



# Tuwaiq Sculpture 2024: Symposium opens for live sculpting, panel talks, workshops and family activities

- Tuwaiq Sculpture 2024 symposium runs from January 14 to February 8; visitors can witness the live sculpting from January 14.
- Booking is now available for live sculpting, interactive workshops, and panel talks.
- An exhibition will showcase the 30 completed sculptures from February 12 until February 24, 2024.



Sculptors Klaus F. Hunsicker (front) and Piotr Gargas get acquainted with the stone at Tuwaiq Sculpture 2024 at ROSHN Front. Photo © Tuwaiq Sculpture 2024, a Riyadh Art Program More images <u>here</u>

**January 17, 2024, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia** – The organizers of Tuwaiq Sculpture 2024 are excited to announce the opening of the booking and ticketing platform for live sculpting (free admission).

Through the ticketing platform, visitors will be able to access a dynamic program of activities, including live sculpting tours from January 14 and a program of activities that features **more than 50 panel** talks and **workshops and 20 plus educational visits** from local schools and universities. Booking is now open at <u>https://riyadhart.sa/en/tuwaiq-sculpture</u>.

Curated by Marek Wolynski (Lead Curator) and Dr. Fahad Aljebreen (Associate Curator), Tuwaiq Sculpture runs from **January 14 to February 8**. Visitors can witness the live sculpting from January 14 at ROSHN Front and visit the subsequent exhibition showcasing the 30 completed sculptures from **February 12 to 24, 2024**.

Under the theme *Dimensions of Movement*, Tuwaiq Sculpture evokes the essence of progress and expansion, reflecting the accelerating advancement of modern society. The theme captures





the vitality of Riyadh's transformation and the ambitious drive towards innovation and new horizons.

This year, Tuwaiq Sculpture brings together **30 artists** from **20 countries**, including 10 artists from Saudi Arabia, half of whom are women.

The Presenting Partner of Tuwaiq Sculpture 2024 is **ROSHN**, the giga-project real estate developer owned by the Saudi Public Investment Fund; the Hosting Partner is **ROSHN Front**, Riyadh's iconic lifestyle retail and F&B destination visited by over 10 million visitors annually; The **Fairmont Riyadh**, a luxurious 5-star hotel in Riyadh's Business Gate near King Khalid International Airport, is the festival's Hospitality Partner; and the event's Supporting Partners are **Visit Saudi** and **Nova Water**.

Tuwaiq Sculpture is a unique platform where renowned artists meet, collaborate and create large-scale sculptures in a live setting. The annual event forges collaboration between artist communities across the world, develops local talent, supports the kingdom's creative industries and amplifies Saudi Arabia's cultural economy. Tuwaiq Sculpture is part of Riyadh Art, one of the largest public art initiatives in the world which aims to transform the Saudi capital into a "gallery without walls", with more than 1,000 public art installations, to be spread out across the city through 10 programs and two annual events.

The symposium and exhibition are located at a site north of ROSHN Front. Parking is available at the site or visitors can catch a free shuttle bus at ROSHN Front. More information on the location and directions to get there can be found at <u>https://rivadhart.sa/en/tuwaig-sculpture</u>.

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## Notes to editors

For details of the full program and exhibition, visit the Riyadh Art website: <u>https://riyadhart.sa/en/tuwaiq-sculpture/</u>

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## About Riyadh Art

Riyadh, the capital city of Saudi Arabia, is on a ten-year mission to become one of the world's most livable and competitive cities, a global city 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 global city. 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 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 in attracting new businesses to invest in the city.

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## About Tuwaiq Sculpture

Tuwaiq Sculpture is an annual sculpture symposium that brings local and international artists together to create public artworks in a live setting. Through an interactive program of workshops, school visits, and talks, Tuwaiq Sculpture engages diverse communities and bolsters cultural exchanges.

The symposium culminates in an on-site exhibition, with the sculptures enriching the Riyadh Art collection and later becoming a permanent feature of the Saudi capital's urban fabric. Part of Riyadh Art, Tuwaiq Sculpture is a significant contributor to the Riyadh Art collection and the project's goal of commissioning 1,000 public artworks to be displayed across the city. After each edition of the symposium, sculptures are permanently installed in key locations across the city, becoming an integral part of Riyadh's urban fabric.

Tuwaiq Sculpture is a platform where local and international artists meet, collaborate, and create large-scale public artworks in a live setting. The open format of the symposium allows the public to observe the creative process, participate in interactive workshops, and discuss the history and future of public art, effectively contributing to the enrichment of the cultural scene in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Since its inception in 2019,

Tuwaiq Sculpture has engaged over 120 internationally renowned sculptors and thousands of visitors.

Website: https://riyadhart.sa/en/programs/tuwaiq-sculpture/





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