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ZAHRA NAZARI

BIOGRAPHY

1985 Born in Hamedan, Iran

EDUCATION

2014 MFA State University of New York, New Paltz, NY

2007 BFA School of Art & Architecture, Islamic Azad University of Tabriz, Iran

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2024 Beatrice M. Haggerty Art Gallery, Dallas, TX (forthcoming)

2022-23 *Zahra Nazari: A Retrospective*, 217 W 21st St, New York

2021 *Unification*, High Line Nine Gallery, (curated by Roya Khadjavi Projects), New York

2019-20 *Zahra Nazari Studios' Selected Work*, ABS Engineering, PLLC, New York

2019 *Uprooted*, Chashama, Queens, NY (funded by the Queens Council and the Puffin Foundation)

2017 *Transformation*, Pennsylvania College of Technology, Williamsport, PA

2016 *Transformations*, Betsy Meyer Memorial Exhibition, Main Line Art Center, Haverford, PA

2015 *Metamorphosis*, The Cooper Union School of Art, New York

2014 *Points of Departure*, MFA Thesis Exhibition, Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art, New Paltz, NY

2013-14 *Deconstructing Scapes*, Hartnett Gallery, University of Rochester, NY

2008 *Zahra Nazari's Selected Work*, Baran Gallery, Tehran, Iran

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2023 *Invisible Bodies*, curated by The Border Gallery and Emireth Herrera Valdés, Penn State, PA

Iranian Voices: Women in Solidarity, curated by Debbie Rasiel & Afarin Rahmanifar, SOHO20, Brooklyn, NY

Brazil X Iran, curated by Roya Khadjavi Projects & Flavia Tamoyo, High Line Nine Gallery, New York

2022 *National Prize*, curated by Barbara O'Brien, Cambridge Art Association, Cambridge, MA

2021 *Looking Forward*, curated by Nancy Azara, Carter Burden Gallery, New York

What If, curated by Kourosh Mahboubian, Filo Sofi Arts Gallery, Cranford, NJ

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- Crossing Borders*, Kendal Art Center, Miami, FL, (Sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts)
- NYFA's Benefit Auction*, New York Foundation for the Arts, New York
- 2020** *Forget What You Know*, curated by Kourosh Mahboubian, Art of Our Century, New York
31st Charity Art Auction, Sculpture Space, Utica, NY
- 2019-20** *Decentralized*, Mana Contemporary, Jersey City, NJ
- 2019** *Boccaro Art Open Call*, Boccaro Art, Brooklyn, NY
Auction, Space 776, Brooklyn, NY
69th Aone, curated by Bill Carroll, Silvermine Galleries, New Canaan, CT
New York Academy of Art, New York
- 2018-19** *Art from the Boros VI*, Denise Bibro Fine Art, New York
The 2019 Flat file: Year Six, Tiger Strikes Asteroid, New York
- 2018** *Governors Island Art Fair*, Governors Island, NY
- 2017** *AIM 2017 Biennale*, The Bronx Museum of the Arts, Bronx, NY
International Artist's Creation Camp at the Edge of Peach Blossom Pond, Xuancheng Museum, Anhui, China
- 2016** *Borderless: In Perspective*, curated by David C. Terry, Lite-Haus Galerie, Berlin
(Un)Common Space(s), Spartanburg Art Museum, Spartanburg, SC
- 2015** *Silk Journey to Art*, World Tour Exhibition, The China Millennium Monument, Beijing
Spatial Planes & Timeless Dimensions, 555 West 25 St, New York
- 2014** *Emergence 2014: International Artists to Watch*, Galerie Myrtis, Baltimore, MD
51st Annual Juried Competition, curated by Kelly Shindler, Masur Museum of Art, Monroe, Los Angeles
- 2013** *ViewPoints 2013*, curated by Helaine Posner, Aljira, A Center for Contemporary Art, Newark, NJ
I am Tahmineh, Palace of Fine Arts, San Francisco, CA
- 2012** *6th Annual Master Pieces*, Manifest Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
Twenty in Their Twenties, curated by Betsy Odom, Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2009** *Color of Kindness*, Iranian Center for International Conferences, Tehran, Iran
- 2008** *Youth Art*, 4th Visual Arts Festival, Homa Art Gallery, Tehran, Iran

AWARDS & RESIDENCIES

- 2022** Foundation House, Artist Residency Fellowship, Greenwich, CT
- 2021** FST StudioProjects, StudioProjects Fund, New York

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- 2020** Lower Manhattan Cultural Council (LMCC), Creative Engagement Grant, New York
Sculpture Space Residency, Utica, NY
Wassaic Project, Artist Residency Fellowship, Wassaic, NY
- 2019** The Puffin Foundation, Artist Grant, Teaneck, NJ
Queens Council on the Arts (QCA), New Work Grant, Queens, NY
Virginia Center for the Creative Arts (VCCA), Bethea Scott Owen Fellowship, Amherst, VA
- 2018** Manhattan Graphic Center, Scholarship, New York
Elevision Digital Media Broadcast, Emerging Artist Award, Dubai, UAE
- 2017** Tao Hua Tan Artist Retreat & Painting Residency, Tao Hua Tan, Anhui, China
- 2016** Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art (MASS MoCA), Visiting Artist Fellowship,
North Adams, MA
The Bronx Museum of the Arts, Artist in the Marketplace (AIM), Bronx, NY
Main Line Art Center, Meyer Family Award for Contemporary Art, Haverford, PA
- 2015** Cooper Union School of Art, Teaching Artist Residency Fellowship, New York
The Griffis Art Center, Artist Residency MAISON des ARTISTES, New London, CT
The League Residency at Vyt, Ruth Katzman Scholarship, Sparkill, NY
- 2014** Montgomery College, Visiting Artist in Residence, (AIR) Fall Semester, Silver Spring, MD
- 2013** Vermont Studio Center, Artist Residency Grant, Johnson, VT
Montgomery College, Scholarship, Iranian American Academics and Professionals,
Rockville, MD
Aljira, A Center for Contemporary Art, Exhibition Award ViewPoints 2013, Newark, NJ
- 2012** Kimball Art Center, Artist Residency Fellowship, Relevant 2012, Park City, UT
The International School of Painting, Drawing, & Sculpture, Umbria, Italy
State University of New York, Graduate Scholarship, New Paltz, NY

LECTURES

- 2021** Eastern Connecticut State University, Willimantic, CT, (panelist), "Iranian American Artists in Conversation"
- 2020** Kourosh Mahboubian & Filo Sofi Arts Gallery, New York, "Disclosures Through Dialogue: Zahra Nazari"
New York Foundation for the Arts (NYFA), Brooklyn, NY, (mentor), NYFA Immigrant Artist Mentoring Program
Queens Council on the Arts (QCA), Queens, NY, (panelist), New Work Grant Panel Review
- 2018** City College of New York, NY, (panelist), Graduate Committee Panel

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- 2016** Columbia University, Teachers College, New York, (panelist)
- 2015** Pratt Institute, Higgins Hall, Brooklyn, NY, (guest critic), Final Juries of Design/Architecture
The Cooper Union, Rose Auditorium, New York, (artist talk)
- 2014** Cafritz Foundation Arts Center, Silver Spring, MD, (visiting artist lecture)
- 2013** NYU, Asian/Pacific/American Institute, New York (artist talk)
- 2012** Kimball Art Center, Park City, UT, (artist talk)

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