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## MEHDI MOUTASHAR

Born in 1943, in Hilla (Iraq), Lives and works in Arles since 1974

### EDUCATION

1992-97 Northern Media School, Sheffield Hallam University, UK (Experimental and Documentary Film Theory and Practice)

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2022 Le Farinier, Cluny Abbey
- 2021 Abu Dhabi Art Fair (UAE)
  - Cardinal Points , Lawrie Shabibi Gallery, Dubai (catalogue)
  - Racines Carrées , AL/MA Gallery, Montpellier
- 2019 Hoffmann Gallery, Friedberg, Germany
- 2017 Ligne and color, 1968 -1978 , Galerie Orsay-Paris
  - Measuring Space , Albareh Gallery & National Theater of Bahrain (catalogue)
- 2016 Galerie Victor Sfez, Paris
  - Lastic , Galerie AL/MA, Montpellier
  - Beyond form: Richard Serra / Mehdi Moutashar , Palais du Tau, Reims
- 2014 Le Petit Temple Gallery, Lasalle
- 2013 Linde Hollinger Gallery, Ladenburg, Germany
- 2012 AL/MA Gallery, Montpellier
- 2011 Kleine Museum, Weissenstadt, Germany
- 2009 Denise René Gallery, Paris (Week Review, 09.37)
- 2005 Verney-Carron Gallery, Villeurbanne (Week Review, 05.22)
- 2003 Espace Capitole, Arles
- 2002 Denise René Gallery (catalogue)
- 1998 Denise René Gallery, Paris
- 1997 Kufa Gallery, London
- 1989 Narbonne Towers, Carcassonne & Arab World Institute, Paris (catalogue)
- St Ravy Gallery, Montpellier
- 1988 Méjan Chapel, Arles (catalogue), Karo Gallery, Berlin
  - Walzinger Gallery, Saarlouis, Germany
- 1986 Dörtindeguey Gallery, Anduze
- 1985 Hoffmann Gallery, Friedberg, Germany (catalogue)
  - Karo Gallery, Berlin

- 1980 Al-Riwak Art Gallery, Baghdad  
 1979 Galerie Leger, Malmö  
 1978 Galerie K, Washington  
 1977 Museum of Chartres  
 1975 Museum of Modern Art, Baghdad  
 1974 Galerie du Haut-Pavé, Paris  
 1972 Galerie du Haut-Pavé, Paris  
     Museum of Modern Art, Baghdad  
 1971 Leger Gallery, Copenhagen & Malmö  
 1970 Museum of Modern Art, Baghdad

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2022 *Beirut and the Golden Sixties: A Manifesto of Fragility at the 16th Lyon Biennale*, macLYON, Lyon, France  
 2022 Arts in Poetry, Chapelle des Pénitents, Aniane.  
 2019 Jameel Prize 5, Jameel Arts Center, Dubai.  
 2018 Bagdad Mon amour, Institut des Cultures d'Islam, Paris.  
     Jameel Prize 5, Victoria & Albert Museum, London.  
 2015 Tribute at Malevitch's Black Square, Vasarely Museum, Budapest.  
 2011 Deleuze-Rochetin Gallery, Uzès.  
 2010 François Morellet and Mehdi Moutashar , Institute of Islamic Cultures, Paris.  
 2009 Notations, Akademie der Kunst, Berlin ZKM Zentrum für Kunst und Medien-technologie, Karlsruhe, Germany.  
 2008 On the Line, Matisse Museum, Cateau-Cambrésis.  
 2005 The Arabic Book, BNF, Paris.  
     The Rhythmic Field of the Mind, Islamic Arts and Geometric Abstraction, Espace d'Art Concret, Mouans-Sartoux.  
 2003 Arab Workshops, UNESCO Palace, Beirut.  
     Art in motion, Leeuwarden, Netherlands (work in situ )  
     Khan Assad Pasha, Damascus (work in situ )  
 2001 Tokyo Art Institute, Tokyo.  
     Arte abstracto and the Denise René gallery , Centro Atlantico de Arte Moderno,  
         Las Palmas, Gran Canaria.  
     Asiart , Museum of Contemporary Art, Genoa, Italy (work in situ )  
 2000 Tsukuba Museum of Art, Ibaraki  
     Marugame Genichiro Inokuma Museum of Contemporary Art, Kagawa  
     Urawa City Museum of Art, Saitama (Tokyo)  
     Himeji City Museum of Art, Hyogo, Japan.  
 1998 März Gallery, Manheim, Germany.  
 1997 3rd Sharjah Biennial, United Arab Emirates (work in situ)  
 1994 Beside the Baroque, Litvice, Czech Republic.  
 1991 Water and Europe: Garden of Prebends in Tours (work in situ )  
 1988 Die Ecke, Cantonal Museum of Sion, Switzerland.  
     Stadt Museum, Ingolstadt, Germany.  
     Constructions and designs, Schöneberg Bahnhof, Berlin.  
 1987 Zwei Quadrat, Wilhelm Hack Museum, Ludwigshafen, Germany.  
     Konkret Sieben, Kunsthaus, Nuremberg, Germany.

## **PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

- Guggenheim Museum, Abu Dhabi
- PACA Regional Contemporary Art Fund
- National Center for Plastic Arts, Paris
- Victoria & Albert Museum, London
- Kleine Museum, Weissenstadt, Germany
- Montbéliard Museum
- General Council of Bouches-du-Rhône
- Klingspor Museum der Stadt, Offenbach, Germany
- Museum of Fine Arts in Cholet
- National Library, Paris
- National Gallery of Fine Arts, Amman, Jordan
- Arab World Institute, Paris
- Museum of Modern Art in Tunis
- Gulbenkian National Museum of Modern Art, Baghdad, Iraq

## **EDITIONS (CD, ARTIST BOOKS, PUBLICATIONS ....)**

- 2021 MULTIPLES, Éditions Méridianes, Montpellier:  
Four squares rotated by 30° . Painted steel, 15 ex. numbered and signed, 31 x 42 cm, Six 90° angles. Painted steel, 15 ex. numbered and signed, 20 x 48 cm.
- 2014 BROOCH: Three folds. Stainless steel, 100 ex. numbered and signed, 5 x 8.5 cm.
- 2012 ARTIST'S BOOK, Éditions Méridianes, Montpellier: Remarkable Angles. Text by Dominique Clévenot. 11 lithographs. 80 ex. numbered and signed including 30 deluxe copies with original interventions by the artist, numbered from I to XXX. 40 pages, format 32 x 48 cm, on BFK Rives 270 gr paper.
- 2011 PORTFOLIO One and a half . Collage, silkscreen and pencil. 36 ex. numbered and signed. 20 pages, 6 plates, format 55.5 x 37.5 cm, on Arches 88 paper, 300 gr.
- 1996 PORTFOLIO Variations on seven letters of the Arabic alphabet . Collage, silkscreen and pencil. 49 ex. numbered and signed. 32 pages, 14 plates, format 50.5 x 38 cm, on Arches paper 88,300 gr.
- 1989 TAPIS: Magic square in rhythm of 1-1.5 , 100 ex. numbered and signed, 253 x 253, Surface Prisme edition.