



4. Out Of Season

Portuguese painter Gil Heitor Cortesao is one of the shining lights of Carbon 12's roster, so if you're yet to catch his newest solo show at the Al Quoz gallery, make a note in your diary. Cortesao's trademark method, in which he paints 'backwards' on a sheet of acrylic, lends an eerie sense of decay to his otherwise photo-realistic style that, combined with his stylised homage to mid-century Americana depicts a culture in decline. This exhibition sees the artist add figures into his previously vacant interiors, bringing an ominous extra dimension into play.

Until March 8

↑ Carbon 12 Gallery, Alserkal Avenue, Street 8, Al Quoz 1, Dubai, free. Tel: (04) 3406016. Taxi: Behind Times Square. carbon12dubai.com

2. Radiant Trajectory

London-based artist Nathaniel Rackowe has a growing reputation on the international art scene and it's easy to see why. He has a way of marrying light and sculpture that results in work that is more than the sum of its parts. This is very much in evidence in this exhibition of wallbased neon works and freestanding sculptures some of which have been directly influenced by a recent visit by the artist to Dubai - which play with light and structure and the space between those things. If you liked the Guggenheim Abu Dhabi's recent exhibition of light art, Seeing Through Light, this show is for you.

Until March 7

♠ Lawrie Shabibi, Alserkal Avenue, Al Quoz, Dubai, free. Tel: (04) 3469906. Taxi: Behind Times Square. lawrieshabibi.com



3. Systems For A Score

Fari Bradley and Chris Weaver present the first fruits of their labours as Tashkeel gallery's inaugural recipients of its New Media Artist residency programme. Their exhibition explores visual language and sound art. Not half as impenetrable as it sounds, the pair play with their chosen mediums with aplomb, incorporating sculpture, visuals and sound into their work in a way that is still rarely seen in the UAE art scene.

Until February 14

奋 Tashkeel, Nad Al Sheba Road, Dubai free. Tel: (04) 3363313. Taxi: Near Nad Al Sheba racetrack. tashkeel.org



5. Danat 2015

Drawing inspiration from the UAE's ancient tradition of pearl diving is a canny match for an exhibition that sets out to showcase the fruits of the region's up-and-coming art and design talent. Danat 2015 does just that with an exhibition of more than 50 works - drawings, photography, fashion design and graphic design – by the Applied Media students of Sharjah Women's College. With most of the work available for sale, it's an opportunity for visitors to do a little 'pearl diving' of their own. You might just discover a future star of the UAE creative scene.

February 15 to 28

Al Badia Golf Club, InterContinental Hotel, Dubai Festival City, Dubai, free. Tel: (050) 5988406. Taxi: Festival City. artcoutureuae.com

