

**Biography:**

Daughter of Alfred Maalouf, a great Lebanese painter and visionary, Louna Maalouf grew up in a family and environment of artists. Since a young age, art has always been an essential part of her life. In 1988, she obtained her graduate diploma in Fine Arts from Lebanese Academy of Fine Arts (ALBA).

Since 1989 and until now, she is committed to teaching at ALBA. She transmits to her students her artistic talent in schools of architecture and cinema. In 1997, Maalouf received a grant as a professor to pursue silkscreen printing and photography at the National School of Fine Arts in Cergy, Paris.

She has participated in many group and solo exhibitions and is a member of the Lebanese association of painters and sculptures. Her work centers on the woman, the city and the citizen, and their role, identity and position in the world. A positive force emanates from her canvases, which portray the city she cherishes beyond all and from which she finds inspiration: Beirut.

**Statement:**

“On Beirut it rains a blue oil that washes away time, sinking it towards glowing depths, and carrying it towards soaring heights. Untamed varnishing, at times purple or orange, but always white and never pious nor shameful. Louna Maalouf paints her city and protects it with strong silhouettes and enchanting assault.”

“Il pleut sur Beyrouth une huile bleue qui la délave du temps, la pousse vers les fonds radieux, les hauteurs menaçantes. Onction indomptée, mauve parfois ou orange, toujours blanche, jamais pieuse, guère honteuse. Louna Maalouf peint sa ville et la protège par des silhouettes dures de son agression féérique.”

- Fares Sassine

# Art on 56th

## Collective Exhibitions:

- 2016 – Beirut Art Fair 2016, Art on 56<sup>th</sup>, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2000 – “2000 Riyadh cultural capital of the Arab world” Palais de la culture
- 1998 – “When the artists have fun”, Epreuve d’artiste gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1998 – Art Festival at International College (IC), Beirut
- 1997 – Epreuve d’Artiste Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1997 – Academie Libanaise des Beaux Arts - ALBA, Lebanon
- 1997 – World of Art Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1995 – World of Art Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1995 – Epreuve d’artiste gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1995 – 19th Salon d’Automne, Sursock Museum, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1995 – 18th Salon d’Automne, Sursock Museum, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1995 – Lebanese Association of painters and sculptures, Lebanon
- 1994 – Ministry of tourism, glazed room, under the patronage of the Lebanese association of painters and sculptures.
- 1993 – Collective and permanent exposition at Salon des artistes, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1993 – Exhibition of six young Lebanese painters, Printania Palace, Lebanon
- 1993 – 16th Salon d’Automne at Musee Sursock, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1993 – ALBA, in Salon d’Automne de Paris, 1992, Paris, France
- 1993 – Arab society of plastic arts, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1992 – Salon d’Automne, Lebanese section, Grand Palais, Paris, France
- 1989 – Lebanese cultural movement, Lebanon
- 1988 – Stairs of Art, Sursock Museum, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1987 – Stairs of Art, Sursock Museum, Beirut, Lebanon

## Solo Exhibitions:

- 2016 – “Nostalgia for tomorrow”, Art on 56th, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2009 – Art summer 09 by Aishti, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2006 – Safana Art Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2001 – Maison du café, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1999 – Graffiti gallery, Chtaura, Lebanon
- 1999 – FIAD (Foire Internationale des Arts Decoratifs), Beirut Hall, Lebanon
- 1998 – Epreuve d’Artiste Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1996 – Racquet club, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1996 – Auberge, Bekaa, Lebanon
- 1995 – Epreuve d’Artiste Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1994 – Epreuve d’Artiste Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon