



Mona Al Khaja

BORN

1958 Sharjah, UAE
Lives and works in Dubai, UAE

EDUCATION

1981 BFA, Faculty of Fine Arts, Helwan University, Cairo, Egypt

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2021 Abu Dhabi Art, Aisha Alabbar Gallery, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2019 *Observe + Absorb*, Majlis Gallery, Dubai, UAE
Harmony: Aesthetics of Ornamentation in Emirati Heritage, Sharjah Heritage Museum, Sharjah, UAE
Melodies of the East, Sharjah University, Sharjah, UAE
Colours, Dubai Women's College, Dubai, UAE
2015 *Chromatic Horizons*, Sharjah University, Sharjah, UAE
Salutation and Endearment, Dubai Cultural and Scientific Association, Dubai, UAE
2010 *Pearls*, Hunar Gallery, Dubai, UAE

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2021 *Interconnection (37th Emirates Fine Arts Society Annual Exhibition)*, Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE
2020 *7 + 7*, Sultan Bin Ali Al Owais Cultural Foundation, Dubai, UAE
Joint Gulf Exhibition, Hala February Festival, Kuwait City, Kuwait
2019 *Convergence (36th Emirates Fine Arts Society Annual Exhibition)*, Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE
Najat Makki: Luminescence, Cultural Foundation, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2018 *We Love Zayed*, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Saudi Emirati Exhibition, The Cultural and Scientific Association, Dubai, UAE
Artists and the Cultural Foundation: The Early Years, Cultural Foundation, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2017 *Creative Creations*, Sultan Bin Ali Al Owais Cultural Foundation, Dubai, UAE
Proud Expressions Exhibition, The Martyr's Families' Affairs Office, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2nd GCC Visual Art Forum, Doha, Qatar
First Gulf Sinyar Exhibition, Sinyar Gallery, Dubai, UAE
2016 *The Perpetual Kingdom: Contemporary Arabic Calligraphy*, Gallery Ward, Dubai, UAE
2015 *Kunooz Fine Art Exhibition and Auction*, Bvlgari Hotel Knightsbridge (auction organized by Christie's), London, UK
Sikka Art Fair, Dubai, UAE
Art 4 Sight, Dubai Ladies Club by Noor Dubai Foundation & Charity Auction by Christie's, Dubai, UAE
2012 *Interchange 4*, Yas Viceroy Hotel, Abu Dhabi, UAE
30th Emirates Fine Arts Society Annual Exhibition, Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE
2011 *The Jidar Group Exhibition*, Sultan Bin Ali Al Owais Cultural Foundation, Dubai, UAE
Jewels from the Emirates, Delta City Mall, Podgorica, Montenegro
5th Fine Arts Exhibition, Umm Al Quwain, UAE



Art Exhibition at Abu Dhabi International Book Fair, Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre, Abu Dhabi, UAE

- 2010 *Art Dubai (Hunar Gallery)*, Madinat Jumeirah, Dubai, UAE
Her Colourful Papers, Sharjah Calligraphy Museum, Sharjah, UAE (duo exhibition with Dr. Najat Makki)
The Reflective Mirror, United Nations Headquarters, New York, NY, USA
Colourful Papers, Sharjah Ladies Club, Sharjah, UAE
Al Bastakiya Art Fair, Dubai, UAE
4th Fine Arts Exhibition, Umm Al Quwain, UAE
- 2009 The International Exhibition of the Renaissance and Great Masterpieces of World Art, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan
- 2008 *Fine Art Creativity Exhibition*, Kuwait Arts Association, Kuwait
The New Impressions, Cultural Foundation, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Arabian Wings, Dubai, UAE
5 x 5, Rabat, Morocco
5 x 5, Cultural Foundation, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2007 *1st GCC Cultural Festival*, Sharjah, UAE
2nd Exhibition of Al Juman Group, Cairo Opera House, Cairo, Egypt
- 2006 *1st Exhibition of Al Juman Group*, Sultan Bin Ali Al Owais Cultural Foundation, Dubai, UAE
Exhibition with Emirates Fine Arts Society, Singapore
- 2004 Cairo Biennial, Cairo, Egypt
Exhibition with Dr. Najat Makki, Dubai International Airport, Dubai, UAE
- 2002 Kuwait Biennial, Kuwait City, Kuwait
- 2001 Sharjah Biennial, Sharjah, UAE
- 2000 *Woman & Art (A Global View)*, Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE
Exhibition with Emirates Fine Arts Society, Hanover, Germany
- 1998/2000 The 25th of February Fine Art Exhibition, Kuwait City, Kuwait
- 1999 Sharjah Biennial, Sharjah, UAE
- 1998 *17th Emirates Fine Arts Society Annual Exhibition*, Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE
- 1996 *Emirates Fine Arts Society Exhibition*, El Hanager Art Center, Cairo, Egypt
- 1994 *13th Emirates Fine Arts Society Annual Exhibition*, Sharjah Expo, Sharjah, UAE
- 1990 *9th Emirates Fine Arts Society Annual Exhibition*, Sharjah Expo, Sharjah, UAE
Oman Art Biennial, Muscat, Oman
1st Emirates Fine Arts Society Exhibition in India
- 1987 *6th Emirates Fine Arts Society Annual Exhibition*, Sharjah Expo, Sharjah, UAE
- 1986 *5th Emirates Fine Arts Society Annual Exhibition*, Sharjah Expo, Sharjah, UAE
- 1985 The Cultural Festival Exhibition of GCC Youth Cultural Festival, Japan
9th Kuwait Exhibition of Arab Artists, Kuwait
- 1984-1983 1st & 2nd Banosh Exhibition, Dubai, UAE
- 1983 *3rd Emirates Fine Arts Society Annual Exhibition*, Sharjah Expo, Sharjah, UAE
- 1979-1980 UAE Student Exhibition, UAE Students Club, Cairo, Egypt
- 1972-1973 Output of Activities Exhibition, Women's Union Association, Sharjah, UAE

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2021 Participant, Fujairah International Arts Festival Residency, Fujairah, UAE
- 2021 Participant, *March Meeting 2021: Unraveling the Present*, Sharjah Art Foundation, Sharjah, UAE
- 2019 Member, Jury Committee, Sheikhha Latifa Bint Mohammad bin Rashid Award for Painting, Dubai Women's Association, Dubai, UAE
- 2018 Artist in residence, Fujairah International Arts Festival Residency, Fujairah, UAE



- 2014 Member, Jury Committee, 4th Sharjah Children Biennial, Sharjah, UAE
- 2010 Member, Jury Committee, Painter Competition, Juvenile Association, Dubai, UAE
- 2009 Member, Jury Committee, Sheikha Latifa Bint Mohammad bin Rashid Award for Painting, Dubai Women's Association, Dubai, UAE
- 2008 Member, Jury Committee, 1st Sharjah Children Biennial, Sharjah, UAE
Supervisor, 10th "We are the Nation... Loyalty and Belonging", part of Sheikha Latifa Bint Mohammad bin Rashid Award for Painting, Dubai Women's Association, Dubai, UAE
- 2007 Member, Jury Committee, *Our Beaches, Between Present and Future*, Dubai National School, Dubai, UAE
Member, Jury Committee, Sheikha Latifa Bint Mohammad bin Rashid Award for Painting, Dubai Women's Association, Dubai, UAE
- 2006 Member, Jury Committee, Flower Week, Dubai Municipality, Dubai, UAE
- 1999 Member, Jury Committee, Sheikha Latifa Bint Mohammad bin Rashid Award for Painting, Dubai Women's Association, Dubai, UAE
- 1995 Member, Jury Committee, Man and the Future Competition, Sharjah Education Council, Sharjah, UAE
- 1994 Member, Jury Committee, 7th Colours of Childhood Competition, Sharjah, UAE

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- 2019 1st place, Al Owais Award, Dubai, UAE
- 2010 Best Artist, L'Officiel Arab Women Award, Dubai, UAE
- 2005 2nd place, National Olympic Committee Award, Sharjah, UAE
- 2004 Al Owais Award for Science and Innovation, Dubai, UAE

MEMBERSHIPS

Member of Emirates Fine Arts Society, UAE
Member of Lahth Gallery, KSA
Member of the Committee for the Creation of the Curriculum of Art Education, UAE

COLLECTIONS

American University of Sharjah, Sharjah, UAE
Abu Dhabi Authority for Culture and Heritage, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Commercial Bank of Dubai, Dubai, UAE
Cultural Foundation, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Dubai Collection, Dubai, UAE
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Mubadala Investment Company, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Museum of Modern Art Kuwait, Kuwait City, Kuwait
Sharjah Museum, Sharjah, UAE
Sultan Bin Ali Al Owais Cultural Foundation, Dubai, UAE
The Jordan Museum, Amman, Jordan
Private collections in the UAE and abroad