

OMAR AL GURG

Born 1995, Dubai, UAE

Lives and works in Dubai

Omar Al Gurg is a Dubai-born artist whose photographic practice is shaped by a lifelong engagement with the medium. Raised in a family of photographers, Al Gurg began developing film and capturing images from an early age, cultivating a self-taught approach that privileges observation and attentiveness. His early subjects – nature and strangers encountered in daily life – reflect a quiet curiosity and sensitivity to the world around him.

For Al Gurg, photography is a meditative practice, distinct from his background in design, yet both disciplines inform his creative outlook. His images are marked by a deliberate focus on detail and atmosphere, often pausing to document fleeting moments of light, resilience, and transformation within the landscape.

Drawing on personal experience and Arab heritage, Al Gurg's work explores overlooked narratives and subtle ecological changes, inviting viewers into spaces of reflection and contemplation. He is also the founder of the design studio Modu Method, which informs his broader interest in accessible, thoughtful design.

EDUCATION

2018 BSc Architecture, Queen's University Belfast, Belfast, Northern Ireland

SOLO EXHIBITION

2025 Forthcoming: *Everyman's Mountain*, Lawrie Shabibi, Dubai, UAE

GROUP EXHIBITION

2024 *Among the Pillars*, Collaboration with Vacheron Constantin, Dubai Mall, Dubai, UAE
Artists in Flux, GUCCI X NOMAD, Dubai, UAE
Majlis Fann, collaboration with BMW, Dubai, UAE

2023 Downtown Design, Dubai, UAE
Collaboration with Constantino, Dubai, UAE

2022 Downtown Design, Dubai, UAE
Sikka Art and Design Festival, Dubai, UAE
Sharjah Islamic Arts Festival, Sharjah, UAE
Collaboration with Iwan Maktabi, Dubai, UAE

2021 UAE Designer Exhibition, Downtown Design, Dubai, UAE
The Path, 1971 Design Space, Sharjah, UAE

CURATED EXHIBITION

2024 UAE Designer Exhibition, Downtown Design, curated by Omar Al Gurg, Dubai, UAE