



MAYAR OBEIDO

Mayar Obeido is an artist from Syria. A graduate of the Faculty of Fine Arts at the University of Damascus, he works in painting, drawing, and sculpture, moving freely between media while producing a focused body of work. In Obeido's most recent works, anonymous human figures and how they relate to their surroundings, which include the inanimate objects that occupy these spaces, become meditative reflections on the mundane.

In his mixed-media paintings, composed of acrylic, charcoal, and collage, Obeido incorporates clippings from Arab newspapers, a reference to the current events that inevitably impact inner worlds. His anguished figures appear to melt into the background, as though overcome by the details of these texts or perhaps internalizing the news. In other works, an apple becomes a point of reflection, a symbol of sustenance that slowly takes on anthropomorphic characteristics in response to the emotional torrents that sweep over his figures. Obeido's drawings are distinctively expressive as he combines figuration and abstraction, a dynamism in draftsmanship that informs his paintings, while his sculptures animate the objects shown in larger works. This multimedia investigation provides the viewer with greater insight into his subject matter, creating an immersive experience.

Obeido has participated in solo and collective exhibitions at art spaces and galleries in his native Syria, in addition to exhibitions in the United Arab Emirates.

Born in 1995, Damascus, Syria

Lives and works in Dubai, UAE

Education

2017 Damascus University of Fine Arts

Solo Exhibitions

2023 "Mutual Change", Fann À Porter, Dubai, UAE

2021 "Apple", Zawayya Gallery, Damascus, Syria

Group Exhibitions

2024 "Pop Up Group Exhibition", Fann À Porter, Dubai, UAE

2023 "Reality Show", Fann À Porter, Dubai, UAE

2022 "We the People", Fann À Porter, Dubai, UAE

"Mini Mighty", Fann À Porter, Dubai, UAE

"30", Mustafa Ali Gallery, Damascus, Syria



- 2021** "I'm Syrian", Syrian Pavilion at EXPO2020, Dubai, UAE
"Generations", Art House Gallery, Damascus, Syria
Charity Exhibition, Zawaya Gallery, Damascus, Syria
- 2020** "One Color", Mustafa Ali Gallery, Damascus, Syria
"Youth Artists", Al Hekmiah Gallery, Lattakia, Syria
"Virtual Exhibition", Mustafa Ali Gallery, Damascus, Syria
- 2017** "Pink & Green", Tajaliyat Gallery, Damascus, Syria

Awards

Ministry of Culture, Spring Exhibition Awards, 2018