

MUHAMMAD ZEESHAN

b. 1980 Mirpurkhan, Pakistan

Lives and works in Lahore, Pakistan

EDUCATION

2000- National College of Arts, BFA in Miniature Painting
2003

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2023 Head of Department, Fine Arts and Textile Design at the Arts Council of Pakistan
2019 Visiting Faculty, Fine Arts, Arts council institute of Arts and Crafts
-2022
2012 Visiting Faculty, Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture, Karachi
-2023
2011 Visiting Faculty, Visual Arts, Marriage Program, National College of Arts, Lahore
2010 External Advisor, Thesis Year, Centre for Excellence in Art University, Jamshoro
2008 External Advisor Thesis Year Fine Arts, National College of Arts, Lahore
2005 Miniature Core Studio Major, Huner Kada College, National
-2008 College of Arts, Lahore

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2024 (Upcoming) *deMONSTERate*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London, UK
2022 *Grass don't grow on my land*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Berlin
2021 *Nangeli*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London
Power Yawn, Sanat Initiative, Karachi
2020 *Money Provides, Culture Aspires*, Sanat Initiative, Karachi
2019 *Serving with White Gloves*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Berlin
No Fight, Be a Donkey, Oart Space, Lahore
Reinterpreting the Azakhana, Sanat Initiative, Karachi
2018 *Friday*, Sanat Initiative, Karachi
Yeh Pyara Parcham, Sanat Gallery, Karachi
Original Copy of Original Copy of Copy Original, Art Dubai, Dubai
2017 *Refreshment*, Sanat Initiative, Karachi
2015 *Funkier than a mosquito's twitter*, KH Gallery, London
Art Cash Hard Cash, Sanat Art Gallery, Karachi
India Art Fair, SOLO ART Projects, Curated by Girish Shahne, Delhi
2014 *One For the Birds*, Gandhara Art Space, Karachi

- Safar Nama*, Canvas Art Gallery, Karachi
- 2013 *Lines of Control: Partition as a Productive Space*, A Green Cardamom Project, Nasher Museum of Art at Duke University, Durham, NC
Poster Nama, Latitude 28, New Delhi
- 2012 *Lines of Control: Partition as a Productive Space*, A Green Cardamom Project, Herbert F. Johnson Museum, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
New works by Muhammad Zeeshan, Canvas Art Gallery, Karachi
- 2011 *Special 'Siri' Series*, Aicon Gallery, New York, USA
- 2010 *Beyond The Page*, Pacific Asia Museum, Pasadena
Recent works of dying miniature, Canvas Art Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2009 *Abrasive Drawings*, Rohtas II, Lahore, Pakistan
- 2008 *Dying Miniature*, Green Cardamom, London, UK
What Lies Beneath, Jahangir Nicholzen Art Gallery, Mumbai, India
Profane Illuminations, Aicon Gallery, New York, USA
- 2007 *New Work by Muhammad Zeeshan*, Chawkandi Art Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
Sublime Maladies, Anant Art Gallery, Delhi, India
- 2006 *Beyond Appearances*, Canvas Art Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 *Beyond the Page: South Asian Miniatures and Britain 1600- Today*, The Box, -2023 Plymouth & Milton Keynes Gallery, England UK
Conversations, Oart Space, Pakistan
Nyx, Sanat Initiative, Karachi
The Emperor's new clothes, Numaisgha, Lahore, Pakistan
The Figure of Sound, Shridharani Gallery, Triveni Kala Sangam, New Delhi
Figure 23, Curated by Sana Arjumand, Gallery 6, Islamabad, Pakistan
Creation of Eve, artvoice, online
- 2022 *'Untitled Miami Beach'*, with Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Miami, USA
Fixed Price, Sanat Initiative, Karachi
- 2021 *Facing The Sun*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Schloss Goerne, Germany
- 2020 *All the Days and Nights*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London
Pretty Art For Pretty People, Sanat initiative, Karachi
 Art Dubai with Kristin Hjellegjerde
- 2019 *Drawing Room Diamonds*, Sanat Initiative, Karachi
Common Borders, Sanat Initiative, Karachi
- 2018 *In The Beginning Was The Word*, O Art Space, Lahore
Reflection, Sanat Gallery, Karachi
- 2017 *Who Ate The Birds*, Koel Art Gallery, Karachi Prophecy, Sanat Gallery, Karachi
Prophecies, Sanat Gallery, Karachi
- 2016 *Markings*, Chawkandi Art, Karachi

- Signature*, Studio Seven, Karachi
- 2015 *Silsila*, Sanat Art Gallery, Karachi
- 2014 *Present Re-inventions*, Grosvenor gallery, London UK
- 2010 *Drawn from Life*, Abbot Hall Art Gallery, Kendal, UK
Havelian Express, At Cais gallery, Curated by Whitney Ferrari, Seoul
- 2009 *Bazghashth*, Tradition Method And Modern Practices,' Art Gallery of Mississauga, Canada,
April 'Kein Ding', Acc Galerie, Weimar, Germany
Safavid Revisited, British Museum, London, England
- 2008 *Ghost of Souza*, Aicon Gallery, New York, USA
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Afghanistan: Future, Gemak/GemeenteMuseum, Holland
- 2007 *Does size matter II?* Jahangir K.S. Nicholson Gallery of Modern Art, Mumbai
Aug dialogue with tradition, National Art Gallery, Islamabad, Pakistan
Contemporary Arts from Pakistan, Thomas Erben Gallery, New York, USA
From Pakistan to Monmartre, Gallerie Chappe, Paris, France
- 2006 *LILA/PLAY: Contemporary Miniatures and New Art from South Asia*, Melbourne Australia
- 2005 *Contemporary Chronicles*, Art Alive, Delhi, India
Segregation, Anant Art Gallery, Delhi, India
LOVE/HATE, The Third Line Gallery, Dubai
Reinventing Narratives, La Galerie Mohammed El Fassi, Rabat, Morocco
- 2004 *Contemporary Miniature Paintings From Pakistan*, Fukouka Asian Art Museum, Japan
Terror can not be exterminated by war, Metropolitan Museum Tokyo, Japan
- 2003 *Top of the Pops*, National College of Arts, Lahore, Pakistan

COMMISSIONS AND PUBLIC PROJECTS

- 2019 Curator of Karachi Biennale Trust (KBT), Karachi
- 2017 Karachi Art Summit, Aao Picture Dekein (lets see picture), Karachi Flag Ceremony, Public Performance, Sanat Gallery, Karachi 2015 India Art Fair, On Indefinitness, Solo booth installation, Delhi
- 2008 Dubai Art Fair, Art Park Project Chosen for Commissioned Project by the Committee, Project by the Committee Dubai, Committee, Dabai, UAE.
 Represented by Green Cardamon
- 2008 Ishtehaar Lagaana Mana Hai, Public Art Project, KoCa, Germany
- 2005 *Miniatures Contemporaries du Pakistan*, Villefranche de Rouergue, La Halle, France

BIENNALES

2018 Lahore Biennale 01, Lahore
2017 KB17 Biennale, Karachi
2012 Baku Biennale, Azerbaijan

PERMANENT COLLECTIONS

The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York
British Museum, London
Pacific Asia Art Museum, Pasadena, USA
Metropolitan Museum, New York, USA
British Museum, UK
Fukouka Asian Art Museum, Japan
Asal Collection, UK
Devi Art Foundation, India
Aan Collection, Hong Kong
Wolton Family Collection, USA
The Bunker Art Space, USA
Easton Capital Collection, USA

ART FAIRS

2022 Untitled, Art Miami Beach, USA
2021 Drawing Room Lisboa, Drawing Room Fair, Lisbon
2018 India Art Fair, Art Dubai
2017 Contemporary Istanbul Art Fair
Art Dubai
India Art Fair
2015 Hong Kong Art Fair
2015 India Art Fair
2013- India Art Fair
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2008- Hong Kong Art Fair
11 Art Dubai
2009 India Art Summit Pulse Art Fair

RESIDENCY/WORKSHOPS AND CAMPS ATTENDED

2024 'Once Upon a Rain', Dastaangoi & Bayt AlMamzar, Dubai
2016 Kalakriti Artist in Residency, Hyderabad, India

- 2015 Lares Projects, Finland
- 2013 June Seoul Art space Geumcheon, Korea
- 2008 Acc Galerie Weimar, Weimar, Germany
- 2007 Gas Works Artists in Residency at gas works, London, UK Braziers
International Artists Workshop at Brazier Park, UK
- 2006 International Workshop at Gaddani, Pakistan
- 2005 'Taj by day Taj by night', artist camp at agra, India

AWARDS

- 2021 Sadequain: Pride of Performance Award
- 2017 Nigaah Curatorial Award, Pakistan
- 2008 Acc Weimar galerie scholarship, Germany
- 2007 CHARLES WALLACE-RANGOON WALA TRUST AWARD
- 2003 BHATTI FASHION SHOW SCHOLARSHIP
- 2002 NATIONAL COLLEGE OF ARTS GRANT SCHOLARSHIP
- 2001- NATIONAL COLLEGE OF ARTS MERIT SCHORLARSHIP CURATORIAL
2003 PROJECTS
- 2016 Hiatus, Solo show of Ramla Fatima at Sanat Initiative, Karachi
- 2016 #hashtag, Solo show of Samreen Sultan at Full Circle Gallery, Karachi
- 2016 NEON, GROUP SHOW AT SANAT ART INITIATIVE, KARACHI, PAKISTAN
- 2016 AGOGIC ACCENT, GROUP SHOW AT SANAT INITIATIVE, KARACHI,
PAKISTAN
- 2014 Sanat Art Initiative, Curatorial Residency project in Karachi followed by a
catalogued exhibition of the artists, in the Sanat Gallery, Karachi.
- 2013 SIND- Reverberating Sounds Echo Through The Desert, KOEL GALLERY
KARACHI
- 2013 Drawing Mandalas, Canvas Art Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2012 Five Frostings, Canvas Art Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan