

Rafik Majzoub :

Born in 1971, Rafik Majzoub is a Lebanese painter and graphic artist. His paintings are raw, sarcastic and tense, and display sharp, tortured faces. Majzoub is self-taught and considers himself an “outsider artist,” claiming a prominent position in the post war Lebanese art scene. His figurative canvases focus on the quest for the self. Each line, tonality, form and brushstroke is expressive, yet unfinished, creating the illusion of continuity towards progress. This unfinished quality resonates with the essential incapability of the human being to achieve perfection in a world that thrives in imperfection. Majzoub’s technique is rooted in polarity, in tension, and in spontaneity. He works from instinct, liberating the unconscious to send a message about the nature of humanity. The artist favors carelessness over exactitude, freedom over calculation. His work is one of improvisation, translating ideas of the mind into visual experiences.

Solo Exhibitions :

- 2016 Room 11, Art on 56th, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2015 Rain on me, Art on 56th, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2012 X-RAY, Jacaranda Gallery, Amman, Jordan
- 2009 Get me out of me, Agial Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2005 In Your Face, Rochane Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2004 Open House.
- 2002 The Little Prince, Zara Gallery, Amman, Jordan
 - The Departure of the Little Prince, Zico House, Beirut, Lebanon.
- 2001 Open House
- 2000 Atelier du Plateau, Paris, France.
 - Paranoia, French Cultural Center, Beirut, Lebanon.
- 1998 His Rough Face, Lagos Cultural Center, Portugal.
- 1997 Silence, Address Cafe, Beirut, Lebanon.
- 1996 French Cultural Center, Amman, Jordan.
 - Mairie du 7eme secteur. Bastide Saint Joseph, Marseille, France.
- 1995 Chawraba, Zico House, Beirut, Lebanon.

Collective Exhibitions :

- 2016 Art show, SHIM & Florence Deniau-Stephan, New York City, USA
- 2016 'Never been seen', collective 2016, Art on 56th, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2015 Art on paper, Art on 56th, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2015 Collective 2015, Art on 56th, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2015 Art 15 London, "Emerging & Upcoming artists from Lebanon & the MEA" Art on 56th, UK
- 2013 Al Markhiya gallery, Qatar
- 2009 Salon de l'Automne, Sursock Museum, Beirut, Lebanon.
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Justice matters. Berkley art center. USA.
- 2004 The artist view 2, London.
Salon de l'Automne, Sursock Museum, Beirut, Lebanon.
- 2003 Salon de l'Automne, Sursock Museum, Beirut, Lebanon.
Young Arab Artists, Zara Gallery, Amman, Jordan.
Biennial for Arab Artists, Latakia, Syria.
- 2002 Open studio project, copy-paste, Townhouse Gallery, Cairo, Egypt.
Expression plurielle en Francophonie: L'art contemporain entre tradition et modernité. Atelier "Artistes en création", Saida, Liban.
- 1998 Pos Gioconda-Arte-Café & Moira, Lisbon Portugal.
Salon de l'Automne, Sursock Museum, Beirut, Lebanon.
Sydney – Beirut, Beirut – Sydney, Casula Powerhouse Arts Center, Australia.
- 97-1996 Salon de l'Automne, Sursock Museum, Beirut, Lebanon.
- 96-1995 Galerie L'entretemps, Beirut, Lebanon.
- 95-1994 Salon de l'Automne, Sursock Museum, Beirut, Lebanon.

Duo Exhibitions

- 2005 Janine Rubeiz Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon.
- 2007 'King Crow & King Fish' Nada Debs showroom, Saifi, Beirut, Lebanon

Awards

- 1998 Selected by UNESCO for "Sarwat Al Hassan borsery for culture and art", 3 months residency at the Lagos culturel center.
- 2003 Bronze Trophe, the Biennial for Arab Artists, Latakia, Syria

Publications

- 2000 Marhaba (Hello), series of 6 colored Postcards inspired by Beirut.
- 2003 am blink a collaborative work with Darine Hamze
- 2004 Mouzakkarat lbs el Bourghy, an illustrated diary about ones day.
Welcome/Thank you come again, a series of 9 black & white postcards.
- 2012 Book- Sober days, Plan BEY, Beirut, Lebanon
Book- Drinking from a broken glass, Plan BEY, Beirut Lebanon