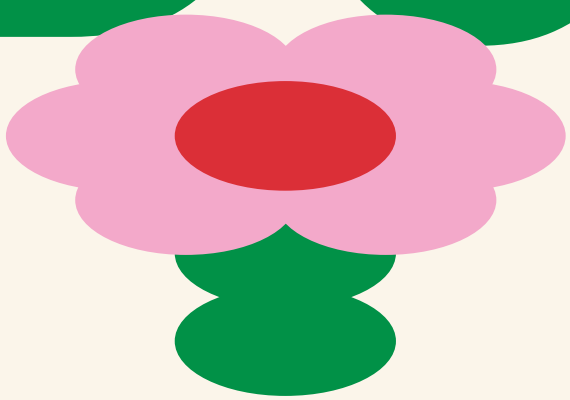


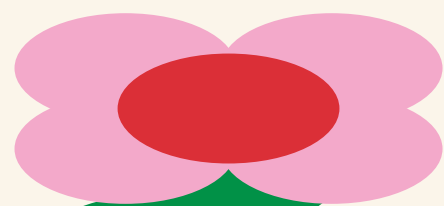
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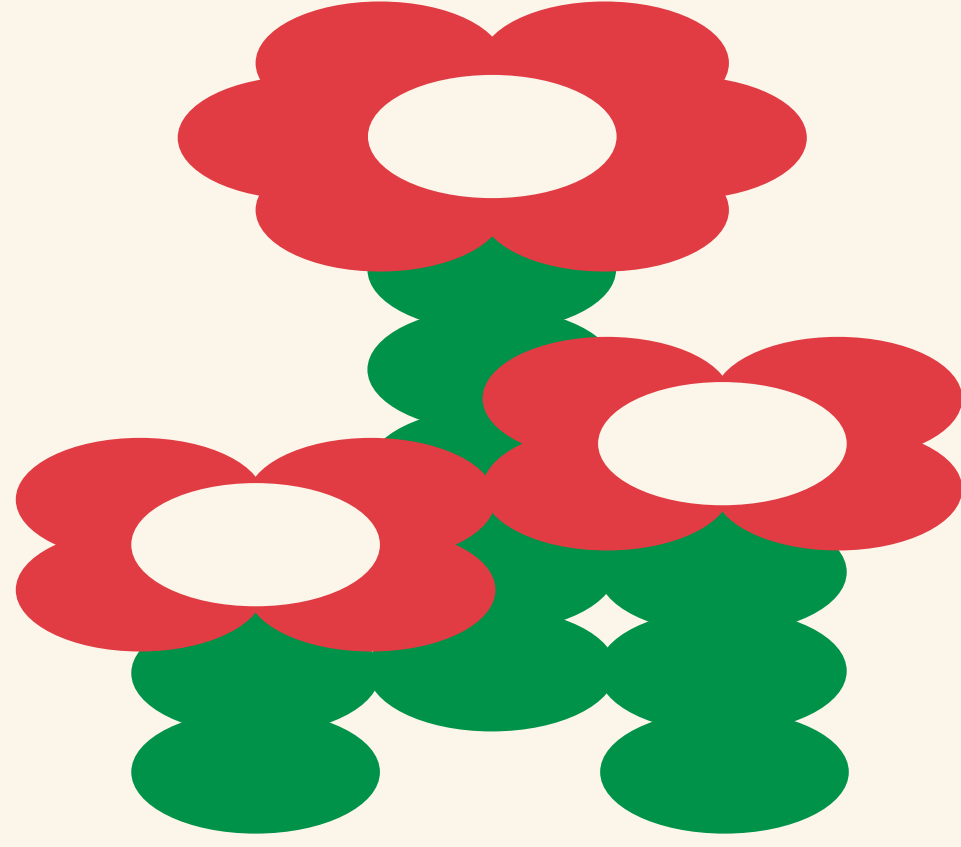
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## FULL PROGRAMME

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**THE DOWN TO EARTH COMMUNITY IS  
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# MARKETS & POP-UP EATERIES

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## THE GREEN BAZAAR

CREEKSIDE

Looking to shop consciously? Don't miss our Green Bazaar! You'll find a selection of must-haves from the greenest of plants to one-of-a-kind ceramics. Nurture sustainability as you support the growth of local and small businesses.

10:00AM - 8:00PM

SHOP

## CREAMS UAE, MAIZ TACOS, PINK AND GREENS & TEIBLE

GREEN BAZAAR

Satisfy your cravings and indulge in our selection of light bites and refreshments or have a picnic in our designated area across the Jaddaf Waterfront Sculpture Park.

ALL DAY

SHOP

## FARMERS MARKET BY MANBAT

CREEKSIDE

Shop organic from local farmers offering fresh and seasonal produce directly to the community while raising awareness about sustainable practices.

10:00AM - 6:30PM

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# AT THE JAMEEL

25 NOV

## JAMEEL ARTS CENTRE EXHIBITIONS GALLERIES

ALL DAY

See 'Jameel Prize 6: Poetry to Politics'; 'Guest Relations'; 'Some Seasons: Fereydoun Ave and the Laal Collection' and Artist's Garden Samur by Zheng Bo.

## DOWN TO EARTH READING LIST JAMEEL LIBRARY

ALL DAY

Selections from the 'Down to Earth' reading list are on display at Jameel Library, featuring books about Palestine, rootedness to the land, and environmental concerns. The list includes artist books, academic texts, comics, and other formats. There's a book for visitors of all ages!

## REBRANDING DOWN TO EARTH PROJECT BY AUS - VIS 201 JAMEEL LIBRARY

ALL DAY

View the creative rebrand experiments of the Vis 201 studio course in American University of Sharjah on display at Jameel Library. Student work includes posters and brochures featuring their alternative design approaches to a visual identity evoking the themes and considerations of Down to Earth.

## JADDAF COMMUNITY GARDEN SCULPTURE PARK

10:00AM - 8:00PM

A call to all green thumbs! Join and connect with friends at the Jaddaf Community Garden in planting a variety of fruits, vegetables and herbs. Explore the Jaddaf Waterfront Sculpture Park and join info sessions to hear more about the Community Garden's programme for the season. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

SPECIAL ACTIVATION

## FAIRE TRADE IN COLLABORATION WITH FARAH ALI SCULPTURE PARK

10:00AM - 8:00PM

Visit the interactive community 'barter trade' where everything is priceless and completely sustained by its visitors! Drop off new or preloved items gathering dust at home and barter them for any item that spikes your interest; from books to a funky cute top! Faire Trade aims to encourage community-spirited interactions through the sustainable and circular exchange of your once loved belongings.

SPECIAL ACTIVATION

## BOOTLEG GRIOT IN COLLABORATION WITH OSEMUDIAMEN EKORE CREEKSIDE

10:00AM - 8:00PM

Looking for a place of solace? Visit the flora of Bootleg Griot to nourish your mind with a carefully curated selection of pre-loved books and your soul.

SPECIAL ACTIVATION

## SUBTLE INTERVENTIONS: A POETRY, POSTER PROJECT IN COLLABORATION WITH MALAVIKA SURESH JAMEEL ARTS CENTRE

ALL DAY

Poetry is a powerful tool for raising awareness and inspiring action on sustainability and climate change. This activation blends poetry and sustainability themes in subtle yet engaging ways through 'sustainability poetry posters' in collaboration with local poets. Poets generally associate ideas and emotions with words. This activation challenges them to provide fresh perspectives on environmental topics through taking photographs inspired by sustainability-themed poems.

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## PIGEON'S NEST

BY RASHID ALMHEIRI

PROJECT SPACE

Inspired by hope and the intention to encourage repurposing items that can easily make something out of nothing. Engulfed by community painted trees, experience and interact with an art installation morphing the space into a whimsical cocoon. It's a place that bridges stronger bonds with oneself and nature.

ALL DAY

SPECIAL ACTIVATION

## JAMEEL EXHIBITIONS

WITH DANIEL H. REY

LOBBY

Join an immersive walkthrough of the current exhibitions on view: Jameel Prize 6: Poetry to Politics, the world's leading award for contemporary art and design inspired by Islamic tradition; the group show Guest Relations: an invitation to look at hotels, touristification, and Dubai's own history of developmental growth with hospitality at heart; and finally, Some seasons: Fereydoun Ave and the Laal Collection, 1959-2019, a firsthand engagement with a singular collection of modern and contemporary Iranian art inflected by personal history, friendship, sensibility and circumstance. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

11:00AM - 12:00PM

TOUR

## CHILDREN'S READING SESSION

JAMEEL LIBRARY

Kids of all ages can enjoy a live storytime reading in the Jameel Library. Featuring books from the 'Down to Earth' reading list, the stories invite the audience to consider their natural environment, and their ability to reuse and think creatively. (Age 5+; advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

11:30AM - 12:30PM

READING

## ARTIST'S GARDEN: SAMUR

WITH NADINE EL-KHOURY

LOBBY

Join Art Jameel curator Nadine El-Khoury for a tour of Samur, the Artist's Garden by Zheng Bo. Learn about how the garden tells the story of the Samur tree which provides food and shelter for humans, birds, camels, and insects. For this Artist's Garden commission, Bo choreographed two dancers and the Samur growing in the Mleiha desert in Sharjah, as a way to understand and reconnect with the land and the tree. The performance is presented here as a film installation alongside indigenous plants that thrive in the desert. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

1:00PM - 2:00PM

TOUR

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WITH GIACOMO LAMBORIZIO

LOBBY

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4:00PM - 5:00PM

TOUR

## SAND, DESERT, EXTRACTION

WITH TOGA TAHIR & LUBNAH ANSARI

JAMEEL LIBRARY

Explore elements of nature in the UAE by collectively engaging with sand and the desert. Participants will engage in collective, embodied readings of the text "The Deserts Are Not Empty," edited by Samia Henni, to deconstruct colonial perspectives on the desert and explore "Poetics, Politics, and Paradoxes of Sand." Then, engage in guided discussions about our connections to nature, climate change, and the desert. Express insights through recyclable zine-making for a decolonial, eco-conscious approach to nature. (Ages 15+)

4:00PM - 5:30PM

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# DROP-IN ARTS ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES

25 NOV

THE NATURE BUS DROP-IN STATIONS ARE DESIGNED FOR FAMILIES COMBINING NATURE EXPLORATION, SENSORY PLAY AND CREATIVE EXPRESSION.

## SENSORY EXPLORATION

LOBBY

Activate your five senses to explore natural elements through different interactive games; smell bottles with matching pictures, mystery touch box and tasting herbal teas! (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

10:00AM - 8:00PM

DROP-IN MAKING WORKSHOP

## NATURE'S TOUCH

LOBBY

Explore nature in a way that's just right for the little ones! They'll have the opportunity to work on collage portraits, creating unique and imaginative faces using natural objects. Additionally, they can enjoy safe, homemade playdough with stamping tools, and create nature-themed crafts through rubbing chlorophyll. (Ages 3+; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

10:00AM - 8:00PM

DROP-IN MAKING WORKSHOP

## DEAR MOTHER EARTH

LOBBY

Using natural dyes derived from organic materials, children and families convey their thoughts and feelings to Mother Earth through drawings or heartfelt written messages on this special day celebrating all things green. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

10:00AM - 8:00PM

DROP-IN MAKING WORKSHOP

## BOTANICAL CROWNS

LOBBY

Embrace nature by preserving the beauty of flowers: make your own botanical crowns in this enchanting workshop and leave with a beautiful one-of-a-kind headpiece to wear around the gardens! (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

10:00AM - 8:00PM

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# WORKSHOPS AND DEMOS

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## CARDBOARD CREATIONS

WITH OUTSIDE THE BOX

GROW AND TELL CREATIVE STATION

Unleash a world of creativity by building animal and lantern puzzles using one of the most sustainable materials – cardboard. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

10:00AM - 11:00AM

DEMONSTRATION

## XOCOLATL SKINCARE WORKSHOP

WITH CO CHOCOLAT

SAHAAB

Join Co Chocolat to create chocolate magic with a meditation starting with the finest ingredient: single estate, pure cacao from Co Chocolat that boosts the immune system and increases creativity. You can craft and personalise your own luxurious all-natural skincare or body scrub using raw and organic ingredients packed full of antioxidants to boost the skin's natural vitality (Ages 15+)

10:00AM - 11:00AM

ADULT WORKSHOP

## KIDS MEDITATION

WITH RAGHDAN HASSAN

ROOF TERRACE

A guided meditation and imagined journey where kids will connect with their inner superhero, and uncover their hidden superpowers. Supported by an easy-to-use breathing technique that they can take with them and practice during their day-to-day to relax their body and mind. A fun and uplifting guided experience allowing kids to explore their creativity, wonder, and powerful imagination. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

10:30AM - 11:30AM

MINDFULNESS WORKSHOP

## COO & GLUE

WITH RASHID ALMHEIRI

PROJECT SPACE

Inspired by the spirit of the space, taking discarded objects or materials as an inspiration to bloom something fresh. Surrounded by the grace of the nest, you will learn how to use scrap paper and recycled cardboards to create quirky portraits. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

10:30AM - 11:30AM

FAMILY WORKSHOP

## BOWL SET

WITH DISCUS.AE

GREEN BAZAAR

Join Cindy Crayon, a resident aquascaper for a demonstration geared for beginners and kids to guide the audience in creating an easy planted bowl using natural materials. The bowl set can sustain itself with minimal maintenance for a pleasant and long lasting experience. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

11:00AM - 1:00PM

DEMONSTRATION

## SUNNY SIGNATURE

WITH MANSI BAVISHI

COLONNADE

Craft a one of a kind printed bookmark with the sun and botanicals! Have the opportunity to create your own signature touch on the bookmarks with custom messages or inspiring affirmations that resonates with your aspirations. (Ages 15+)

11:30AM - 1:30PM

FAMILY WORKSHOP

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## WATER USE AND MANAGEMENT WITH THE NATURE BUS

### GROW AND TELL CREATIVE STATION

Join The Nature Bus to acquire skills to construct a water filter utilising natural and recycled materials and to also understand the water cycle and crafting using natural elements. (Open to all ages; advisable for children under 10 years old to be accompanied by an adult)

12:00PM - 1:00PM

DEMONSTRATION

## PLANT POT PAINTING WITH YADAWEI CERAMIC STUDIO

### SAHAAB

Join Yadawei Ceramic Studio to learn colour theory and apply paint onto a handmade ceramic pot! You will get to choose from different earth related themes to paint. The pot will be sealed to take home and plant your own plants inside. (Ages 5+; advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

12:00PM - 1:00PM

FAMILY WORKSHOP

## PAPER MAKING

### WITH SAMI SOLOH

### PROJECT SPACE

Learn about the environmental impact of traditional paper production and the entire paper-making process, from selecting recycled materials to pulping, shaping, and finishing the created handmade paper into adding unique textures, colours, and patterns. Not only will you have a new skill to take home, but also have contributed to a greener future by reducing ecological footprint. (Ages 6+; advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

12:00PM - 1:30PM

FAMILY WORKSHOP

## GHAFF TREE PLANTING

### WITH SEED TO SOUL

### GROW & TELL CREATIVE STATION

Prepare to sing, learn and get your hands dirty in this session! We will take a moment to connect with Mother Nature, discuss the amazing Ghaf Tree - the UAE's national tree - and plant our very own seeds so we can watch them grow and flourish for a long time to come. (Open to all ages; advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

1:30PM - 2:30PM

DEMONSTRATION

## CRAFTING WITH COMPASSION

### WITH ARTFUL MINDS

### COLONNADE

Designed to nurture empathy in children through creative expression, the session will guide you in creating 'Compassion Cards for Palestine'. Join Artful Minds in fostering understanding, hope, and environmental consciousness, as this therapeutic workshop strives to empower young minds to make a positive impact. (Open to all ages; advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

2:00PM - 3:00PM

FAMILY WORKSHOP

## FABRICATING FORMS

### WITH ZUHOOR AL SAYEGH

### PROJECT SPACE

Explore how to reform fabric scraps through basic textile techniques to think about how you can create imagery by weaving. Have time to sit, reflect, 'piece', connect with the community, and heal. (Ages 12+; advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

2:00PM - 3:00PM

ADULT WORKSHOP

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## NATURE AQUARIUM

WITH DISCUS.AE

GREEN BAZAAR

An elaborative demonstration of a design inspired by the late Japanese artist Takashi Amano, worldly known as "The Master of Aquascape". With a layout recreating an ecosystem using natural materials such as mountain rocks, drift woods, special substrates, and a combination of plants which grow on hard surfaces and from the ground for a unique encounter to witness from start to finish. (Open to all ages; advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

2:30PM - 5:00PM

DEMONSTRATION

## NATURE HUNT

WITH THE NATURE BUS

SCULPTURE PARK

Go on a nature walk around the Jaddaf Waterfront Sculpture Park to explore and collect natural elements such as leaves, sticks, flowers, cones and more! (Open to all ages; advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

3:00PM - 4:00PM

FAMILY WORKSHOP

## BALCONY GARDENING

WITH LET'S TALK GARDENS

GROW & TELL CREATIVE STATION

Learn and discover ways and techniques to grow and repurpose your own vegetables in your balcony! (Open to all ages; advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

3:00PM - 4:00PM

DEMONSTRATION

## URBAN SKETCHERS

SCULPTURE PARK

Join Manupriam Seth with your sketchbooks and get closer to the environment through sketching. Explore the architecture and spaces at Jameel Arts Centre with its surrounding gardens and the waterfront by grabbing a sketch board at Project Space then concluding with a session where sketchers will share their techniques and viewpoints.

3:30PM - 4:30PM

SPECIAL ACTIVATION

## NATURAL PIGMENT MAKING

WITH KHALED ESGUERRA AND AYESHA FERNANDES

SAHAAB

Engage with Khaled and Ayesha in using natural materials to create pigments and prints as alternatives to existing chemical dyes. Discover how to extract the dyes by pressing natural materials onto fabrics and print on tote bags with materials such as plants, leaves and flowers, customising them as you wish. (Ages 10+; advisable to be accompanied by an adult)

4:00PM - 5:00PM

ADULT WORKSHOP

## UNDERWATER GARDENING

WITH DISCUS.AE

GREEN BAZAAR

Learn how to build a miniature underwater garden and experience the beauty of natural plants. Arrange your own garden-scape for any space, whether a desk, nightstand, or any surface! (Open to all ages; advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

5:00PM - 5:30PM

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## MOVEMENT AND SOUND IMMERSION WITH MUSKAAN ADNANI SCULPTURE PARK

Inspired by the ease and flow of nature, we will move through gentle yoga postures followed by breath work, and sound immersion. We take the time to ground ourselves and connect with our body and then experience the healing sounds of the handpan. (Ages 12+)

5:00PM - 6:00PM

MINDFULNESS WORKSHOP

## FASHION COLLAGE WITH RASHID ALMHEIRI PROJECT SPACE

Inspired by the spirit of the space, taking discarded objects or materials as an inspiration to bloom something fresh. Surrounded by the grace of the nest, participants will learn how to channel old magazines and printed material into new forms of expression to expand participants imagination and help them see stories beyond their end. (Ages 12+)

5:30PM - 6:30PM

ADULT WORKSHOP

## THE AQUATIC PLANTING PROCESS WITH DISCUS.AE GREEN BAZAAR

An informative talk on the growth pattern of different species of aquarium plants and basic requirements. Covering the different subfamilies, size groups, and difficulty levels including how each group is used best and the benefits some have over others. (Open to all ages; advisable for children to be accompanied by an adult)

6:00PM - 6:30PM

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# TALKS & PERFORMANCES

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## ETHNOGENIC SOUNDSCAPES

WITH NASSIB BOUCHEBEL

CHIHUAHUAN GARDEN

Join Nassib for a soulful experience promoting introspection and tuning back to the breath, taking time to intently listen to the beauty that lies within our auditory sense often saturated by today's modern world, and to unravelling our subconscious mind to allow sound to clear and rebalance the mind and body. (All ages)

2:00PM - 3:00PM

PERFORMANCES

## HEALING EVENING RAGA

WITH MANJEET & SANDU

CHIHUAHUAN GARDEN

Join Manjeet and Sandu in a musical journey that channels the soul to its roots, through the art of Hindustani classical music, particularly in the realm of healing ragas. With their extensive knowledge of the various ragas and therapeutic effects allowing the flow to create a serene and healing atmosphere. (All ages)

3:30PM - 4:30PM

PERFORMANCES

## COMPOSTING 101

WITH LARA HUSSEIN

ROOF TERRACE

A pioneer in waste reduction and reuse in the UAE, discover The Waste Lab's journey of mobilising individuals, communities and businesses in Dubai to support a regenerative future through rescuing food scraps and building soil using nature-based composting and repurposing solutions as well as understanding the importance of proper food waste segregation at source, knowledge sharing & data and community engagement. (All ages)

4:30PM - 5:15PM

TALKS

## 'I DREAMT OF A CITY EVERYONE CALLS HOME' - A PLAYSCAPE FOR ALL AGES

WITH ABDULLA BUHIJJI AND NOOR ALWAN

ROOF TERRACE

Join us for the inauguration of a new playscape designed by artist duo Noor Alwan and Abdulla Buhijji of Theories of Imagination, as part of Dubai Culture's Public Art Initiative. *I Dreamt of a City Everyone Calls Home* is an imaginative playscape for all ages that celebrates Dubai's architectural heritage and Al Jaddaf's history as a gateway to the city. The artists will be in conversation with the Art Jameel and Dubai Culture teams on the influences behind their designs and their work in public spaces. (All ages)

5:30PM - 6:00PM

TALKS

## 'TARABOT: WEAVING A LIVING FORUM'

WITH ARCHITECT ADIB DADA

ROOF TERRACE

Join Adib Dada and the Art Jameel team to hear how architecture can be a force for positive change in the world. Adib Dada will introduce the concept and design behind *Tarabot: Weaving a Living Forum* a living pavilion showcasing the UAE's biodiversity and designed with sustainable materials innovated and produced in the UAE. (All ages)

6:15PM - 6:45PM

TALKS

## SOFAR SOUNDS

ROOF TERRACE

Join us for an intimate musical experience. This special performance, dedicated to a meaningful cause will feature a diverse lineup of musicians that will be revealed on the day. Experience the magic of live music in an intimate setting to create space where music matters. (Ages 15+)

FROM 7:00PM ONWARD

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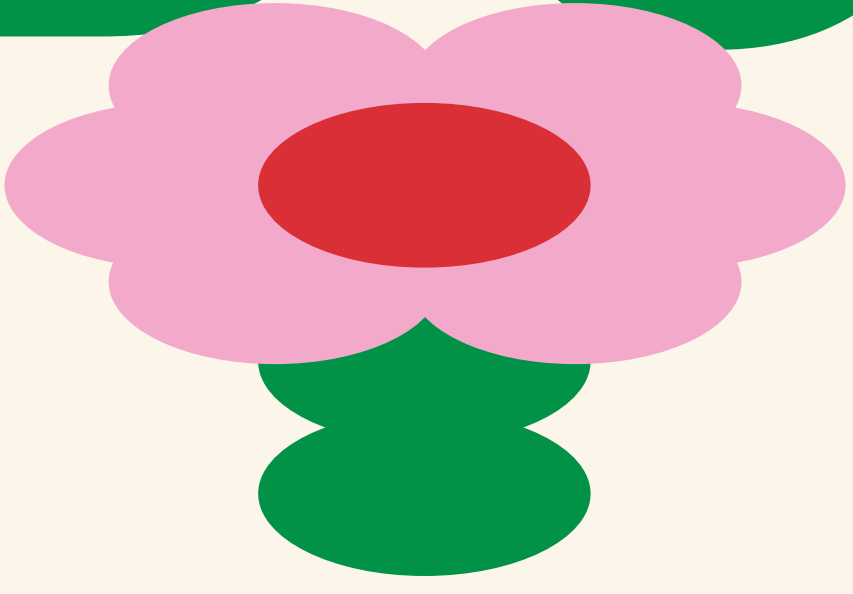
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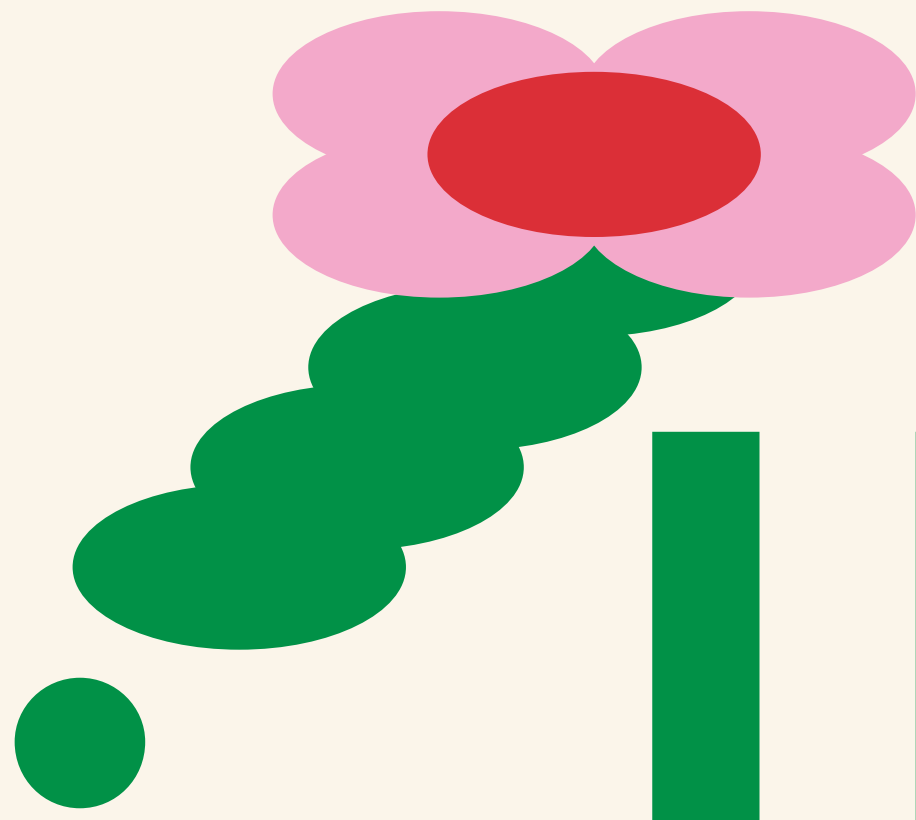
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