

**Abdul Karim Majdal Al-Beik (Syria, b. 1973)**

**Education**

- 1998 BA Fine Art, Faculty of Fine Arts, Damascus, Syria  
2001 Postgraduate Diploma in Painting, Faculty of Fine Arts, Damascus, Syria

**Selected Solo Exhibitions**

- 2018 *From Damascus to Berlin* , Berlin Artists Connected , Berlin , Germany
- 2017 *Funun festival, Syrian culture in Bremen* , Germany  
*A journey of Belonging*, Contemporary Arts Alliance Berlin ( CAA Berlin ), Bikini Berlin
- 2016 *transfer syrien* ,Europaisches kunstlerhaus oberbayern , munchen , Germany  
*Funun festival, Syrian culture in Bremen*, Germany
- 2015 *A Heart on a Wall*, Ayyam Gallery, DIFC, Dubai, UAE  
*Syria Of Frame*, Fondazione Giorgio Cini, Venice, Italy
- 2014 *Postponed Democracy*, Ayyam Projects, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2013 *Against the Wall II*, Ayyam Gallery, DIFC, Dubai, UAE
- 2012 *Against the Wall*, Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2009 *Wall Speak*, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
- 2008 Ayyam Gallery, Damascus, Syria
- 2005 Cultural Club of Shell Company, Damascus, Syria
- 2001 Al-Sayed Gallery, Damascus, Syria
- 1998 Arab Cultural Center, Hassakeh, Syria

## **Selected Group Exhibition**

- 2019 *Dual exhibition, Contemporary painting from Berlin, Galerie im Tempelhof Museum, Berlin, Germany*
- 2018 *you + topia, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE*
- 2017 *Mosaik Syrien " collective " exhibition gut Altenkamp museum , Papenburg , Germany*
- 2016 *In the heart of the heart of another country, TwixtLab Tainiothiki, Athens, Greece*
- 2015 *Syria Off Frame, Fondazione Giorgio Cini, Venice, Italy*
- 2014 *Syria's Apex Generation, Ayyam Gallery, Dubai, UAE; Ayyam Gallery, London, UK (Curator: Maymanah Farhat)*
- R-evolution, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE*
- Et pourtant ils créent ! (Syrie : la foi dans l'art)/Despite it all they make art! (Syria: Having faith in the Arts), Institut des Cultures d'Islam, Paris, France*
- Fluid Forms II, Samsung Blue Square, Seoul, South Korea; Busan Museum of Art, Busan, South Korea (Curator: Yu Yeon Kim)*
- Contemporary Uprising: Art from the Middle East, Nest Gallery, Geneva, Switzerland*
- 2013 *R-evolution, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE*
- 2012 *Melting Pot, Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon*
- 2011 *Selections from The Samawi Private Collection, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE*
- 2009 *Buried in Tradition/ My World/ Walls Speak, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE*
- 2008 *Contemporary Syria – Damascus and Dubai, Ayyam Gallery, Damascus, Syria*
- 2008 *Mark Hachem Gallery, New York, USA*
- Tales of Heritage, Latakia Museum, Latakia, Syria*
- 2007 *Summer Festival, Ayyam Gallery, Damascus, Syria*
- 2006 *Al-Sayed Art Gallery, Damascus, Syria*
- Kalimat House Exhibition, National Museum of Aleppo, Aleppo, Syria*
- Al-Khanji Gallery, Aleppo, Syria*
- 2005 *The National Red Museum, Sulaymaniyah, Iraq*
- 3<sup>rd</sup> International Biennial of the Islamic World, Tehran, Iran*

- 2003 The French Cultural Center, Damascus, Syria
- 2002 Zara Gallery, Amman, Jordan  
French Cultural Center, Damascus, Syria
- 2001 UNESCO Palace, Beirut, Lebanon  
*6 Creative Experiences*, Al-Mada House of Culture & Art, Damascus, Syria

### **Collections**

The Samawi Collection, Dubai, UAE

### **Residencies and Workshops**

- 2017 **Workshop**, Berlin Artists Connected , Berlin , Germany  
**Workshop**, Contemporary Arts Alliance Berlin ( CAA Berlin ), Bikini Berlin
- 2016 **Residency**, europaisches kunstlerhaus oberbayern , munchen , Germany
- 2012 **Workshop**, Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2011 **Workshop**, Ayyam Gallery, Damascus, Syria

### **Awards, Grants, and Fellowships**

- 2019 **Fellowship**, " weltoffenes berlin " 2019, senatsverwaltung , Allianz - Kulturstiftung , berlin .
- 2007 **Second Prize**, The First Ayyam Prize for Emerging Syrian Artists, Ayyam Gallery, Damascus, Syria
- 2003 **Silver Award**, Biennale El-Mahaba, Latakia, Syria
- 2001 **First Award**, Syrian Youth Exhibition, Damascus, Syria
- 2000 **First Award**, Mirror of Syrian-British Cooperation, British Council, Damascus, Syria

### **Presentations**

- 2014 **Book Launch**, Syria's Apex Generation, moderated by Maymanah Farhat, Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon

### **Publications**

- 2014 Syria Apex Generation, Edited by Maymanah Farhat, Ayyam Gallery, Dubai, UAE
- 2013 Syrie: l'art en armes, Paris, France (Author: Jacques Mandelbaum)
- 2008 Abdul Karim Majdal Al-Beik, Ayyam Gallery, Dubai, UAE (Author: Zena Takieddine)