

Mehdi Farhadian

Born Tehran, Iran, 1980
Lives Tehran, Iran

EDUCATION

2008 MA, Tehran University, Tehran, Iran
2005 BA, Tehran University, Tehran, Iran

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2020

Twilight, Aaran Projects, Tehran

2018

Parade Square, Richard Taittinger Gallery, New York

New Watercolors, Richard Taittinger Gallery (Lower Level Gallery), New York

2016

Sanctums of Decision, Richard Taittinger Gallery, New York

2014

Fires & Flowers, Mah Art Gallery, Tehran

2013

A Miracle for the Whole World, Lawrie Shabibi Gallery, Dubai (cat.)

2011

BAHARESTAN, Mah Art Gallery, Tehran

2009

Untitled, Mah Art Gallery, Tehran

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2022

Ode to Spring, Aaran Projects, Tehran

Lucid Dreams - Online Viewing, O Gallery, Tehran

Part of Piece, Nowon Gallery, Tehran

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2021

Pulp Narratives, Aaran Projects, Tehran
This is Tehran, Javid Art Gallery, Tehran
Collector 9, Artibition, Tehran

2020

Spiting Plato Re Architecture, Inja-Gallery, Tehran

2018

Artworks on Paper, Silk Print and Digital Print, Aaran Projects, Tehran

2017

Summertime, Mah Art Gallery, Tehran

2016

ART CAPITAL (Comparison), Grand Palais, Paris

2015

Iran Art Now!, Setareh Gallery, Dusseldorf
The Great Game, Iran pavilion, Venice Biennale

2014

Born in Tehran, Laleh June Galerie Basel, Basel, Switzerland
Fires and Flowers, Mah Art Gallery, Tehran

2012

The Sea, XVA Gallery, Dubai

2011

Magic of Persia, Royal College of Arts, London
Magic of Persia Contemporary Art Prize, Traffic Gallery, Dubai, UAE

2010

Landscape, Aaran Gallery, Tehran
To Paint Cinema, Mohsen Gallery, Tehran

2009

In the Mood for Paper, F2 Gallery, Beijing
Iran Inside Out, Chelsea Museum, New York
Iran on Paper, The Last 10 Years (from Fereydoon Ave's "LAAL" collection),
Aaran Gallery, Tehran
Iran/Painting/Now, Silk Road Gallery, Tehran
Iran Without Border, Galerie Almine Rech, Paris
Movers & Shakers in Contemporary Iranian Art, LTMH Gallery, New York

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2007

Radical Drawing 1, Azad Art Gallery, Tehran

Radical Drawing 2, Tehran Gallery, University of Tehran, Tehran

Four Young Artists, Mah Art Gallery, Tehran

Song of Bulbuls (Nightingales) of the Oil Rich Regions, Museum of Contemporary Art, Isfahan, Iran

2005

Selected Contemporary Iranian Realist & Hyperrealist Art, Niavaran Cultural Center, Tehran

BIENNALE REPRESENTATION

2015

The Great Game, Iran Pavilion, Venice Biennale

RESIDENCY

2017

Summer Resident at Delfina Foundation, London

PERMANENT COLLECTIONS

The British Museum, London (2018)

CURATORIAL & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2010-Present

Painting and Drawing courses, Elm o Farhang (Science and Culture) University, Tehran

2005-2010

Painting and Drawing courses, Faculty of Fine Arts, University of Tehran, Tehran

BIBLIOGRAPHY

DOWNEY, Anthony, Hamid Keshmirshekan, and Mark Irving. *Different Sames: New Perspectives in Contemporary Iranian Art*. Ed. Hossein Amirsadeghi. London: Thames & Hudson, 2009.

EIGNER, Saeb. *Art of the Middle East: Modern and Contemporary Art of the Arab World and Iran*. London: Merrell Publishers, 2010.

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GRIGOR, Talin. *Contemporary Iranian Art: From the Street to the Studio*. London: Reaktion Books, 2014.
KESHMIRSHEKAN, Hamid. *Contemporary Iranian Art: New Perspectives*. London: Saqi Books, 2014.

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DARABI, Helia. "Beyond Nostalgia." *Etemaad Newspaper*, No. 1617. 17 February 2008
HOMAYOUN EISLER, Maryam. *Canvas*, Vol. 7: April 2011
AIMA, Rahel, "Darker Dreams", *Canvas*, November 2016, p. 84-89
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