

Hasko Hasko

Hasko Hasko born in 1973 Aleppo, Syria. He graduated from the Faculty of Fine Arts at the University of Damascus in 2000 and specialized in oil painting. He states: "Now, with Syrian art fetching high prices on the international market, life is becoming easier and artists are gaining more respect. Before, we were considered crazy. That's completely changing; now, we're becoming respected like poets and directors."

Since 2002, his work has been the highlight of many solo exhibitions and group shows in Syria and around the world including in London, The United States, Iraq, Lebanon, UAE, and in Turkey. The themes in his contemporary paintings focus on nature, animals, and mythical figures that are inspired from Mesopotamian cultures. They are treated mainly in acrylic paint or mixed media, with low-key colors and defined brushstrokes in compositional clusters.

Hasko fled the war to Turkey in 2013 and, the following year, journeyed on a lifeboat through the Mediterranean in order to reach Europe. The artist made it to Denmark, where he since has been living as a refugee. "A Perilous Journey," a project which chronicles the journeys of three Syrian war refugees traveling from Syria to Europe (one of which is Hasko's story), was launched at The Nobel Peace Center in Oslo, as well as serialized in an animated comic and published in The Guardian and Aftenposten on November 12th, 2015.

Exhibitions:

2020	Solo exhibition, Flensburg, Denmark
2014	Exhibition for Syrian Art sponsored by World Bank (Spring Meetings 2014 Washington, USA)
2014	Syrian Art auction 101 works of Art for Syrian Children Refugees, Beirut Art 14 London, Art on 56th Gallery, London, England
2013	Beirut Art Fair, Art on 56th, Beirut, Lebanon
2013	Colorful Legends by Young Wisdom, Art on 56th, Beirut
2014-2013	Summer Collective Exhibition, Art on 56th Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
2013	Contemporary Istanbul, Art on 56th Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
2012	Art 8 Gallery, London
2010	Kozah gallery, Damascus
2009	National museum, Damascus
2009	Free hand gallery, Damascus
2009	Contemporary art assembly, Istanbul
2009	Museum of modern art, Latakia
2009	French cultural center, Damascus
2009	Art 8 Gallery, Istanbul
2008	French cultural center, Damascus
2008	Al Markhiya gallery, Qatar
2008	Free hand gallery, Syria
2007	Ayyam gallery, Syria
2007	Mustafa Ali gallery, Damascus
2005	National museum, Aleppo
2004	French cultural center, Damascus
2004	National museum, Sulaymaniya, Iraq
2003	Sulaymaniya, Iraq
2003	Medea gallery, Iraq
2002	Ishtar gallery, Damascus
2002	Russian cultural center, Damascus
2001	Unesco, Beirut
2000	American cultural center, Damascus
1993	Abla gallery, Aleppo