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## **UAE Celebrates Women's Progress and Empowerment on Emirati Women's Day**

Today, the UAE celebrates Emirati Women's Day in recognition of the achievements and contributions women have made in all sectors of UAE society. Women in the UAE play leading roles in business, government, the arts and sports.

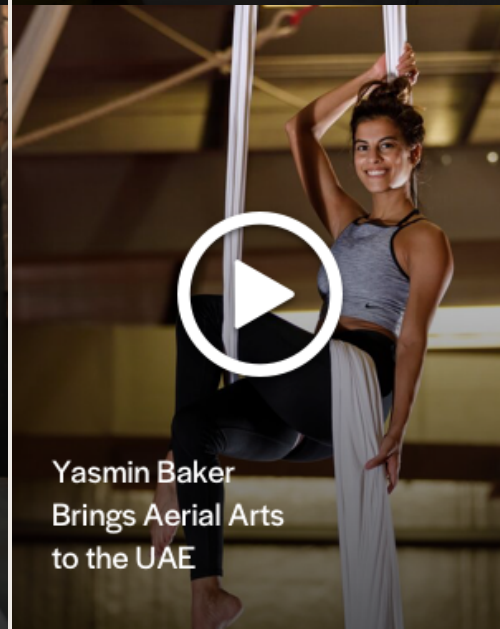
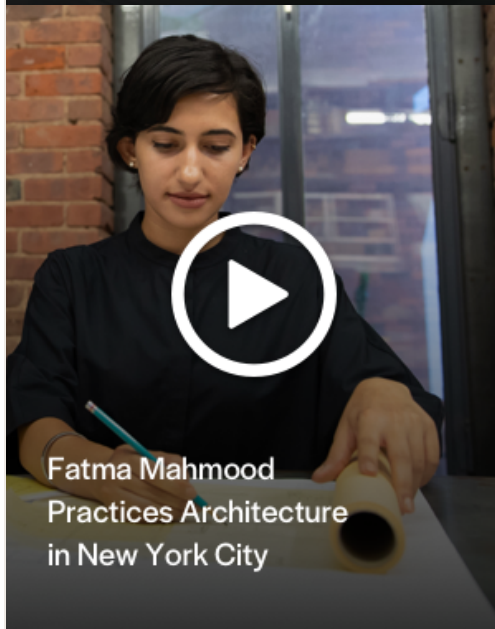
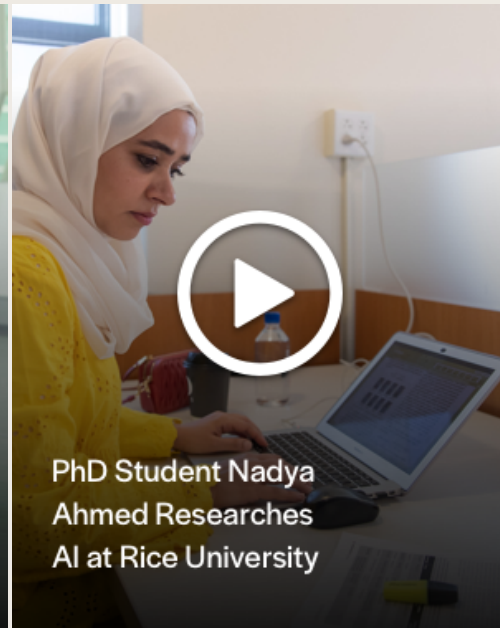
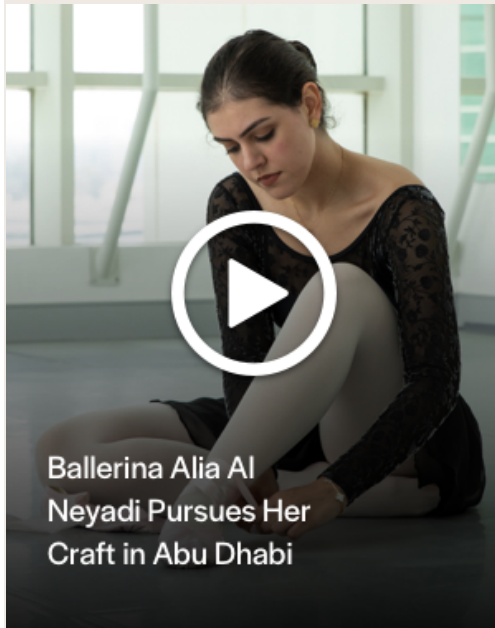
The UAE leads Arab countries in terms of gender balance, according to an annual index issued by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). Women make up 30 percent of the UAE Cabinet.

The UAE also ranks high globally in terms of gender equality for literacy and pay equity, according to a report from the World Economic Forum in 2018. In addition, 77 percent of Emirati women enroll in higher education after secondary school, and women make up 70 percent of all university graduates in the UAE.

"Emirati women have played a central role to help the UAE become the inclusive, innovative and prosperous nation it is today," said Shaima Gargash, Deputy Chief of Mission at the UAE Embassy in

Washington, DC. "I am proud to work with such a strong team of women here at the Embassy in Washington."

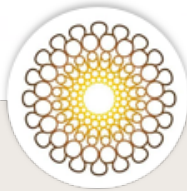
Emirati women are making an impact in many fields. Learn more about their journeys by watching the following videos.





## Emirates Airline @Emirates

Emirati pilots at Emirates spread their wings to five continents and help shine the spotlight on women in aviation to mark Emirati Women's Day. [#EmiratesAirline](#) [#FlyEmiratesFlyBetter](#)  
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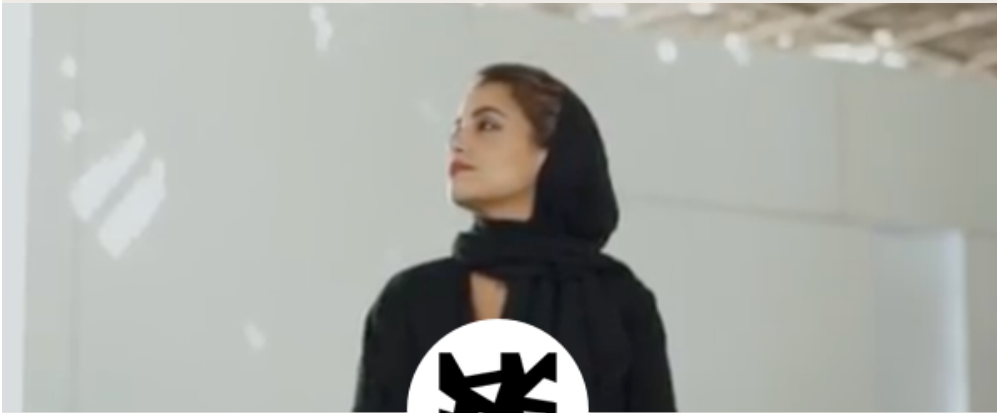
**75%** OF EMIRATI STUDENTS  
AT GOVERNMENT HIGHER  
EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS  
ARE **WOMEN**

**70%** OF UNIVERSITY  
GRADUATES IN THE  
UAE ARE **WOMEN**



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On [#EmiratiWomensDay](#), take a look at how women in the UAE are taking the lead in a wide range of fields. [#يوم\\_المراه\\_الاماراتيه](#)



## louvrebudhabi

Louvre Abu Dhabi is a national museum with an international team behind it. Today meet some of our Emirati women who are part of that team. We wish you a happy [#EmiratiWomensDay](#) from us all



## This Month In History



**On August 28, 1975**, the UAE General Women's Union was established under the chairmanship of HH Sheikha Fatima bint Mubarak to amplify the voices of women in the UAE.



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