



Safeya Sharif

BORN

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

EDUCATION

2025 MFA candidate, NYUAD, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2021 BFA, Visual Arts, Zayed University, Dubai, UAE

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

2023 *Time and Identity*, Al Safa Arts and Design Library, Dubai, UAE
Press Print!, Aisha Alabbar Gallery, Dubai, UAE
2022 *Chill: Summer in the City*, Aisha Alabbar Gallery, Dubai, UAE
Psychedelic Surrealism, Quoz Art Festival, Dubai, UAE
2021 *ShowCACE: Senior Exhibition* (Zayed University), Dubai Design District, Dubai, UAE
Looking Elsewhere, Zayed University Urban Satellite Space, Dubai, UAE
The Emerald Print Exchange, Karin Clarke Gallery, Eugene, OR, USA
6X6, Rochester Contemporary Art Center, Rochester, NY, USA

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

2021 - Artist Assistant to Salama Nasib
2022
2021 Intern, Richemont - Cartier, Dubai, UAE



Biography

Safeya Sharif (b. Dubai, 1999) is a multidisciplinary Emirati artist based in Dubai. Her practice incorporates a variety of mediums, including printmaking, photography, painting, book structure, and graphic design. Safeya explores the complexities of the mind and how it could be altered. She portrays a shifted reality that is either influenced or subjected in surreal playful Compositions which capture realities interrupted by hallucinations and concluded conception such as day dreaming.

Safeya holds a BFA in Visual Art from Zayed University. She participated in a number of exhibitions in the UAE and internationally, including *Press Print!*, Aisha Alabbar Gallery, Dubai, UAE (2023); *Chill: Summer in the City*, Aisha Alabbar Gallery, Dubai, UAE (2022); *Psychedelic Surrealism*, Quoz Art Festival (2022); *Looking Elsewhere*, Zayed University Urban Satellite Space at the Foundry, Dubai, UAE (2021), *The Emerald Print Exchange* (2021), Karin Clarke Gallery, Eugene, OR (2021), and *6X6*, Rochester Contemporary Art Center, Rochester, NY (2021).

More recently, Safeya worked as an Artist Assistant to Emirati artist and printmaker Salama Nasib. She did an internship at Richemont, Cartier as part of the Arts & Culture Department, working directly with the Paris team. Safeya has also been a part of the Peer Assistant Leadership Program (PALs) at Zayed University.