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Our newsletter for Beirut enthusiasts

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Summer is sizzlingly here, yet the city of charm and contrast is as cool as ever, with lights and music and art and action brimming throughout its tight-knit neighborhoods. Here's our **selection** of gems and treasures for the coming season:

**Pick of the Wick**

**Best of the Rest**

## Concrete Chlorophilia

An exhibition of blurry Beirut by Nec Plus Ultra; a duo collective formed by Alessandro Rizzi, urban artist and art historian, and Dimitri Haddad, conceptual artist. Through an integrated experimental process of creation, the artists research the notion of blurred shapes and borders in the heart of the Urban.

[ARTLAB, Gemmayzeh.](#)

**Opening Sept. 6th (7 - 10pm)**



## German Film Festival

For its 5th edition, the festival organized by [Goethe Institute](#) will present nine contemporary, internationally acclaimed German-language movies with one night being an open-air screening at [AHM](#). This year's Hommage section will pay tribute to German German actress Hanna Schygulla. Check out full schedule [here](#). [Metropolis Cinema, Sofil.](#) **Sep. 13th - 23rd**



## Mouniyati

A concert given by the graduates of the Action for Hope music school. The 12 students learned the musical notations, keys, music

## The Wall / Beirut

A dual photo-exhibition by Czech artist, [Josef Koudelka](#). 'The Wall' comprises of a landscape of panoramic reproductions of the

history and theories, in addition to specializing in diverse instruments. The concert includes songs from the Iraqi, Palestinian, Egyptian and Syrian heritage in all its variants, including Kurdish and Syriac music.

[Zoukak Theatre, Near Forum.](#)

**Sept. 8th (8 - 9.15pm)**



Apartheid Wall, which Koudeika photographed during his several trips to Palestine between 2008 and 2012, while 'Beirut' documents the war-devastated city centre at the end of the Lebanese Civil War.

[Dar El-Nimer, Clemenceau.](#)

**Opening Sept. 13th (6 - 9pm)**



## Jewellery for two Royals

We are very proud to announce that our local jewellery designer, Ralph Masri, has had the honour to not only provide Her Majesty Queen Rania with their Arabesque Deco jewellery, but also everyone's favourite princess-in-the-making, Meghan Markle, is seen here wearing their Sacred Windows diamond band. [Ralph Masri, Mar Mikhael.](#)

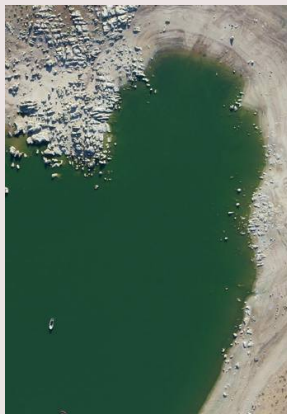


## Revisiting Hesitation

On both formal and conceptual levels, artist and filmmaker Roy Dib challenges common notions of space and boundary, weaving together archival material, scripted text and hypothetical circumstances to chronicle the political narratives of our day. Explore his new exhibition as he revisits hesitation.

[Galerie Tanit, Mar Mkhael.](#)

**Opening Sept. 17th (6 - 9pm)**



## Ten Stories

The museum's latest display of works from the permanent collection is conceived as a series of ten stories told by a selection of 21 artists, who at times dialogue with each other around a same theme, and at other times disagree or

## Pizza & More

Sourdough pizzas are returning to arguably the best bakery in town - for three evenings a week, coinciding with unique themes. Wednesdays are producers' meetup where you can pick up fruit, veg, dairy and bread subscriptions from

ignore one another. The collection is mainly composed of paintings, graphic works & sculptures.  
[Surssock Museum, Achrafieh.](#)  
**Opening Sept. 6th (6 - 9pm)**



organic farmers, on Thursdays enjoy live music in the cozy space; & on Fridays eat, chill & play board-games to welcome the weekend.  
[Tusk Bakery, Mar Mikhael.](#)



## Analogy to Human Life

Explore a painting exhibition by Tagreed Dargouth, where she puts on display series of carcasses, ears, skulls, olive trees, chopped barks, and instruments of violence such as drones, excavator buckets, & meat mincers.

Dargouth's deeper message revolves around structural violence that is manifest in the expropriation of Palestinian land.

[Saleh Barakat Gallery, Clemenceau.](#)  
**Opening Sept. 7th (7 - 9pm)**



## Beirut Art Fair & Beirut Design Fair

Discovery and rediscovery are the pillars of art & design in Beirut. The international fair is hosting 51 art galleries from 20 countries!

Come and discover talents in the contemporary & modern art scene and be sure to keep an eye out for Beirut's stars by [392Rmeil393](#), [Agial Art Gallery](#), [ARTLAB](#), [Galerie Janine Rubeiz](#), [Galerie Tanit](#), [Artspace Hamra](#) & [Joy Mardini](#).  
[Seaside Arena, Beirut Waterfront.](#)

**Sep. 20th - 23rd**



## A Poet Dares

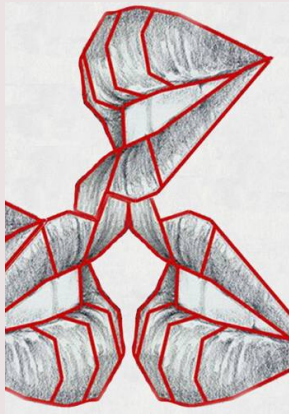
Join for a night of performance poetry, where local and international speakers take words to their limits.

Featuring Lisa Luxx, a writer, performer, philosopher and activist whose poetry has been described as "sensitive and revolutionary – always kind, always fierce." The night will end with an open mic.

## Chained to BEY

Stress and worries are just one side of Beirut life. Another is having the finest local talents spinning scrumptious tunes. Expect a blend of Disco, Afro Beats, Funk, House, and Tech-House all night, as [MadJam](#), [Ralph Nasr](#), [FunkRob](#) among others, turn the dancefloor into a little boogie wonderland.

night will end with an open mic.  
[Concept 2029, Mar Mikhael.](#)  
Sept. 9th (8 - 11pm)



into a nice boogie wonderland.  
[Baboon, Burj Hammoud Seaside.](#)  
Sept. 15th (6pm - 3am)



## Back to Work

Summer is ending and efficiency is coming back on track. Whether you are starting a new semester, or getting back into your working groove, there are few better hang-outs than Urbanista. Come discuss ideas and get creative, sink into the leather seating, indulge in high speed internet and get cracking. All while enjoying an extensive menu and good coffee.

[Urbanista, Gemmayzeh.](#)



## A Sense of Place

A month-long exhibition that will be showcasing the works of 25 artists from the Middle Eastern region. The pieces focus on the theme of exploring the relationship between being and the world through landscape, interiors & dreamscapes.

[Artspace Hamra.](#)

Opening Sept. 14th (6 - 8pm)



## In Their Place

An exhibition by Rawan Mazeh. This series strives to build a bridge to tell the untold stories of those that remained in the shadows hiding and intimidated, too afraid to stand up on their own, fearing they would join those who lost their lives and suffered incomparable losses.

[ARTLAB, Gemmayzeh.](#)

Opening Sept. 13th (6 - 9pm)



## Indian Delights

Sirena at Môtto welcomes you to a splended week of authentic Indian cuisine. Sirena's chefs are preparing a set menu (at 35,000L.L.) including the famous Punjabi Chicken Do Piazza, with fresh Naan bread, delicious starters accompanied by yogurt dip and chutneys.

[Môtto, Mar Mikhael.](#)



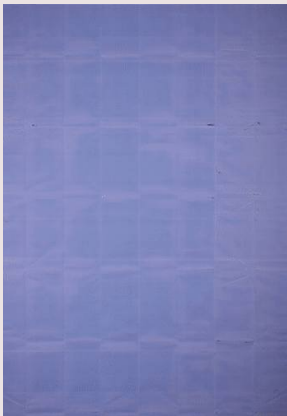


## That is Water, This is Earth

A group exhibition of works by Caline Aoun, Hera Büyüktaşçıyan, Dala Nasser, Zoë Paul, curated with Mari Spirito. Artworks in That Is Water, That Is Earth are linked by navigation of the conditions of our times, giving materiality to the immaterial aspects in our societies.

[Marfa', Port Beirut.](#)

**Opening Sept. 19th (4 - 10pm)**



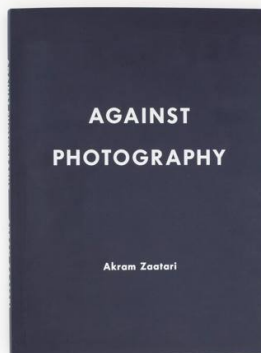
## Against Photography

Join for a public talk by artist Akram Zaatari followed by Q&A.

Photographic objects have been the center of Akram Zaatari's artistic practice since 1995, who co-founded the reknown Arab Image Foundation. Akram's book will also be available for sale.

[Ashkal Alwan, Jisr el Wati](#)

**Sept. 21st (8.30 - 10pm)**



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