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Contemporary Art Gallery in Abu Dhabi

Salwa Zeidan

IYAD QANAzea GALLERY is thrilled to present Salwa Zeidan, a Lebanese artist based in Abu Dhabi.

Salwa Zeidan, an extraordinary sculptor and painter, originally hailing from the Bekaa Valley of Lebanon but having lived the majority of her life in Abu Dhabi, UAE, has seamlessly woven her artistic brilliance into the fabric of the art world. With a deep-rooted passion for her craft, Salwa has carved a remarkable path for herself as a master of both sculptural and painterly expressions.

Salwa's artistic prowess knows no bounds, as she skillfully navigates through a diverse range of mediums. Her creative repertoire of mixed media paintings, and conceptual art pieces, captivating stone sculptures, and innovative monumental works with stainless steel and composite materials, Central to her artistic expression is the advocacy for unrestricted self-expression, driven by her relentless pursuit of profound truth, inner serenity, enlightenment, For over 35 years.

As a trailblazer of abstract minimalist art, Salwa seamlessly weaves the delicate art of calligraphy into her creations. Drawing inspiration from her remarkable ink drawings of 2004 featuring spiraling shapes, Salwa crafts sculptures that reverberate with the grace and elegance of these intricate patterns. The motif of the spiral holds a profound significance in Salwa's oeuvre, symbolizing the perpetual evolution of humanity, continuously swaying in an internal pendulum of progress and growth. This enigmatic theme permeates both her sculptures and paintings, breathing life into her artistic vision.

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Salwa's artistic career has earned her widespread acclaim on the global stage, as her inspiring paintings and sculptures grace esteemed galleries and prestigious private collections spanning continents. Her paintings and sculptures have found their rightful place in renowned art collections such as the USA, Switzerland, and Italy, France. Notably, her captivating works have also been showcased in prominent art fairs and prestigious biennales around the world. From London to Turkey, the United Arab Emirates, to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Iran to Kuwait, and Egypt to Lebanon.

Throughout her illustrious career, Salwa's artistic prowess has been acknowledged and honored with numerous prestigious awards from esteemed institutions and renowned events. She has received accolades from esteemed platforms such as the Florence Biennale, among many others. These coveted recognitions serve as a testament to Salwa's exceptional talent and unwavering dedication to her craft.

SPECIAL EVENT:

2009 - 2010 Abu Dhabi International Sculpture Symposium 2010, Abu Dhabi UAE

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2009 "In Light", Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2007 Fairmont Gallery, Dallas, USA
2006 Sultan Gallery, Kuwait City, Kuwait
Keramich Atelier, Utrecht, Holland
2004 Ajjal Art Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
Loft 44, Private Space, Beirut, Lebanon
2003 Art METZ, Metz, France
Art Istanbul, Mac 2000, Istanbul, Turkey
Mac 2000 Paris, France
2002 Gallery Pierre-Michel Paris, France
Art Istanbul, Mac 2000 Istanbul, Turkey
"Art for Peace" at Fairmont Hotel Dubai, U.A.E
2001 & 2000 Mac 2000 Paris, France
2000 Gallery Zabbeni, Vevey, Switzerland
"Culture for Peace", Alchemy Gallery, London, U.K
1999 Fransabank, Private Space, Beirut, Lebanon
Gallery Zabbeni, Vevey, Switzerland
1997 Gallery, Epreuve d'Artiste, Beirut, Lebanon
1995 Cultural Foundation, Abu Dhabi, U.A.E
Gallery Zabbeni, Vevey, Switzerland
1994 Cassia & Zeidan Art Gallery, Abu Dhabi, U.A.E
1990 ARTCHOICE Gallery, Abu Dhabi, U.A.E

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2022 "Unlimited", Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2022 "ART MIX", Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2021 "REVISIT-REDISCOVER", Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2020 "Break Art From Middle East", Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2019 "Transpose", Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2018 "Summer Fresh", Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2017 "Timeless", Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2017 "Cut and Tie", Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2017 "Focus", Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2016 "Diversity" Spring show, Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2016 "Expanding Horizon II", Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2016 "Tales From the Past", Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2016 "A Different Spring", Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE

- 2015
 "Culture of Peace" - Exhibition in Tehran, Iran
 "Shaping Scenes" – Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
 "Fresh and Light" - Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
 "Interlocking Harmonies" - Cube Arts Gallery, DIFC, Dubai, UAE
 Bahrain Art fair 2015, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain
 Abu Dhabi Art Fair 2015, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Saadiyat District, UAE
- 2014
 Edition 1: Abu Dhabi Calling/Dubai - Cube Arts Gallery, DIFC, Dubai, UAE
 "Expanding Horizons I" – Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
 "Collective Chemistry" - Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
 Abu Dhabi Art Fair 2014, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Saadiyat District, UAE
- 2013
 New Beginnings, Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Saadiyat Island Resort, UAE
 Abu Dhabi Art Fair 2013, Manarat Saadiyat Island, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2012
 Scope Basel 2013, Basel Switzerland
 Exploring Space, Jawaher Al Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi
 Hidden Collection, Rocco Forte Hotel, Abu Dhabi
 India ArtFair, New Delhi, India
- 2011
 Accrochages III, Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
 Dubai Art, Jumeirah, Dubai, UAE
 Abu Dhabi Artfair 2011, Emirates Palace, UAE
 Menas Artfair, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2010
 Globe Exhibition, Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi
 Art Abu Dhabi 2010, Abu Dhabi, UAE
 Just Print Show, Salwa Zeidan Gallery
- 2009
 Accrochages 2, Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2008
 Accrochages 1, Salwa Zeidan Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
 11th International Cairo Biennale, Cairo, Egypt
- 2007
 4 Walls Gallery, Dubai, UAE
 Graz Cultural Centre, Graz, Austria
 Convergence India, Mumbai, India
 Ljubljana Cultural Centre Ljubljana, Slovenia
 2006 10th International Cairo Biennale, Cairo, Egypt
 Artists Contemporains 2006, Geneva, Switzerland
 "July 2006", Europia Gallery, Paris, France
- 2004
 Art-confrontation, Black & White, Rouen, France
 Public Execution Big Glass Exit-Art, New York, USA
 2003 Florence Biennale (Awarded 4th place), Florence, Italy
- 2002
 International Contemporary Art, Izmir, Turkey
 Biennale of Islamic Art, Tehran, Iran
 Small Works 2002, Louisville Cultural Centre, Kentucky, USA
 Summer 2002, Gallery Zero, Barcelona, Spain
- 2001
 Art-Confrontation, "5 Femmes Artistes", Rouen, France
 Gallery Espace – Chatelet Victoria, Paris, France
 DEM, Municipality of Paris, Paris, France
 Art-Confrontation Gallery, Rouen, France
 Atelier Z Gallery, Paris, France
 Tanja - Cultural Centre, "Homage à Adonis", Tanja, Tunis

2000	L'Institut du Monde Arabe, "Homage à Adonis", Paris, France
2000	Artuel, International Art Fair, Beirut, Lebanon
1999	Artuel, International Art Fair, Beirut, Lebanon Kisrwan Cultural Centre, Jounieh, Lebanon
1998	Young Lebanese Artist (1st Prize), Tripoli, Lebanon
1996	Sursok Museum, Beirut, Lebanon Lebanese Contemporary Artist, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia Lebanese Contemporary Art, Beirut, Lebanon
1995	Ministry of Culture, Beirut, Lebanon Catholic Cultural Centre, Beirut, Lebanon
1994, 93, 92	Cultural Foundation, Abu Dhabi, UAE
1989	Exhibition of Arab Artists, Sharjah, UAE
1988	Byblos Cultural Festival, Byblos, Lebanon

PUBLICATIONS

2009	Salwa Zeidan 'In Light'
2008	11th Cairo Biennale Catalogue 4 Walls Gallery Catalogue
2006	100 Famous Contemporary Artists Juillet 2006 10th Cairo International Biennale Catalogue UNITED STATES AND THE WORLD FACE TO FACE
2004	Syria and Lebanon Salwa Zeidan Art Metz
2003	XXIIème Biennale D'Alexandrie Des Pays de la Méditerranée Biennale Internazionale Dell'Arte Contemporanea Quarta Edizione 2003
2003 - 2000	MAC 2000 Manifestation d'Art Contemporain
2003 & 2002	Art Istanbul
2002	Salwa Zeidan, For Peace
2001	Cedar Wings, Creators from Lebanon Al Dalil 2001 Lebanese Artists Guide
2000	Artuel Salon International d'Art Contemporain Artuel Foire International d'Art Contemporain
1998	Jabal Jeune Artists des Beaux Arts du Liban
1995 - 1999	Salwa Zeidan Recent Paintings

Art Fairs

2013	Beyond the booth Artist in Abu Dhabi Artfair 2013, Saadiyat Island, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2011	Abu Dhabi Artfair 2011, Emirates palace, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2011	Dubai Art Fair, Madinat Jumeriah, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2010	Abu Dhabi Artfair 2010, Emirates Palace, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2014 till 2021	Abu Dhabi Art Fair, Saadiyat Island, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2017	Beirut Art Fair, Beirut International Exhibition and Leisure Center
2021	Dubai Art Fair, Madinat Jumeriah, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2022	Abu Dhabi Art Fair, Saadiyat Island, Abu Dhabi, UAE
2023	MENART FAIR Paris, Palais d'Iena. Paris



Untitled 5 | Acrylic on Board | 70 x 50 cm | 2006



Untitled | Mixed media on canvas | 135 x 90 cm | 2011



Mixed media on Canvas | 100 x 100 cm | 2007



Untitled | Acrylic on canvas | 100 x 90 cm | 2007



Untitled | Ink on cardboard | 35 x 25 cm | 2004



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Untitled | Mixed media ink on carton | 70 x 50 cm | 2007



Untitled | 35 x 25 cm | Ink on board | 2004



Untitled | 35 x 25 cm | Ink on board | 2004



Untitled | Ink on silk | 55 x 75 cm | 2006



Untitled | Media Mixed on paper | 64 x 94 cm | 2009



Untitled | Mixed media on Canvas | 136 x101 cm | 2010



Untitled | Mixed media on canvas | 100x100 cm | 2007



Untitled | Mixed Media on board | 25 x 45cm | 2009



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Untitled | Ink on board | 52 x 72 cm | 2007



Untitled | Acrylic on paper | 142 x 112 cm | 2015



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Untitled | Acrylic on canvas | 136 x176 cm | 2015



Untitled | Acrylic on cardboard | 55 x 40 cm | 2004



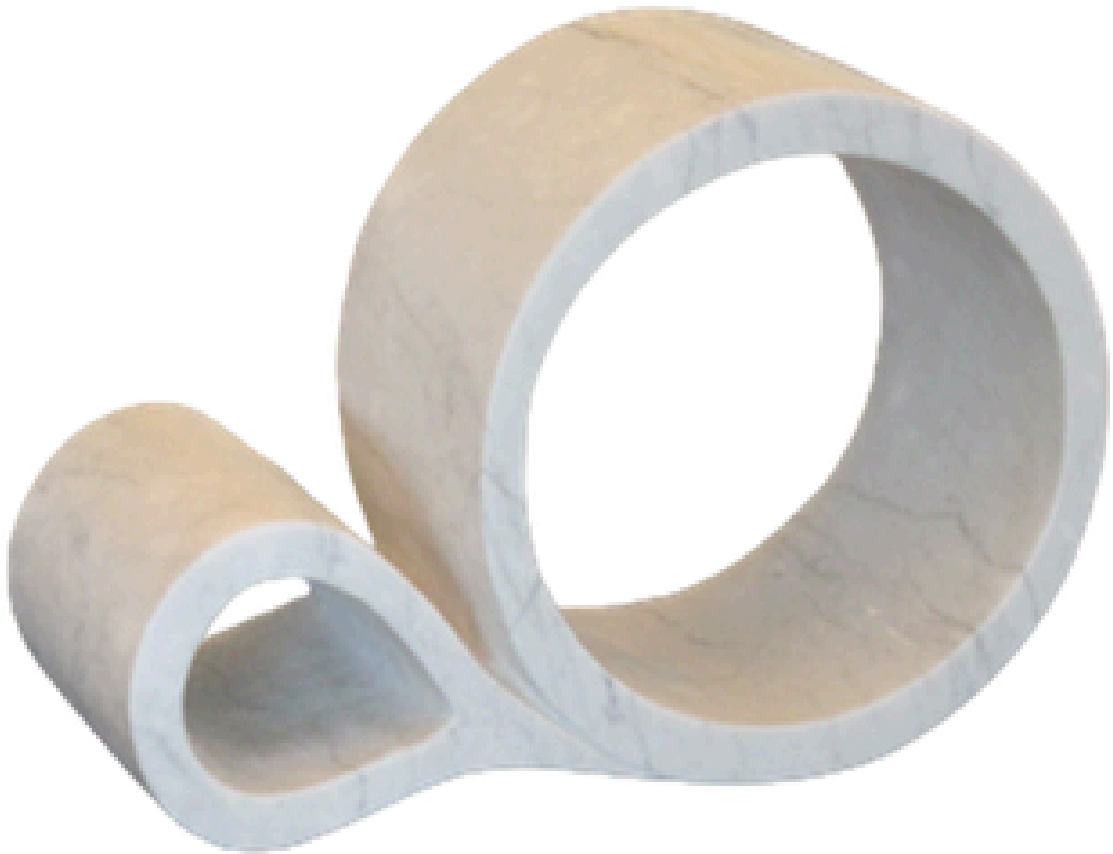
Untitled | Acrylic on cardboard | 55 x 40 cm | 2004



Untitled | Print on canvas | 55 x 40 cm | 2007



Untitled | Mixed Media on Canvas | 148 x 100 cm | 2010



Devine Connection | 2021 | White Marble | 35x21x14 cm



Devine Connection | 2021 | Black Marble | 35x21x14 cm



Endless Spiral | 2021 | Black Marble | 35x33x32 cm



Untitled | 2024 | white marble | 32x32x36



Spiral Series 6 | H23xW28xD35 cm | 2010



Black Marble Spiral Series 16 | 25 x 28.5 x 35 cm | 2010



Spiral Series | 2010 | Black Marble | 23x26x25 cm



Spiral Series | Black marble | 70x49x55 cm | 2021



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