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Born in 1965 in Karachi, Pakistan

Education

1987 B.A. in Economics and Art History, Yale University, New Haven, CT, USA
Recipient of A. Conger Goodyear Fine Arts Award for Thesis on Moghul Gardens

Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2022 "The Spider Speaketh in Tongues," South Asia Institute, Chicago, IL, USA
- 2018 "7.7" Mattatoio, Rome, Italy (catalogue)
- 2018 "7" Galleria d'Arte Moderna, Rome, Italy (catalogue)
- 2018 "7" Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (catalogue)
- 2018 "7" Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (catalogue)
- 2015 "Washed Upon the Shore," Canvas Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (catalogue)
- 2015 "Walking on the Moon," Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (catalogue)
- 2013 "Through the Looking Glass," Nitanjali Art Gallery, New Delhi, India (catalogue)
- 2013 "Through the Looking Glass: Open Studio V," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2011 "Cosmic Mambo," Wei-Ling Contemporary at ION Art Gallery, Singapore
- 2011 "Cosmic Mambo," Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (catalogue)
- 2009 "Reading the Grid," Consulate General of Pakistan, New York, NY, USA
- 2009 "Looking for the Magic Center," ArtSpace, Dubai, UAE (catalogue)
- 2008 "Drawing the Line," Galeri Petronas, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (catalogue)
- 2007 "Kinetic Essence," Nitanjali Art Gallery, New Delhi, India (catalogue)
- 2006 "Body and Soul," Wei-Ling Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (catalogue)
- 2004 "Other Works," Canvas Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2004 "The Search for Light," Townhouse Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2004 ArtSpace, Dubai, UAE
- 2003 Museu da Agua, Lisbon, Portugal
- 2003 "Charbagh: Open Studio IV," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2002 ArRum Gallery, London, UK
- 2000 Open Studio III, Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2000 "The Search for Light," Gallery of the IMF, Washington, DC, USA (catalogue)
- 1999 Soni Gallery, London, UK

- 1999 Peterborough Museum, Peterborough, UK
- 1999 Arabian Gallery, Dubai, UAE
- 1999 The Art Gallery, Islamabad, Pakistan
- 1998 Ankara Hilton, Ankara, Turkey
- 1998 Occidental College, Los Angeles, CA, USA
- 1998 Soni Gallery, London, UK
- 1998 Open Studio II, Karachi, Pakistan
- 1997 Open Studio, Karachi, Pakistan
- 1996 Paramount Studios, Los Angeles, CA, USA
- 1996 The Galleria, Houston, TX, USA
- 1996 Lahore Art Gallery, Lahore, Pakistan
- 1995 The Art Gallery, Islamabad, Pakistan
- 1994 Benefit for UNICEF, New York, NY, USA
- 1994 Rida Gallery, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
- 1993 Al-Nahda Royal Society, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
- 1992 Pakistan Mission to the UN, New York, NY, USA
- 1992 Zenith Gallery, Washington, DC, USA
- 1992 The Art Gallery, Islamabad, Pakistan
- 1992 Lahore Art Gallery, Lahore, Pakistan
- 1991 Inter-Continental Hotel, Muscat, Oman
- 1991 Inter-Continental Hotel, Dubai, UAE
- 1990 Indus Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
- 1989 Zenith Gallery, Washington, DC, USA
- 1989 Embassy of Pakistan, Washington, DC, USA
- 1989 Lawrence Gallery, New York, NY, USA
- 1988 Pakistan American Cultural Center, Karachi, Pakistan

Father and Son Exhibitions

- 1997 The Ismaili Centre, London, UK
- 1997 Jordan National Gallery, Amman, Jordan (catalogue)
- 1995 Embassy of Pakistan, Paris, France
- 1994 Commonwealth Institute, London, UK
- 1994 Parliament House, Islamabad, Pakistan
- 1993 Meridian International Center, Washington, DC, USA

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2022 "ENTRELACS/INTERLACED," Cité internationale des arts, Paris, France
LAFT 22, Lahore, Pakistan
- 2020 "It's About Body," O Space, Lahore, Pakistan (A Collateral Event of Lahore Biennale 02)

2019 Islamabad Art Fest
 2019 Karachi Biennale 2019
 2018 Art Stage Singapore
 2017 "OPEN 20: Esposizione Internazionale di Sculture ed Installazioni," Venice, Italy
 2017 "Taqseem," Koel Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2016 "Open Field," National Art Gallery, Islamabad, Pakistan (catalogue)
 2016 Art Stage Jakarta
 2016 "New Pathways: Contemporary Art from Pakistan," United Nations, New York, NY, USA (catalogue)
 2016 Art Stage Singapore
 2015 "Variations Along the Grid," Koel Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2015 "And Nothing But the Truth: Parrhesia II," Koel Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2014 Art Fest 2014, Frere Hall, Karachi, Pakistan
 2013 "Not Everyone Talks," Satrang Gallery, Islamabad, Pakistan (catalogue)
 2012 Art Taipei
 2012 "Band, Baaja, Barat," IVS Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2012 "Mein: The Artist and the Self," Koel Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (catalogue)
 2011 "Mad in Karachi," ArtChowk, Karachi, Pakistan
 2011 "Metal on Metal," Koel Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2010 "No Honour in Killing," VM Art Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (catalogue)
 2010 "Rites of Passage," Ostrale'010, Dresden, Germany (catalogue)
 2010 "Black on Black," Koel Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2009 Art Dubai, Dubai, UAE
 2009 "Going Places," Canvas Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2009 "White on White," Koel Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2008 "Paradise Lost: A Tribute to John Milton," WAH Center, Brooklyn, NY, USA
 2008 "Simply Paper!" IVS Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (catalogue)
 2008 CIGE, Beijing, China
 2008 Art Expo, Mumbai, India
 2007 Inaugural Exhibition, National Art Gallery, Islamabad, Pakistan (catalogue)
 2007 "Reading the Subtext," Alliance Française, Karachi, Pakistan
 2007 "Islamic Tradition in Art," WAH Center, Brooklyn, NY, USA
 2007 "18@8," Wei-Ling Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (catalogue)
 2006 Berkeley Square Gallery, London, UK (catalogue)
 2006 The Art Mill, Mumbai, India
 2006 "Calligraphy," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (catalogue)
 2006 "Body," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (catalogue)
 2005 "18@8," Wei-Ling Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (catalogue)
 2005 "Beyond Borders," National Gallery of Modern Art, Mumbai, India (catalogue)
 2004 "Old Masters, Young Voices," Al-Hamra Gallery, Lahore, Pakistan (catalogue)
 2003 Beijing Biennale, Beijing, China (catalogue)
 2002 "Dish Dhamaka," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2002 "A Tribute to Ali Imam," Indus Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (catalogue)
 2002 Kufa Gallery, London, UK

- 2002 "KaraArt," Alliance Française, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2002 "Uraan," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (catalogue)
- 2001 "The Takhti Project," Gallerie Sadequain, Karachi, Pakistan (catalogue)
- 2001 "Vasl," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (catalogue)
- 2001 "KaraArt," Alliance Française, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2000 "Pakistan: Another Vision," Brunei Gallery, London, UK (catalogue)
- 2000 "Qalm: An Exhibition of Calligraphy," Mohatta Palace Museum, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2000 "KaraArt," Alliance Française, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2000 "Millennium Show," Arts Council of Pakistan, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2000 Pakistan Pavilion, Expo, Hanover, Germany
- 1999 "1999 Group Show," Chawkandi Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
- 1998 "Open: Prima Esposizione di Sculture ed Installazioni al Lido," Venice, (catalogue)
- 1997 "Contemporary Artists from India and Pakistan," Galerie Martini, Hong Kong
- 1997 "Fifty Years of Art in Pakistan," Connoisseur Gallery, London, UK
- 1997 Eighth Asia Biennial, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- 1996 Inaugural Show, WAH Center, Brooklyn, NY, USA
- 1996 "Writing as Art in Islam," Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY, USA (catalogue)
- 1989 MIT, Boston, MA, USA
- 1988 Wave Gallery, New Haven, CT, USA

Selected Public Works

- Reaching for the Skies*, Rose Garden, United Nations, New York, NY, USA
- Salt Screen*, Islamabad International Airport, Islamabad, Pakistan
- Forgotten Text*, Bilawal Roundabout, Karachi Pakistan
- Steps*, Parliament House Entrance, Islamabad, Pakistan
- The Message*, The Presidency, Islamabad, Pakistan
- Minar*, Jinnah International Airport, Karachi, Pakistan
- Habitat*, Aga Khan Center, Houston, TX, USA
- Char Bagh*, Serena Hotel, Islamabad, Pakistan
- Man and Computer*, IBM Museum, Karachi, Pakistan
- Balance*, BASF, Karachi, Pakistan
- Allah*, Marriott Hotel, Islamabad, Pakistan
- Cube*, Citibank Gold Office, Lahore, Pakistan
- Fragment IV*, Standard Chartered Priority Banking Office, Karachi, Pakistan
- Sufi*, Aga Khan Foundation, New York, NY, USA
- Father and Son*, Merck Marker, Karachi, Pakistan

Curatorial Projects

- 2022 "The Q Rickshaw Project," Karachi, Pakistan

- (with Adam Fahy-Majeed)
- 2020 "If These Walls Could Talk," Village Restaurant, Karachi, Pakistan
(with Sara Pagganwala)
"The Trojan Donkey," online exhibition of performance video
(with Sara Pagganwala and Adam Fahy-Majeed)
"LAL JADOO/RED MAGIC," Second International Public Art Festival, Karachi, Pakistan
(with Sara Pagganwala)
- 2019 "One Night Stand / Coup d'un soir," Cité internationale des arts
Paris, France
"The Quantum City: Territory | Space | Place," First International Public Art
Festival, Karachi, Pakistan
(with Zarmeene Shah and Sara Pagganwala)
- 2018 "Outsiders: Urban Subcultures in Germany and Pakistan," Amin Gulgee Gallery,
Karachi, Pakistan (with Zarmeene Shah, Zeerak Ahmed, Mathilde Weh, Leonhard
Emmerling)
- 2017 Chief Curator, First Karachi Biennale (www.kbcuratorial.com)
- 2016 "The 70s: Pakistan's Radioactive Decade," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi,
Pakistan (with Niilofur Farrukh)
- 2015 "Speaking in Tongues," Karachi Literature Festival (with Zarmeene Shah)
- 2014 "Dreamscape," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (with Zarmeene Shah)
- 2014 "FRESH!: 68 Pakistani Artists, 30 and Under," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi,
Pakistan (with Raania Azam Khan Durrani and Saba Iqbal)
- 2013 "Riwhyti: One Night Stand: An Evening of Performance Art," Amin Gulgee
Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2011 "Imag(IN)ing Cities," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (with
Kadiatou Diallo and Dominique Malaquais, SPARCK)
- 2006 "Artists' Voices: Calligraphy," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (with
Sheherbano Hussain)
- 2006 "Artists' Voices: Body," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan (with Sheherbano
Hussain)
- 2002 "Dish Dhamaka," Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2001 "Urban Voices IV," Sheraton Hotel, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2000 "Urban Voices III," Sheraton Hotel, Karachi, Pakistan
- 1999 "Urban Voices II," Sheraton Hotel, Karachi, Pakistan
- 1998 "Urban Voices," Sheraton Hotel, Karachi, Pakistan

Amin Gulgee Gallery

- 2019 Launch of the KB17 Karachi Biennale Catalogue
- 2018 "Outsiders: Urban Subcultures in Germany and Pakistan," Amin Gulgee,
Zarmeene Shah, Zeerak Ahmed, Mathilde Weh, Curators (catalogue)
- 2018 "7: Open Studio V"

- 2016 "The 70s: Pakistan's Radioactive Decade" Amin Gulgee and Niilofur Farrukh, Curators (accompanying book published by Oxford University Press, 2019)
- 2014 "Soundscape: Two Hours of Electronic Music"
- 2014 "Dreamscape," Zarmeene Shah and Amin Gulgee, Curators (catalogue)
- 2014 Launch of Dynoman's CD "Travels to Janaicah"
- 2014 "FRESH!: 68 Pakistani Artists, 30 and Under;" Amin Gulgee, Raania Azam Khan Durrani and Saba Iqbal, Curators (catalogue)
- 2013 "Through the Looking Glass: Open Studio IV" (catalogue)
- 2013 "Riwhyti One Night Stand: An Evening of Performance Art;" Amin Gulgee, Curator
- 2011 "Imag(IN)ing Cities," Kadiatou Diallo, Dominique Malaquais, Amin Gulgee, Curators (digital catalogue)
- 2006 "18@8: Kuala Lumpur to Karachi," Lim Wei-Ling, Curator (catalogue)
- 2006 "Artists' Voices: Calligraphy," Amin Gulgee and Sheherbano Hussain, Curators (accompanying book published by Oxford University Press, 2006)
- 2006 "Artists' Voices: Body," Amin Gulgee and Sheherbano Hussain, Curators (accompanying book published by Oxford University Press, 2006)
- 2005 Launch of the art magazine *NuktaArt*
- 2004 "Gino Marotta"
- 2003 "Char Bagh: Open Studio III"
- 2002 "Uraan," Niilofur Farrukh and Saira Irshad, Curators (catalogue)
- 2002 "Dish Dhamaka," Amin Gulgee, Curator
- 2001 "Vasl" (catalogue)
- 2000 "Open Studio II"

Residencies

- 2019 Cité internationale des arts, Paris, France
- 2001 Vasl: International Artists' Residency Program, Gadani, Pakistan
Cofounder and Working Group Member

Performances

- 2022 *Requiem*, Cité internationale des arts, Paris, France
Kiss of the Spiderwoman, South Asia Institute, Chicago, IL, USA
The Irritable Heart, Frere Hall, Karachi, Pakistan
Triangle, Summer Palace, Lahore Fort, Lahore, Pakistan
- 2021 *Eating El Dorado*, IVSAA, Karachi, Pakistan
This Is Not Your El Dorado, Cité internationale des arts, Paris, France
- 2020 *Healing II*, Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
Q, Sanat Initiative, Karachi, Pakistan
Call Me Fertile, O Space, Lahore, Pakistan

2019 *Q*, Sanat Initiative, Karachi, Pakistan
 2019 *Ablution (The Weeping)*,
 2018 *Paint Me*, Canvas Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2018 *Love Letters !V*, Mattatoio, Rome, Italy
 2018 *Markings 1/7*, Mattatoio, Rome, Italy
 2018 *Markings 3/7*, Mattatoio, Rome, Italy
 2018 *Love Letters III*, Galleria d'Arte Moderna, Rome, Italy
 2018 *Love Letters II*, Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2018 *Love Letters*, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
 2018 *Beloved Sun*, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
 2018 *Play Me II (Duchamp Is Dead)*, Amin Gulgee Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2017 *Play Me*, Karachi Art Summit, National Museum, Karachi, Pakistan
 2015 *Washed Upon the Shore*, Canvas Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2015 *Delousing*, Canvas Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2015 *Marking*, Canvas Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2015 *Speaking in Tongues*, Canvas Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2014 *Where's the Apple, Joshinder?* Karachi Arts Council, Karachi, Pakistan
 2014 *Paradise Lost*, ArtFest 2014, Frere Hall, Karachi, Pakistan
 2012 *Love Marriage*, IVS Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2010 *Kahta Meehta*, DHA, Karachi, Pakistan
 2010 *The Healing*, Beach Luxury Hotel, Karachi, Pakistan
 2009 *Crucifixion*, ArtSpace, Dubai, UAE
 2006 *River Dreams of Alexander*, Royal Palm Club, Lahore, Pakistan
 2005 *Seeking Buddha*, Pakistan Pavilion, Expo, Nagoya, Japan
 2004 *Garden*, ArtSpace, Dubai, UAE
 2004 *Abacus*, Canvas Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
 2003 *Mohenjendaro*, Royal Albert Hall, London, UK
 2001 *Sola Singhar*, Sheraton Hotel, Karachi, Pakistan
 2000 *Alchemy*, Lahore Fort, Lahore, Pakistan
 2000 *Alchemy*, Sheraton Hotel, Karachi, Pakistan
 1996 Jewelry for Mary McFadden Spring/Summer, New York Fashion Week, USA

Awards

2019 Best Artist (Visual Arts), Islamabad Art Fest
 2012 Pakistan Power 100
 2005 President's Pride of Performance, Government of Pakistan
 2001 Young Achiever Award, IndusVision
 2001 First Award for Jewelry, Pakistan School of Fashion Design
 1999 Calligraph-Art Award, 2nd International CalligraphArt Competition
 1993 Excellence in Art Award, Sindh Government