

RAW QUEENS

Meriem Bennani and Fatima Mazmouz

5 July — 14 September 2019

PUBLIC PROGRAMME

JULY

FAMILY FUN

Shubbak Family Day
Saturday 6 July, 11am-5pm

Join in interactive storytelling, get creative with artist Dia Batal and take part in a cooking workshop with Damascus Chef in this day of family fun. Part of Shubbak Festival.

FREE

ARTIST'S TALK

Fatima Mazmouz
Wednesday 10 July, 7pm

Fatima Mazmouz speaks to curator Yasmina Naji and art critic Julie Crenn about her work which explores power relationships, individual liberties and feminism. Part of Shubbak Festival.

FREE

LIVE

Meriem Bennani's Youtube Playlist
Saturday 13 July, 7pm

Artist Meriem Bennani presents a live DJ set from her archive collection of music and music videos spanning North Africa and South Asia. Part of Shubbak Festival.

FREE

IN RESPONSE

Wrong Queens
Wednesday 17 July, 7pm

Pride of Arabia, a creative platform representing the LGBTQ+ MENA community, presents stories, music, dance and discussion celebrating influential women from the region.

FREE

PERFORMANCE

Tales of the Mother Tongue
Thursday 25 July, 7pm

Most Amazigh female warriors are remembered through Morocco's oral histories and myths. Artist Estabrak Al-Ansari revives their tales in a performance incorporating live painting and film.

FREE

AUGUST

FILM

Interior/Exterior
Thursday 1 August, 7pm

This evening of film shines light on women's lives in postcolonial Morocco through the lens of Moroccan female filmmakers. Followed by a conversation with curator Myriam Mouflih.

FREE

MUSIC

Gnawa London
Thursday 8 August, 7pm

Enjoy hypnotic sounds with Gnawa London. Gnawa music, brought to Morocco by formerly enslaved black Africans, is marked by rhythmic guembri (traditional lute) melodies and call and response singing.

£5

LISTENING

Encounters in Gendered Noise
Thursday 15 August, 7pm

Sound artist Gilles Aubry presents recordings and videos from his research in Morocco exploring female representation, resistance and women's daily struggle.

FREE

READINGS

The Moroccan Feminist You've Never Heard Of
Wednesday 21 August, 7pm

Feminist author Malika Moustadraf (1969-2006) gained acclaim before her early death. What is her influence and how did her life as a survivor of childhood sexual abuse and chronic illness inform her work?

FREE

BOOK LAUNCH

Sakine Cansiz: Memoirs of a Kurdish Revolutionary
Thursday 29 August, 7pm

Sakine Cansiz was one of the first female fighters of the PKK, this event marks the second book of her memoirs, her story in her own words.

FREE

SEPTEMBER

DISCUSSION

Resistance is Her
Wednesday 4 September, 7pm

Explore the power and influence of women in activism, struggle and political resistance in North Africa, from the colonial period to the present day.

FREE

SYMPOSIUM

The Paradox of Creative Constraints
Saturday 7 September, 10am-7.15pm

What constraints do filmmakers face in the Middle East? How are these constraints harmful or productive? These discussions and screenings explore cinematic creativity in sites of conflict and crisis. Curated by Shohini Chaudhuri.

£6.50/£5

DISCUSSION

The Salon of Disobedience
Thursday 12 September, 7pm

Hervisions, a platform supporting female and non-binary visual artists, presents an evening redefining the traditional salon. Performance, film and discussions focus on peripheral voices, fostering the spirit of rebellion.

FREE

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