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“Women on canvas”

Tarek Butayhi

Syrian artist Tarek Butayhi’s expressive paintings present a stereotypical image of women, as he paints them in a distinct manner. The highly calculated, yet spontaneous canvases in the Women On Canvas series insinuate themes of conflict as the artist depicts emotions of chaos and control. Butayhi uses vibrant and clashing colours to create animated shapes and forms, a technique inspired by Expressionism. According to the artist, in doing so, he separates the subject of his paintings from their conventional roles and presents them in a manner of fantasy for the male gaze and imagination.

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