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EXHIBITION CENTER

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ART GALLERY

“It is a place of openness, not corporeal, inner space, which allows only admissible free gazes, in which the inclusion of the different, perhaps extraneous to any of our expectations or illusions, becomes a support source. At that point our vision will be continuously pushed into the vortexes of a tale that will be deliberately complex because it will be fed by absolutely personal and alternative alphabets, by hybrid syntagms, enunciation of highly original contamination. Fragments of a story that overlap, intersect, mix in the convulsive rhythm of the parts and in the strength of continuous hybridization. Original brightness, at the beginning of a new time that shows itself in elevation as a sacred gesture, a ritual offering for the entire community.”

A part of Wopart 2022's statement



## **Babak Baharestani**

1975

Art Director  
PhD in Architecture

Founder of "Saye Art Gallery" 2014  
Founder of "Saye Architects" 2002

[www.sayeartgallery.com](http://www.sayeartgallery.com)  
[www.sayearchitects.com](http://www.sayearchitects.com)



## **Saye Art Gallery**

Saye Art Gallery, that was established in 2014 by Babak Baharestani in Tehran, has played an important role in introducing contemporary Iranian artists to International art scene. This Gallery, focusing on contemporary art and new media, has held various cultural events and exhibitions in Iran and other countries.



SAYE ART GALLERY PRESENTS

## **Babak Baharestani**

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1975.Tabriz.Iran

PhD in architecture, Faculdade de Arquitetura, Universidade de Lisboa, Portugal

### EXHIBITIONS:

2022 Objet 4, Group construction furniture exhibition, Niavaran Cultural Center, Tehran, Iran

2020 Chaos, Group exhibition, Saye Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran

2020 Postcards, Group exhibition, Saye Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran

2019 The Demon, Group exhibition, Saye Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran

2018 Composed on scaffolding, Group exhibition, Saye Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran

2006 Group photography exhibition, Mane Honare No, Tehran, Iran

### Seminars:

2022 "From Context to Margin", Lecture in Faculty de architecture, University of Lisbon, Lisbon, Portugal

2018 "Interdisciplinary critique with an architectural approach", Talk in Saye art gallery, Tehran, Iran

2017 "The architect is present", talk in Saye Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran 07.2017

2017 Consciousness-anima mundi festival, presentation of Saye Architects' projects, Venice, Italy

2016 "Galleriscene med vokseværk for foden af Alborzbjergene", talk with Danish Journal, Information, Copenhagen, Denmark

1999 Talk at the second conference of Iranian Architect Students with the topic "A review on the architecture after the Revolution in Iran", Shiraz, Iran

Artificial landscape | 2012 | 105 x 70 cm | Print on Fine Art Paper | 4/7





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**Sheida Gholipour**

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1963. Babol. Iran

1987 .BA Audiology, Tehran University, Tehran, Iran

SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

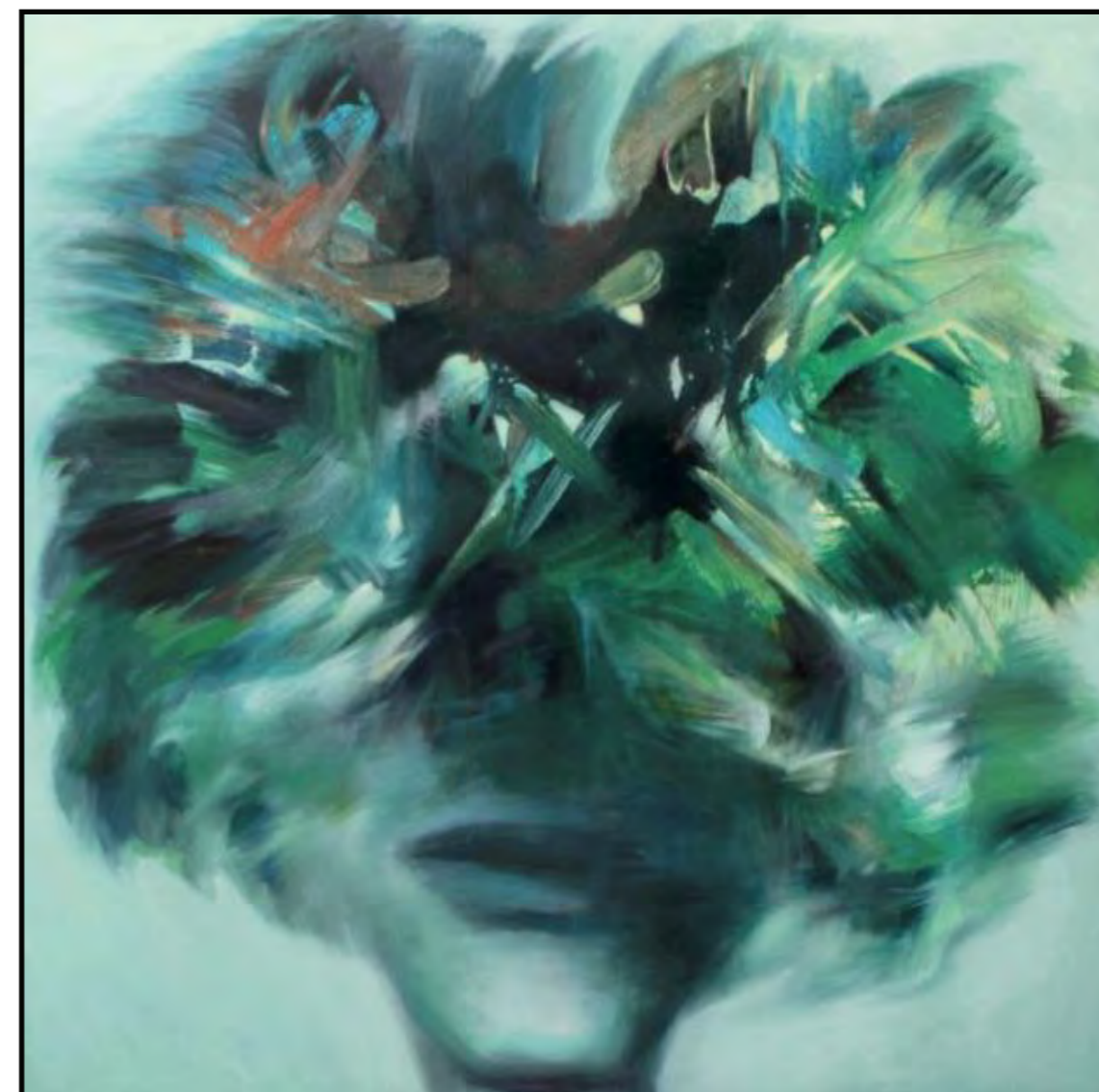
- 2022 Neghah art gallery, Tehran, Iran
- 2019 Saye art gallery, Tehran, Iran
- 2017 NUT art gallery, Tehran, Iran
- 2014 Khayam art gallery, Babol, Iran
- 2008 Seyhoun art gallery, Tehran, Iran
- 2007 Seyhoun art gallery, Tehran, Iran
- 2005 Seyhoun art gallery, Tehran, Iran
- 2005 Hariri science foundation, Babol, Iran
- 1999 Seyhoun art gallery. Tehran, Iran
- 1955 Seyhoun art gallery, Tehran, Iran
- 1995 Novin art gallery, Isfahan, Iran
- 1993 Classic art gallery, Babol, Iran
- 1991 Babol museum, Babol, Iran
- 1991 Seyhoun art gallery, Tehran, Iran

GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

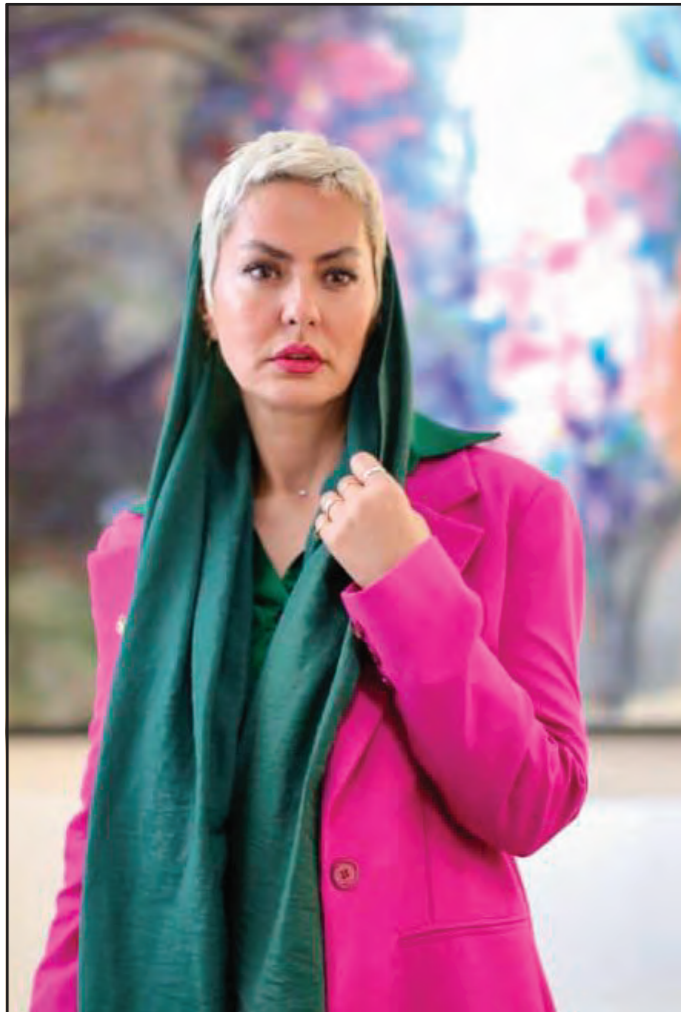
- 2022 Participated in Armenia Art Fair The 3rd Edition, Yerevan, Armenia
- 2019 "Human and Anxiety", Iranian Artists Forum, Tehran, Iran
- 2017 "Peace Time", SATURA art gallery, Genoa, Italia
- 2017 "The seventh exhibition of Iranian Painters", Iranian Artists Forum, Tehran, Iran
- 2016 Afrand art gallery, Tehran, Iran
- 2015 Iranian Painters Biennial, Tehran Museum of contemporary art, Tehran, Iran



Title: Self-portait  
Technique: Mixed Media on Paper  
Size: 44 x 44 cm  
Year: 2022



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Technique: Mixed Media on Paper  
Size: 44 x 44 cm  
Year: 2022



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## **Elham Ghorbanishad**

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1971.Tehran.Iran

1995 .BA Painting, Islamic Azad University, Tehran, Iran

SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

2022 Guye Gallery, Tehran, Iran

2020 Saye Art Gallery Solo Exhibition, Tehran, Iran

2017 26 Art Gallery Solo Exhibition, Tehran, Iran

GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

2022 Participated in Armenia Art Fair The 3rd Edition, Yerevan, Armenia

2022 Dubai World Art, Dubai

2019 Golestan Gallery's 100 Art works by 100 Artists, Tehran, Iran

2019 As Art Gallery Group Exhibition; Tehran, Iran

2017 Florence Biennial, Italy

2017 Fair Art Parma, Italy

2017 Saba Cultural Institute Group Exhibition, Tehran, Iran

2013 Panjereh Art Gallery Group Exhibition, Tehran, Iran

2009 Art Center Group Exhibition, Tehran, Iran

AWARDS:

2008 Winner of the 1st Imam Ali City Museum's Grand Exhibition and Festival, Tehran, Iran





Title: Untitled  
Technique: Mixed Media on Paper  
Size: 50 x 35 cm  
Year: 2022



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Technique: Mixed Media on Paper  
Size: 50 x 35 cm  
Year: 2022



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## Zahra Heidari

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1989.Tehran.Iran

Master's degree in graphics

### EXHIBITIONS:

2017 Nature Photography Exhibition and Fine Art Exhibition in Art Fair of San Sebastian, Spain

2016 Benevolent-aiming Photography Group Exhibition titled "White Frames" in Theme Gallery of Tehran, Iran

2015 Photography Group Exhibition in Photography Website of 1pix.ir in Tehran Artist Forum Gallery, Iran

2014 Photography Group Exhibition titled "The End of Earth" in Tehran Artist Forum Gallery, Iran

2012 Photography Group Exhibition in Niavaran Culture Club of Tehran, Iran

2012 Photography Solo Exhibition titled "Get Closer" in Kamaladin Behzad Gallery, Tehran, Iran

### AWARDS:

Winner at Nowruz International Photography Festival in Tajikistan, 2017

Winner at 1st Tehran Book City Photography Festival, 2016 Spring

Winner of Best Photos Award in Durbin Net Website, 2016

Winner of 2016 Mental Health Festival

Winner at 3rd International Khayyam Photo Festival, 2015 Spring

Winner at 12th Festival for Photo of the Year in Creativity and Documentary Section, 2014 Spring

Winner and Awarded by FIAP Ribbon at 20nd International Khayyam Photo Festival, 2014 Spring

Winner at 11th Festival for Photo of the Year in Winter News Section, 2013 Spring

Top Winner of Masar Photography Contest in Tehran University



Title: The rogue horse of imagination  
Technique: Black & White Photo Printed on Fine Art Paper  
Size: 75 x 55 cm  
Year: 2016



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Size: 75 x 55 cm  
Year: 2016



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## **Amir Hossein Heshmati**

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1961.Tehran.Iran

Electrical Engineer

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS :

(2019) Saye Gallery / No War Nearby

(2018) Saye Gallery / True Taste of Tranquility

(2016) Shirin Gallery / 26 Photographers

(2016) Shirin Art Gallery / Le pays des jardins des fantômes

(2015) Behnam Daheshpour Charity Organization / Crescent to Crescent and Everything in Between Collection

(2015) Shirin Art Gallery / A Late Beginning (Seven Years Photography of Amir Hossein Heshmati)

(2014) Siin Gallery / Colors of My Homeland

(2013) Siin Gallery / Placid Windows Collection

(2012) Siin Gallery / Dances with the Colours of the Wind Collection

(2011) Shirin Art Gallery / Kaashehaye (Thin Ice on Water) Gharedaagh Collection

(2010) Aun Gallery / Nature in Motion Collection

(2009) Vaali Art Gallery / Drops of Love Collection

(2009) Maan Ara Gallery / The Hope Collection

(2008) Vali Art Gallery / Kangelaan Tree Collection

### CURATING :

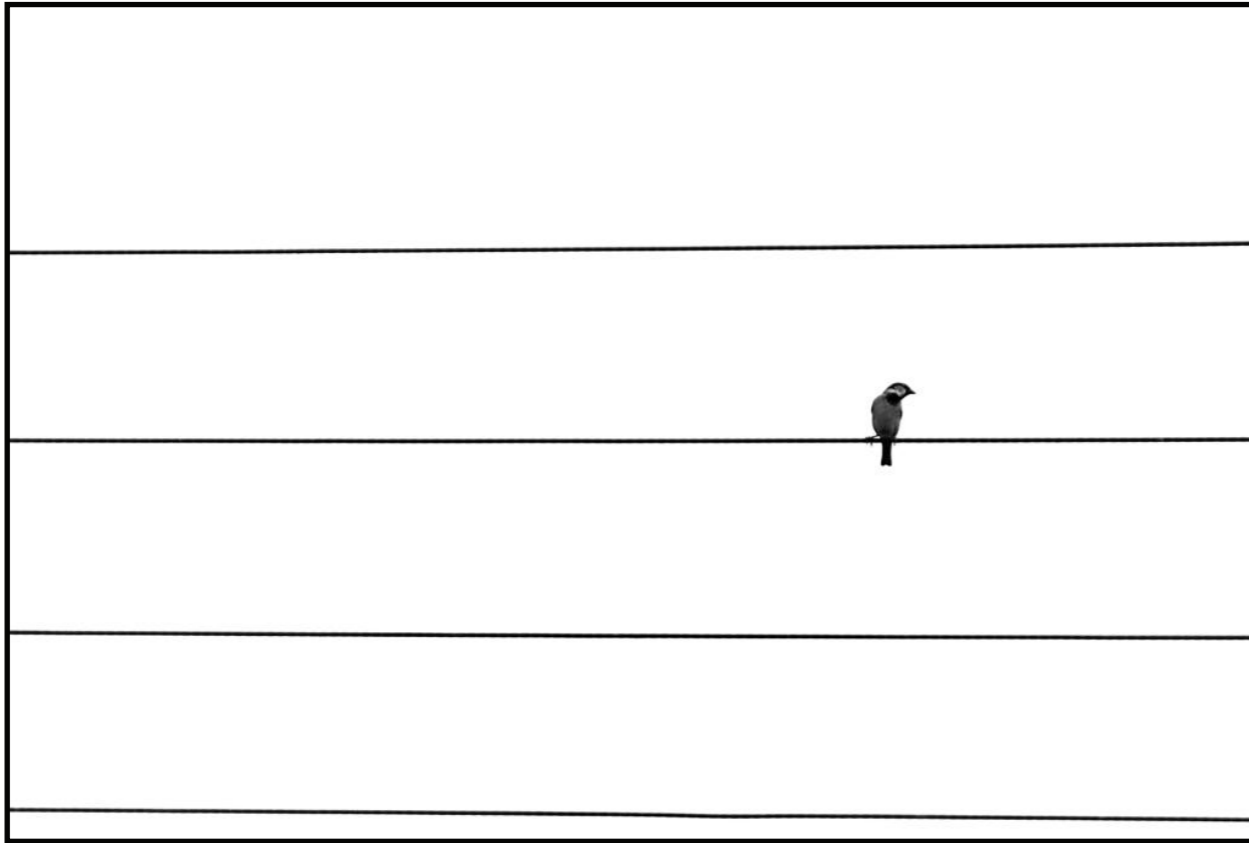
(2016) Shirin Gallery / 26 Photographers

This exhibition includes collections by 26 women photographers, from three generations, whose works reflect their unique photographic vision of the world around them.

### BOOKS :

(2016) A Late Beginning Seven Years Photography of Amir Hossein Heshmati

(2016) 26 Photographers, Collected & Edited by Amir Hossein Heshmati



Title: Untitled  
Technique: Printed on Fine Art Paper  
Size: 75 x 50 cm  
Year: 2015  
Edition: Artist Proof 1 & 2



Title: From the Series "Nature in Motion"  
Technique: Printed on Fine Art Paper  
Size: 75 x 50 cm  
Year: 2010  
Edition: Artist Proof 1 & 2



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## Maryam Jahani

I've created various personalities within. I constantly create personalities. Each of my dreams, as soon as I start dreaming it, is immediately incarnated in another person, who is then the one dreaming it, and not I.

To create, I've destroyed myself. I've so externalized myself on the inside that I don't exist there except externally. I'm the empty stage where various actors act out various plays.

Fernando ,Pessoa

-The book of disquietude

## Maryam Jahani

1986.Tehran.Iran

B.A, Architecture, Art & Architecture Azad university, Zanjan, Iran

### EXHIBITIONS:

Attended in Group Printmaking Exhibition, Hengam Art gallery Mashhad, Iran, 2021

Attended in annual iranian visual Artists Festival,Mehrad ArtGallery Karaj, Iran, 2021

Attended in Group Printmaking Exhibition, Edition , Curated By : Foad Sharifi, Isfahan ,Gozar Art Gallery, Iran, 2020

Attended in Group Painting Exhibition, Hoo Art Gallery Tehran, Iran, 2019

Attended in Portrait Exhibition, Unseens , Haan Art Gallery, Curated By : Foad Sharifi, Shiraz,Iran, 2019

Attended in Group Printmaking Exhibition, Istanbul, Turkey, 2019

Attended in annual Printmaking exchange,Laleh Art Gallery nowruzaneh, Tehran, 2018

Attended in Group Painting Exhibition, Atbin Art Gallery Tehran, Iran, 2018

Attended The 7th Mini print Exhibition, Spazio 74/b Milano, Milan, Italy, 2017

Attended in Printmaking Exhibition, Chicago Printmakers Gallery, Chicago, US, 2017

Attended in Printmaking Exhibition,Galleri Sagene Kunstsmie, Oslo, Norway, 2017

Attended in Painting Exhibition ,Tehran, Iran, 2017

Attended in secoend research work of members-under 40 years old- of The Iranian association of artists, Iranian Artist House, Tehran, Iran, 2016

Group Painting Exhibition, Tehran, Iran, 2015

Attended in the 4th Art Expo of several Generations of Iranian contemporary Artist, Tehran, Iran, 2015

Attended in Group Painting Exhibition, Tehran, Saye Art Gallery Iran, 2014

Attended in annual Printmaking exchange , Laleh Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran, 2014

Attended in annual Printmaking Festival ( Nowruz ), Tehran, Iran, 2014

Attended in commemorate of "Takhti" Visual art Exhibition, Shirin Art Gallery Tehran, Iran, 2014

Solo Painting Exhibition, Atbin Art gallery,Tehran, Iran, 2013

### AWARDS:

Selected one in Fifth visual Art Festival , Iran, 2021

The Praised one in 4th Art show of several Generations of Iranian contemporary Artist, Tehran, Iran, 2015

The Selected Artworks of 4th annual mini prints, Tehran, Iran, 2017

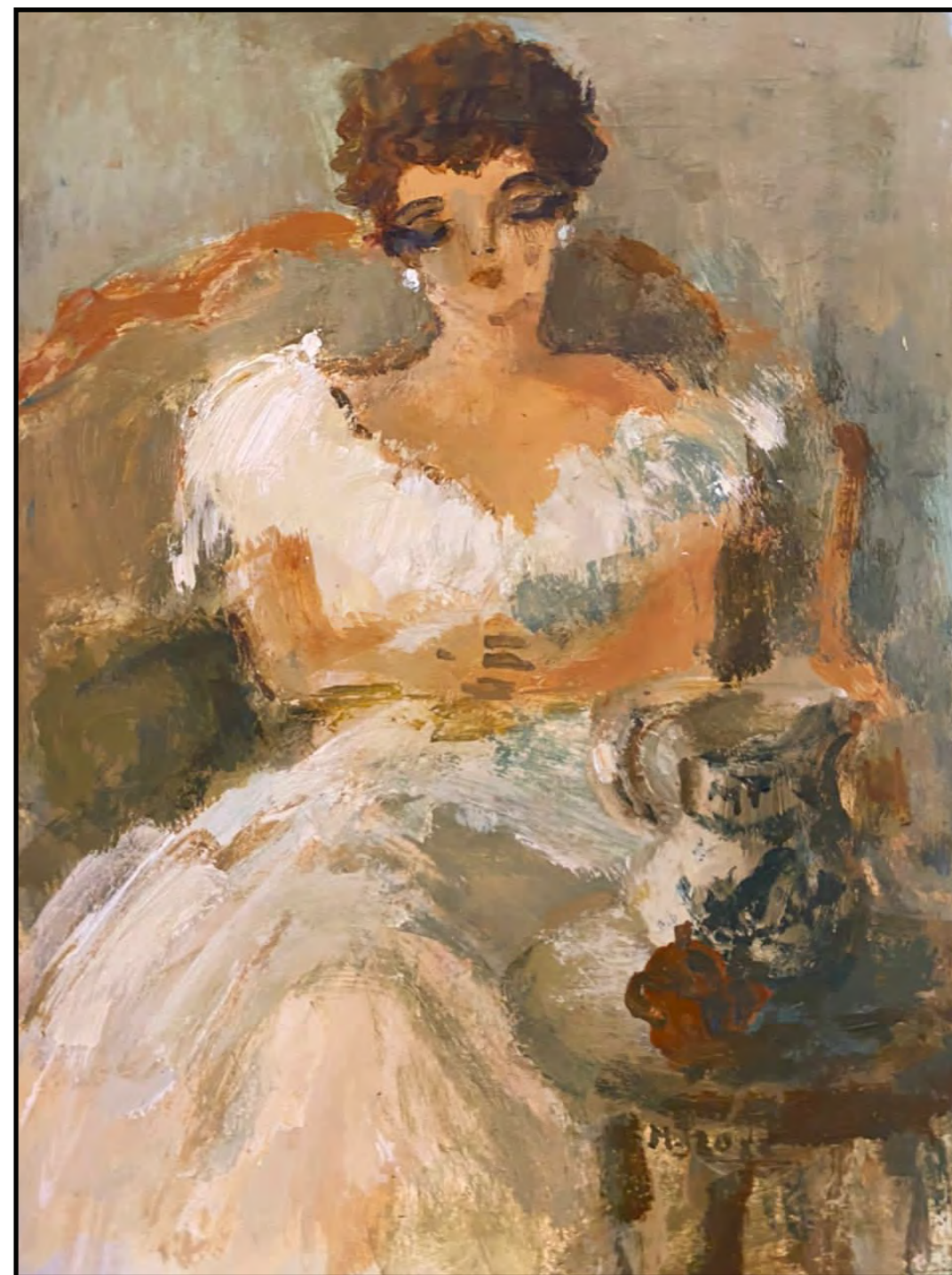
The Selected Artworks of Exhibition Jahan Pahlavan Takhti, By:Arash Tanhaei, Tehran, Iran, 2014

The Selected Artworks of the Exhibition, A Dweller of Nowadays, in the memory of the Iranian Poet, Forough Farokhzad, By:Arash Tanhaei, Tehran, Iran, 2013

The Praised one in Selected New Generation ,Iran, 2011



Title: Memories of the pink bird  
Technique: Acrylic on russian paper  
Size: 52 x 40 cm  
Year: 2022



Title: I Wish Someone Were Waiting for Me Somewhere  
Technique: Acrylic on russian paper  
Size: 52 x 40 cm  
Year: 2022



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## **Mahboubeh Mirzaei**

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1979, Tehran, Iran

BA Art, Tehran Art University, Tehran, Iran

Group Exhibitions :

2022 Participated in Armenia Art Fair The 3rd Edition, Yerevan, Armenia

2019 Swart International Painting Festival, Exhibition Venue at HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Boston, USA

2018 Second UNESCO International Art Fair, Paris, France

2017 The exhibition of one thousand and one glazed plates, Iranshahr Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran

2017 Nature Group Exhibition, Farda Gallery, Tehran, Iran

2017 Multimedia group exhibition, Dena Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran

2017 Group exhibition of contemporary Iranian watercolor artists, Andisheh Cultural Center, Tehran, Iran

2016 The third group exhibition of small paintings auction, Iran Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran

It was the summer of eighteen years when I felt a severe pain in my head in the middle of a volleyball game for no reason. It took me seven years from my stay to getting up and leaving again, seven years that were headaches and headaches and headaches.

Severe headaches that disrupted my personal, academic and artistic life..and the result was double nose and vibration in my eyes, dizziness, inability to stop walking and sitting, and finally consecutive falls..the best doctors too. Head. He does not know what is the cause of these strange headaches and what is going on in my head.

Numerous conferences, meetings and investigations, the results of which had nothing to do with ending my headaches. At night, due to not sleeping and being in pain, I resorted to a piece of cloth that I gave to my mother and sister and told them to pull it from both sides until my head became completely numb and my eyes felt a little sleepy. And these headaches and tremors in vision kept me at home for seven continuous years, and I quit school and work, and had to sleep at home, not even sit.

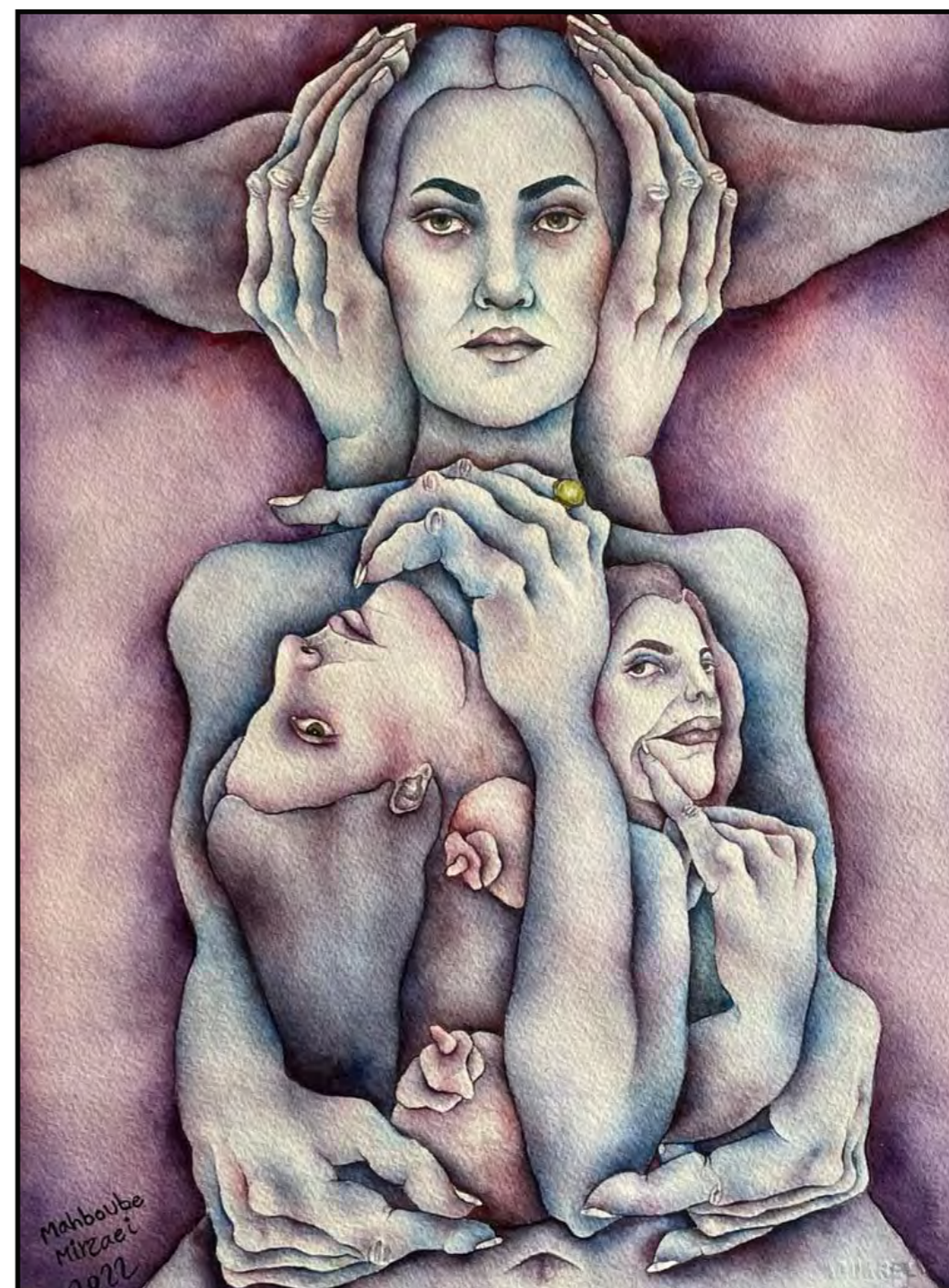
Seven years later..

On the morning of my twenty-fifth birthday, when I woke up after one of the nights of pain, there was no sign of pain anymore.. The deep pain in my head, just as it had come without notice, went without notice seven years later, and I was all for this. I thought I had left the best years of my life behind deep pain that I never understood.





Title: Self portrait  
Technique: Watercolor on paper  
Size: 52 x 41 cm  
Year: 2022



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Technique: Watercolor on paper  
Size: 52 x 41 cm  
Year: 2022



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## Hani Najm

Illustrating the everyday life of people is the main focus of my works. For this, I go to public places such as cafes, buses or the subway, to get a better sense of social reality.

I've always escaped habits, because they're the enemy of creativity and thought. Sometimes, I go beyond the borders of the canvas and all this has led me to disposing objects and recycled art. The environment is also one of my main concerns and the future of plastic over-consumption worries me very much.

My artistic goal is to have an influence on society because I feel people need to think beyond all actions and behaviors that have become daily habits.

## Hani Najm

1986.Tehran.Iran

2019. M.A. in Graphics, Maziar University, Iran

Permanent member of the Iranian Painters Association

Member of the Kids and Adolescent Books Illustrators Association

Member of the Visual Arts Development Institute

Professional Participations & Awards:

2022

- Participated in Armenia Art Fair The 3rd Edition, Yerevan, Armenia

2019

- Participation in the Armenia Art Fair, Armenia.
- Participation in the Art Quake Kyoto, Creativity Biennale, Japan.
- Group Exhibition, Galeria 89, Paris, France.
- Group Exhibition, Union of Spring, Vancouver, Canada.

2018

- Gromicho, Lisbon, Portugal.
- Participation in the Oxford International Art Fair, London, UK.

2015

- Book Published, "Near but Far"
- Finalist in the Magic of Persia Contemporary Art Prize, London, UK.
- Nominee in the short-list of Magic of Persia Contemporary Art Prize, London, UK.
- Group Exhibition, Frisco Fine Art Gallery, Dallas, USA.
- Soft Silence of the Arts, Iran Contemporary Art Collection, Atelier Natalia

2017

- Participation in the Venice Art Fair, Euro Expo Art, Italy.
- Participation in the Biennial Painting Exhibition, Beijing.
- Participation in the Art Fair Parma, Italy.
- Group Exhibition, Linda Farrell Gallery, Paris, France.

2012

- Top five nominees in the professional part, Best of The Disposable Festival,

2011

- Group Painting Exhibition, The Mine Gallery, Dubai, UAE.
- Second Drawing Prize Winner, Subject: City, Shams Festival, Tehran, Iran.
- Nominated in The first New Art national festival, Museum of Contemporary Art, Ahwaz, Iran.
- Book Published, "Iranian Celebrities"

2010

- First Prize Winner in drawing at the first national festival of The Young Laureate of Iran's third contemporary drawing festival, Imam Ali Museum Iranian, Saba Museum
- Nominated in Damoonfar visual arts festival, Mellat Cinema Compound, drawing and painting, Tehran, Iran.
- Laureate of Iran's second contemporary drawing festival, Imam Ali Museum

2009

- Nominated in the ninth Contemporary Drawing Festival, Atashzad Gallery



Title: Tea and People  
 Technique: Acrylic on Teabags  
 Size: 40 x 40 cm  
 Year: 2019



Title: Tea and People  
 Technique: Acrylic on Teabags  
 Size: 40 x 40 cm  
 Year: 2019



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## Sara Rashidi

## Sara Rashidi

Born in June 1986, Tehran, Iran  
Visual Artist Based in Tehran  
Painter, Printmaker & Photographer

### Education:

2014 Master of Art Research, University of Science and Culture, Tehran, Iran  
2008 Bachelor of English Translation, Allameh Tabataba'i University, Tehran, Iran

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

2020 Solo Print Exhibition "Separation from The Moon", Crimson corners, Saye Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran  
2020 Solo Photo Exhibition "Manifestation of A Dream Transformed", Saye Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran  
2019 Solo Photo Exhibition "Sound of Silence", Saye Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran  
2017 Two Person Painting Exhibition "Duet", Art Gallery 26, Tehran, Iran  
2016 Solo Photo Exhibition "Hidden Eden", Theme Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran  
2013 Solo Painting Exhibition, Shalman Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran

### Selected International Group Exhibitions & Art Fair Participations:

2022 Participated in Armenia Art Fair The 3rd Edition, Yerevan, Armenia  
2021 Participated in Istanbul Art and Antique Art Fair, Istanbul, Turkey  
2021 Participated in The 5th Vernice Art Fair and The Euro Expo Art project, Forli, Italy  
2021 Participated in The 5th Annual MonoVisions Black and White Photography Magazine Competition, London, UK  
2021 Participated in "Ashurst Emerging Artist Prize" Call, London, UK  
2021 International Group Exhibition of Contemporary Art "Love My Body", M.A.D.S Art Gallery, Milan, Italy  
2020 International Group Exhibition of Contemporary Art "Fable", M.A.D.S Art Gallery, Milan, Italy  
2020 International Group Exhibition of Contemporary Art "Mater <Reconditis Oedipus>", M.A.D.S Art Gallery, Milan, Italy  
2019 Participated in fig Bilbao the 8th Edition International Print & Works on Paper Art Festival, Bilbao, Spain

### Awards:

2021 Winner of the Fine Art Honorable Mention of the 5th Annual MonoVisions Black and White Photography Magazine Competition, Winning Entry "Hidden Eden" Collection, London, UK  
2017 3rd Nominee & 3rd Prize, 1st Photo Annual, "From Side walk" Exhibition & Contest, Ehsan Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran



Title: Birds Of An Empty Nest From An Untitled Series (1)  
Technique: Black & White Photo Printed On Fine Art Paper  
Size: 75 x 55 cm  
Year: 2022  
Edition: 1/5



Title: Birds Of An Empty Nest From An Untitled Series (2)  
Technique: Black & White Photo Printed On Fine Art Paper  
Size: 75 x 55 cm  
Year: 2022  
Edition: 1/5



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