and Design)	
10:00-1:00pm	New York University Abu Dhabi (Applications, MFA program)	
11:00-12:00pm	Art Studio at Manarat Al Saadiyat (Art and Design), Gulf Photo Plus (Photography)	
12:00-1:00pm	Abu Dhabi Art (Art and Design)	
1:00-2:00pm	National Pavilion UAE - La Biennale di Venezia (Cover Letter, internships) 421 (Art and Design) Open to all: First-come-first-serve	
Lobby	Speed Interviews <i>Experience an opportunity to participate in swift interviews that could lead you to volunteer, intern or work in leading arts organisations based in the UAE. Engage in these rapid-fire conversations with industry experts and gain invaluable practice in showcasing your abilities and skills. These interviews are conducted by renowned industry experts, allowing participants to expand their professional network and foster connections in the creative sector.</i>	Drop-in Booth
9:00-10:00am	Capsule Arts (Upcoming design and production roles)	
10:00-11:00am	Abu Dhabi Art (Internships and volunteering opportunities at the fair)	

- 11:00-12:00pm **Guggenheim Abu Dhabi** (Internships in curation, marketing and communications)
 12:00-1:00pm **National Pavilion UAE - La Biennale di Venezia** (Internships in Venice)
 1:00-2:00pm **Art Dubai** (Campus Art Dubai and traineeships)
Open to all: First-come-first-serve
- 9:00-1:00pm** **Instagram Surgery for Artists** **Drop-in Booth**
 Lobby **Hosted by The Institute for Emerging Art**
"Instagram Surgery" offers artists the opportunity to meet with one of The Institute's team members for a personalised, one-on-one session to review your Instagram profile. Participants receive expert guidance on how you can maximise your artistic presence. Don't be sure to miss the chance to enhance your profile and make the most of your Instagram journey!
Open to all: First-come-first-serve
- 10:00-10:45am** **Behind-the-Scenes at the Jameel** **Tour**
 Lobby **Art Jameel team**
Join our behind-the-scenes tour of the museum with a twist! Learn about the specific roles of the institution and the responsibilities involved with putting up an exhibition in these custom-made tours led by various members of the Art Jameel team. This session features Rhoda Azizoghly, Registrar, taking participants backstage to view Art Jameel's private collection room, focussing on the conservation of artworks.
Open to all: First-come-first-serve
- Project Space** **Meet the Professionals** **Talk**
An insightful series of talks with industry experts from leading arts and creative organisations in the UAE. Professionals share their personal journeys from high school years to now and highlight moments that paved the way for a successful career in the arts. Discover the diverse range of skills and the multitude of roles that play a vital role in creative industries and learn how you can contribute to the flourishing ecosystem of the arts.
- 9:15-9:30am **Dana Al Sadek (Communications Manager, National Pavilion UAE - La Biennale di Venezia)**
 9:45-10:00am **Danielle Robinson (Senior Specialist, Department of Culture and Tourism)**
 10:00-10:15am **Deepa Bhatia & Rachel Brown (Co Founders, Capsule Arts)**
Open to all
- 10:15-10:30am** **Presentation: Artistic Perspectives of Human Fraternity** **Talk**
 Project Space **Led by Zayed Award for Human Fraternity**
Join an engaging talk and presentation centered around the captivating "Human Fraternity" mural, currently on display at a different location. Delve into the core principles and historical roots of "Human Fraternity," and discover its profound relevance in shaping our society and local community.
Open to all
- 11:15-12:00pm** **Behind-the-Scenes at the Jameel** **Tour**
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Open to all: First-come-first-serve
- 10:30-11:15am** **Meet the Tashkeel Professionals** **Talk**
 Project Space **Karam Hoar (Marketing & Communication Specialist), Diego Mendoza (Education and Outreach Coordinator), Lisa Ball-Lechgar (Deputy Director)**

Discover the full range of career opportunities available within the creative and cultural industries. From administration to marketing to education, this panel discussion unravels the many different paths beyond purely creating that are integral to the growth and function of the entire cultural ecosystem. Hear first-hand experience from three professionals working across different departments at Tashkeel, one of the UAE's oldest art and design institutions that has functioned as a creative hub for artists and designers for more than 15 years. This talk is recommended for administrators, marketing professionals, educators and those interested in discovering the multidisciplinary roles available in the arts.

Open to all

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| 11:15-12:00pm
Project Space | You Don't Need Art School!
Featuring Faisal Al Hassan (Director, 421) Dana Almazrouei (Education Manager, 421) Jodasche Jaliel (Exhibitions Manager, 421) Darah Ghanem (Communications Manager, 421) Mays Albeik (Programs Manager, 421) Eva Samir (Operations Manager, 421)
<i>You should totally go to art school if you can. But that doesn't mean you can't have a successful career in arts and culture if you don't. You Don't Need Art School* is a talk with the 421 Arts Campus team where they share personal stories and experiences of how they made a career in the arts without a formal art education. The session will provide invaluable insights into the creative industry. Moderated by Faisal Al Hassan, 421 Director, the talk includes speakers Dana Almazrouei, Education Manager; Jodasche Jaliel, Exhibitions Manager; Darah Ghanem; Communications Manager; Mays Albeik; Programs Manager; and Eva Samir; Operations Manager. The session aims to encourage young adults to explore alternative career paths and to follow their creative instincts!</i>
Open to all | Talk |
| 12:00-12:45pm
Project Space | Discover the role of Public Art`
Featuring Theories of Imagination artist Abdulla Buhijji
<i>Engage in an insightful discussion with artist Abdulla Buhijji as he uncovers the role of public art and his artistic practice within Theories of Imagination. Explore the significance of public art in our community offering a rich understanding of how art interacts and shapes public spaces. Discover the conceptual and practical aspects of his work and gain insights into Buhijji's upcoming Playscape commission, a collaborative endeavour with Art Jameel and Dubai Culture.</i>
Open to all | Talk |
| 1:00-1:45pm
Project Space | Middlesex University: Intro to Graphic Design Course
Hosted by Kanaka Raghavan (Senior Lecturer in Graphic Design, Middlesex University)
<i>Join this insightful discussion on how pursuing a degree at Middlesex University Dubai can be a transformative step towards realising your professional aspirations. Esteemed professor from Middlesex University provides invaluable insights into what students can expect to study within the Graphic Design Program, shedding light on the skills and knowledge students gain throughout the academic journey. This talk is recommended for students aspiring to study a degree in Graphic Design.</i>
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| 1:00-1:45pm
Lobby | Behind-the-Scenes at the Jameel
Art Jameel team
<i>Join our behind-the-scenes tour of the museum with a twist! Learn about the specific roles of the institution and the responsibilities involved with putting up an exhibition in these custom-made tours led by various members of the Art Jameel team. This session is led by Albert Kolambel (Design and Production Manager) and Zahra Mansoor (Design and Production Coordinator). They will reveal the intricate process that brings each exhibition to life. Discover the technicalities behind lighting, installation, design, and all the essential elements that combine to create a truly exceptional exhibition.</i> | Tour |

Open to all: First-come-first-serve

12:30-2:00pm
Chihuahuan
Garden

Live Musical Performances (open-mic)
Rooftop Rhythms

Performance

Participate in an open mic experience brought to you by Rooftop Rhythms! Whether you are tuning in to listen or eager to take the stage, everyone is invited to join in. Be sure to bring along your musical instruments, backing tracks or prepare poetry and share your talents with the community.

Open to all

Booths:

Dubai Culture and Arts Authority

Visit Dubai Culture's interactive booth with representatives from the Authority's sectors (Arts and Literature + Culture and Heritage) to meet with the students and answer all possible inquiries on career prospects within the cultural sector of Dubai.

Links:

Website: dubaiculture.gov.ae

Instagram: [@DubaiCulture](https://www.instagram.com/DubaiCulture)

Facebook: [@DubaiCulture](https://www.facebook.com/DubaiCulture)

Twitter: [@DubaiCulture](https://twitter.com/DubaiCulture)

Art Jameel

Get a chance to learn more about the organisation's global youth-focussed initiatives including our volunteering and internship programmes; The Assembly, a yearly talent development programme designed to support young artistic leadership; Hayy Learning - a community educational platform; school visits and offerings for teachers and educators via workshops and community-focused programmes.

Links:

Website: artjameel.org

Facebook: [@ArtJameel](https://www.facebook.com/ArtJameel)

Instagram: [@ArtJameel](https://www.instagram.com/ArtJameel)

Twitter: [@Art_Jameel](https://twitter.com/Art_Jameel)

Abu Dhabi Art

Abu Dhabi Art expands beyond the traditional art fair, emphasising a diverse public engagement programme, which includes art installations and exhibitions, talks, workshops and other events that take place throughout the year in the UAE and internationally. Visitors of the Creative Careers Days in Art Jameel have the chance to meet the Abu Dhabi Art team and get an in-depth understanding of how an art fair operates and the different roles involved. Abu Dhabi Art Fair will take place at Manarat Al Saadiyat, from 22 - 26 November 2023.

Links:

Website: abudhabiart.ae

Facebook: [@AbuDhabiArt](https://www.facebook.com/AbuDhabiArt)

Instagram: [@abudhabiart](https://www.instagram.com/abudhabiart)

Abu Dhabi Music and Art Foundation

Abu Dhabi Music and Arts Foundation (ADMAF) was established in 1996 as one of the earliest cultural foundations in the Gulf region and Arab World. ADMAF supports the sustainability and creativity of the cultural industry and contributes to enriching Abu Dhabi as a cultural beacon.

Links:

Website: www.admaf.org

Facebook: [@AbuDhabiMusicAndArtsFoundation](https://www.facebook.com/AbuDhabiMusicAndArtsFoundation)

Instagram: [@admafsocial](https://www.instagram.com/admafsocial)

Twitter: [@admafsocial](https://twitter.com/admafsocial)

Art Dubai Group

Campus Art Dubai returns for its eleventh edition with its education strand, entitled CAD 11.0 Professional Development through a merger with the Art Dubai Traineeship programme, with 500+ participants to date collectively. Placements in this initiative will provide direct early-career experience in one of the fair's departments in the lead-up to and during the event. Participants will have access to masterclasses and mentors from Art Dubai Group senior staff, with the opportunity to participate in a 1-month programme tailored to elevate their career prospects in the creative industries after the fair.

Links:

Website: www.artdubai.ae/
Facebook: [@artdubai.artfair](https://www.facebook.com/artdubai.artfair)
Instagram: [@artdubai](https://www.instagram.com/artdubai)
Twitter: [@artdubai](https://twitter.com/artdubai)

Alserkal Initiatives

Everybody knows Alserkal for its large warehouses, lanes, art galleries and quirky concepts, but what really happens behind those big corrugated iron walls?

Step into the Alserkal Initiatives' stand to discover the ins and outs of working for this leading arts district. Get the opportunity to speak directly to the team and peel back the walls to find out what a day in the life of an Alserkal employee really looks like. Leave our stand with some new laptop stickers, a tote bag to make your friends jealous, and a potential job opportunity.

Links:

Website: alserkal.online
Facebook: [@AlserkalAve](https://www.facebook.com/AlserkalAve)
Instagram: [@alserkalavenue](https://www.instagram.com/alserkalavenue)
Twitter: [@AlserkalAvenue](https://twitter.com/AlserkalAvenue)

American University of Sharjah

As a leading Art and Design program in the region, we proudly showcase our three dynamic majors: Visual Communication, Multimedia Design, and Design Management. Engage with our faculty and students to gain insights into innovative, creative processes and receive personalised portfolio reviews and advice on professionally presenting your creative work. Experience fun drawing and illustration activities, and see your work showcased in our virtual gallery. Explore immersive VR technology and interactive filmmaking.

Links:

Website: www.aus.edu
Facebook: [@AUSharjah](https://www.facebook.com/AUSharjah)
Instagram: [@caadaus](https://www.instagram.com/caadaus)
Twitter: [@caadaus](https://twitter.com/caadaus)

Art Studio at Manarat Al Saadiyat

Speaking to Art Studio employees, students can learn about various art techniques, materials, and processes used in different disciplines. Employees share their own artistic journeys, providing inspiration and valuable advice on developing creativity. Additionally, students have the opportunity to present their portfolio for review. These valuable critiques help students refine their artistic skills and present their work professionally. Students gain valuable insights from employees about potential career paths in the art industry, offering guidance on pursuing a profession in the arts.

Links:

Website: manaratalsaadiyat.ae/en/art.studio
Facebook: [@ManaratAlSaadiyat](https://www.facebook.com/ManaratAlSaadiyat)
Instagram: [@ManaratAlSaadiyat](https://www.instagram.com/ManaratAlSaadiyat)
Twitter: [@ManaratSaadiyat](https://twitter.com/ManaratSaadiyat)

Cultural Foundation

Cultural Foundation Abu Dhabi presents cutting-edge visual arts, performing arts and educational programmes. Its visual arts programme features exhibitions that showcase works of pioneering local, regional and international artists, community exhibitions and art residencies that support emerging and established artists, interactive children's exhibits, and arts learning programmes. It showcases a world-class performing arts programme of music, dance and theatre in its 900-seat auditorium. Its three-storey children's library presents hands-on learning programmes for children and families. Between 2009 and 2018, Cultural Foundation underwent extensive conservation and restoration. The modern heritage site's much-anticipated reopening took place in December 2018.

Links:

Website: culturalfoundation.ae

Facebook: [@AbuDhabiCF](https://www.facebook.com/AbuDhabiCF)

Instagram: [@abudhabiCF](https://www.instagram.com/abudhabiCF)

Twitter: [@abudhabiCF](https://twitter.com/abudhabiCF)

Dubai Institute of Design and Innovation

DIDI's Bachelor of Design (BDes) is the first multidisciplinary curriculum in the region offering four disciplines: Product Design, Multimedia Design, Fashion Design, and Strategic Design Management. The 4-year program begins with an immersive year exposing students to basic visual, digital, and entrepreneurship skills. Then, from their second year onwards, students combine two disciplines to create their own educational journey. The cross-disciplinary degree ensures graduates have adaptable and flexible skills for a rapidly changing design and digital job landscape. The BDes program combines visual literacy, technological fluency, and strategic proficiency. This means that DIDI students combine design expertise, engineering know-how, and business management skills throughout their educational journey. Within each course, whether a studio, workshop, or lecture, students engage in what DIDI calls the 4 Cs: Conceptualization, Communication, Crafting, and Care. The BDes program at DIDI is accredited by the Ministry of Education in the UAE, Commission for Academic Accreditation (CAA). DIDI will deliver fun design activities throughout the Creative Careers Day participation to help students pique their interest in creative fields as a career.

Links:

Website: www.didi.ac.ae

Facebook: [@DubaiInstituteofDesignandInnovation](https://www.facebook.com/DubaiInstituteofDesignandInnovation)

Instagram: [@DIDIDXB](https://www.instagram.com/DIDIDXB)

Twitter: [@DIDIDXB](https://twitter.com/DIDIDXB)

Emirates Literature Foundation

Emirates Literature Foundation is a not-for-profit organization on a mission to support and nurture a love of literature in the UAE and across the region. Visit our booth to learn about our year-round initiatives for readers, writers and educators and get a glimpse of our flagship event, the annual Emirates Airline Festival of Literature. Meet the team for a sneak peek at our upcoming events and learn more about work and volunteer opportunities with the Foundation.

Links:

Website: www.elfdubai.org

Facebook: [@EmiratesLiteratureFoundation](https://www.facebook.com/EmiratesLiteratureFoundation)

Instagram: [@elfdubai](https://www.instagram.com/elfdubai)

Twitter: [@elfdubai](https://twitter.com/elfdubai)

Foundry

Foundry, situated on Downtown Dubai's Boulevard, is a hybrid progressive art space dedicated to the art and cultural community, as well as independent artists. Established in December 2020, it features art galleries, a co-working environment, an engaging library, a café, and a podcast room. The venue delivers a comprehensive array of art exhibitions and activities, introducing a diverse spectrum of contemporary art and cultural programmes to the communities of Dubai, the UAE, and the wider region.

Links:

Website: foundry.downtown.ae

Facebook: [@foundrydowntown](https://www.facebook.com/foundrydowntown)

Instagram: [@foundrydowntown](https://www.instagram.com/foundrydowntown)

Guggenheim Abu Dhabi

Discover how Guggenheim Abu Dhabi aims to become a driving force in arts and culture innovation for the UAE and beyond, and the importance we place on an ongoing dialogue with the local communities. Join our speed interview programme: engage directly with key professionals from Guggenheim Abu Dhabi to uncover prevailing art industry

trends and gain insights into the crucial know-hows shaping the arts and culture sector, and that will truly make a difference in the future.

Website: www.guggenheim.org

Facebook: [@guggenheimmuseum](https://www.facebook.com/guggenheimmuseum)

Instagram: [@guggenheim](https://www.instagram.com/guggenheim)

Gulf Photo Plus

Step into the vibrant world of photography at our booth! Immerse yourself in carefully selected fine art photography and captivating photo books, celebrating the essence of the Middle East, Africa, and South Asia. Experience the Middle East's most extensive collection of 120 & 35mm films and analog cameras. Come say hello and learn more about photography, our workshops and our exhibitions that inspire. Your photographic journey starts here.

Links:

Website: gulfphotoplus.com

Facebook: [@gulfphotoplus](https://www.facebook.com/gulfphotoplus)

Instagram: [@gulfphotoplus](https://www.instagram.com/gulfphotoplus)

Twitter: [@gulfphotoplus](https://twitter.com/gulfphotoplus)

Khosh Bosh

Meet the hosts of Khosh Bosh and get a peek behind the scenes of podcast-making by participating in our live recording of a special Creative Career Days episode. Khosh Bosh with Anita and Sarah is a podcast platform that invites creatives in the UAE to share their narrative about who they are, where they come from, what they do, and where they're going.

Links:

Website: khoshboshwithanitaandsarah.wordpress.com

Instagram: [@_khoshbosh_](https://www.instagram.com/_khoshbosh_)

Spotify: Khosh Bosh with Anita and Sarah

Louvre Abu Dhabi

At the Louvre Abu Dhabi booth, all Academic and Art lovers will have the opportunity to learn more about the museum's academic and public programs and activities, register in the museum's database, get their free copies of the Learning Resources, register in the External Guide Training, and to engage with the museum educators and HR representatives.

Links:

Website: www.louvreabudhabi.ae

Facebook: [@LouvreAbuDhabi](https://www.facebook.com/LouvreAbuDhabi)

Instagram: [@LouvreAbuDhabi](https://www.instagram.com/LouvreAbuDhabi)

Twitter: [@LouvreAbuDhabi](https://twitter.com/LouvreAbuDhabi)

The Institute for Emerging Art

Meet The Institute's team at the booth! Learn about our collaborations, vision and our mission. Explore our book list via QR codes, and participate in our interactive activity. Our "Instagram Surgery" offers a quick critique of your Instagram account by one of our dedicated team members. Join us at our booth and let curiosity be your guide. We look forward to welcoming you!

Links:

Website: www.theinstitute.me

Instagram: [@theinstituteforemergingart](https://www.instagram.com/theinstituteforemergingart)

National Pavilion UAE – La Biennale di Venezia

The National Pavilion UAE – La Biennale di Venezia curates untold stories about the UAE's arts and architecture and provides a platform for curatorial concepts that address critical international conversations from a distinctive local perspective. Alongside its exhibitions in Venice, the National Pavilion UAE engages with the community through

initiatives like the Venice Internship program. Pass by our booth to learn more about the Venice Internship, meet some of our Alumni, pick up a tote bag and learn how you can apply to the Venice Internship program.

Links:

Website: www.nationalpavilionuae.org

Facebook: [@nationalpavilionuae](https://www.facebook.com/nationalpavilionuae)

Instagram: [@nationalpavilionuae](https://www.instagram.com/nationalpavilionuae)

Twitter: [@pavilionuae](https://twitter.com/pavilionuae)

Maraya Art Centre

Visit Maraya Art Centre's stand during the Creative Career Days at Jameel Arts Centre, Dubai. Participate in our artist talk with Nasir Nasrallah and Nasser Abdallah, and find out more about his "Story Converter" part of the current exhibition "Thinking Art. Artists as Writers from the UAE" organised by the Emirates Fine Arts Society, curated by Dr Noha Farran. Visitors are invited to take part in an interactive, conceptual artwork by Emirati artist Ali Al Abdan, trying to find answers to the question: "What is Art?". Put your answer in Ali Al Abdan's specially made ballot box and see what others think about the ever changing definition of art. Giveaways include eco-friendly tote bags, stickers, flyers with our upcoming programmes, post cards, bookmarks

Links:

Website: www.maraya.ae

Facebook: [@MarayaArt](https://www.facebook.com/MarayaArt)

Instagram: [@maravartcentre](https://www.instagram.com/maravartcentre)

Twitter: [@MarayaArtCentre](https://twitter.com/MarayaArtCentre)

Middlesex University Dubai

The Middlesex University Dubai booth will exhibit a selection of our students' best work and provide a glimpse into what we do. We encourage our students to approach the design process through wide research, exploration, reflection, and investigation of diverse subjects through their projects. Kanaka Raghavan, our senior faculty member explores similar themes in her own design work. She will share her experience that highlights how design career paths can sometimes be non-linear and being a curious cross-disciplinary designer can help you carve your own unique creative career.

Links:

Website: www.mdx.ac.ae

Facebook: [@MiddlesexUniversityDubai](https://www.facebook.com/MiddlesexUniversityDubai)

Instagram: [@Middlesexdubai](https://www.instagram.com/Middlesexdubai)

Twitter: [@MiddlesexUniversityDubai](https://twitter.com/MiddlesexUniversityDubai)

New York University Abu Dhabi

The MFA program immerses students in contemporary research and art practices while training them to become deep thinkers and artistic innovators. Courses emphasise artistic experimentation within a context of theoretical, cultural, and historical study. Its multidisciplinary coursework bridges disciplinary skills and diverse bodies of knowledge. The program leverages Abu Dhabi's location as a transnational and transcultural hub for the exchange of western and eastern traditions in the arts and culture.

Links:

Website: nyuad.nyu.edu

Facebook: [@NYUAD](https://www.facebook.com/NYUAD)

Instagram: [@nyuad.mfa](https://www.instagram.com/nyuad.mfa)

Twitter: [@NYUAD](https://twitter.com/NYUAD)

Sharjah Museums Authority

Visit our booth and learn about the programs and events at Sharjah Museums Authority. Sharjah Museums Authority is promoting 16 museums, where you can discover each one and its public offerings. At CCD, visitors will have the opportunity to obtain more information on specialised museum programs and training designed to

empower and inspire the youth. Audiences will also be introduced to the possibility of exploring a career in the cultural sector through volunteering and internship opportunities at Sharjah Museums.

Links:

Website: www.sharjahmuseums.ae

Facebook: [@SharjahMuseumsAuthority](https://www.facebook.com/SharjahMuseumsAuthority)

Instagram: [@sharjahmuseums](https://www.instagram.com/sharjahmuseums)

Twitter: [@sharjahmuseums](https://twitter.com/sharjahmuseums)

Sharjah Performing Arts Academy

Do you want to be an Actor, Singer, Dancer or Production Artist? See your future on stage, screen or behind the scenes as a creative bringing imagination to reality. With undergraduate programmes in Acting, Musical Theatre, Production Arts and Professional Dance available, Sharjah Performing Arts Academy is your future. Taking talented individuals and turning them into credible professional performers, dancers, actors, designers, technicians and stage managers - a world-class education in the centre of excellence awaits you, embracing diversity and inspiring creativity. #OurAcademyYourFuture

Links:

Website: www.spaa.ae

Facebook: [@SharjahPerformingArtsAcademy](https://www.facebook.com/SharjahPerformingArtsAcademy)

Instagram: [@sharjah_paa](https://www.instagram.com/sharjah_paa)

Twitter: [@SharjahPAA](https://twitter.com/SharjahPAA)

Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi

Sorbonne Abu Dhabi is a higher education institution that attracts the best students from the UAE and around the world. Established in 2006 as a result of an agreement between the Sorbonne University in Paris and the Government of Abu Dhabi, Sorbonne Abu Dhabi offers the very best in international higher education. Our students benefit from 760 years of academic excellence and learn on a state-of-the-art campus on Al Reem Island in Abu Dhabi. The degrees are awarded by Sorbonne University or Université Paris Cité, depending on the program, and accredited by the UAE Ministry of Education and the French Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation. These degrees are recognized worldwide.

Links:

Website: www.sorbonne.ae

Facebook: [@Sorbonnead](https://www.facebook.com/Sorbonnead)

Instagram: [@Sorbonnead](https://www.instagram.com/Sorbonnead)

Twitter: [@Sorbonnead](https://twitter.com/Sorbonnead)

Tashkeel

One of the UAE's leading art and design organisations, Tashkeel returns to Creative Career Days, ready to share its info and know-how with young creatives. Visit the stand to find out about year-round workshops, talks, membership and training, printing services and the Tashkeel Makerspace at Alserkal Avenue. Check out the 'Meet the Professionals' talk and discover careers in the creative industries from programming and marketing to training and education. Take the 'Making Your Designs in the UAE' seminar with Make Works UAE and look at how designers produce with manufacturers. Enjoy one-to-one 'Portfolio Reviews' to enhance your practice and its presentation. Finally, jump into the creative thinking workshop, 'Transferable Skills: Marble Run Design Challenge' to see how the visual arts can nurture teamwork, decision-making and communication; all essential soft skills in today's world.

Links:

Website: tashkeel.org

Facebook: [@TashkeelStudio](https://www.facebook.com/TashkeelStudio)

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The Arts Centre at NYU Abu Dhabi

NYU Abu Dhabi's Arts Center is a vibrant performing arts hub in the heart of Abu Dhabi, fostering knowledge and inspiration in the arts. Meet the team and NYU students at the booth to learn about the performing arts, whether as an audience member, student, educator, or to explore your artistic skills. There's something for all.

Links:

Website: www.nyuad-artscenter.org

Facebook: [@NYUADartscentre](https://www.facebook.com/NYUADartscentre)

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The NYU Abu Dhabi Art Gallery

What does it mean to be an “academic museum” in the UAE? Meet the team and learn more about our mission, publications, and engagement opportunities at The NYUAD Art Gallery!

Links:

Website: www.nyuad-artgallery.org

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Zayed University

Explore an array of dynamic courses at Zayed University College of Arts and Creative Enterprises booth: BFA Animation, BFA Graphic Design, BFA Interior Design, BFA Visual Arts, and BSc Multimedia Design. Engage with our esteemed faculty, explore the curriculum, state-of-the-art facilities, and discover diverse creative career opportunities in the creative economy. Gain insights into our industry partnerships, ensuring a seamless transition from education to the professional world. Uncover your passion and potential with CACE and Zayed University.

Links

Website: www.zu.ac.ae/cace

Facebook: [@Zayeduniversity](https://www.facebook.com/Zayeduniversity)

Instagram: [@zu_cace](https://www.instagram.com/zu_cace)

Twitter: [@ZayedU](https://twitter.com/ZayedU)

421

421 Arts Campus is a supportive space for emerging artists based in the UAE and across the Middle East, North Africa, and South Asia region. Located in Abu Dhabi's Mina Zayed, 421 presents a year-round program of exhibitions, talks, workshops, special events, and educational initiatives that offer accessible learning opportunities to the wider community and the general public. Many of the 421 programs are organised in collaboration with local, regional and international partners, engaging children, students, educators, and creative professionals in a participatory approach to artistic and creative practice. These programs are designed to develop artistic and creative skills, supporting the growth of the UAE's creative ecosystem. Stop by the 421 Arts Campus booth at Jameel Arts Centre during Creative Career Days to meet the 421 team and learn more about future opportunities in the arts!

Links:

Website: 421.online

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