

Noor Riyadh 2023: Immerse yourself in light art with these 10 must-do activities this week



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Riyadh, December 10, 2023 – The world's largest light art festival, Noor Riyadh, has returned to the Saudi capital for its third edition, illuminating the city's most cherished spaces.

Featuring the works of more than 100 globally acclaimed artists, the festival explores the unifying power of light. In addition to the captivating displays, the event also offers a diverse range of **workshops, artistic experiences, guided tours, family activities and talks**, catering to visitors of all backgrounds. Emerging artists can engage in discussions on various creative mediums, while families and children can enjoy supervised sessions exploring practices as diverse as weaving techniques and mural painting.

As Noor Riyadh enters its third week, we've compiled **10 highlights** you won't want to miss:

- **Collage of Light:** Piece together some of the most iconic Noor Riyadh artworks at a collage workshop guided by artist Nyree Cox.
7pm at JAX District on December 16.
- **Meditation and Introspection Through Light:** Embark on an artistic journey within Wadi Namar which explores diverse artworks by Marinella Senatore, Angelika Markul, Claudia Comte and more - from meditative spaces to serpent-inspired iridescence, illuminated doors, and powerful stone sculptures. Join us on a captivating exploration of contemporary art.
7:30pm daily at Wadi Namar until December 16.
- **Parallel Realities:** This tour provides you with an immersive and thought-provoking experience that invites on a journey of self-reflection, connectivity, and exploration of

the intricate relationship between the social and imaginary realms, whilst viewing works by Edra Soto, Lucia Koch, Sophie Lay and more.

7pm daily at Salam Park until December 16.

- **Interconnections: Beings and Spaces:** Explore works by Superflex, Nawaf Alkuhaimi, Sam Durant, Rafael Domenech and more, whilst reflecting on the interplay between art, architecture, nature, and the human experience. Gain a deeper understanding of how we are shaped by the spaces we encounter.
7:30pm at KAFD daily until December 16.
- **Word of Mouth:** Immerse yourself in the world of Arab folklore, with an artist-led workshop inspired by the history and forms of Arab storytelling and oral traditions, led by Abdulrahman Taha and Rashed Al Subaie.
8pm at Jax District on December 14 and 15.
- **Lighten Up:** Introduce your children to the world of light art, with a family workshop exploring the element of light, its qualities, its materiality and how it can be used to produce art.
7pm at Wadi Hanifa daily until December 16.
- **Photo Walking: Smartphone Photojournalism at Noor Riyadh:** Explore the festival and use a smartphone to capture striking images of its iconic artworks at night, guided by seasoned photojournalists Zaynab Odunsi and Husain Alahdal.
9pm at all hubs until December 16.
- **Playing with Print:** Encourage your children to play with the essential elements of printmaking and create their own prints, as they learn about dark and light, negative and positive shapes and objects.
7pm at Salam Park on December 14.
- **Wild Kingdom:** Introduce your children to mural painting with an immersive workshop, where they create a collaborative animal mural using a fun array of tools, such as crayons and glow in the dark markers.
7pm daily at Wadi Namar until December 16.
- **Weaving for Beginners:** Sit in the shade of the trees and master the art of weaving in this workshop, using a braiding board. Working with cardboard, heavy-duty tape and yarn, children will create a series of artworks called Chromosapiens.
7pm daily at Salam Park until December 16.

For more information and to plan your visit, please visit <http://noorriyadh.sa>

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Notes to editors

About Noor Riyadh

Noor Riyadh is a citywide annual festival of light and art which launched in March 2021. Noor Riyadh includes a festival and world-class exhibition, along with a public program of community activities, featuring educational workshops, talks and performances. Noor Riyadh is the largest light art festival in the world.

Noor Riyadh combines the highest quality light artworks from leading international and Saudi artists, across the largest city footprint of any light art festival worldwide. Staged under Riyadh Art, the festival aims to nurture local talent and inspire youth to drive Saudi Arabia's creative economy.

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Noor Riyadh is presented by Riyadh Art and the Royal Commission for Riyadh City.

About Riyadh Art

Riyadh, the capital city of Saudi Arabia, is on a 10-year mission to become one of the world's most livable and competitive cities, a global center which is open for business and that welcomes the world. With a young and rapidly growing population of 7+ million residents, Riyadh is transforming into a vibrant and cosmopolitan metropolis.

Art and culture reflect the spirit of a city. That's why the Riyadh Art project has been developed to turn the whole capital into a creative canvas – a gallery without walls – to enrich lives, ignite creative expression and kindle the creative economy. Riyadh Art is a demonstration of the open, accessible and creative transformation of the capital, where the exchange of ideas through creative expression develops a deeper sense of mutual understanding and respect.

The Riyadh Art project will have a positive impact on people, bringing everyday moments of joy to residents and visitors alike, while instilling a greater sense of civic pride and creating a more beautiful city for everyone to enjoy. It will also spark the development of the new creative economy and have a positive effect on attracting new businesses to invest in the city.

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