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Art Jameel partners with Highland Print Studio to present printmaking programme at Project Space Art Jameel Jeddah

- Highland Print Studio will be presenting an exhibition of works by established, international artists plus a range of workshops and demonstrations of printmaking techniques
- Printmaking enthusiasts and practitioners are invited to register for the workshops on the core concepts of printmaking, including linocut and relief printing, intaglio drypoint and monoprint
- The extensive three-week programme takes place at Project Space Art Jameel Jeddah, a creative space opened by Art Jameel in 2019 in Al-Balad

Jeddah, Saudi Arabia | February 5, 2020 – <u>Art Jameel</u>, an independent organisation that supports arts, education and heritage in the Middle East and beyond, today announces it has partnered with <u>Highland</u> <u>Print Studio</u>, a printmaking and digital imaging facility based in the Scottish Highlands, to present a three-week programme of workshops, a talk and an exhibition on printmaking. Supported by the British Council, the programme runs from February 6 to March 2 at the <u>Project Space Art Jameel Jeddah</u>, a creative space opened by Art Jameel in 2019 in Al-Balad, Jeddah's historic district.

The programme has been designed to cater to different levels of experience, ability and interest through different events and activities. Highland Print Studio has curated an exhibition of prints by established, international artists, 'from Alba to Arabia', that opens on February 6 at 7pm and runs until March 2 (except weekends). The touring exhibition, which was at Stal Gallery in Muscat and Alserkal Avenue in Dubai last month, is free and open to all, with guided tours provided by members of the Highland Print Studio team.

A public talk on February 9 about printmaking will take place alongside a series of workshops by the Highland Print Studio team that provides a comprehensive introduction to the practice of printmaking, covering different aspects of printmaking such as linocut, drypoint, and polymer photogravure from drawings. The workshops require registration in advance and places will be granted on a first-come-first-serve basis; each workshop has a maximum capacity of six. Interested practitioners are encouraged to register for the workshops as soon as possible at jeddah@artjameel.org.

Fatima Mazeh, Senior Programme Manager for Heritage, Art Jameel, said: "We are delighted to be partnering with Highland Print Studio to present an extensive printmaking programme. This partnership reflects Art Jameel's commitment to providing a range of programming across an array of disciplines in response to the needs of the Saudi arts scene. We look forward to continuing to work with colleagues to explore how we can best contribute to the sector through a range of programmes and initiatives across Project Space Art Jameel Jeddah, Jameel House of Traditional Arts in Jeddah and Hayy:Creative Hub."



Project Space Art Jameel Jeddah complements the <u>Jameel House of Traditional Arts in Jeddah</u>, the centre for artisanship, architectural discourse and heritage preservation.

The three-week programme of an exhibition, workshops, and talk will be held at Project Space Art Jameel Jeddah, located next to the Jamjoom House in Al-Balad, Jeddah's historic district, <u>here</u>, starting from February 6 to March 2, 2020. The full schedule can be accessed <u>here</u>.

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About Art Jameel

Art Jameel supports artists and creative communities. Current initiatives include running heritage institutes and restoration programmes, plus a broad range of arts and educational initiatives for all ages. The organisation's programmes foster the role of the arts in building open, connected communities; at a time of flux and dramatic societal shifts, this role is understood as more crucial than ever.

<u>Jameel Arts Centre</u>, an innovative contemporary institution in Dubai, UAE, opened on November 11, 2018; <u>Hayy:Creative Hub</u>, a major complex for the creative industries in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, is set to launch in 2020-21.

Art Jameel's model is collaborative: major institutional partners include <u>Delfina Foundation</u>, <u>the</u> <u>Metropolitan Museum of Art</u>, the <u>Prince's Foundation School of Traditional Arts</u> and <u>the Victoria and</u> <u>Albert Museum</u>. Locally, the organisation works with individuals and organisations to develop innovative programming that embraces both ancient and new technologies and encourages entrepreneurship and the development of cultural networks.

Art Jameel is positioned alongside <u>Community Jameel</u> and complements its sister organisation's work in promoting positive social change, job creation and poverty alleviation across the Middle East, North Africa and Turkey.