

## **MOHSEN AHMADVAND**

Born 1982, Tehran, Iran

Lives and works in Tehran, Iran

## **EDUCATION**

BA in Painting, Tehran University, Faculty of Fine Arts, Tehran, Iran

## **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

- 2023 " THE GLORY OF AWAKENING " , Etemad Gallery, Tehran
- 2020 " LION AND PISTACHIO " , Etemad Gallery, Tehran
- 2018 "Sohrab & the Bees & the Rose & the nightingales" , Mohsen Ahmadvand & Fereydoun Ave , Etemad Gallery and Dastan Basement Gallery , Tehran
- 2014 " LION& BANANA", Etemad Gallery, Tehran
- 2012 " I SCREAM",Etemad Gallery, Tehran
- 2011 XVA Gallery, Asia One , Art Hong Kong 11 , Wanchai , Hong Kong
- 2008 XVA Gallery, Dubai,UAE
- 2008 Seyhoun Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2007 Seyhoun Gallery, Tehran
- 2007 Seyhoun Gallery , Tehran
- 2006 Seyhoun Gallery , Tehran

## **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

- 2025 "8 Fair 2025,episode3", 8 cube, Ava platt, Tehran, Iran
- 2025 "Vailed Life", group show curated by Saber Abar, Abar Studio, Agra building,Tehran, Iran
- 2025 "Wandering Winter", curated by foad Sharifi, Art Maart gallery , Tehran, Iran
- 2024 "Exposition Collection Privee d'Art de Sa Majeste Farah Pahlavi", Fiap Jean Monnet, Paris, France
- 2024 "The Roots of Love " Seven Iranian Contemporary artists, Nicolas Flamel Gallery, Paris, France
- 2022 "Rethinking The World" Iranian Modern and Contemporary art, Nicolas Flamel Gallery, Paris, France
- 2021 "Basket Goes Persian", Nicolas Flamel Gallery, Paris, France
- 2020 "The Atlas of My Dream ", in memory of Bijan Saffari, Nicolas Flamel, Paris, France
- 2019 "WHOM", The Contemporary Iranian Artist's View of Portraits,Faces and Figure, INJA Gallery, Tehran, Iran
- 2019 "Flower / Pure Paradox", INJA Gallery, Tehran, Iran
- 2018 "Mossavar Nameh", Dastan+2 , Tehran, Iran
- 2018 Art Dubai,"Mossavar Nameh" A Dastan Project, Dubai, UAE
- 2016 Summer Group Show, Etemad Gallery, Tehran, Iran
- 2014 "Portraits: Reflections by Emerging Iranian Artists", curated by: Roya Khadjavi Heidari and Masoud Nader, Rogue Space Gallery, New York, USA

2014 "The Feeling of Happiness", Drawing Week; Iran-Turkey ,curated by: Saeed Ensafi, Homa Art Gallery, Tehran , Iran

2014 "ZOO", Modern to Contemporary Artists (1941-2014),curated by: Iman Safaei, Shirin Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran

2014 Art Dubai 2014, International art fair in the MENASA (Middle East/North Africa/ South Asia), Etemad Gallery, Dubai, UAE

2013 "Paper Works ,10 Artists", curated by Fereydoun Ave, works by Fereydoun Ave, Mohsen Ahmadvand, Raana Farnoud, Ali Golestaneh, Shahla Hosseini Barzi, Mohammad Hamzeh, Farshid Mesghali, Bijan Saffari, Vahid Sharifian and Ramtin Zad, Etemad Gallery, Dubai, UAE

2013 "Some Like It Hot", A Group Show featuring artists from all over the MENASA region, XVA Gallery, Dubai, UAE

2013 " Modern and Contemporary Iranian Drawing", Homa Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran

2013 "Paper", An exhibition of works on paper, Anish Kapoor, Walid Siti, Imran Channa, Mohsen Ahmadvand&Debjani Bhardwaj, XVA Gallery, Dubai, UAE

2012 Popli Khalatbari Charitable Foundation, London, UK

2011 Group Show in Support of Wildlife Conservation Projects in Iran, Afra Tower, Tehran

2011 Popli Khalatbari Charitable Foundation, London, UK

2011 "The First May",Tribute to Masoumeh Seyhoun , Seyhoun Art Gallery,Tehran

2011 "Between the Lines", A Group Show of Works by Middle Eastern and Western Artists, XVA Gallery, Dubai, UAE

2010 Magic of Persia , Charity Art Exhibition&Auction Gala, Dubai, Abu Dhabi

2010 "To Paint Cinema",A Group Painting Exhibition ,Mohsen Art Gallery,Tehran, Iran

2010 4\*4 Group Painting Exhibition , Etemad Gallery, Tehran, Iran

2010 Bastakiya Art Fair, Dubai, UAE

2009 Artcurial – Briest – Poulain - F. Tajan, Auction House, Paris, France

2009 "From Past to ...Tomorrow", An Exhibition of Iranian Contemporary Art, Day Art Gallery,Tehran, Iran

2009 Group Iranian Modern Art Exhibition , Seyhoun Gallery , Los Angeles, CA

2009 "Looped and Layered " , A Selection of Contemporary Art from Tehran – Thomas Erben Gallery – New York

2009 Iran on Paper : the Last 10 Years .from Fereydoun Ave's "LAAL Collection" Aaran Art Gallery,Tehran, Iran

2008 Second Tehran Art Expo, Vahdat Hall (Rudaki Hall) , Tehran, Iran

2008 Second Annual Asian Contemporary Art Fair (ACAF- NY) – New York

2008 Ardeshir Mohassess and Mohsen Ahmadvand, XVA Gallery, Dubai, UAE

2008 The first exhibition on selected artists' works from Iranian galleries, SABA Cultural and Artistic Institute , Tehran, Iran

2007 Radical Drawing, A selection of contemporary Iranian drawing, Tehran Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran

2007 Selected artists of the first visual arts festival, Niavaran Cultural Center,Tehran, Iran

2006 First Visual Arts Festival, Niavaran Cultural Center , Tehran, Iran

2005 Fine Arts Gallery, Department of Visual Arts, Tehran University, Tehran, Iran

2004 Central Library, Tehran University, Tehran, Iran

## COLLECTIONS

Acquired By The Houston Museum of Fine Arts

Acquired By The British Museum

Kamel Lazaar Foundation

Private Collection of Many Important Collectors

## PRIZES/AWARDS

2015 Campus France Award ,Paris.  
2011 Nominated for Jameel Prize 2011, Victoria and Albert Museum,London  
2006 First Visual Arts Festival Prize by Faber Castel,Tehran

## BOOKS

2023 Rethinking the Contemporary Art of Iran, by Dr.Hamid Keshmirshekan, First published in Italy by SKIRA  
2023 100 Years of Flower and Nightingale, by Yalda Khajehzade, Vista Honar Publication  
2020 REFLECTIONS , Contemporary Art of the Middle East and North Africa, by Venetia Porter with Natasha Morris and Charles Tripp, Published by The British Museum.  
2017 Honar , the Afkhami Collection of Modern and Contemporary Iranian Art. The first book on one of the finest private collections, published by PHAIDON.  
2015 World Champion "Jahan Pahlevan", complied by Arash Tanhai , Look Publications  
2014 Contemporary Iranian Art, Roots and New Perspectives, Hamid Keshmirshekan, Nazar art publications, Tehran  
2014 "A Selection of Drawings by Mohsen Ahmadvand", Bon-gah Publications .  
2014 Pioneers of new art, Javad Mojabi, Behnegr Publications, Tehran  
2013 Drawing Art in Iran, by Hasan Morizi, Peykareh Publications, Tehran  
2013 Contemporary Iranian Art: New perspectives, Hamid Keshmirshekan, Saqi Books, London , UK  
2007 A Book of Persian Cartoon, Koochak Publications, Tehran

## PRESS & CATALOGUES:

2018 Selections Magazine, Special Issue 46, Hijacked  
2018 Selections Magazine, Special Issue 45, Inventing Perspective is out, Dazzling works by Mohsen Ahmadvand and Fereydoun Ave.  
2017 Selections Magazine, the One to Watch ,Issue 40, Published on the cover  
2016 "Shahnameh, The Perpetual Narrative" A survey of impact of Shahnameh on modern and contemporary art of Iran, by Akram Tavana, foreword by Dr.Firuza Melville.  
2014 Tandis Magazine Norouz Issue.  
2013 Saudi Gazette Newspaper,"Group Exhibition to Celebrate Paper Medium"  
2012 Golestaneh Magazine,No.120, " The Euphoria of Forgetfulness" Vahid Sharifian in conversation with Mohsen Ahmadvand,Tehran, Iran  
2012 "The Bittersweet Drawings of Ahmadvand" by:Dr.Behnam Kamrani, Art Tomorrow Contemporary Art Magazine, No.+8,spring 2012, Tehran, Iran  
2010 "Unstability of Familiar Scenes" by: Nazgol Ansarinia, Golestaneh Magazine, No.107, Tehran, Iran  
2009 Art in Review,The New York Times, By Holland Cotter.June3, 2009  
2009 "More Iranians are Coming", Artnet News.  
2009 Looped and Layered, Fine Art Thailand, june 2009  
2008 TimeOut Dubai, Art and Culture Spotlight, Vol.8,Issue40.  
2008 The National Newspaper ,visual arts,"The Pen is Mightier", A preview by Arsalan Mohammad, Dubai