



Shama Al Hamed

BORN

1999 Abu Dhabi, UAE
Lives and works in Abu Dhabi, UAE

EDUCATION

2018 - 2022 Bachelor of Fine Arts – Zayed University, College of Arts and Creative Enterprises, Abu Dhabi, UAE

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2025 *I Jump – Will I Stick the Landing?*, Aisha Alabbar Gallery, Dubai, UAE
2022 Abu Dhabi Art Fair, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi, UAE

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025 *Fruit Salad*, The canopy program, NYU Crit Club, New York, USA
2024 Editions Art & Design Fair, Aisha Alabbar Gallery, Dubai Design District, Dubai, UAE
Narratives of Belonging, Al Safa Art and Design Library, Dubai, UAE
The More I see, The More Life Means to Me, Rizq Art Initiative, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Qudwa, Manarat Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Sikka, Al Shindagha, Dubai, UAE
Ras Al Khaimah Art Festival, Sponsored by Aldar, Ras Al Khaimah, UAE
2023 *Diabrid Meets The Sun*, Al Quoz, Warehouse 57, Dubai, UAE
Quoz Arts Fest, Al Serkal avenue, Dubai, UAE
2022 Senior Showcase, Manarat AlSaadiyat, Gallery A, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2021 *Painting II*, Promenade Gallery, Zayed University, Dubai, UAE
Special topics in art and design, D3, building 7, Dubai, UAE
2020 Digital Printmaking, Promenade Gallery, Zayed University, Dubai, UAE
2019 Student Group Exhibition, F6 Gallery, Zayed University, Dubai, UAE
Art Foundation, F6, Zayed University, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Principal of Design, F6, Zayed University, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Couturial practices, Cabinet of curiosity, F6 Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

2024 421 Residency Program, Art resident, Warehouse 421, Abu Dhabi, UAE
The Canopy Program, NYC CRIT CLUB, New York, USA
2023 Salama Bint Hamadan Foundation, Art Fellowship program, Resident, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2022 Abu Dhabi Art Fair, Cultural Programming, Department of Culture and Tourism, Internship, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Zayed National Museum, Department of Culture and tourism, Tour guide, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Gallery A, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Maritime Heritage Festival, Department of Culture and tourism, Workshop Assistance, Corniche, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2021 Abu Dhabi Art Fair, Department of Culture and tourism, Tour Guide, Manarat Al Saadiyat Abu Dhabi, UAE
The Most beautiful Swiss Books, Tour Guide, Art Design week, D3, Dubai, UAE
2018 *Festember*, Louvre Abu Dhabi, Intern/Coordinator, Waterfront Park, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2017 *Festember*, Project Warehouse, Intern/Coordinator, Abu Dhabi, Meena, UAE
2016 *Festember*, Um Al Emarat Park, Intern/Coordinator, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2015 Twofour54, Internship, Abu Dhabi, UAE



GRANTS

2025 National Grant Program for Culture and Creativity from the Ministry of Culture, UAE

COLLECTIONS

Aldar properties, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Biography

Shama Al Hamed (b. Abu Dhabi, 1999) is a visual artist who earned her Bachelor of Visual Art degree from the College of Arts and Creative Enterprises at Zayed University, Abu Dhabi, UAE in 2022.

Her practice centers on capturing moments from her life through paintings and installations. All her work represents self-portraits in a conceptual manner, illustrating the continuous evolution of her mind, including her subconscious. This subconscious reveals different stories and conflicts within her work. She frequently explores self-portraits with a narrative that blends observation with the dreamlike nature of the subconscious. Using painting as her primary medium, she transforms patterns into art, infusing each piece with a unique storyline.

Shama Had a Solo Exhibition *I Jump – Will I Stick the Landing?*, Aisha Alabbar Gallery, Dubai, UAE (2025) and Had participated in a number of acclaimed exhibitions including *Fruit Salad*, The canopy program, NYU Crit Club, New York, USA (2025); Editions Art & Design Fair, Aisha Alabbar Gallery, Dubai Design District, Dubai, UAE (2024); *Narratives of Belonging*, Al Safa Art and Design Library, Dubai, UAE (2024); *The More I see, The More Life Means to Me*, Rizq Art Initiative, Abu Dhabi, UAE (2024); *Qudwa*, Manarat Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi, UAE (2024); *Sikka*, Al Shindagha, Dubai, UAE (2024); *Ras Al Khaimah Art Festival*, Sponsored by Aldar, Ras Al Khaimah, UAE (2024); *Diabrid Meets The Sun*, Al Quoz, Warehouse 57, Dubai, UAE (2023); *Quoz Arts Fest*, Al Serkal avenue, Dubai, UAE (2023); Senior Showcase, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Gallery A, Abu Dhabi, UAE (2022); Abu Dhabi Art Fair, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi, UAE (2022); *Painting II*, Promenade Gallery, Zayed University, Dubai, UAE (2021); Special topics in art and design, D3, building 7, Dubai, UAE (2021); Digital Printmaking, Promenade Gallery, Zayed University, Dubai, UAE (2020); Student Group Exhibition, F6 Gallery, Zayed University, Dubai, UAE (2019); Art Foundation, F6, Zayed University, Abu Dhabi, UAE (2019); *Principal of Design*, F6, Zayed University, Abu Dhabi, UAE (2019); *Couturial practices*, Cabinet of curiosity, F6 Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE (2019).

Shama has a BFA from Zayed University, College of Arts and Creative Enterprises, Abu Dhabi, UAE (2022).