

**Mohannad Orabi (Syria, b. 1977)**

**Education**

2000 BA, Faculty of Fine Arts - University of Damascus, Damascus, Syria

**Professional Experience**

2014 **Mentoring**, Noor Bahjat residency, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE

**Selected Solo Exhibitions**

2017 *Ripples*, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE

2015 *Family Portrait*, Ayyam Gallery, DIFC, Dubai, UAE

2013 *Profile Portraits*, Ayyam Gallery, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

2012 *It's No Longer About Me*, Ayyam Gallery, DIFC, Dubai, UAE

2011 *It's All About Sama*, Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon

2009 *Self Portrait*, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE

2008 *Self Portrait*, Ayyam Gallery, Damascus, Syria

2007 Zara Gallery, Amman, Jordan

2006 Ishtar Gallery, Damascus, Syria

2004 Ishtar Gallery, Damascus, Syria

**Selected Group Exhibitions**

2016 *16 Faces*, Den Gallery, Kuwait City, Kuwait

2015 *Syria Off Frame*, Fondazione Giorgio Cini, Venice, Italy

2014 *Syria's Apex Generation*, Ayyam Gallery, Dubai, UAE; Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon; Ayyam Gallery, London, UK (Curator: Maymanah Farhat)

Contemporary Uprising: Art from the Middle East, Nest Gallery, Geneva, Switzerland

- 2011 *Collective 2012*, Ayyam Gallery, Damascus, Syria  
 Selections from The Samawi Collection, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
- 2009 CIGE (China International Gallery Exposition), Beijing, China
- 2008 Contemporary Syria - Damascus and Dubai, Ayyam Gallery, Damascus, Syria
- 2007 *Ayyam Summer Festival*, Ayyam Gallery, Damascus, Syria

### **Collections**

The Samawi Collection, Dubai, UAE

### **Residencies and Workshops**

- 2017 **Workshop**, *Ramadan Programming: A Series of Workshops with Award Winning Painter Mohannad Orabi*, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
- 2014 **Residency**, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
- 2007 **Workshop**, *Recycling Art*, British Council, Damascus, Syria
- 2006 **Workshop**, Riwaq al-Balqa, Fuhais, Jordan
- 2005 **Workshop**, *Colors of Damascus*, Mustafa Ali Gallery, Damascus, Syria

### **Awards**

- 2014 **100 Leading Global Thinkers**, Foreign Policy, Washington D.C., USA
- 2006 **First Prize**, The Syrian National Young Artists Exhibition, Damascus, Syria
- 1998 **First Prize**, Syrian Children Painting Competition, Damascus, Syria
- 1991 **Silver Medal**, Shankar's International Children Competition, New Delhi, India

### **Presentations**

- 2017 **Artist Talk**, Culture Summit, Abu Dhabi, UAE

- 2013      **Book Launch**, *Syria's Apex Generation*, moderated by Maymanah Farhat, Ayyam Gallery, Dubai, UAE; Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2004      **Ihden Symposium**, Ihden, Lebanon

**Publications**

- 2015      Artist monograph, Edited by Maymanah Farhat, Ayyam Gallery, Dubai, UAE
- 2014      *Syria's Apex Generation*, Edited by Maymanah Farhat, Ayyam Gallery, Dubai, UAE