

Filwa Nazer

Biography & CV

Born 1972. Swansea, United Kingdom
Lives and works Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

Filwa Nazer is a Saudi multi-media artist. She lives and works in Jeddah.

Nazer began her creative journey as a fashion designer and graduated from Milan's Marangoni school of Fashion and design. Her practice ranges from digital print, collage, textile to appropriation of photography and centers around questioning the emotional and psychological identity in relation to spatial and social contexts.

In her recent practice the artist employed textiles and sewing techniques as a medium to explore relationships between our bodies & the spaces we occupy, thus unveiling an intimate experimental process that reflects the tensions inherent in both.

Filwa participated in several exhibitions which include: State of Fashion Biennale, Holland (2024), DESERT X, Al Ula (2024), Perceptible Rhythms, Alternative temporalities at Middle east Institute Washington (2022), La Biennale de Lyon, France (2022), Diriyah Biennale (2021), Saudi Modern, Jeddah (2021).

Education

2022	Artist in residence at Hayy Jameel
2019	March Project Residency at Sharjah Art Foundation
2012-2014	Various short courses in printing, illustration, art therapy and interdisciplinary Courses at Central St. martins & Chelsea College of art
2004-2010	Life drawing and painting short courses at Central St. Martin's college of art and The Prince's school of traditional arts
2001-2003	Drawing and painting courses (oil, pastel and water color) at Safiya BinZagr center in Jeddah
1995	Training with Gianfranco Ferre'
1994	Fashion design degree in Milan, Italy

Group exhibition

2024	State of Fashion Biennale, Holland
2024	Doha Design Biennale, Doha
2023	Desert X, AlUla, Saudi Arabia

2023 Abu Dhabi Art Fair, Selma Feriani Gallery
2023 Woven Spaces at Fenaa Awwal Cultural Centre, Riyadh

2022 Perceptible Rhythms, Alternative Temporalities" at Middle East Institute, Washington
Azeema Exhibition at Misk Art Institute, Riyadh
La Biennale de Lyon, France
2021 Diriyah Biennale, Riyadh
Saudi Modern Exhibition, Jeddah
Un Mundo de Retales at Casa Arabe, Madrid
Bienalsur Exhibition, Riyadh
"Here, Now" at Misk Art Institute, Riyadh
Art Dubai
2020 Shara Art Fair, Jeddah
"Intimate Dimensions", Hafez Gallery
I love you Urgently" 2139 Saudi Art Council.
2019 The In-between" March Project Exhibition at Sharjah Art Foundation
Dubai Art Fair
"Sites Unknown" Exhibition at Hafez Gallery
2018 3 Directions Exhibition at Mono Gallery Riyadh
Dubai Art Fair
Manwar Exhibition at Hafez Gallery Jeddah
"Refusing To Be Still" 2139 Saudi Art Council
"Saudi Seen" Exhibition at project Space Art Jameel in Dubai
2017 Saudi Cultural Week Exhibition in Moscow
Beirut Art Fair
Start Art Fair in Doha
"Flow" Exhibition in Jeddah, Hafez Gallery
Abu Dhabi's Galleries Week
2016 Shara art Fair Jeddah
"Paper Conversation" Exhibition, Hafez Gallery
India Art Fair in New Delhi
2015 Start Art Fair at Saatchi Gallery, London
Shara Art Fair, Jeddah
"Anonymous was a woman" Exhibition at Hafez Gallery in Jeddah

Collections

Guggenheim Abu Dhabi
Al Mansouria Foundation
Saudi Ministry of Culture
Art Jameel collection
Green Box Museum Amsterdam Several works in private collection