

FULL PROGRAMME DAY 1

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2024

ALL SESSIONS ARE FREE AND
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON A FIRST-
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3:00PM
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8:00PM

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UAE'S ANNUAL
GREEN GATHERING

AT JAMEEL ARTS
CENTRE, JADDAF
WATERFRONT

MARKETS & POP-UP EATERIES

**3:00 PM -
8:00 PM**

FARMER'S MARKET BY MANBAT

CREEKSIDE

Shop organic from local farmers offering fresh and seasonal produce directly to the community while raising awareness about sustainable practices.

**3:00 PM -
8:00 PM**

URBAN MARKET CONCEPT

SCULPTURE PARK

Find hidden gems with local vendors offering vintage finds, streetwear, sneakers, accessories, and more! Showcasing brands that present reworked fashion, giving new life to old or damaged clothing. You are invited to explore, support local creativity, and discover your next favourite piece!

**3:00 PM -
8:00 PM**

THE GREEN BAZAAR

CREEKSIDE

Looking to shop consciously? Don't miss our Green Bazaar! You'll find a selection of must-haves from the greenest of plants to one-of-a-kind ceramics. Nurture sustainability as you support the growth of local and small businesses.

**3:00 PM -
8:00 PM**

BAZAAR BITES

GREEN BAZAAR

Satisfy your cravings and indulge in our selection of light bites and refreshments or have a picnic in our designated area across the Jaddaf Waterfront Sculpture Park.

AT THE JAMEEL

**3:00 PM -
6:00 PM**

**SPECIAL
ACTIVATION**

BECOMING GARDENS

by Nis Hamid

CHIHUAHUAN GARDEN

Experience face painting with beautiful, nature-inspired designs by Nis Hamid. Using vibrant colours, floral motifs, and botanical elements, each participant will become a unique garden in bloom. This hands-on activation combines traditional makeup and face painting with a touch of nature's beauty, creating a playful and immersive experience. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

**3:00 PM -
8:00 PM**

**SPECIAL
ACTIVATION**

CROSS STITCHING MURAL

by Ayesha Fernandes and
Sanjushree Subash

SCULPTURE PARK

Be involved in a community-driven activation highlighting the waste generated by textile production. Participants will engage in creating a large cross-stitch mural using colour-coded yarn made from recycled textile scraps. This hands-on, paint-by-number style project will unfold at the end of the festival, raising awareness about sustainable practices and textile consumption. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

**3:00 PM -
8:00 PM**

**SPECIAL
ACTIVATION**

FAIRE TRADE

in collaboration with Farah Ali

SCULPTURE PARK

Visit the interactive community 'barter trade' where everything is priceless and completely sustained by its visitors! Drop off new or preloved items gathering dust at home and barter them for any item that spikes your interest; from books to a funky cute top! Faire Trade aims to encourage community-spirited interactions through the sustainable and circular exchange of your once loved belongings.

**3:00 PM -
8:00 PM**

**SPECIAL
ACTIVATION**

WORDS OUT OF BLOOM: A BLACKOUT POETRY

*JAMEEL ARTS
CENTRE*

Explore a unique collection of blackout poetry inspired by Vandana Shiva's Who Really Feeds the World? Created by workshop participants, these works respond to the book's themes and discussion prompts. The poems are displayed throughout the Centre, inviting viewers to reflect and engage with the space.

AT THE JAMEEL

4:00 PM -
4:30 PM

5:00 PM -
5:30 PM

TOUR

4:30 PM -
5:00 PM

READING

5:30 PM -
6:00 PM

ROUNDTABLE

ALL DAY

ALL DAY

JAMEEL EXHIBITIONS

LOBBY

with Daniya Jawwad

Join an immersive walkthrough of the current exhibitions on view: Artist Rooms, a series of solo exhibitions by influential, innovative artists drawn from the Art Jameel Collection; Augustine Paredes, Amba Sayal-Bennett and Sancintya Mohini Simpson. Three Tired Tigers: a playful and meaningful exploration of human animal relations in urban geographies bringing together more than 40 artists and collectives; and finally, Candice Lin: Night Stone, a large one-room installation connecting the contemporary trade of manganese between Australia and China to the 18th-century commerce of sea cucumbers.

CHILDREN'S READING SESSION

JAMEEL LIBRARY

with Rania Jishi

Kids of all ages can enjoy a live Arabic storytime reading in the Jameel Library. The stories invite the audience to consider their natural environment, and their ability to reuse and think creatively. (Open to all ages; advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

BACK TO BASICS: SUSTAINABLE CUSTOMS FROM HOME

FAIRE TRADE

with Farah Ali and Zarriya

Commonplace in our cultures, societies and homes, practised by our elders, families and communities, are habits and practices that are sustainable in nature, but have not been taught to us as such. This discussion circle with Zarriya brings us back to basics, sharing the sustainably mindful practices that defined everyday life when we were brought up. Bring along props or examples of your practice; with hope we all learn new and accessible habits we can apply in our present and future. (Ages 15+)

JAMEEL ARTS CENTRE EXHIBITIONS

GALLERIES

See 'Artist's Rooms: Augustine Paredes'; 'Artist's Rooms: Amba Sayal-Bennett'; 'Artist's Rooms: Sancintya Mohini Simpson'; 'Three Tired Tigers'; 'Candice Lin: Night Stone' and Artist's Garden Samur by Zheng Bo.

DOWN TO EARTH READING LIST

JAMEEL LIBRARY

Selections from the 'Down to Earth' reading list are on display at Jameel Library, featuring books about gardening, botanicals and environmental concerns. The list includes artist books, academic texts, comics, and other formats. There's a book for visitors of all ages!

DROP-IN ARTS ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES

THE NATURE BUS DROP-IN STATIONS ARE DESIGNED FOR FAMILIES COMBINING NATURE EXPLORATION, SENSORY PLAY AND CREATIVE EXPRESSION.

10:00 AM -
8:00 PM

**DROP-IN
MAKING
STATIONS**

SENSORY STATIONS

LOBBY

Explore nature in a way that's just right for the little ones! They'll have the opportunity to enjoy homemade playdough with stamping tools, and play with a series of nature bins to stimulate their senses. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

10:00 AM -
8:00 PM

**DROP-IN
MAKING
STATIONS**

NATURE BUNNIES

LOBBY

In this activity, children design a picture of a bunny using petals and flowers and explore leaf stamping techniques to create bunny ears. (Ages 3+; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

10:00 AM -
8:00 PM

**DROP-IN
MAKING
STATIONS**

ANIMAL LEAF MASKS

LOBBY

Taking inspiration from 'Three Tired Tigers', a group exhibition located on the first floor of Jameel Arts Centre, that invites viewers to view our cities and landscapes from an animal perspective. In this station, children are invited to design animal masks inspired by the animals in the show, using various natural materials. (Ages 3+; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

10:00 AM -
8:00 PM

**DROP-IN
MAKING
STATIONS**

NATURE NECKLACES

LOBBY

Embrace nature by preserving the beauty of flowers, petals, leaves and acorns: make your own botanical necklaces in this enchanting workshop and leave with beautiful one-of-a-kind cuffs to wear around the gardens! (Ages 3+; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

10:00 AM -
8:00 PM

**DROP-IN
MAKING
STATIONS**

PHOTO BOOTH STATION

LOBBY

Take a photograph at our botany-inspired photo booth featuring a farmer and a florist. Participants can also participate in an interactive activity, helping the florist design her bouquet. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

WORKSHOPS AND DEMOS

**3:00 PM -
4:00 PM**

FAMILY WORKSHOP

PAINT YOUR PERSONALISED POT!

SAHAAB

with Yadawei Ceramic Studio

Join Yadawei Ceramic Studio to learn colour theory and apply paint onto a handmade ceramic pot! You will get to choose from different earth related themes to paint. The pot will be sealed to take home and plant your own plants inside. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

**3:00 PM -
5:00 PM**

DEMONSTRATION

GIVE A GHAF

**GROW AND TELL
CREATIVE STATION**

with Goumbook

The "Give a Ghaf" tree planting programme, an initiative by Goumbook invites children to plant Ghaf seeds of the UAE national tree, known as a symbol of resilience and tolerance. This demonstration is an opportunity to nourish the UAE's heritage and contribute to sustainably greening the communities of the future. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

**3:30 PM -
4:30 PM**

FAMILY WORKSHOP

GRAFFITI ON DENIM

PROJECT SPACE

by Digg.

Join artist Maajed Ahmed for an exciting beginner's workshop on graffiti on denim! Explore the unique textures of denim fabrics and learn how to apply colour theory to your designs. Through this guided workshop, you can create vibrant graffiti art, helping you unleash your creativity on denim in a fun, inspiring, and educational session. (Ages 5+; advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

**3:30 PM -
4:30 PM**

CHILDREN WORKSHOP

NATURE WALK

SCULPTURE PARK

with Nature Bus

Go on a nature walk around the Jaddaf Waterfront Sculpture Park to explore and collect natural elements such as leaves, sticks, flowers, cones and more while engaging in a game of nature bingo! (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

**3:00 PM -
6:30 PM**

FAMILY WORKSHOP

PLANT A LIVING PAVILION

SCULPTURE PARK

Experience the process of planting with sustainable resources, and take home a piece of the pavilion as a reminder of your contribution to Tarabot: Weaving a Living Forum and learn more about the materials and ideas behind. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

WORKSHOPS AND DEMOS

4:00 PM -
5:00 PM

FAMILY WORKSHOP

ECO-TOTE BAG DESIGN

ART JAMEEL SHOP

with Eezee Doodles

Join us for a fun and creative workshop all about repurposing! Children will learn the importance of sustainability while designing and decorating their very own cloth bags. This hands-on session is perfect for budding artists who love to get a little messy and transform ordinary materials into something useful. By the end of the workshop, each child will take home their unique, eco-friendly masterpiece. It's a wonderful way to spark creativity and inspire a love for sustainable art!

4:00 PM -
5:30 PM

DEMONSTRATION

AQUASCAPING PROCESS

GREEN BAZAAR

with Discuss.ae

Showcasing the miraculous development of plants in an aquarium setting by presenting a 3 month old layout and recreating the same set from scratch to compare the differences between a 1 day old and 90 days old growth stage. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

4:30 PM -
5:30 PM

FAMILY WORKSHOP

BODY SCRUB MAKING

SAHAAB

with Saboona by Rouba Shaath

Join our body scrub workshop to create custom scrubs that cater to your skin's unique needs. Using salt, sugar, natural oils, and garden-inspired additives, you'll learn to blend ingredients that exfoliate and nourish. This hands-on experience offers a chance to explore different textures, scents, and benefits, leaving you with two personalised scrubs made entirely from natural sources. Perfect for anyone wanting to bring a bit of nature into their skincare routine! (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

5:15 PM -
6:15 PM

FAMILY WORKSHOP

GRATITUDE TREE POP UP GREETING CARD

ART JAMEEL SHOP

by Halo Printworks

Join Hala Gebran, graphic designer and founder of Halo Printworks to design a pop-up greeting card inspired by the UAE's national tree, the Ghaf tree. Symbolising life, sustainability, and resilience, this tree embodies the spirit of the UAE and makes for a meaningful and unique card design that you can take home! (Ages 6+, advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

WORKSHOPS AND DEMOS

5:30 PM -
6:30 PM

DEMONSTRATION

CLAY, NATURE, AND EMOTION

by Enas Ismail

GROW AND TELL
CREATIVE STATION

Reconnect with the earth in 'Clay, Nature, and Emotion,' an art experiment that invites participants of all ages to shape and mould nature-inspired creations. This hands-on session taps into the joy of clay, encouraging playful creativity and exploration. Participants will discover the beauty of sustainable practices in art while deepening their connection to the natural world. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

6:00 PM -
7:00 PM

FAMILY WORKSHOP

CREATIVE ROOTS: EMPOWERING PARENTS TO NURTURE KIDS' IMAGINATION

with Rania Jishi

PROJECT SPACE

Join us for an interactive, hands-on workshop where parents learn practical ways to foster their children's creativity in a supportive and sustainable environment. Through simple demonstrations and creative activities, participants discover techniques to encourage imagination, problem-solving, and self-expression while using eco-friendly materials. Walk away with tools to help your child explore their creative potential, all while nurturing their confidence and love for the planet.

6:00 PM -
7:30 PM

DEMONSTRATION

NANO TERRARIUM

with Discuss.ae

GREEN BAZAAR

The design process of a desktop terrarium with the use of moss and rhizomatous plants for an exotic display in a closed humid glass enclosure. Explaining the requirements and elements used to enjoy the planting and caring tips of this state of the art experience. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

TALKS & PERFORMANCES

**3:15 PM -
3:45 PM**

PERFORMANCE

ROAMING BUBBLES

SCULPTURE PARK

with Bubble Lady

Watch in awe as giant, shimmering bubbles float and dance through the air, creating a whimsical atmosphere of wonder and delight around the Jaddaf Waterfront Sculpture Park. This interactive performance invites children and families to step into a world of colour, light, and imagination, as they chase and interact with bubbles.

**3:30 PM -
4:30 PM**

PERFORMANCE

BASMA CHOIR

TARABOT

Join Basma Choir, an Arabic choir based in the UAE, where voices unite from across the Arab world to perform a wide range of traditional and contemporary Arabic music. From the timeless melodies of Levantine music to the vibrant rhythms of Khaliji tunes, the choir offers an inclusive and dynamic platform for anyone passionate about Arabic music.

**5:00 PM -
6:00 PM**

PERFORMANCE

SUPER STORY

TARABOT

by Courtyard Playhouse

Be part of Super Story, an exciting, fun-filled, and interactive performance that invites kids in the audience to unleash their creativity and become part of the action! With plenty of creativity and teamwork, children will help shape the storyline, make key decisions, and even play roles in the adventure. As the story unfolds, the audience becomes an essential part of the show, solving challenges and bringing imaginative ideas to life. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

**5:30 PM -
6:00 PM**

PERFORMANCE

ROAMING BUBBLES

CREEKSIDE

with Bubble Lady

Watch in awe as giant, shimmering bubbles float and dance through the air, creating a whimsical atmosphere of wonder and delight around the Creekside of Jaddaf Waterfront Sculpture Park. This interactive performance invites children and families to step into a world of colour, light, and imagination, as they chase and interact with bubbles.

TALKS & PERFORMANCES

6:45 PM -
7:55 PM

FUTURE FORWARD: SHORT TALKS ON SUSTAINABILITY

TARABOT

6:45 PM -
7:05 PM

SHOULD WE ALL BE IMPERFECT VEGANS?

by Sonalie Figueiras

Discover the connection between our food systems and the climate crisis from Asia's Green Queen, Sonalie Figueiras, and find out why we need to rethink how we grow food and what we eat in order to future-proof our diet on a warming planet. You will also get a sneak peek at some of the world's most exciting food technologies from alternative proteins to climate-resilient crops to cacao-free chocolate.

7:10 PM -
7:30 PM

MINDFUL EATING FOR PERSONAL AND PLANETARY HEALTH

by Nithiya Laila

Embark on a culinary journey into the intricate web of systems governing our everyday meals, unveiling the profound interconnectedness of food with our environment, humanity, and culture. Gain insights into the carbon footprint of your food and discover how biodiversity on your plate directly supports biodiversity in the world. Cultivate a mindful approach to eating, exploring the transformative power of gratitude and forging a deeper connection with the food you eat and its harmonious relationship with the environment.

7:35 PM -
7:55 PM

THE ENDARKEN PROJECT: CREATING DARKER CITIES WITH GLOWING FUNGI

by Melissa Ingaruca Moreno

Blinded by urban light pollution, we've lost touch with the stars, disrupted natural rhythms, and erased nocturnal habitats for biodiversity. The Endarken Project reintroduces darkness through design experiences with fictional, bioluminescent, and fluorescent fungi. Participants explore sensory nocturnal worlds, imagining a future where darkness is a right for all species.

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