



هيئة الشارقة للمتاحف
Sharjah Museums Authority

Annual Programmes



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Academic Programmes

Welcome To Sharjah Museums

Sharjah Museums Authority (SMA, previously SMD) was established in 2006 under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Dr. Sultan Bin Mohammed Al Qasimi, Supreme Council member and Ruler of Sharjah. SMA manages 16 museums in the Emirate of Sharjah, covering themes like modern art, Islamic and cultural arts, archaeology, maritime sciences and history as well as the UAE's history.

Academic Programmes & Services

This guidebook will help you discover the various programmes offered for instructors and students. Programmes are varied and include group discussions, interactive workshops, specialized tours and more. We aim to ensure that all our visitors have a rich experience that will remain in their memories forever. All our programmes are designed to meet the demands of a specific university course module.



Museums Services



Elevator



Gift Shop



Library



Parking



Education room



Coffee Shop



Audio Tour



Wheelchair



Audio Loop



Wheelchair Access



Restrooms for visitors



Wi-Fi



Temporary ramps



Restrooms for
wheelchair users



Prayer Room



Programme Details

- Fill the booking form with your selected programme and submit it two weeks prior to your visit through the academic annual programmes page under the education section of our website: www.sharjahmuseums.ae
- For more information, please contact 065197259 or email Academics@sma.gov.ae
- Booking confirmations will be sent via email.
- For cancellations, please contact the museum's reservations officer at least a week in advance.

We look forward to welcoming you in our museums!



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Masterpieces of Islamic Art

Intricate geometric and floral designs are highly used in Islamic art and architecture. Learn the basics of creating Islamic patterns and form complex designs and inspirations.



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Surreal Art

Surrealism expresses the unconscious thoughts of the artist. It focuses on the inner mind and releases the repressed thoughts. Join us and learn about the art of fantasy creatures inspired by our collection and draw your own mythical creature.





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Gilding Technique

Gilding is used in most calligraphic artworks by applying fine gold leaf or powder to the solid surface of the work. Learn about the steps of this technique and its tools and create your own artwork.



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Carnelian of Jebel Al Buhais

Learn about the history of the ancient Sharjah and its successive civilizations in the region through daily life tools, coins, ornaments, pottery pots and ancient weapons. Discover the beauty of the carnelian and beads to create one for yourself.





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Behind the Scenes

Discover the daily tasks of our husbandry team behind the scenes of the aquarium in a special tour of our facilities and building.



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Cultural Awareness

This discussion-based talk explores some of the most important customs and traditions related to Emirati social life and heritage. Several discussions will be held about social conventions, traditional food and clothing. The programme is presented all year long in a typical Majlis setting at the following museums: Sharjah Heritage Museum, Bait Al-Naboodah and Sharjah Fort (Al Hisn).



Custom-designed Educational Tours and Programmes

In order to meet the needs and demands of Academic institutions at Sharjah museums, the SMA Education and Interpretation Department is committed to deliver professional tours and workshops that meet the teachers' expectations. These programmes provide a unique experience based on the requested topics and will include an opportunity to get a closer look at our collections. Usually, one guide is provided for every twenty five students.

Custom-designed tours and workshops must be requested at least two weeks to a month in advance prior to your visit through the annual programmes section of the education page on our website: www.sharjahmuseums.ae





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Special Academic Programmes for Temporary Exhibitions

Every year, SMA offers exciting and diverse programmes in its leading venues, through which a variety of events, activities and study opportunities aimed at academic audiences are devised for exhibitions focusing on archaeology, art, Islamic civilization, Emirati heritage and calligraphy. For more information, please contact Academic@sma.gov.ae or visit our website.



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Free-hand Drawing and Photography

Students and teachers are welcome to sketch, photograph, or film any of Sharjah museums' collections and buildings. Just fill in the photography or filming form at least 2 weeks prior to the date of your visit.



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Volunteering and Training

Sharjah Museums Authority warmly welcomes interns and volunteers who would like to contribute to the authority's diverse and exciting work. Many chances for training and volunteering are available in many departments, both behind the scenes or front-of-house. For students, internship and volunteering can provide valuable professional training, offering the chance to experience the vast range of job opportunities across our museums. For more information please contact the training section at SMA through HR@sma.gov.ae



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Scientific Research

SMA welcomes students and researchers in its venues, and is committed to supporting research projects at any time. For academic research, please fill out the Academic Research Form available on the annual programmes section of the education page on our website: www.sharjahmuseums.ae. A comprehensive project outline and an academic outline will need to be submitted alongside the relevant SMA forms. Please allow two weeks for an application to be considered. A confirmation of the academic research request approval will be committed via email or phone.