

#### UPCOMING

- 2023 Solo at Suomenlinna Cathedral (UNESCO world heritage site), Helsinki, Finland (April 1st 2023 - June 31st 2023)  
2022 Solo show, Luckan, Helsinki, Finland (November 1st - 30th)

#### Founded:

- 2021 - Ongoing 'Here I am' Collective  
2019 - 2020 'Roihu studios' Arts, Performance and Dance studio in Helsinki, Finland

#### Education:

- 2006 - 2008 BA Fine Art (Drawing), RMIT University, Melbourne, Australia  
2004 - 2005 Visual Arts Diploma, TAFE, RMIT University, Melbourne, Australia  
2002 - 2003 Introductory Course in Art and Design, Dundee College, Dundee, Scotland

#### Solo Exhibitions:

- 2022 'UNTIL' Helsinki Cathedral, Helsinki, Finland  
2019 'Taking a chance on Love', Le Pave D'orsay, Paris, France  
2016 'Hummus Reflections', Third Space Gallery, Helsinki, Finland  
2012 'Premonition', Bin Mattar House Museum, Muharraq, Bahrain  
2009 'Army of Mariam', Spring of Culture Festival, El Bareh Gallery, Bahrain  
2008 'The Unlovely', First Site Gallery, Melbourne, Australia

#### Selected Group Exhibitions:

- 2022 'Baytuna' National Museum of Finland, Helsinki, Finland  
2022 'As we gaze upon her' Banat collective, Warehouse421, Abu Dhabi  
2021 'To Err is Human', Mänttä XXV Art Festival, Finland  
2020 'Becoming a Target', Myymälä2 Gallery, Helsinki, Finland  
2020 'Becoming a Target', Casa della Musica di Cervignano del Friuli, Italy  
2019 'Square' STOA cultural center, Helsinki, Finland  
2018 'Rasi637' Kouta Gallery - Kouvola Art Museum Poikilo, Kouvola, Finland  
2018 'KHAHLIL GIBRAN: A Guide for Our Times', Sotheby's, London, UK  
2018 'Liberty' Gallery Kruetz, Porvoo, Finland  
2017 'Femme' Exhibition on Bahraini female artists, UNESCO, Paris  
2016 'RCA secret', Royal College Of Art, London, UK  
2015 'Göteborg poetry festival', Sweden  
2015 'Women On Walls - WOW Unchained' American University Cairo, Cairo, Egypt  
2015 'Postlude Vol.1: The Post Oriental Odyssey, The Mine Gallery, Dubai, UAE  
2015 '41<sup>st</sup> Annual Fine Art Exhibition Bahrain', Bahrain National Theater, Bahrain  
2014 'She Views Her Self', Gallery 6 Mandeln, Paris, France  
2014 'Women On Walls' Ras Al Ain Gallery, Amman, Jordan  
2012 'Bahrain 38th Annual Fine Art Exhibition', Bahrain National Museum, Bahrain 2012  
2011 'Spaces and the in-between', Riwaq gallery, Bahrain 2010  
2010 'Dekakeen' Manama Souq, Spring of Culture Festival, Bahrain  
2010 'The View from Here - 19 Perspectives on feminism', Next Wave Festival, Melbourne, Australia  
2010 'As the Land Expands', Riwaq Gallery, Bahrain  
2009 'Scattered in a Monument' Elham Arts Festival, Bahrain National Museum, Bahrain  
2008 'Humming a New Dysphonia' Blind Side Gallery, Melbourne, Australia

#### Awards:

- 2012 First Prize in the 38th Bahrain Annual Fine Art Award, Bahrain National Museum, Bahrain  
2008 Prize Finalist of '6 Degrees' for 'Human Landscape: The Cult of Personality' Frankston Art Centre, Melbourne, Australia

#### International Art Biennials:

- 2013 'A world of your own' Kingdom of Bahrain Pavilion, Venice Biennale, Curator Melissa Enders Bhatia, Venice, Italy  
2009 'Across the Gulf' Curator Dr. Irene Barberis, Brisbane Arc Biennial, Australia

#### Grants & Scholarships:

- 2013 Research, production and travel grant for the Bahrain Pavilion, Venice Biennale, Ministry Of Culture, Bahrain.  
2012 Shaikh Ebrahim Center for Culture and Research grant for the exhibition 'Premonition' at the Bin Mattar House Museum, Bahrain  
2008 -  
2009 Scholarship for research, Metasenta Projects, Melbourne, Australia

**Publications:**

- 2015 "33 Artists...33 Islands ....A Kingdom of Art" written by French author and art critic Mr. Renaud Siegmann
- 2013 "A world of your own" Pavilion of the Kingdom of Bahrain, Venice biennale. Issued by the Ministry of Culture, Kingdom of Bahrain.
- 2010 "the view from here 19 perspectives on Feminism" Victoria Bennet and Claire Rae
- 2009 "Across the Gulf" Written and produced by Irene Barberis and Keith Winter

**Collections:**

- 2019 "Davanti al Trono" Private collection of AG Behbehani, Kuwait
- 2015 "Voice of Rain" Permanent collection of the Ministry of Culture, Beijing, China
- 2013 "Victory" Personal collection of her Excellency Shaikha Mai Al Khalifa, Minister of Culture, The Kingdom of Bahrain and a permanent display at the National Theater of Bahrain.
- 2012 "Freedom from the Muse" Permanent Collection at the National Museum of Bahrain

**Presentations / Artist Talks:**

- 2021 Podcast interview, Intercult, Helsinki, FI
- 2019 "Nationalism" Migration Memory Encounters, Museum of Movement, Malmo, Sweden
- 2015 "Artist Encounters – What it means to be a Gulf Artist" Mathaf: Arab Museum of Modern Art, Doha, Qatar
- 2014 "The Business of Art in the Arabian Gulf" Third Space Gallery, Helsinki, Finland
- 2014 "What is Contemporary Art in the Arabian Gulf?" Corner College, Zurich, Switzerland
- 2010 "What is feminism in western art and how do Middle Eastern feminists incorporate Western ideas in to their practice", Royal University for Women, Bahrain.
- 2010 "Introduction to current Middle Eastern contemporary practices", Macgregor State High School, Brisbane, Australia.
- 2009 'Differences between Western art history & Middle Eastern art history and its current effects on contemporary art in the Middle East', Riwaq Gallery, Bahrain
- 2009 'Across the Gulf' Brisbane Arc Biennale, Pecha Kucha, Powerhouse, Brisbane, Australia
- 2009 'Army of Mariam' Tashkeel, Dubai, UAE

**Teacher / Instructor:**

- 2021 'Performative Drawing' HIV Point, Helsinki, Finland
- 2020 'Colour theory', Africa Care, Helsinki, Finland
- 2015 'Mentorship program – Artist Encounters', Mathaf: Arab Museum of Modern Art, Doha, Qatar
- 2015 'Mathaf Education: Idea development' Qatar Academy, Doha, Qatar
- 2015 'Life Drawing', Redbull Creative Space, Amwaj, Bahrain
- 2014 'Contemporary Drawing', Anamil Gallery, Bahrain
- 2012 'Drawing for adults', Ministry of Culture, Bahrain
- 2012 'Drawing for children', Ministry of Culture, Bahrain
- 2010 Teacher Intensive Drawing Workshop, Riwaq Gallery, Bahrain
- 2010 Studio Assistant and Ceramic Painting Instructor, Studio Ceramic, Bahrain