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GALLERY

Shireen Kamran  
Musings

23 January - 1 February 2024

## Artist Statement

Rooted in daily observation, memory, and imagination, the works in this exhibition reflect my constant endeavour to express myself through abstraction. The paintings embody an ongoing exploration of Sufi philosophy as an act of deep contemplation and a means of processing the world. At once persistent and emergent, never sure of conclusion, my work leads me on a journey of pure elation, resignation and self-discovery.

Using collage elements of different shapes and forms, I construct and deconstruct the shifting hierarchy of signs. This process stirs and invigorates my imagination and gives me energy to surprise myself with something unexpected.



Artist: Shireen Kamran  
Title: Bast and Qabd  
Medium: Pigments, acrylics on canvas  
Size: 33 x 33 Inches  
Year: 2020



Artist: Shireen Kamran  
Title: The Path  
Medium: Pigments, acrylics / collage on canvas  
Size: 60 x 46 Inches  
Year: 2022



Artist: Shireen Kamran

Title: The Sum of All Parts # 26 (Diptych)

Medium: Pigments, acrylics / collage on canvas

Size: 33 x 33 , 33 x 59 Inches

Year: 2021



Artist: Shireen Kamran  
Title: Wanderings / Suluk # 53  
Medium: Pigments, acrylics / collage on canvas  
Size: 36 x 36 Inches  
Year: 2022



Artist: Shireen Kamran  
Title: Wanderings / Suluk # 51  
Medium: Pigments, acrylics / collage on canvas  
Size: 36 x 36 Inches  
Year: 2021





Artist: Shireen Kamran  
Title: In My Element  
Medium: Pigments, acrylics / collage on canvas  
Size: 48 x 42 Inches  
Year: 2023



Artist: Shireen Kamran  
Title: A Fruitful Search  
Medium: Pigments, acrylics / collage on canvas  
Size: 48 x 42 Inches  
Year: 2023



Artist: Shireen Kamran

Title: The Wayfarers (Diptych)

Medium: Pigments, acrylics / collage on canvas

Size: 40 x 120 Inches

Year: 2023



Artist: Shireen Kamran  
Title: Wanderings / Suluk # 56  
Medium: Pigments, acrylics / collage on canvas  
Size: 60 x 50 Inches  
Year: 2021



Artist: Shireen Kamran

Title: Maqam # 6

Medium: Pigments, acrylics on canvas

Size: 60 x 50 Inches

Year: 2022



Artist: Shireen Kamran

Title: Maqam # 7

Medium: Pigments, acrylics / collage on canvas

Size: 28 x 28 Inches

Year: 2023



Artist: Shireen Kamran  
Title: Depth-Marker # 2  
Medium: Pigments, acrylics on canvas  
Size: 24 x 24 Inches  
Year: 2023

## Profile

Shireen Kamran's works reflect a sensitivity to cultural displacement and memories of people and places. With her paintings she continues her exploration of painting as an act of contemplation and reflective engagement with Sufi philosophy.

Born in Lahore, Pakistan in 1954, Kamran received a BSc. degree from the University of Peshawar and a BFA in studio arts (cum laude) from Concordia University, Montreal in 2000. Kamran currently lives and works in Montreal, Canada. Her works can be found in numerous private and corporate collections globally.



## Education

- 2000 Bachelor of Fine Arts cum laude, Concordia University, Montreal, QC
- 1976 Certificate, Abassin Arts Council, Peshawar, Pakistan
- 1975 Bachelor of Science, Peshawar University, Pakistan

## Exhibition

- 2023 Group show 'Uncharted Waters' Oeno gallery, Ontario
- 2021 Solo exhibition 'Hiatus' Canvas Gallery, Karachi
- 2020 Group show 'Wintertonic' Oeno Gallery, Picton, Ontario
- 2019 Group exhibition, 'Intimate Conversations' Royaat Gallery, Lahore
- 2019 Solo exhibition, Canvas gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
- 2016 Solo exhibition, Rohtas Gallery, Lahore, Pakistan
- 2016 Solo exhibition, Galerie St. Laurent + Hill, Ottawa
- 2016 Solo exhibition, 'Seeking Nothingness' Canvas Gallery, Karachi
- 2015 Group exhibition, 'Private Mythologies' Satrang Gallery, Islamabad
- 2014 Solo exhibition 'Soul Matters' Canvas Gallery, Karachi
- 2014 Solo exhibition 'Soul Matters' Galerie McClure, Montreal
- 2013 Group show 'Re-imagining the Tree' Oeno Gallery, Picton, Ontario
- 2012 Solo exhibition 'Of Totems and Minarets, Canvas Gallery, Karachi
- 2011 Solo exhibition, Recent works, Galerie St. Laurent + Hill, Ottawa
- 2010 Solo exhibition, The Primordial Dot, Canvas Gallery, Karachi
- 2010 Savac group exhibition 'Velocity: the rate of change of position' Function 13 Gallery, Toronto
- 2010 Solo exhibition, Galerie D'Art, D'Outremont, Montreal
- 2009 Group exhibition Galerie D'Art, D'Outremont, Montreal
- 2008 The Nocturnal Song, Group show at Alhamra, Lahore
- 2008 Recent works, Galerie Sandra Goldie Gallery, Montreal
- 2008 SAVAC juried group show 'Regeneration', Harbour Front Center, Toronto
- 2007 Solo exhibition, Recent works, Galerie Saint Laurent + Hill, Ottawa
- 2007 Solo exhibition, The Illuminated Prayer, Maison de la Culture, Riviere-des-Praires
- 2006 Group exhibition, Parle-moi D'amour, Montreal
- 2006 Group exhibition, Artuel, Montreal
- 2006 Solo exhibition, The Illuminated Prayer, Galerie Renée Blain, Brossard
- 2004 Exhibition, Galerie Sandra Goldie Gallery, Montreal
- 2004 Solo exhibition, Vieux-Presbytere de Saint-Bruno
- 2004 Solo exhibition at Georges Laoun gallery, Montreal
- 2004 Solo exhibition "Where's the heart? / Où est le Coeur?" at Rohtas 1, Islamabad.
- 2004 Solo exhibition "Where's the heart? / Où est le Coeur?" at Rohtas 1, Lahore.
- 2003 Group exhibition at Rohtas 2, Lahore, Pakistan
- 2003 Exhibition of recent works at Wilder & Davis Gallery, Montreal, QC
- 2003 Group exhibition for the Thomas Moore Institute at La Galerie Loto-Quebec, Montreal
- 2003 Juried show "L'Esprit Zen" at Centre d'exposition du Vieux-Presbytere de Saint-Bruno
- 2003 Group exhibition 'Les Femmeuses', Pratt & Whitney, Montreal, QC
- 2003 Group exhibition in March at Gallery LUZ, Montreal, QC
- 2002-03 Work on exhibit at Galerie d'art – Musée des Beaux-Arts de Montreal
- 2002 Solo exhibition at Maison de la Culture, N.D.G
- 2002 Group exhibition, Sandra Goldie Gallery, Montreal
- 2001 Group exhibition, Gallery Les Modernes, Montreal, QC
- 2001 Group exhibition, Gallery LUZ, Montreal, QC
- 2001 'Les Femmeuses', Pratt & Whitney, Montreal, QC
- 2001 Solo exhibition, 'One Thousand Days/Un Mille jours', Gallery McClure, Montreal, QC
- 2000 Artwork for 'Denim Dreams' at Musée d'art Contemporain de Montreal, QC
- 1999 Group exhibition 'Women and Painting', at the Vav Gallery, Montreal, QC
- 1999 Juried Fibre Show at Edifice Belgo, Montreal, QC
- 1999 Juried exhibition at the Vav Gallery, Montreal, QC
- 1999 Awarded the Louis Muhlstock Prize for drawing
- 1998 Juried exhibition, Gallery Vav, Montreal, QC

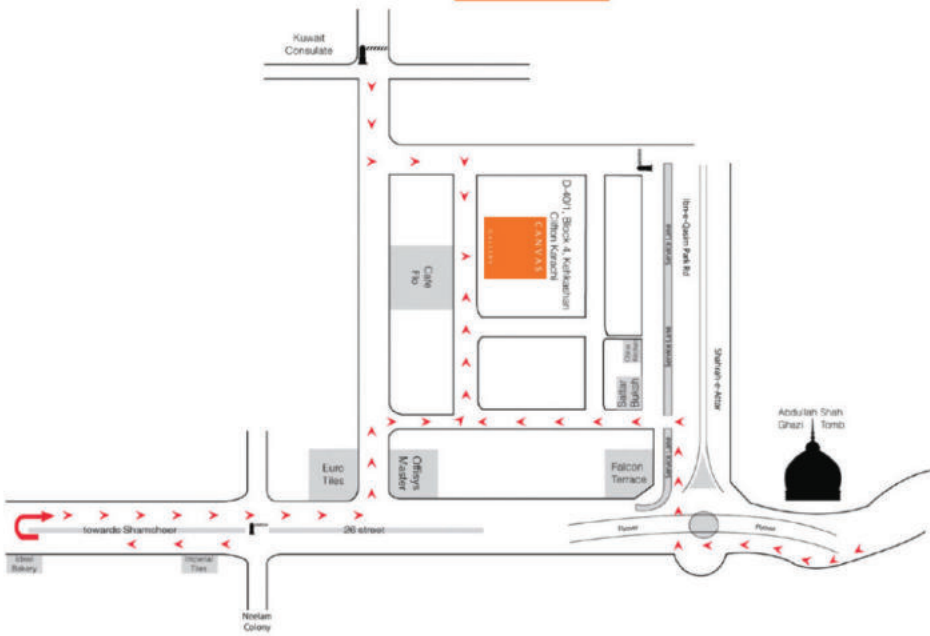
## Grants & Awards

- 2004 Canada Council of Arts, Travel Grant
- 1998 Louis Muhlstock Award

## Galleries

- Galerie Saint Laurent + Hill, Ottawa
- Oeno Gallery, Prince Edward County, Kingston
- Canvas Gallery, Karachi

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