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SHAIKHA AL MAZROU

Born 1988 in the UAE
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BIOGRAPHY

Shaikha Al Mazrou is considered to be among the most dynamic and promising artists of her generation from the UAE. Her sculptural experimentations and investigations are expressions of materiality—articulations of tension and the interplay between form and content as well as an intuitive, keenly felt understanding of materials and their physical properties. She combines and evolves ideas from contemporary artistic movements similarly preoccupied with formal and material elements, from colour theory to geometric abstraction.

EDUCATION

- 2014 MFA Chelsea College of Fine Art, University of the Arts, London, UK
- 2010 BFA College of Fine Arts and Design, University of Sharjah, Sharjah, UAE

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 Art Basel Hong Kong, with Lawrie Shabibi, Hong Kong, China
- 2022-23 *Dwelling in the Gap*, Lawrie Shabibi, Dubai, UAE
- 2021 Art Dubai with Lawrie Shabibi, Dubai, UAE
- 2020 *Rearranging the Riddle*, Maraya Art Centre, Sharjah, UAE

- 2019 *Expansion/Extension*, Lawrie Shabibi, Dubai, UAE
- 2017 *Solo Projects*, Abu Dhabi Art with Lawrie Shabibi, Abu Dhabi,
UAE

SELECT GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 Aichi Triennale: A Time Between Ashes and Roses, Nagoya and Seto City,
Japan
Abu Dhabi Art with Lawrie Shabibi, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Abu Dhabi Art, In and Around Program, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Manarat Abu Dhabi, Department of Culture and Tourism Abu Dhabi, UAE
Art Basel Hong Kong, Lawrie Shabibi Galleries booth, Hong Kong
Art Week Riyadh, Lawrie Shabibi booth, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Form and Rhythm, with Lawrie Shabibi, Sotheby's Dubai, UAE
- 2024 Art Dubai with Lawrie Shabibi, Dubai
Art021 Shanghai with Lawrie Shabibi, Shanghai, China
Hour Eternal - Emirati Abstraction, Bassam Freiha Art Foundation, Abu
Dhabi, UAE
- 2023 Art Dubai with Lawrie Shabibi, Dubai
- 2022-23 Louvre Abu Dhabi *Art Here* exhibition in collaboration with Richard
Mille, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2022 Frieze Sculpture, with Lawrie Shabibi, London, UK
Art Dubai with Lawrie Shabibi, Dubai, UAE
Portrait Of A Nation II: Beyond Narratives, organised by ADMAF,
Manarat Al Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Desert X AIUla 2022, AIUla, Saudi Arabia
- 2020 Paulo Cunha e Silva Art Prize Finalist Exhibition, Galeria Municipal do
Porto, Porto, Portugal
Upsurge: Waves, Colour and Illusion, Lawrie Shabibi, Dubai, UAE
MATERIALIZE, Lawrie Shabibi, Dubai, UAE

- 2018 Artissima, Dialogue section, with Lawrie Shabibi, Torino, Italy
From Barcelona to Abu Dhabi: Works from the MACBA Art Collection in Dialogue with the Emirates, organised by ADMAF, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2017 *Beyond: Emerging Artists*, Abu Dhabi Art, UAE
Art of Nature, Abu Dhabi Festival, Umm Al Emarat Park, UAE
Homage Without An Homage, curated by Cristiana De Marchi, Art Dubai, Julius Baer Lounge, UAE
Faculty Show, Al Rewaq Gallery, College of Fine Art, University of Sharjah, UAE
- 2016 *Past Forward: Contemporary Art from the Emirates*, Bolivar Art Gallery, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, USA
- 2015 Abu Dhabi Art, with Lawrie Shabibi, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Art Dubai Contemporary, with Lawrie Shabibi, Dubai, UAE
A Public Privacy, Inaugural edition of UAE Unlimited Arab Exploration, Curated by Cristiana de Marchi and Mohammed Kazem, DUCTAC, Dubai, UAE
Past Forward, Contemporary Art from the Emirates, Fowler Museum, UCLA, Los Angeles, California USA
- 2014 *Make Art Possible*, Commissioned by The Arab Fund for Art and Culture (AFAC), Jalila Cultural Centre for Children, Dubai, UAE
Empty 10 and 1 x 1 Gallery, Dubai, UAE
- 2013 1° International Arezzo Biennial of Art, Arezzo, Italy Art Dubai, Dubai, UAE
- 2011 House 44, Al Bastakiya, Dubai, UAE

- 2010 Sharjah Cultural Days in Passau, Museum of Modern Art, Passau, Germany
Bytes and Pieces, Bait Al Serkal, Sharjah, UAE
 14th Asian Art Biennale, National Art Gallery, Dhaka, Bangladesh
Experiment, Maraya Art Centre, Sharjah, UAE
Exit 5, College of Fine Arts and Design, Sharjah, UAE
 28th Annual Exhibition of the Emirates Fine Arts Society, Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE

AWARDS AND GRANTS

- 2022 Finalist of Louvre Abu Dhabi Richard Mille Prize
 2020 Paulo Cunha e Silva Art Prize, Galeria Municipal do Porto, Portugal
 2014 MFA Student Prize, Chelsea College of Fine Art, University of the Arts, London, UK

PUBLIC ART COMMISSIONS

- 2025 *Deliberate Pauses*, Hatta mountains, commissioned by Alserkal Arts Foundation and Dubai Culture & Arts Authority, Hatta, Dubai, UAE
 2024 *Union of Artists (2024)*, a collaborative project with Afra Al Dhaheri, Mohamed Ahmed Ibrahim, Asma Belhamar and Khalid Albanna, commissioned by Dubai Culture and Art Dubai under the Dubai Public Art Initiative, Al Hudaiba park, Dubai, UAE
 2022 *Red Stack (2022)*, Frieze Sculpture, London, UK
 2022 *Measuring Physicality of Void (2022)*, Desert X AlUla, AlUla, Saudi Arabia
 2021 *The Plinth (2021)*, commissioned for Expo 2020 Dubai's Public Art Programme, curated by Tarek Abou El Fetouh, Dubai, UAE
 2018 *Green House: Interior yet Exterior, Manmade yet Natural (2018)* commissioned by Jameel Arts Centre, Dubai, UAE

COLLECTIONS

Art Jameel Collection, Dubai

Cleveland Clinic, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Ellie Khouri Collection, Dubai, UAE

EXPO Dubai collection, UAE

Salama Bint Hamdan Al Nahyan Foundation, Abu Dhabi, UAE

The Dubai Collection, Dubai, UAE

The Farjam Foundation, Dubai, UAE

The Pizzuti Collection of the Columbus Museum of Art, Ohio, USA

The Royal Commission for AlUla, Saudi Arabia

University of Birmingham, UK