

TAREK AL-GHOUSSEIN

**BORN**

1962 Kuwaiti/Palestinian  
Died in New York, USA

**EDUCATION**

1989 Master of Arts in Photography, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM, USA  
1985 Bachelor of Fine Arts in Photography, New York University, NY, USA

**SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2021 Odysseus, The Third Line, Dubai, UAE  
2018 Odysseus, Warehouse 421, Abu Dhabi, UAE  
Al Sawaber, Bait15, Abu Dhabi, UAE  
2017 Al Sawaber, The Third Line, Dubai, UAE  
K Files, CAP Kuwait, Kuwait  
Recent Work, New York University, New York, NY, USA  
2016 K Files and Sawaber Series, Nevada Museum of Art, USA  
Windows on Work, Brigitte Schenk Gallery, Koln, Germany  
2014 K Files, Taymour Grahne Gallery, New York, USA  
K Files, The Third Line, Dubai, UAE  
Random Blue Oasis, Brigitte Schenk Gallery, Koln, Germany  
2013 National Pavilion of Kuwait, 55<sup>th</sup> Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy  
2011 E Series, Kalfayan Galleries, Athens, Greece  
2010 A Retrospective: Works from 2003 – 2010, Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE  
2009 In Absentia, Al Ma'mal Foundation for Contemporary Art, Jerusalem, Palestine  
D Series, The Third Line, Dubai, UAE  
Tarek Al-Ghoussein, Kalfayan Galleries, Athens, Greece  
A, B, C and D Series, Brigitte Schenk Gallery, Koln, Germany  
2008 Self Portrait, A, B, and C Series, Sharjah College of Fine Arts, Sharjah, UAE  
2003 Randolph Street Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand  
1994 Recent Work, Roy Miles Gallery, London, UK

**SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2022 Portrait of a Nation II: Beyond Narratives, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi, UAE  
2021 The Guangzhou Image Triennial, Guangdong Museum of Art, Guangdong, China

- Between the Sky and the Earth: Contemporary Art from the UAE MEI Art Gallery, Middle East Institute, Washington, USA
- 2020 There Is Fiction In The Space Between, The Third Line, Dubai, UAE  
Not Cancelled: Dubai, Online
- 2019 Theater of Operations, MoMA PS1, NY, USA  
Intimate Horizons, International Academy of Art, Palestine
- 2018 Beirut Spring Festival, Beirut, Lebanon  
Subcontracted Nations, AM Qattan Foundation, Ramallah, Palestine  
Palestine through photography: 70 years after the Nakba, Beirut Spring Festival, Lebanon
- 2017 Negotiating the Future: 6th Asian Art Biennial, National Taiwan Museum of Fine Arts, Taiwan  
FOTOGRAFICA BOGOTA, FOTOMUSEO, Bogota, Colombia  
The Art of Nature, ADMAF Festival, Abu Dhabi, UAE  
The Creative Act: Performance, Process, Presence, Guggenheim Abu Dhabi, UAE  
Presence: Reflections on the Middle East, Metropolitan State University of Denver, Center for Visual Art, CO, USA
- 2015 View from Inside: Contemporary Arab Photography, Video and Mixed-Media Art, Emirates Palace Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE  
On Site, NYUAD Art Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2014 FotoFest 2014 Biennial, the 15th International Biennial of Photography and Photo-related Art. Houston, USA  
Oblique Land, Whitebox Art Space, New York, USA  
Lost in Landscape, Museo di Arte Moderna e Contemporanea di Trento e Rovereto, Italy
- 2013 Photoquai, Photography Biennale, Paris, France  
The Blue Route, Villa Empain, Brussels, Belgium  
From Palestine With Hope, Art Space, London, UK  
Voyage, Museum Of Anthropology, Vancouver, Canada  
You and Me Behind the Horizon, Nevada Museum of Art, NV, USA  
Mind and Body, DUCTAC, Dubai, UAE
- 2012 Arab Express, Mori Art Museum, Tokyo, Japan
- 2011 Emirati Expressions, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi, UAE  
The Bravery of Being Out of Range, Sultan Gallery, Kuwait & Athr Gallery, Saudi Arabia  
The Heart of Phoenix: Art and Culture of the United Arab Emirates-Sharjah, Gyeonggi Museum of Modern Art, Korea.  
Roaming Images, Maraya Art Center, Sharjah UAE  
Tarek alla Dawar, C and D Series on public billboards, Kuwait

- 2010 UNERWARTET / UNEXPECTED, From Islamic Art to Contemporary Art, Kunstmuseum  
Bochum, Germany  
22nd Photography Biennial, E Series, Thessaloniki, Greece  
Global Studio, E Series, Blue Coat Gallery, Liverpool, UK  
Artscape Medina, Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE
- 2009 It's Not You It's Me, Inaugural UAE Pavilion at 53rd Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy  
Across the Borders, Self Portraits, Damascus, Syria  
Disorientation II, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2008 Wonder, Singapore Biennale, Singapore  
Roads Were Open / Roads Were Closed, The Third Line, Dubai, UAE  
New Ends, Old Beginnings, Blue Coat Gallery, Liverpool, UK  
The Jerusalem Show, edition 0.1, Al-Ma'mal Foundation for Contemporary Art, Jerusalem,  
Palestine  
Dubai Next, Vitra Design Museum (Zaha Hadid Fire Station) Weil um Rhein, Germany  
Never Part, Beaux Art, Brussels, Belgium  
Reorientations, European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium  
Nimes Museum of Contemporary Art, Nimes, France  
Self Portraits, Around The Coyote Gallery, Chicago, USA
- 2007 Languages of the Desert, Abu Dhabi, UAE  
C Series, XVA Gallery, Dubai, UAE  
Art in Public Spaces, Light Boxes, Muscat, Oman  
Self-Representation, Doha, Qatar  
Recognize, London, UK
- 2006 Invisible Cities Ideal Cities, Zamoc, Poland & Potsdam, Germany  
Under the Last Sky, Royal Photography Museum, Copenhagen, Denmark  
Images of the Middle East, Banner, Copenhagen, Denmark  
Political Realities, Heidelberg Museum, Heidelberg, Germany  
Tierra, exilio, CREACIÓN CUENCA, Madrid, Spain  
Al Riwaq, Manama, Bahrain  
Pat Binder's Kollwitz Light Box Project, Berlin, Germany  
Checkpoints, Darat Al Funuun, Amman, Jordan  
QArts-Gallery' in Derby, UK  
Confronting Clichés, McColl Art Center, North Carolina, USA  
Side Gallery, New Castle. UK

- Gallery of Photography, Dublin, Ireland  
Nazar, Institute Du Monde Arabe, Paris, France
- 2005 Gallery of Photography, Dublin, Ireland  
Ifa Gallery, Stuttgart, Germany  
Aperture Gallery, New York, USA  
Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Bonn, Germany  
Langhans Gallery, Prague, Czech Republic  
La Boca Gallery, Madrid, Spain  
7<sup>th</sup> Sharjah International Biennial, Sharjah, UAE  
Houston International fotofest, Houston, USA
- 2004 Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE  
Specta Art Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark  
Noorderlicht International Photography Exhibition, The Netherlands  
Kathie Kollwitz Gallery, Berlin, Germany  
Chobi Mella, International Photography Exhibition, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- 2003 The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, Denmark  
6<sup>th</sup> Sharjah Biennial, Sharjah, UAE
- 2002 Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE
- 2000 Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE
- 1995 Zwemmers Fine Photographs, London, UK

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- 2014 Tarek Al-Ghoussein: Transfigurations, Black Dog Publishing  
2009 In Absentia: Photographs by Tarek Al-Ghoussein, The Third Line

## **AQUISITIONS**

- Solomon R. Guggenheim, New York, NY, USA  
Freer and Sackler Gallery at Smithsonian Institution, Washington D.C., USA  
Nevada Museum of Art, Reno, NV, USA  
Museum of Fine Art, Houston, TX, USA  
Victoria and Albert Museum, London, UK  
British Museum, London, UK  
Zwemmers Fine Photographs, London, UK  
Royal Photography Museum, Copenhagen, Denmark

Mori Art Museum, Tokyo, Japan

Sharjah Art Foundation, Sharjah, UAE

Barjeel Art Foundation, Sharjah, UAE

Salsali Private Museum, Dubai, UAE

New York University Abu Dhabi, UAE

Cleveland Clinic Collection, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, Abu Dhabi, UAE

ADMAF (Abu Dhabi Music & Arts Foundation), Abu Dhabi, UAE

Darat Al Funun, Amman, Jordan

Arab Museum of Modern Art, Doha, Qatar

Art Jameel, Dubai, UAE