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id you know Indian rupee notes were legal tender in the UAE once? The Rs1 note is celebrating 100 years of being in circulation with an exhibition at the **Numisbing Gallery** in Deira on Maktoum Street until May 14. The display of 100 Rs1 notes, issued from 1917 to 2016, charts the journey of the currency, first issued in pre-independence India by King George V, up to its latest versions. The exhibits will be accompanied by detailed descriptions and the stories behind some of the notes.

The Sharjah Art Foundation is running free sculpture workshops for adults at Khorfakkan Art Centre until May 18. The course will teach participants the basics of sculpture making, designing models from clay and ceramic polishing techniques. Email khorfakkancentre@sharjahart.org to register. If you've been finding it difficult to cover all the Sharjah Biennial venues hop on the Sharjah Art Foundation's bus tour every Saturday until June 12. The tour starts at Al Mureijah Square at 3pm and comprises a

guided tour of the five biennial venues in Sharjah City - including Calligraphy Square, Arts Square and The Flying Saucer - as well as the off-site venue Al Hamriyah Studios. The tour is free, register at tour@sharjahart.org.

The *Italian Vanity Art* exhibition is on at the Gallery of Light, Ductac until May 10.

Promoting young Italian artists in Dubai and contemporary Italian art, the exhibition covers visual media – from painting, sculpture and photography to installation art. Admission is free; visit ductac.org.

Sara Shamma's exhibition *London* is on display at Art Sawa and explores the innocence of childhood. The paintings by the Syrian-born Lebanese artist are inspired by her experiences as a migrant resident in the city of London after she relocated from Lebanon. The portraits of children Sara met in London reflect their imagination, as opposed to the terror and despair she has witnessed in children from war-torn areas of the Middle East. The children's experiments with art materials have been superimposed on their portraits. The show runs until May 20.

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