

# IRIS PROJECTS

## JUMA AL HAJ

1990 Sharjah, United Arab Emirates  
Lives and works in Sharjah, United Arab Emirates

## Education

2012 American University of Sharjah, Bachelor of Science in Visual Communication, Sharjah, UAE

2020 University of Wollongong, Master's of Science International Relations, Dubai, UAE

## Solo Exhibitions

2023 'The Return', Al Serkal Avenue, Dubai, UAE

2021 'Frame of Mind,' Foundry by Emaar, Dubai, UAE

## Selected Group Exhibitions

2024 'Unofficial Histories,' Art of Living | Architectural Digest, Jubail Island, Abu Dhabi, UAE

2023 'Unwritten, Unspoken & Told,' Dubai Calligraphy Biennale, Dubai, UAE

2023 'Time & Identity,' Al Safa Art & Design Library, Dubai, UAE

2022 'The Blue Room,' Art of Living,' Architectural Digest, Jubail Island, Abu Dhabi, UAE

2022 'From Dubai to Rome,' The Bulgari Contemporary Art Award, Dubai, UAE

2022 'Fractured Existence,' SIKKA Art Fair, Dubai, UAE

2021-2022 Sharjah Islamic Arts Festival, Sharjah, UAE

2021 'Edit by Zahra,' Abu Dhabi Art, Abu Dhabi, UAE

2021 'Explorations in Abstraction,' Al Marsam Al Hor, Abu Dhabi, UAE

2021 'Explorations in Abstraction,' Al Qattara Arts Center, Al Ain, UAE

2021 'Covid Conversations,' Tashkeel, Dubai, UAE

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## Selected Awards & Residences

- 2024 Artistic Development Program, 421 Arts Campus, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2021 Cultural Foundation Art Residency, Cultural Foundation, Abu Dhabi, UAE

## Workshop Experience

- 2024 'Letters of Light' Abstract Calligraphy Masterclass, Louvre Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2021 'Not So Accidental Poets,' Al Burda Festival
- 2021 'The Art of Calligraphy and Abstraction,' Masterclass, Louvre Abu Dhabi, UAE

## Collections

- Barjeel Art Foundation, Sharjah, UAE
- Bulgari Art Collection, Dubai, UAE
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs & International Cooperation, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- Ministry of Culture, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- Private Collection of Abu Dhabi Executive Council, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- Private Collection of H.H. Sheikha Bodour bint Sultan Al Qasimi, Chairperson of the Board of Trustees and President of the American University of Sharjah
- Private Collection of H.H. Sheikh Mohamed Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander
- The American University of Sharjah, Sharjah, UAE
- Qasr Al Watan Collection, Abu Dhabi, UAE