



Faculty Name	Thaier Helal
Academic Rank	Tutor in Fine Arts (Painting)
Terminal Degree & Date	BA in Visual Arts I 1991
Awarding Institution	University of Damascus, Damascus - Syria



SHORT BIOGRAPHY

Thaier Helal is an artist and dedicated art educator. His work has been exhibited in various venues, both in the UAE and internationally. He is the recipient of numerous awards including the Grand Gold Award at the Contemporary Painting Biennial, Tehran (2005) and the Award for Painting at the Sharjah International Biennial (1997). His recent solo exhibits (2022, and 2024) were hosted at Ayyam Gallery, Dubai. His work is auctioned and acquired by many public and private collectors. Thaier Helal is a Tutor in Fine Arts.

PUBLICATIONS

- Thaier Helal Monograph
- https://issuu.com/ayyamgallerydxb/docs/catalogue?fr=xKAE9_zU1NQ
 - <http://www.ayyamgallery.com/artists/36-thaier-helal/exhibitions/>

EXHIBITIONS SOLO EXHIBITS

- Ayyam Gallery I Dubai, 2024, 2021, 2018, 2016, 2015
- Gallery Maray Al Qanat I Sharjah 2000
- Green Art Gallery I Dubai 2006, 2003
- Attasi Gallery I Damascus 2007
- Cultural Foundation I Abu Dhabi 2002, 1998
- Sharjah Art Museum I Sharjah 2000
- Majlis Gallery I Dubai 1999

GROUP EXHIBITS - INTERNATIONAL

- Mena Art Fair I Paris 2022
- Ayyam Gallery I Beirut 2015 & 2010, Damascus 2008 & 2010, London 2015
- Samsung Blue Square I Seoul, Korea 2014
- Busan Museum of Art I Busan, Korea 2014
- 1st International Art and Science Festival - University of Patras I Patras, Greece 2009
- Miami Beach Art Fair I Miami, FL, USA 2008
- International Art + Design Fair I New York, USA 2008
- 4th International Symposium of Painting & International Painting Exhibition I Patras, Greece 2008
- CMOOA Auction-International Arab and Iranian Art I Casablanca, Morocco 2008



- 8th International Symposium of Modern Art DFEWA I Carei, Romania 2006
- Festival of Mediterranean People City of Bisceglie I Italy 2005
- Imagining the Book International Biennale. Bibliothca Alexandrina I Alexandria, Egypt 2005
- 3rd International Biennial of Contemporary Painting I Tehran, Iran 2005
- Bangladesh Asian Artists Biennial I Dhaka, Bangladesh 2002
- General Exhibition of Syrian Artists I Damascus, Syria 2001
- 13th Youth Salon I Cairo, Egypt 2001
- The Roman Institute for Cultural and Human Studies I Venice, Italy 2001
- Arab Cultural Centre Gallery I Brussels, Belgium 2000
- Inter-Art Foundation's XII International Art Camp I Aiud, Romania 2000
- Workshop for Contemporary Art of Asia, Africa and Pacific, Rajendrapour I Bangladesh 2000
- Galerie Bortier I Brussels, Belgium 1999
- 7th Bangladesh Asian Artists Biennial I Dhaka, Bangladesh 1995-7

GROUP EXHIBITS - NATIONAL

- Art Dubai I Dubai (2023, 2022, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017)
- Ayyam Gallery I Dubai 2022, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2014, 2009, 2008
- Art Paris Abu Dhabi I Abu Dhabi 2008, 2007
- Bonhams Auction - Modern and Contemporary Arab, Iranian, Indian & Pakistani Art, Royal Mirage I Dubai 2008
- Sultan bin Ali Al Owais Cultural Foundation I Dubai 2003
- 24th Annual Exhibition, Emirates Fine Art Society I Sharjah 2005
- General Exhibition of Syrian Artists I Sharjah 2003
- French and Francophone Fine Art I Dubai, Abu Dhabi & Beirut 2001
- Workshop in Sharjah International Fine Art Biennial I Sharjah 2001
- Sharjah Art Museum I Sharjah 1997
- Sharjah International Art Biennial I Sharjah 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999
- 10th General Exhibition (Portrait), Cultural Foundation I Abu Dhabi 1995
- 14th and 15th General Exhibitions of the Emirates Fine Arts Society I Sharjah 1995, 1996
- Dubai International Art Exhibition I Dubai 1994
- 9th Spring Exhibition, Cultural Foundation I Abu Dhabi 1994

AUCTIONS AND COLLECTIONS

- H.H. Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum Collection I Dubai, UAE 2009
- Christie's International Auction I Dubai 1995-99
- Young Collectors Auction, Ayyam Gallery I Dubai 2009



TEACHING AREAS Studio Arts focused on Color Theory, Basic and Advanced Drawing, Painting, Mixed Media

GRANTS & SPONSORSHIPS

- World Art Dubai, 2024 (Group Award)
“Creatives on the Rise 3.0” Exhibit | Grant Value (AED 80,000)
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RESEARCH AREAS I am passionate about abstract painting, with a focus on mixed media.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- Tutor in Fine Arts (painting) | 2015 – Present
 - Visiting Academic | 2008 – 2014
 - Lecturer in Fine Arts | 2005-- 2008
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AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- “Al Burda International Award”, Ministry of Culture, Youth and Community Development, Abu Dhabi | 2008.
 - “Grand Golden Award”, Tehran International Biennial | 2005.
 - “Judge Award”, 24th Annual Exhibition, Emirates Fine Arts Society, Sharjah | 2000.
 - “Painting Award”, Sharjah International Art Biennial, Sharjah | 1997.
 - Distinguished Works Award, 15th General Exhibition, Emirates Fine Arts Society, Sharjah | 1996.
 - “Painting Award”, 14th General Exhibition, Emirates Fine Arts Society, Sharjah | 1995.
 - “Portrait Exhibition Award”, Abu Dhabi Cultural Foundation, Abu Dhabi | 1995.
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MEMBERSHIPS

- International Association of Art (AIAP), UNESCO, Paris, France
 - DFEWA, Association, Stuttgart, Germany
 - Syrian Fine Arts Syndicate, Damascus, Syria
 - Arab Federation of Fine Arts.
 - UAE Association of Fine Arts.
 - “Al Nafetha” Center for Artists’ Books & Book Art, Egypt.
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