



# Artscoops Discoveries

## 1 - 3 Feb 2024 ONLINE AUCTION

#### VIEWING:

Thursday 1 February 11.00am till 5.00pm
Friday 2 February 11.00am till 5.00pm
Saturday 3 February 11.00am till 3.00pm

#### **BIDDING STARTS TO CLOSE:**

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# SAMIA OSSEIRAN JUNBLAT (B.1944)

Red Rose

oil on cardboard mounted on canvas 50 x 80 cm signed 'S.Osseiran' (lower left)

US\$ 3,000 - 6,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut





# YOLANDE NAUFAL (B.1949 - 2023)

Chant des Hirondelles

oil on canvas 115 x 100 cm signed 'Yolande Naufal 2014' (centre) Painted in 2014.

US\$ 6,000 - 10,000

Provenance:

Private Collection, Beirut.

This artwork is accompanied by a certificate of authenticity.

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# HANNIBAL SROUJI (B.1957)

Healing Bands

The Chocolate Tree

fire and acrylic on cotton canvas 225 x 23 cm (each) signed, dated and titled 'HANIBAL SROUJI 2010 Healing Bands The Chocolate TREE' (on the reverse) Painted in 2010.

US\$ 4,000 - 8,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut.



# YOLANDE LABAKI (B.1927)

Soleil

mixed media on canvas 99 x 69 cm signed 'Y.LABAKI' (lower right) Painted in 1973.

US\$ 5,000 - 8,000

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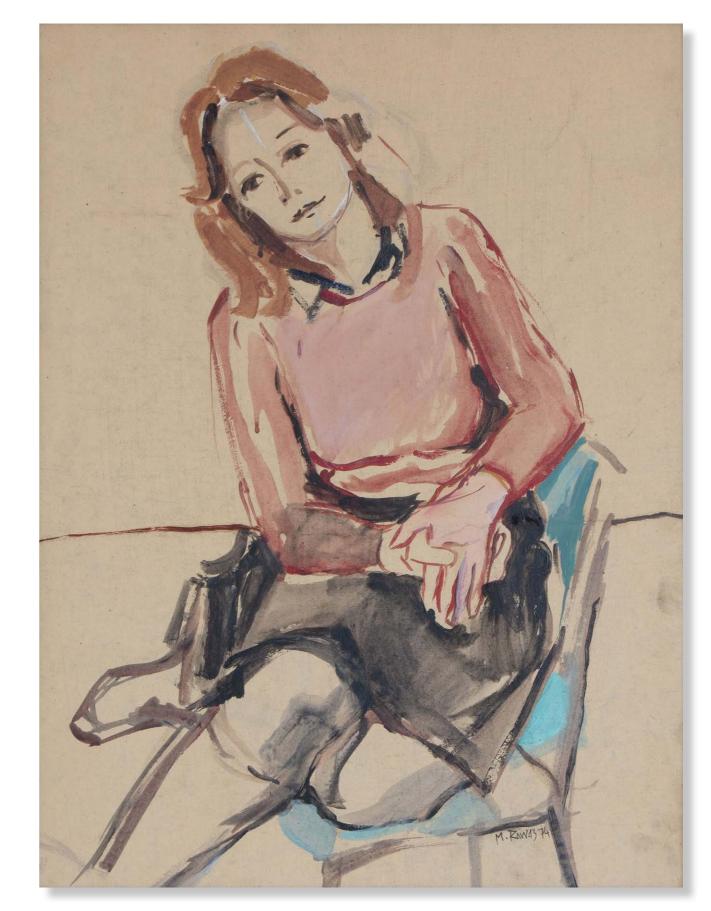
# MOHAMMAD EL RAWAS (B. 1951)

A Seated Girl Holding her Hands Together

oil on paper mounted on canvas 61 x 46 cm signed and dated 'M.RAWAS 74' (lower right) Painted in 1974.

US\$ 6,000 - 10,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut.



# SHAFIC ABBOUD (1926 - 2004)

Untitled

oil on canvas mounted on board 30.5 x 31.5 cm signed 'Abboud' (lower right) dated and dedicated '12.1.85 à Gilles Plazy' (lower left) Painted in 1985.

US\$ 6,000 - 12,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut.





# 7 JULIANA SÉRAPHIM (1934 - 2005)

La Citadelle

oil, sand and gold on canvas 80 x 88 cm signed in Arabic ُ جوليانا ساروفيم (lower right) Painted in 1980.

US\$ 8,000 - 16,000

Provenance:

Private Collection, Beirut.

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# HUSSEIN MADI (1938 - 2024)

Untitled

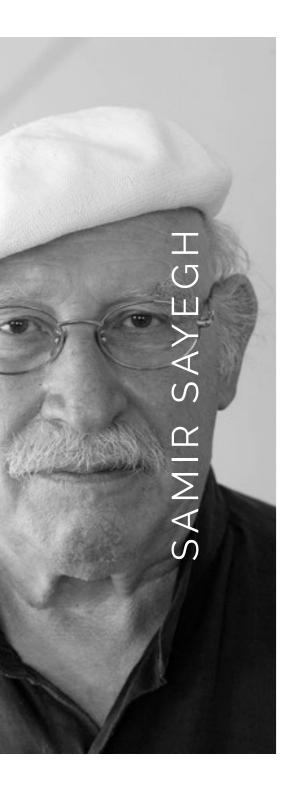
acrylic on canvas 90 x 90 cm signed and dated 'MADI 2019' (lower right) Painted in 2019.

US\$ 20,000 - 30,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut.

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# Samir Sayegh

Lebanese artist, critic and poet Samir Sayegh is a pioneer of modernism in the Arab world. Driven by a deep interest in the formal power of letters, Sayegh sought to liberate calligraphy from language and meaning. The artist instead focuses on the aesthetic properties of the written word in an effort to create a universal visual language.

Often uniting ornamentation with calligraphic script, Sayegh has developed a distinctive practice. Through the formal elements of line and space, the artist abstracts Arabic letters and words into dynamic geometric compositions, which often cover the entire surface. Visually engaged with the modern art movement, geometric minimalism, Sayegh's works bridge two artistic traditions to forge a unique contribution to the history of modernism.

Sayegh studied art history at the École Nationale Supérieure des Beaux-Arts in Paris. His research on traditional callig- raphy combined with his interest in contemporary design led Sayegh to invent new calligraphic typefaces and he has fashioned several logos. Also a prolific writer, Sayegh has published numerous articles and essays on art and aesthetics. From 2003-2007, he was a lecturer in the Architecture and Graphic Design department at the American University of Beirut. Samir Sayegh lives and works in Beirut.





# SAMIR SAYEGH (B. 1945)

Love

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acrylic on canvas 100 x 100 cm signed, titled and dated (on the reverse) Painted in 2016.

US\$ 8,000 - 12,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut.







# HUGUETTE CALAND (1931 - 2019)

Plein Vol I

Plein Vol II

oil on board 12.5 x 12.5 cm (each) titled, signed and dated 'Plein Vol H. Caland 1996' Painted in 1996.

US\$ 8,000 - 14,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, London.



# HOUMAM AL SAYED (B.1981)

Untitled

oil on canvas 150 x 130 cm signed and dated 'HOUMAM ALSAYED 2012' (lower right) Painted in 2012.

US\$ 9,000 - 14,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut.

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# Alfred Basbous

As a pioneering figure within the history of modern Arab sculpture, Alfred Basbous remains a sought-after artist on the art scene.

Born into an artistic family in Lebanon in 1924, he presented his first solo exhibition at Galerie Alecco Saab in Beirut in 1960 and thereafter received a scholarship to study at the École nationale supérieure des Beaux-Arts in Paris, where he trained with the sculptor René Collamarini.

Inspired by a variety of sources, from Greek mythology and Phoenician culture to folk art and Christian Maronite iconography, Basbous explored negative space just as much as he fashioned elegant, expressive forms, often moulding his sculptures around an empty core of biomorphic forms in stone or bronze. His early experimentations with female or animal shapes gradually gave way to more abstract creations. Besides his contributions as an artist, Basbous was a pivotal figure in advancing the practice and appreciation of sculpture in Lebanon where, from 1994 to 2004, he organised the annual International Symposium of Sculpture in Rachana.

Basbous exhibited widely in Lebanon and Europe during his lifetime, notably participating in the International Sculpture Exhibition at the Musée Rodin, Paris, in 1961, 1966, 1974. He won several awards, including the Prix de L'Orient in Beirut in 1963; the Sursock Museum's Salon d'Automne prize in 1964 and 1965; the Alexandria Biennale prize in 1974; and a posthumous gold medal from the Lebanese Order of Merit.





## ALFRED BASBOUS (1924 - 2006)

Inspirante

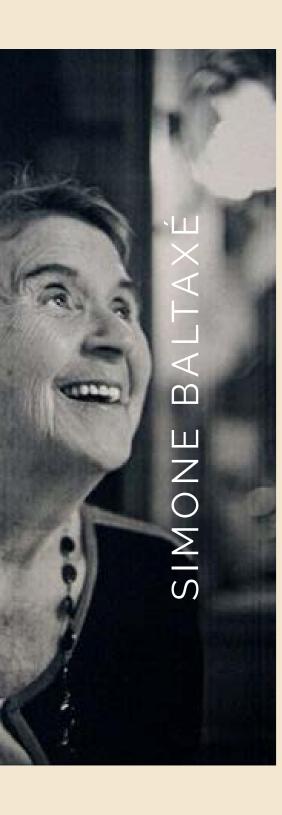
bronze sculpture (black & blue patina) 120 cm x 35 cm x 17 cm Edition 5/8 inscribed 'A.BASBOUS 5/8 1982' (lower end) Executed in 2006 - 2007.

US\$ 18,000 - 28,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut.

This artwork is accompanied by a certificate of authenticity from the Alfred Basbous Foundation.





# Simone Baltaxé Martayan

was born in Paris in 1925. She began her studies at the School of Applied Arts in Paris in 1940 but was forced to flee to Lyon in 1942 during WWII where she studied at the School of Fine Arts. She returned to Paris in 1946 where she pursued further training at the École des Beaux-Arts in Paris in the studio of Jean Souverbie.

In 1951, she married Noubar Martayan and followed him to Lebanon where she remained until 1978. She began exhibiting her work in the Salons du Printemps at the UNESCO Palace in 1957. In 1964, she met the weaver George Audi and began producing tapestries, which she showed at the Sursock Museum's Salons d'Automne.

She held solo exhibitions in Beirut at Gallery One (1968) and Modulart (1974). Her work features in the collections of the Sursock Museum in Beirut and the Centre Pompidou in Paris.





# SIMONE BALTAXÉ (1925 - 2009)

Isfahan

tapestry 168 x 223 cm Artist Proof sewn 'E.A AUDI ZOUK 1974' (on the reverse) Executed in 1974.

US\$ 40,000 - 50,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut.





# JOSEPH EL HOURANY (B. 1974)

Untitled

wooden sculpture 75 x 15 x 11 cm unique artwork inscribed 'HOURANY' (lower end)

US\$ 6,000 - 9,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut.





# **ETEL ADNAN** (1925 - 2021)

## Leporello

watercolour and oil sticks on paper 17 x 117.5 cm signed 'Adnan' (lower right on the last page)

### US\$ 35,000 - 50,000

#### Provenance:

Private Collection, Beirut.

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# **HELEN KHAL** (1923 - 2009)

Arbres Polychromes

oil on paper mounted on board 58 x 70 cm signed 'H.Khal' (lower left)

US\$ 25,000 - 35,000

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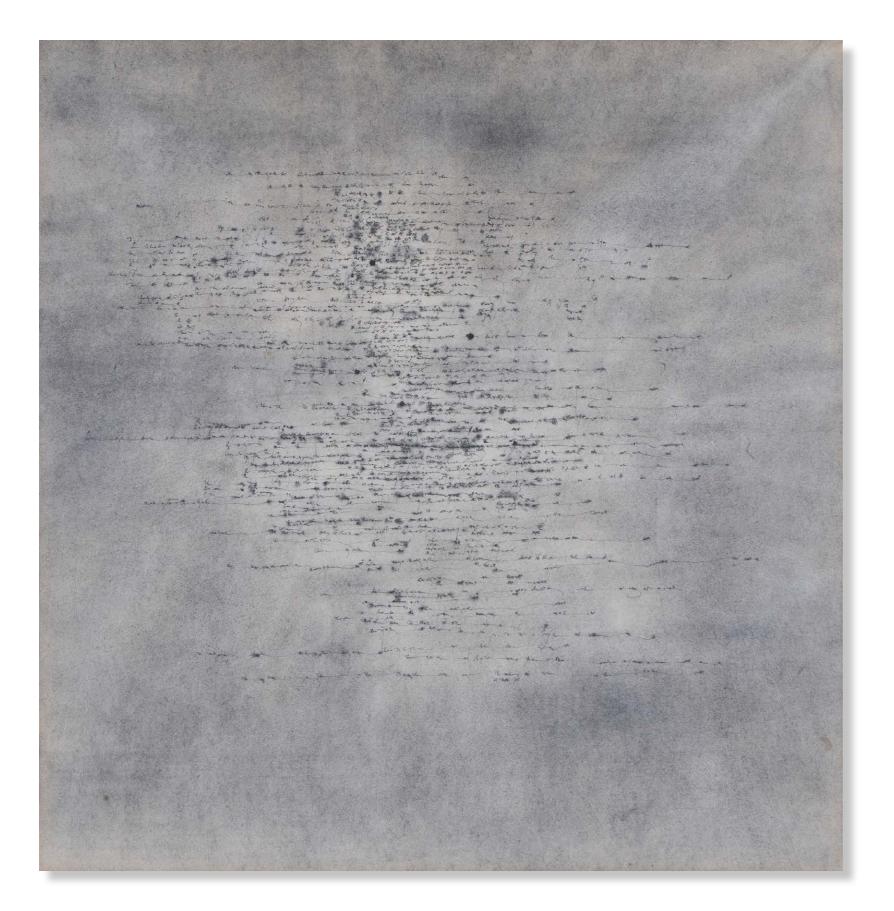
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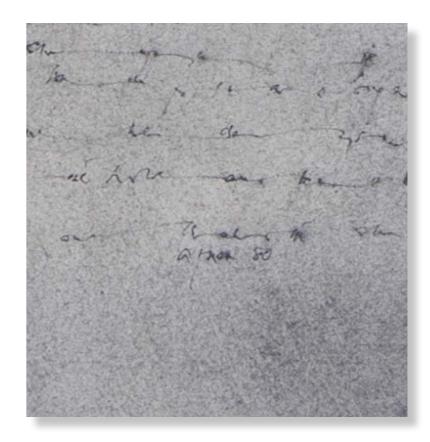
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Exhibited:
Sursock Museum, At the still point of the turning world, there is the dance.
Curated by Carla Chammas and Rachel Dedman, 17 October 2019 to 1st March 2020.

#### Literature:

Carla Chammas, Helen Khal: Gallery One and Beirut in the 1960s, Sternberg Press, 2023. (Illustrated in colour, p.94).





# MALIHEH AFNAN (1935 - 2016)

Celebrations

mixed media on paper 61 x 57 cm signed and dated 'afnan 80' (lower center) Painted in 1980.

US\$ 6,000 - 12,000

#### Provenance:

Private Collection, Beirut.

# HUGUETTE CALAND (1931 - 2019)

Face

oil on canvas 25.5 x 13 cm dedicated, signed, dated with location 'Pour Nabil, H.Caland 1994 Kaslik' (on the reverse) Painted in 1994.

US\$ 8,000 - 14,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, London.





# FATEH AL MOUDARRES (1922 - 1999)

The Gods love Sorrow (الالهة تحب الحزن)

oil on canvas 90 x 70 cm signed in Arabic and dated 1984 (lower right) Painted in 1984.

US\$ 12,000 - 20,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut







# MOAZZAZ RAWDA (1906 - 1986)

Untitled

marble sculpture 15 x 13 x 43 cm unique artwork inscribed in Arabic معزز روضة (at the bottom)

US\$ 8,000 - 16,000

Provenance:

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# NADIA SAIKALI (B.1936)

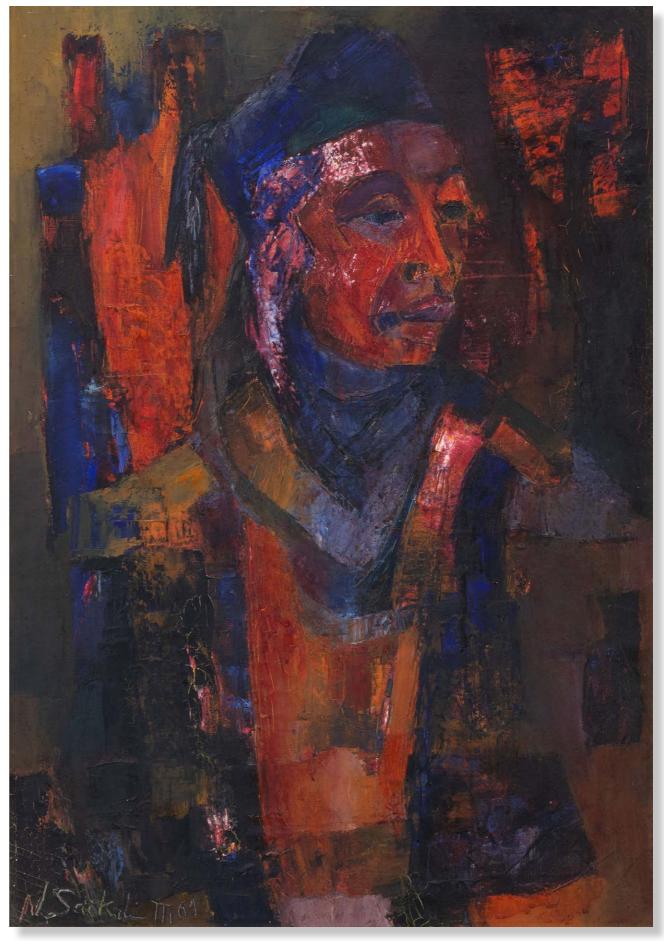
Portrait

oil on canvas 72 x 50 cm signed and dated 'N.Saïkali 61' (lower left) Painted in 1961.

US\$ 12,000 - 18,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut

This artwork has been approved by the artist.







# HUSSEIN MADI (1938 - 2024)

Woman

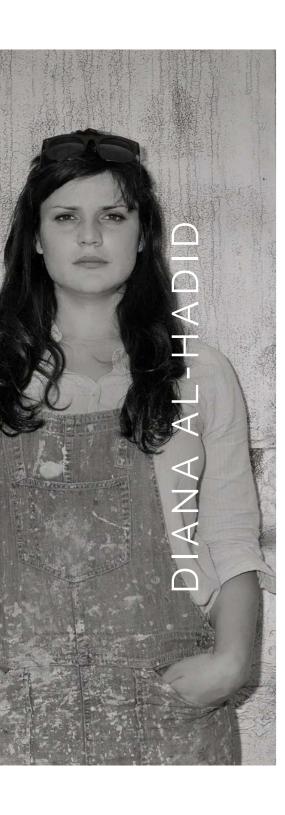
galvanized sculpture 63 x 19 x 15 cm (with base) 57 x 18 x 14 cm (without base) unique artwork

US\$ 9,000 - 14,000

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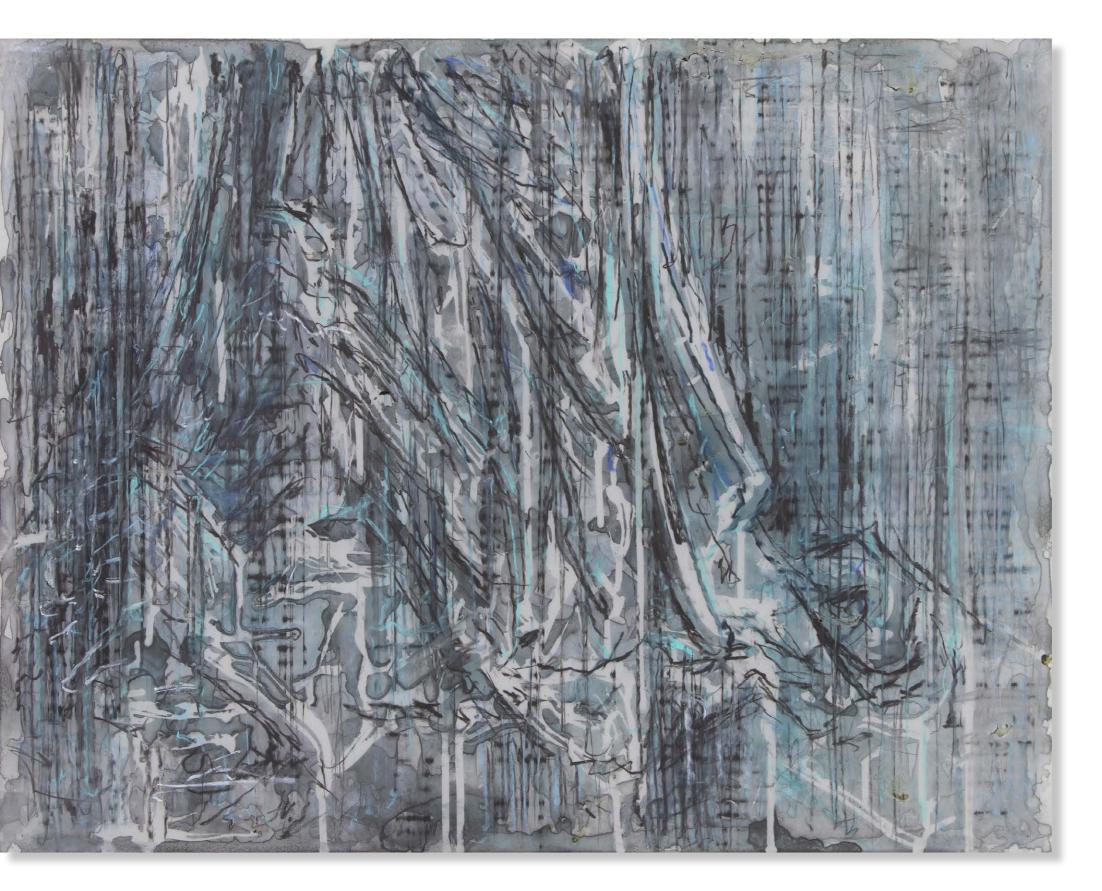


# Diana Al-Hadid

was born in Aleppo, Syria in 1981, and now lives and works in Brooklyn, NY. Diana has a BA in Art History and a BFA in Sculpture (2003) from Kent State University, as well as an MFA in Sculpture from the Virginia Commonwealth University (2005). Al-Hadid also attended the Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture (2007).

She has had numerous solo exhibitions, among her more recent, at Akron Museum of Art (2013), Weatherspoon Art Museum (2013), Marianne Boesky Gallery (2012), and Centro de Arte Contemporáneo (2011). She has also participated in numerous group exhibitions.

Al-Hadid was presented with the Nucci Award (2010), as well as numerous grants. Her work is housed in numerous public collections, among them several museums in the US - Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, The Museum of Fine Arts, Weatherspoon Art Museum and the Whitney Museum of American Art; as well as The C-Collection, Principality of Liechtenstein, The Judith Rothschild Foundation, New York, The Saatchi Collection, London.



# DIANA AL HADID (B.1981)

### Untitled

conte, charcoal, pastel, acrylic on mylar 45.7 x 61 cm signed and dated 'AlHadid 2013' (on the reverse) Painted in 2013.

US\$ 8,000 - 16,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut



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# WILLY ARACTINGI (1930 - 2003)

L'amour Libre

oil on canvas 100 x 100 cm signed 'W. Aractingi' (lower centre) Painted in 1974.

US\$ 15,000 - 25,000

Provenance: The artist's Estate.

A certificate of authenticity will be provided by the Aractingi Family upon purchase and it will be included in the forthcoming *Catalogue Raisonné* currently being prepared.



# JAMIL MOLAEB (B. 1948)

Flowers

oil on canvas 105 x 150 cm signed and dated in English and Arabic 'JAMIL MOLAEB جميل ملاعب 2023 MARS' (lower left) Painted in 2023.

US\$ 12,000 - 18,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut.





## HIBA KALACHE (B. 1972)

In and Out of Adoration

ink pastel and oil stick on canvas 200 x 150 cm signed and dated 'Hiba Kalche 2018' (on the reverse) Painted in 2018.

US\$ 15,000 - 20,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut

# ANAS AL BRAEHE (B. 1991)

Mother & Child

oil on canvas 79 x 65 cm signed and dated 'l.albraehe2018' (lower right) Painted in 2018.

US\$ 5,000 - 8,000

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# Moustafa Fathi

received a Diploma in Engraving from the Faculty of Fine Arts at the University of Damascus in 1966 and a Diploma in Engraving and Lithography from the Ecole Superieure des Beaux Arts, Paris in 1978.

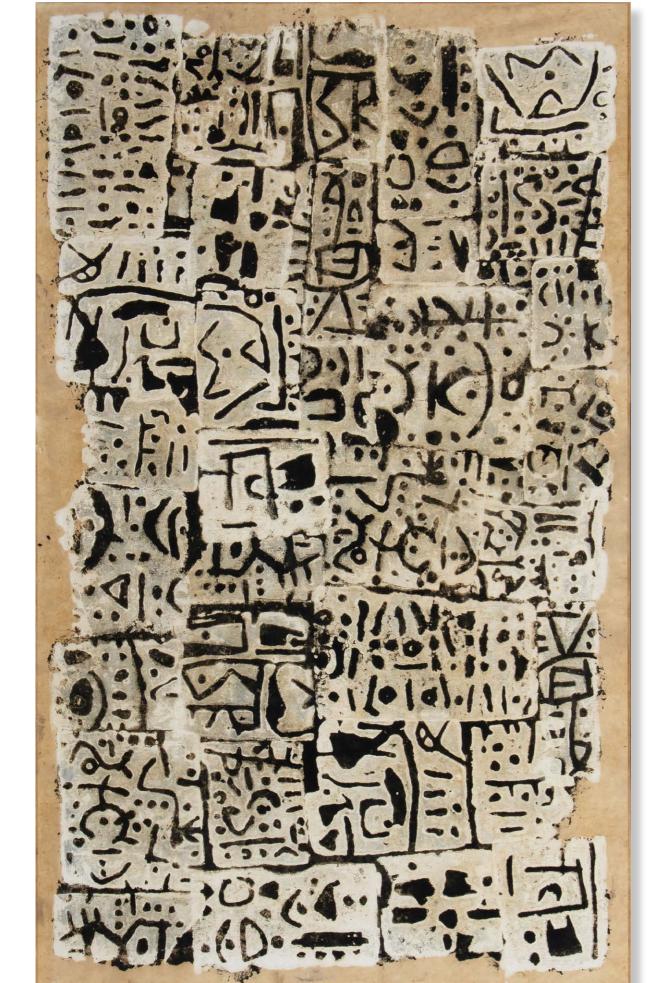
Throughout his career he exhibited at home and abroad, most notably in a number of prominent European institutions, including the Picasso Museum in Antibes, which houses one of his works. The last exhibition held for the artist during his lifetime was 2008.

Fathi used the "intricate stamps" in his later works:

During the second half of his career, Fathi developed a painting style based on a system of signs that he adapted from a variety of sources, such as the motifs of Bedouin textiles. Beginning in 1987, the artist researched traditional folk art throughout Syria then produced a series of carved woodblocks based on his findings. When applying his interpretive designs to a panel of dyed or bare canvas, Fathi used plant-based pigments in the tradition of fiber art practices. Although his works are outwardly inspired by the geometric patterns of Syrian folk art, Fathi sets aside the symmetry and meticulous designs of his sources, allowing his motifs to organically takeover the composition with the vigor of gestural marks.

Fathi's reliance on intuitive methods of painting corresponds with his admiration of artists who used similar approaches such as Paul Klee and Jackson Pollack.





# MOUSTAFA FATHI (1942 - 2009)

Signs and Symbols

mixed media on linen canvas mounted on board 147 x 90 cm signed

US\$ 6,000 - 12,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut.





# RAOUF RIFAI (B. 1954)

Darwich Abou El Chanab

acrylic on canvas 150 x 150 cm signed 'R.RIFAI' (lower left) and dated '22' (lower right) Painted in 2022.

US\$ 10,000 - 20,000

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# HUSSEIN MADI (1938 - 2024)

Birds

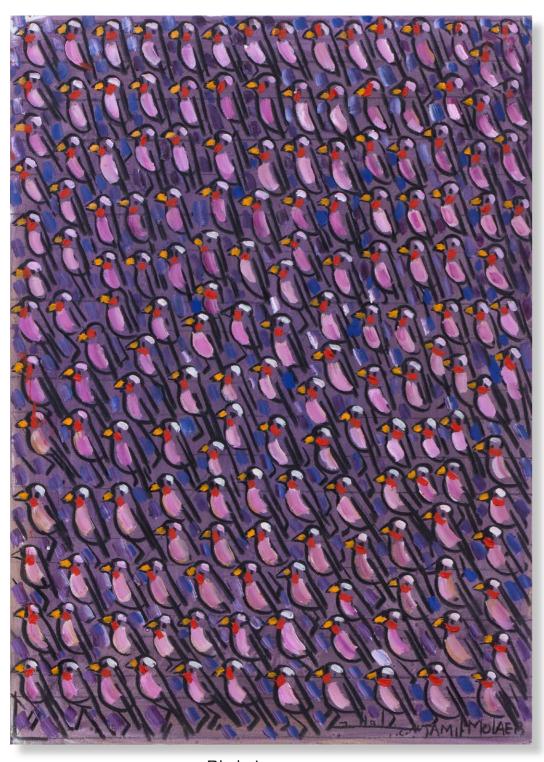
acrylic and collage on cardboard 68 x 77 cm signed and dated 'MADI 2012' (lower right) Painted in 2012.

US\$ 14,000 - 20,000

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# JAMIL MOLAEB (B. 1948)

### Birds I

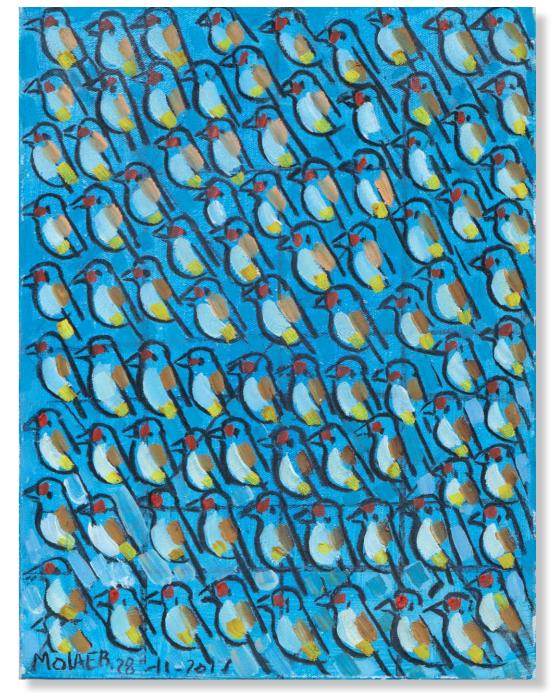
oil on canvas 70 x 50 cm signed 'JAMIL MOLAEB' (lower right)

### Birds II

oil on canvas 40 x 30 cm signed and dated 'MOLAEB 28-11-20' (lower left)

US\$ 2,800 - 5,000

**Provenance:** Private Collection, Beirut.



Birds II

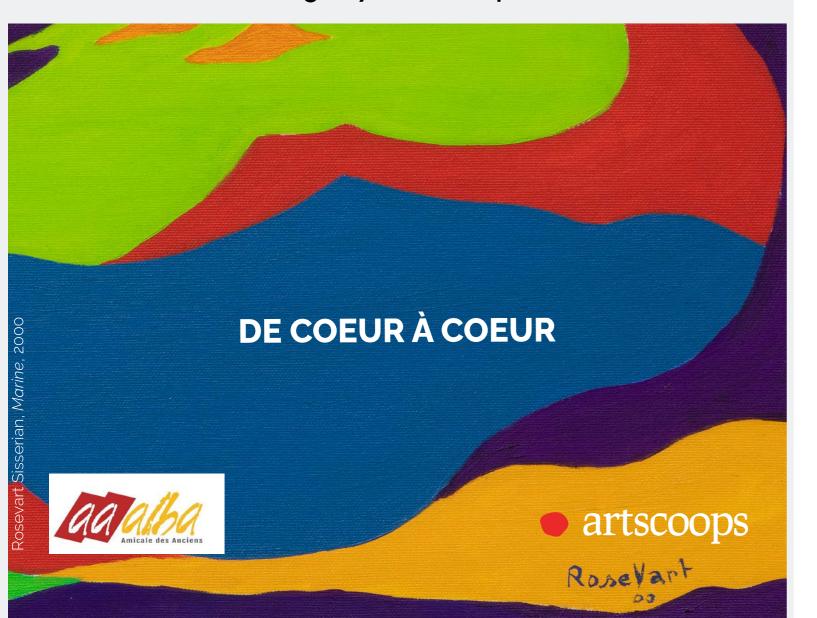
Birds I

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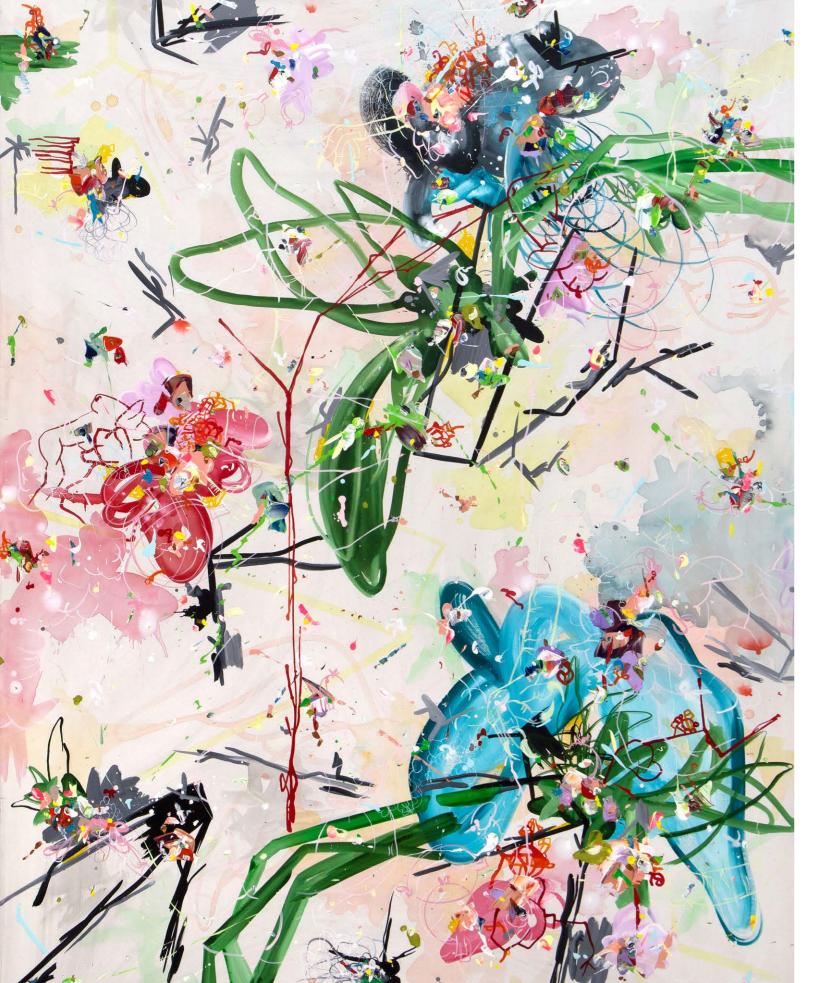


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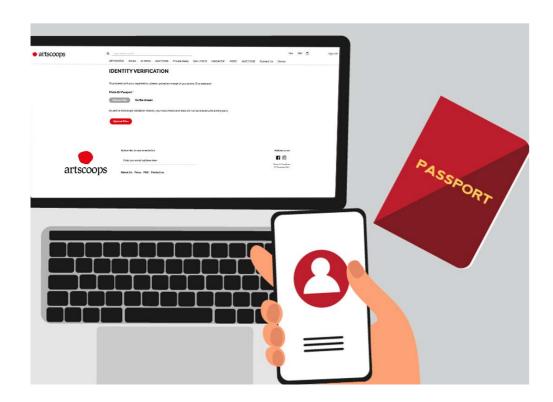


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