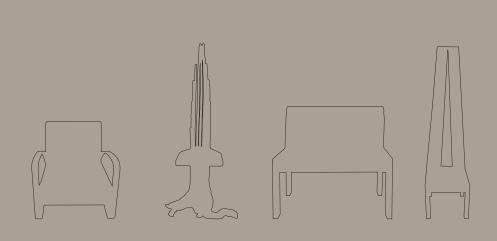
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albareh art gallery



(الكراسي اشجار تنتظر الخضرة) محمد العامري

لم يحدث يوما ان بقي الكائن الحي واقفا طوال حياته فكان الجلوس محض اختراع الهيئة التي تبحث عن راحة وسيطرة من نوع ما .

فكانت القرفصاء اول الكراسي من لحم ودم وامسى الانسان مخترعا لهذه الهيئة كراسيها باشكال والوان متعددة ، بل اصبح الكرسي يمثل صفات متنوعة منها كرسي العريس والعروس وكرسي المحاكم وكبير القوم وكرسي المقهى وكراسي الممرات الصغيرة وصولا الى كرسي السلطة السياسية والاقتصادية والثقافية .

وجاء في آلادب العربية والمسرح والسينما مناخات تطرح الكرسي كمادة محملة بالتأويل الجمالي والسياسي .

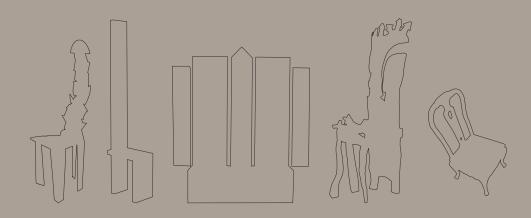
لقد انزل الله تعالى سبورة بعنوان سبورة الكرسي وكذلك عثر على الكرسي في الاسبطورة والخطابة في المسجد والكنيسة . وقد اعتبر ارسطو الكرسي والنجار جزء من المخيلة الشعرية فحين نتصالح نجلس عليه كذلك حين نعشق وحين نجلس امام البحر فهناك من المجازات الكثيرة للكرسي كرسي الصخرة والرمل وكرسي الماء وكرسي الجبل انه الشكل الذي لاقى قبولا كبيرا لدى الناس بل اصبح مكانا للصراع الكرسي الذي يسترق السمع على العشاق ويشهد عليهم في الفرح والفراق

ذلك الكائن الذي يفشى أسرارنا والذي يضجر من احاديثنا والذي يسعد ويحزن معنا ،مكان مريح للسرد والمناكفة .

كرسي ولوحة هو المشروع الذي يطرحه غاليري البارح من باب اعادة الاعتبار للخيال واطلاق العنان لمخيلة الفنانين لاجتراح كراسيهم التي تمثل حلما او هاجسا كما لون اللوحة مرآة والكرسي تكث امام الكرسي ليتبادلا الحديث في الحب والخصام . فما بين مرآة اللوحة والكرسي حكايات العشاق والمعذبين والمشردين والمترفين .

شقاء العجائز ورعونة الشباب تشتت الفكرة واكتمالها ، عصف الارامل والامهات كآبة العاطلين عن العمل وحرقة المنتظرين شموخ شيخ القبيلة وطمع الوصيفة اصطفاف الارجل واصطكاكها

انها فرصة المخيال في ارتكاب الكراسي طيرانها وملاسة اللوحة في تحولاتها.





AHMAD AL BAHRANI

Born in Iraq in 1965, Ahmad Al Bahrani graduated from the Academy of Fine Arts in 1988. He taught sculpture at the Academy of Fine Arts in Baghdad from 1992 till 1994. He now lives and works in Qatar where he founded Mimar Gallery with Architect Hazem Abu Naba'a. Al Bahrani participated in a number of group exhibitions in Iraq and elsewhere in the Arab world. He has executed several sculptures for public areas. His works have been acquired by museums and individuals in numbers of cities worldwide. Hereafter we've listed a selection of his solo exhibitions.

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2008 Albareh Art Gallery, Bahrain

2006 Dar Al Fanoun, Kuwait

2006 Albareh Art Gallery, Bahrain

2006 January 4 Walls Gallery, Amman

2004 Green Art, Dubai

2002 Bissan Gallery, in association with the French Cultural Centre, Qatar

2002 Al-Bida Gallery, with the National Council for Culture, Art &

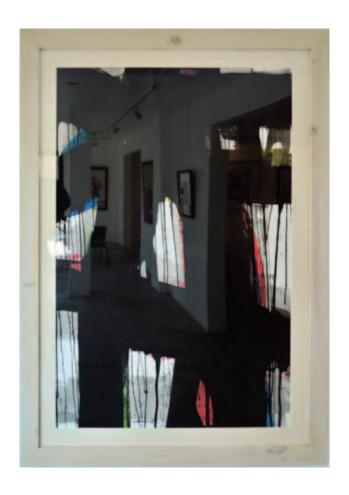
Heritage, Qatar

2001 Al Fardan Gardens, sponsored by Al-Fardan Group, Qatar

2000 French Ambassador's residence, Qatar

1999 French Cultural Centre, San'a

1998 Al-Afif Gallery, San'a



Above: 100cm x 100cm | Mixed Media on paper | 2008

Left: Chair Untitled | Metal | 164 cm x 73 cm x 47 cm | 2010



DELAIR S. SHAKER

Delair Shaker started his journey in an environment surrounded by art, culture, and creativity. At home, Delair's mentor was his father, Saad Shaker, a pioneer in ceramic art in Iraq, who instilled in him the love of art and appreciation of beauty in all forms. He has spent five years at the Institute of Fine Arts in Baghdad learning and exploring the secrets of ceramic art. After his graduation in 1990, he participated in several art exhibitions and received an award at the Al Wasiti Art Festival held in Baghdad in 1992. Two years later, Delair moved to Jordan where he became the head of Art department at a renowned private school.

Early 2005, Delair moved to Phoenix, Arizona, where he currently resides, to continue his art journey seeking originality, vitality, and innovation. His new art experience tells a story of color using various paint mediums, pieces of broken glass, ceramic, patterned cloth, bits of lace, sand and fire to create inimitable landscapes of color on canvas and wood. Delair participated in many exhibitions in Jordan, Tunisia, and the United States.



Above: 100cm x 100cm | Mixed Media on canvas | 2009

Left: Delair Chair | 140 cm x 60 cm x 60 cm | 2010



FADI YAZIGI

Born in Lattakia, Syria in 1966, Fadi Yazigi studied sculpture in the Faculty of Fine Arts in Damascus. Since his graduation in 1988, Yazigi has been working with amazing discipline as a full time artist. Yazigi uses different techniques in his works; he paints on canvas or newspapers, makes relief... He has developed a very personal style in each of them. His talent is evidently present in all his works.

As a professional sculptor, Yazigi's bronze sculptures are formed in a very exquisite way that is inspired by the creatures present in his black and white paintings; as if they decided to leave the paintings and have a walk around us.

Yazigi had numerous exhibitions in the Middle East, Europe and the USA, selling to collectors all over the world. His paintings are also sold between London and Dubai, in Christie's and Sotheby's auction houses. In spite of his relatively young age, Fadi Yazigi is considered one of the most important Arab artists.





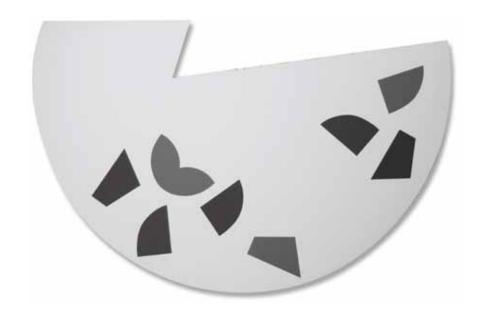
KHALED FARHAN

Born in 1977, Khaled Farhan obtained a Bachelor Degree in Arts Education from University of Cairo. The artistic experience of this sculptor integrates the negative and the positive in some of his works, and their relation with the making of plants. He uses in his works different materials: wood, stone and brass. Spheres and hemispheres shapes are apparent in his works.

He considers the scientist "Freud" the key to his sculpture works since he is inspired by Freud's vision which states that the straight lines stand for the man and the lenient (wavy) lines for the woman.

Solo/Collective Exhibitions (Selection)

2007	Oman international sculpture symposium
2006	Kuwait international sculpture symposium
2006	Cairo international Biennale, Egypt
2005	Bahrain international sculptor symposium
2005	Herika international sculptor symposium, Turkey
2005	Amar International sculpture symposium, Dubai
2002 –	2003 7th and 8th Aswan international sculptor symposium, Aswan



Above: Untitled | 100 cm x 140 cm | Paper collage | 2010

Left: Bronze Chair | 179 cm x 55 cm x 45 cm | 2010



MAHMUD AL OBAIDI

1999	Master of Fine Art, the University of Guelph, Canada
1998	Diploma in Film Directing, HIF Film Academy, Los Angeles, USA
1996	Certificate in New Media, Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada
1995-96	Diploma in Film Producing, HIF Film Academy, Los Angeles, USA
1990	Bachelor of Fine Art, University of Baghdad, Iraq

Solo/Collective Exhibitions (selection)

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2009	"Modernism and Iraq", Miriam and Ira D. Wallach Art Gallery, Columbia University, New York.	
2009 2007 2006	Station Museum of Contemporary Art Houston, Texas, USA. Museum of Montparnasse, Paris, France Gallery Jouy Switzerland and T Cazacrou Foundation, Frankfort, Germany.	
2002 2001 1999 1999 1991	Solo exhibition 4 walls gallery Amman- Jordan Joint show Bronay gallery .U.K Participation in KHOJ International Festival, Delhi, India 19th Annual Mini Print International Exhibition, Cadaques, Spain Solo exhibition, Alya Art gallery, Amman, Jordan	
1990 1988	Solo show, the Art Centre, Baghdad, Iraq Four Artist show Tahrer Art gallery .Baghda, Iraq	



Above: 100 cm x 100 cm | Mixed Media on canvas | 2008

Left: Abu Ghraib chair 1/9 | 180 cm x 40 cm x 25 cm | 2009



MOHAMAD AL AMERI

Jordanian artist and poet, Mohamad Al Ameri was at the head of the Jordanian Plastic Arts Association. He was also a member of the Jordanian Art Critics Association, the Jordanian Writers Association and the Arab Writers Union. Al Ameri is currently Director of the Arts Department and Chief Editor of the Ministry of Culture's "Al Funun" Magazine.

This artist and poet has also collected several awards in the fields of art and literature:

The latest being 1st prize at the Teheran Biennale, 2006.

Since 1983, Al Ameri held 15 solo exhibitions in different galleries and culture venues in Jordan such as 4 Walls, Orfali Gallery and the Royal Cultural Center, as well as abroad: The House of Literature in Munich, Germany, Space Gallery in Dubai, U.A.E. and Albareh art gallery, Kingdom of Bahrain. He has also participated to various collective exhibitions and biennales, and just to name few, he has participated to the International Biennales held in Sharjah, Cairo, Teheran, Bangladesh... Al Ameri's artworks were part of Christies' International Auction, Dubai (2007)



Above: Untitled | 158 cm x 40 cm | Acrylic on canvas | 2009

Left: Chair Unitiled | 200 cm x 50 cm x 45 cm | 2010



NAZAR YAHYA

1963 - Born in Baghdad

1986 - BA in fine arts / Academy of fine arts/ Baghdad

Solo Exhibitions

2008	Sultan Gallery, Kuwait
2007	Karim Gallery, Amman, Jordan
2004	Orfali Gallery, Amman, Jordan
2001	French Cultural Center, Doha, Qatar
2000	French Cultural Center, Amman, Jordan
1994	Graphic Exhibition, Rawak Gallery, Baghdad, Iraq

Selected Group Exhibitions			
2007	"Negative Positive exhibition", two Iraqi artist,		
	Albareh Art Gallery, Bahrain		
2006	"Word into Art", British museum, London, UK		
2005	"Dafatir", Contemporary Iraqi Art Book, University of		
	North Texas art Gallery, USA		
2003	Contemporary Artists from Iraq, Greenart Gallery, Dubai		
2003	"Before After Now", Deluxe Gallery, London, UK		
2002	Asian artists' biennale, Bangladesh		
2001	Six Iraqi artists' exhibition, Albareh Art Gallery, Bahrain		
2000	Frederikstaad triennale, Norway		
1999	Three Iraqi artists Exhibition, Agial Gallery, Beirut		
1999	Fifty years of Iraqi graphic art Exhibition, Darat Al Funun, Amman		
1996	"Environment and surroundings in Iraqi art exhibition",		
	Jordanian National Museum, Amman		
1985	Frederikstaad Biennale / Norway		



Untitled | Cotton fabric | 142 cm \times 110 cm | 2009 Left top:

True, Love Chair | 94 cm x 96 cm x 57cm | Cotton fabric with Left bellow:

sharp sticks on Wood | 2009



NIZAR SABOUR

Born in Lattakia, Syria 1958, Nizar Sabour is Graduate from Faculty of Fine Arts, Damascus, Syria 1981. He has also a Doctorate of Philosophy in Sciences of Art, Moscow, Russia 1990. He currently teaches at the International Private University for Science & Technology, Ghabagheb, Syria. Sabour artistic career has toured the globe, From Syria to Jordan and from Paris to Turkey passing by Germany as well as Russia and the United States, he won many prices, the latest being in 2006 - Prize for the Fourth Tehran Biennale of Contemporary Art in the Islamic world. Hereafter we've listed a concise selection of his solo and collective exhibitions.

Solo/Collective Exhibitions

2009	Exhibition (Paris-Damascus-Regards Croisés), National Museum, Damascus, Syria
2008 2006	Collective Exhibition, Fort Hamilton Gallery, New York Fourth Tahran Biennale of Contemporary Art in the Islamic world, Iran
2003	Solo Exhibition, Aida Cherfan Art Gallery and the French Cultural Center, Beirut Retrospective Exhibition, Exhibitions Palace Gallery, Leon, Paris
1999 - 2000 1998 1997 1976	Alexandria Biennale, Alexandria, Egypt Exhibition (Beit Sibai Artists) Alfayrouz Gallery, Manama Third Sharjah Biennale, Sharjah Fine Arts Center, Lattakia, Syria (first solo exhibition)



Above:

Left: Untitled Chair | 175 cm x 180 cm x 43 cm | Wood | 2009



SALMAN AL MALIK

Born in Doha 1958, Salman Al Malik is BA graduate in Education and Art from Cairo in 1982. Since 1972, he has exhibited in various countries (hereafter a selection of his Local, regional and international solo and collective exhibitions). The artistic path taken by artist Salman Al Malik led him to interact with many artists around the world and to participate to numerous exhibitions in Asia, United States and the Arab regions. Salman Al Malik has also been awarded many times, he has received the Golden Medal in the International Festival of Plastic Arts in Tunis.

Solo/Collective exhibitions

2009	7th solo Exhibition - Doha
2009	Doha Freedom and creativity festival, Doha
2008	Qatar Narratives exhibition Houston, Texas
2006	2^{ND} International Biennially Decca for Fine Arts, Bangladesh
2001	"100 Years for Contemporary Arab Plastic Art" (Sharja Art Museum), UAE
1994	Babel International Festival – Iraq
1990 - 1996	Qatar Cultural Weeks in Paris, Berlin, Madrid, America, Argentine &Finland
1976	2nd Arab Biennially Exhibition - Rabat



Above: Untitled | $70 \text{ cm} \times 70 \text{ cm}$ | Acrylic on canvas | 2008

Left: Chair Untitled | 100 cm x 45 cm x 37 cm | Wood | 2010

About Albareh Art Gallery

Albareh Art Gallery was established in 1998 with the primary objectives of celebrating the diverse talent prevalent in Bahrain's visual arts scene and becoming a centre of excellence for dynamic artistic expression across the Kingdom as well as further a field.

Over the last twelve years, Albareh Art Gallery has built a formidable stable of artists, both established and emerging. It has become the definitive destination for loyal devotees, dedicated professionals and adventurous collectors across the Middle East and beyond. Today, the walls of the gallery - located in the residential district of Adliya in Bahrain's capital of Manama - play host to variety of artistic approaches that tackle the issues and subjects that not only affect the Middle East but the world in general. After all, this captivating world expresses universal values through a universal mode of expression – visual art.

Albareh Art Gallery initially sought to spotlight talent through a programme of solo and group exhibitions by established artists from the Arab world as well as their counterparts from other continents. In doing so, it developed an admirable reputation; forging relationships with artists, locally, regionally and internationally. Slowly and steadily, the gallery began to realize its ambition of broadening the viewer's horizons; creating partnerships with like-minded galleries worldwide; and embedding a professional and strategic approach to Middle Eastern art.

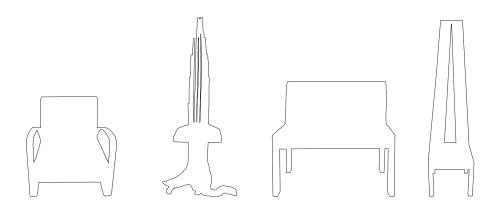
Since the outset, Albareh Art Gallery embarked on a continuous journey to unearth undiscovered artistic talent, cultivate promising practitioners, and showcase the very best in artistic expression. The seeds sown a decade ago are now beginning to bear fruit; seen by the widespread interest the gallery now enjoys for its exhibitions, festivals, education platforms and cultural events.

Spanning painting, sculpture and photography, Albareh Art Gallery is on a constant quest for serious, young and innovative talent (not any easy task by any stretch of the imagination).

Its experienced team seeks out ground-breaking work that challenges convention and communicates ideas in dynamic and contemporary modes of expression and presentation.

This is the strength and the difference that Albareh Art Gallery represents. By harnessing the power of art in all its forms, it challenges and confronts our view of the world. Through its participation at international events such as Artparis-AbuDhabi and its exciting calendar of homegrown exhibitions, Albareh Art Gallery is bringing a fresh voice to the global art market.

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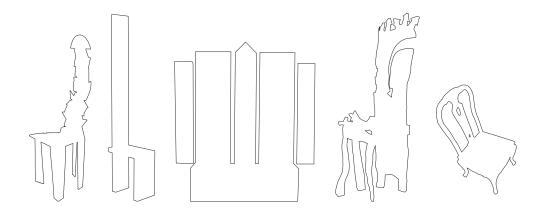
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