

## ***Sharjah Biennial 12***

### ***The past, the present, the possible***

On view March 5–June 5, 2015

Exhibition opening March 5–7, 2015



Various Sharjah Biennial 12 sites, Sharjah, UAE. Courtesy of Sharjah Art Foundation.

Beginning with March Meeting 2014 and continuing through March Meeting 2015 (May 11–15, 2015), *Sharjah Biennial 12: The past, the present, the possible* (SB12) invites over fifty artists and cultural practitioners from over twenty-five countries to introduce their ideas of the possible through their art and work. The exhibition takes place in Sharjah, United Arab Emirates, crossing the emirate to sites in and around the city as well as in the city of Kalba on the Gulf of Oman. Over two-thirds of participating artists will present new works and commissions.

### **Sharjah Biennial 12 will include works by:**

Basel Abbas  
Ruanne Abou-Rahme  
Etel Adnan  
Babak Afrassiabi

Abdullah Al Saadi  
Rheim Alkadhi  
Ayreen Anastas  
Leonor Antunes

Uriel Barthélemy  
Eric Baudelaire  
Mark Bradford  
Nikhil Chopra  
Saloua Raouda Choucair  
Chung Chang-Sup  
Abraham Cruzvillegas  
Jimmie Durham  
Rene Gabri  
Im Heung-Soon  
Iman Issa  
Michael Joo  
Maryam Kashani  
Mohammed Kazem  
Hassan Khan  
Kristine Khouri  
Beom Kim  
Byron Kim  
Kit Lee  
Jac Leirner  
Faustin Linyekula  
Jawshing Arthur Liou

Cinthia Marcelle  
Rodney McMillian  
Julie Mehretu  
mixrice  
Asunción Molinos Gordo  
Eduardo Navarro  
Damián Ortega  
Rasha Salti  
Hassan Sharif  
Taro Shinoda  
Gary Simmons  
Nasrin Tabatabai  
Rayyane Tabet  
Rirkrit Tiravanija  
Adrián Villar Rojas  
Danh Vo  
Xu Tan  
Haegue Yang  
Lynette Yiadom-Boakye  
Abdul Hay Mosallam Zarara  
Fahrelnissa Zeid

\*Final list to be released in January 2015.

Programming for SB12 includes monthly lectures and workshops in various locations around Sharjah from September 2014 to February 2015. All presentations will take place at Sharjah Art Foundation unless otherwise noted. Please check [sharjahart.org](http://sharjahart.org) for exact dates and times.

### **SB12 monthly talks**

October 27, 7pm: **Eduardo Navarro** in conversation with SB12 associate curator **Ryan Inouye**, Brownbook Office, DIFC Dubai  
November 22, 6pm: **Rheim Alkadhi**  
December 6, 7pm: **Faustin Linyekula**  
January: **SB12 artists' roundtable discussion** with SB12 curator **Eungie Joo**  
February: **Taro Shinoda**  
March: **Asunción Molinos Gordo**

*Sharjah Biennial 12: The past, the present, the possible* is conceived by Eungie Joo with associate curator, Ryan Inouye.

Eungie Joo was Keith Haring Director and Curator of Education and Public Programs at the New Museum from 2007-2012, where she spearheaded the Museum as Hub program and was curator of the *2012 New Museum Triennial: The Ungovernables*. She was founding Director and Curator of the Gallery at REDCAT, Los Angeles, and served as commissioner of the Korean Pavilion at the 53rd Venice Biennale in 2009, with *Condensation: Haegue Yang*. Joo received her doctorate in Ethnic Studies at the University of California at Berkeley.

Sharjah Biennial is organised by Sharjah Art Foundation, which brings a broad range of contemporary art and cultural programmes to the communities of Sharjah, the UAE and the region. Since 1993, Sharjah Biennial has commissioned, produced and presented large-scale public installations, performances and films, offering artists from the region and beyond an internationally-recognised platform for exhibition and experimentation.

For more information, visit [www.sharjahart.org](http://www.sharjahart.org)

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