

**Safwan Dahoul (Syria, b. 1961)**

**Education**

- 1997      Doctorate, Plastic Arts, Higher Institute of Plastic Arts, Mons, Belgium
- 1983      BA, Fine Arts, University of Damascus, Damascus, Syria

**Selected Solo Exhibitions**

- 2022      *Awake*, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
- 2021      Art Dubai, Ayyam Gallery Booth, DIFC, UAE
- 2020      *Awakening*, Ayyam Gallery, DIFC, Dubai, UAE
- 2018      *Still Dreaming*, Ayyam Gallery, DIFC, Dubai, UAE
- 2017      *Miniatures*, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
- 2016      *Still Dreaming*, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
- 2014      *Almost a Dream*, Ayyam Gallery, DIFC, Dubai, UAE
- 2014      *Repetitive Dreams*, Ayyam Gallery, London, UK; *Edge of Arabia*, London, UK
- 2011      *A Real Dream*, Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- Still Dreaming*, Ayyam Gallery, DIFC, Dubai, UAE
- 2008      *Safwan Dahoul*, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE

**Selected Group Exhibitions**

- 2020      *Echoes & Perceptions* , Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
- 2018      Abu Dhabi Art, Ayyam Gallery Booth, Manarat Al Saadiyat Island, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- you + topia*, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
- 2017      Abu Dhabi Art, Ayyam Gallery Booth, Manarat Al Saadiyat Island, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2016      Abu Dhabi Art, Ayyam Gallery Booth, Manarat Al Saadiyat Island, Abu Dhabi, UAE

- 2015 Art Dubai, Ayyam Gallery Booth, Madinat Arena, Dubai, UAE  
LA Art Show, Ayyam Gallery Booth, Los Angeles, CA, USA
- 2014-15 **Two-Person Exhibition**, Safwan Dahoul & Nadim Karam, Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2014 Art Dubai, Ayyam Gallery Booth, Madinat Arena, Dubai, UAE  
*Contemporary Uprising: Art from the Middle East*, Nest Gallery, Geneva, Switzerland  
*Contemporary Arabia*, Ayyam Gallery, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia  
*Fluid Forms II*, Samsung Blue Square, Seoul, South Korea; Busan Museum of Art, Busan, South Korea (Curator: Yu Yeon Kim)
- 2013 *25 Years of Arab Creativity*, Institut du Monde Arabe, Paris, France
- 2011 **Two-Person Exhibition**, Ayyam Editions | with Ammar Al Beik | Ayyam Gallery, DIFC, Dubai, UAE  
*Selections from the Samawi Collection*, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
- 2010 *Shabab Uprising*, Ayyam Gallery, Dubai, UAE  
*Then What? 1965 – 2010: The Samawi Collection*, Ayyam Gallery, Damascus, Syria
- 2009 *Shabab Uprising*, Ayyam Gallery, Dubai, UAE  
**Two-Person Exhibition**, Safwan Dahoul & Nadim Karam, Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2008 *Black vs Colour*, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
- 2006 *Inaugural Exhibition*, Ayyam Gallery, Damascus, Syria

### Commissions

- 2015 **Public Art Commission**, Safwan Dahoul Dubai Metro Collaboration, Dubai Culture & Arts Authority and the Road & Transportation Authority, Dubai, UAE

### Collections

- The Arab Fund for Economic & Social Development, Kuwait City, Kuwait  
C.M.O.O.A., Casablanca, Morocco  
The Farjam Collection, Dubai, UAE

Institut du Monde Arabe, Paris, France

Barjeel Art Foundation, Sharjah, UAE

The Samawi Collection, Dubai, UAE

National Museum, Damascus, Syria

### **Publications**

2014      *Syria's Apex Generation*, Ayyam Gallery, Dubai, UAE

2009      *Safwan Dahoul*, Edited by Maymanah Farhat, Ayyam Gallery, Dubai, UAE