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at the same time launching a

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Women in AI-led jobs can 'turbo charge' Arab economies

DANIEL SANDERSON

Women can "turbo charge" the economies of Middle East nations by filling the jobs of tomorrow, according to the authors of a major new report.

Research led by global management consultancy McKinsey & Company, reveals that technological job opportunities for women in the region could more than double by the end of the decade, to 11 million, with the development of artificial intelligence driving innovations.

However, it also found that a major shake-up of society, legal systems and schools is

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Your essential guide to what's on in the Emirates

RAS AL KHAIMAH TAKE FLIGHT



Check out Jais Adventure Peak, which offers a number of activities for adrenalin junkies including the new Jais Sky Maze, a self-guided rope course. Visitors can also head to the Jais Adventure Centre for more information on attractions, including the Jebel Jais Flight, Jais Sky Tour and Jebel Jais Viewing Deck Park.

► **Wednesdays to Sundays, \$3.00am-5.30pm; Dh75; Jebel Jais Adventure Centre, Ras Al Khaimah; www.visitjais.ae.com**

DUBAI MOVE TO THE BEAT

Put on your dancing shoes for Latino Night every Monday at Indie DIFC. The

resto-lounge has partnered with Bachata Dubai, and guests can sign up for free lessons from the academy's instructors. The dance form originated in the Dominican Republic, and involves a three-step Cuban hip motion, followed by a tap on the fourth beat. The hour-long lessons will be followed by salsa, bachata and reggaeton tunes from the in-house DJ until the small hours.

► **Tonorrow, 9pm-10pm; free; Indie DIFC, Gate Village 5, Dubai; 055 455 6100; reserve@indiedifc.com**

DUBAI FASHIONABLE ART

See Art: The Vogue Lesson, an exhibition by Flavio Lucchini. A heavyweight from the dual worlds of art and fashion, Lucchini's latest work is on display at Oblique Gallery on Bluewaters Island in Dubai. Rendered as totemic statues almost devoid of human features, or as quasi-cartoon figures in pastel tones or gold leaf, Lucchini's work focuses intently on the space where art and fashion overlap.

► **Daily, 10am-6pm; until Tuesday; free; Oblique Contemporary Art Gallery, Bluewaters Island, Dubai; www.obliquecontemporary.com**

ABU DHABI SEE THE LIGHT

The Lantern Masterpiece Festival has begun at



ABU DHABI FLOWER POWER

Home-grown luxury florist Forever Rose has launched its first cafe in The Galleria. Everything from the furniture to the cutlery is illustrated in black and white, giving the impression of stepping into a 2D drawing. It serves sweets and coffees in keeping with its floral theme, such as the rose, saffron and pistachio-milk cakes and lavender lattes.

► **Saturdays to Wednesdays, 10am-10pm; Thursdays and Fridays, 10am-6pm; Forever Rose Cafe, The Galleria Al Maryah Island, Abu Dhabi; www.therosegalleria.com**

Khalifa Park, the family-friendly event features a variety of specially crafted lanterns, as well as performances and food. In addition to the custom-made lamps, there is also a festive corridor of lights, large sculptures and a dining hall.

► **Daily, 4pm-midnight; until Monday, May 25; from Dh45; Khalifa Park, Abu Dhabi; www.lanternmasterpiece.com**

DUBAI DUCK AND DIVE

Bongo's Bingo returns to Dubai for a St Patrick's Day special. Expect plenty of giveaways, singalongs and, of course, a few games of bingo, as party makers take over Atlantis. The Pair's Asaleer Tent, The occasion will have an Irish twist, so don't forget to pick your

ABU DHABI PICTURE THIS

The 2019 biographical film *Harriet* is showing at Cinema Space. The film tells the story of Harriet Tubman and her escape

from slavery. It also depicts how the Underground Railroad during the American Civil War helped other slaves to flee to the North as well.

► **Monday, 7.30pm; free with registration, Cinema Space, auditorium, Mankari Al Saadiyat, Saadiyat Island, Abu Dhabi; register at cinemaspaces-abudhabi@plashthat.com**

RAS AL KHAIMAH SKATES ON

A new skatepark has opened at Saqr Park in Ras Al Khaimah. It offers 620 square metres of dedicated space for the skating community to practise and train on, with a series of obstacles, including a bowl, pyramids, ledges, banks and round rails. The park has been built within a ghafl tree reserve, offering plenty of natural shade.

► **Daily, 10am-midnight; free; Saqr Park, off the E11, Ras Al Khaimah; www.visit-rasalkhaimah.com**

ABU DHABI ART OF SEPARATION

Hathel Al Lamki's first solo exhibition explores the concept of unity, separation and individualism. Using the imagery of a cup being lifted from the saucer as a metaphor for separation, the artist considers the importance of individualism as a condition for change. Curated by Munira Al

Seyegh, the exhibition showcases works made in a variety of mediums, including an installation comprising 52 paintings. There will also be sculptures, video and a sound piece. Artist and curator have collaborated closely on the show, which has been two years in the making.

► **Tuesdays to Sundays, 10am-6pm; closed on Mondays; free; until Sunday, May 17; Warehouse425, Mina Zayed, Abu Dhabi; www.warehouse425.ae**

DUBAI FLOW TALKS



Flow, a health-conscious restaurant and creative centre in Jumeirah Emirates Towers, is hosting its next round of Flow Talks Series for International Women's Day with the theme #EachforEqual. The panelists include radio presenter Maz Hakim, model Caroline Labouchere, TV presenter Anna Roberts, owner of Greenhart Organic Farms Elena Kinara and founder of Art Painting Lab Sam Kaufman Saliba.

► **Today, noon-2pm; free; Grand Floor of the Boulevard, Jumeirah Emirates Tower, www.flowdubai.com**