## **TAREK AL-GHOUSSEIN**

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

Born 1962 in Kuwait, Lives and works in Abu Dhabi, UAE and New York, USA

## **EDUCATION**

1989	Master of Arts in Photography, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico
1985	Bachelor of Fine Arts in Photography, New York University, New York, USA

## **EMPLOYMENT ACADEMIC**

2012-present	Professor of Visual Art, New York University Abu Dhabi, UAE
1998-2012	Professor of Photography, American University of Sharjah, School of Architecture
	and Design, Sharjah, UAE
1994-1995	Photography Instructor, Blake Art College, London, United Kingdom
1991	Photography Instructor, American University of Cairo, Cairo, Egypt

## **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2019	Al Sawaber, Galerie Brigitte Schenk, Cologne, Germany
	Al Sawaber, The Third Line, Dubai, UAE
2017	Recent Work, New York University, New York,
2016	K-Files and Sawaber Series, 2016, Nevada Museum of Art, Nevada, USA
	Windows on Work, Galerie Brigitte Schenk, Cologne, Germany
2014	K Files, Taymour Grahne Gallery, New York, USA
	K Files, The Third Line, Dubai, UAE
2013	National Pavilion of Kuwait, 55th Venice Biennial, Venice, Italy (with Sami Mohammed)
2011	E Series, Khalfayan Galleries, Athens, Greece
	Tarek alla Dawar, works from C and D series on public billboards, Kuwait City, Kuwait
2010	A Retrospective: Works from 2003-2010, Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE
2009	Disorientation II, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi, UAE
	Across the Borders, Self Portraits, Damascus, Syria
	In Absentia (Selected Works), Al-Mamal Foundation, Jerusalem, Palestine

A, B, C & D Series, Galerie Brigitte Schenk, Köln, Germany	A, I	В,	С	&	D	Series,	Galerie	Brigitte	Schenk,	Köln,	Germany	٧
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- D Series, The Third Line, Dubai, UAE
- Tarek Al-Ghoussein Selected Works, Kalfayan Galleries, Athens, Greece
- 2008 Self Portrait, A, B, and C Series, Sharjah College of Fine Arts, Sharjah, UAE
- 2007 Self Portrait, A, B, and C Series, Sharjah College of Fine Arts, Sharjah, UAE
- 1994 Recent Work, Roy Miles Gallery, London, UK

### **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

- 2017 Negotiating The Future: 6th Asian Art Biennial, National Taiwan Museum of Fine Arts,
  Taichung City, Taiwan
  - FOTOGRAFICA BOGOTA, FOTOMUSEO, Bogota, Colombia
  - The Art of Nature, ADMAF Festival, Abu Dhabi, UAE
  - The Creative Act: Performance, Process, Presence, Guggenheim Abu Dhabi, UAE
  - Presence: Reflections on the Middle East, Metropolitan State University of Denver, Center for Visual Art, CO, USA
- 2015 View from Inside: Contemporary Arab Photography, Video and Mixed Media Art, Emirates Palace Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
  - On Site, NYUAD Art Gallery, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2014 FotoFest 2014 Biennial, the 15th International Biennial of Photography and Photorelated Art, Houston, USA
  - Oblique Land, Whitebox Art Space, New York, USA
  - Lost in Landscape, Museo di Arte Moderna e Contemporanea di Trento e Rovereto, Italy
- 2013 Photoquai, Photography Biennale, Paris, France
  - *The Blue Route*, Villa Empain, Brussels, Belgium From Palestine With Hope, Art Space, London, UK
  - Voyage, Museum Of Anthropology, Vancouver, Canada
  - You And Me Behind The Horizon, Nevada Museum of Art, NV, USA
  - Mind and Body, DUCTAC, Dubai, UAE
- 2012 Arab Express, Mori Art Museum, Tokyo, Japan 2011 Emirati Expressions, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi, UAE
  - The Bravery of Being Out Of Range, Sultan Gallery, Kuwait & Athr Gallery, Saudi Arabia

The Heart of Phoenix: Art and Culture of the United Arab Emirates-Sharjah, Gyeonggi Museum of Modern Art, Korea.

Roaming Images, Maraya Art Center, Sharjah UAE

Tarek alla Dawar, C and D Series on public bill boards, Kuwait

2010 UNERWARTET / UNEXPECTED, From Islamic Art to Contemporary Art, Kunstmuseum Bochum, Germany

22nd Photography Biennial, E Series, Thessaloniki, Greece

Global Studio, E Series, Blue Coat Gallery, Liverpool, UK

Artscape Medina, Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE

2009 It's Not You It's Me, Inaugural UAE Pavilion at 53rd Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy Across the Borders, Self Portraits, Damascus, Syria

Disorientation II, Manarat Al Saadiyat, Abu Dhabi, UAE

2008 Wonder, Singapore Biennale, Singapore

Roads Were Open / Roads Were Closed, The Third Line, Dubai, UAE

New Ends, Old Beginnings, Blue Coat Gallery, Liverpool, UK

The Jerusalem Show, edition 0.1, Al-Ma'mal Foundation for Contemporary Art, Jerusalem, Palestine

Dubai Next, Vitra Design Museum (Zaha Hadid Fire Station) Weil am Rhein, Germany

Never Part, Beaux Art, Brussels, Belgium Reorientations, European Parliament,

Brussels, Belgium, Nimes Museum of Contemporary Art, Nimes, France

Self Portraits, Around The Coyote Gallery, Chicago, USA

2007 Languages of the Desert, Abu Dhabi, UAE

C Series, XVA Gallery, Dubai, UAE

Art in Public Spaces, Light Boxes, Muscat, Oman Self -Representation, Doha, Qatar Recognize, London, UK

2006 Invisible Cities Ideal Cities, Zamoc, Poland & Potsdam, Germany

Under the Last Sky, Royal Photography Museum, Copenhagen, Denmark

Images of the Middle East, Banner, Copenhagen, Denmark

Political Realities, Heidelberg Museum, Heidelberg, Germany

Tierra, exilio, CREACIÓN CUENCA, Madrid, Spain

Al Riwaq, Manama, Bahrain

Pat Binder's Kollwitz Light Box Project, Berlin, Germany

Checkpoints, Darat Al Funuun, Amman, Jordan Q Arts-Gallery' in Derby, UK

Confronting Clichés, McColl Art Center, North Carolina, USA

Side Gallery, New Castle. UK Gallery of Photography, Dublin, Ireland Nazar, Institute Du Monde Arabe, Paris, France 2005 Gallery of Photography, Dublin, Ireland Ifa Gallery, Stuttgart, Germany Aperture Gallery, New York, USA Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Bonn, Germany Langhans Gallery, Prague, Czech Republic La Boca Gallery, Madrid, Spain 7th Sharjah International Biennial, Sharjah, UAE Houston International fotofest, Houston, USA 2004 Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE Specta Art Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark Noorderlicht International Photography Exhibition, The Netherlands Kathie Kollwitz Gallery, Berlin, Germany Chobi Mella, International Photography Exhibition, Dhaka, Bangladesh 2003 The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts, Copenhagen, Denmark Randolph Street Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand Sharjah International Biennial, Sharjah, UAE 2002 Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE 2000 Burjuman Center, Dubai, UAE Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE 1995 Zwemmers Fine Photographs, London, UK 1994 Roy Miles Gallery, London, UK 1989 MA Thesis Exhibition, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico ASA Juried Exhibition, Santa Fe, New Mexico Juried Exhibition Visions of Excellence, New Mexico State Grounds, Albuquerque, New Mexico 1988 Invitational Exhibit, University of Texas, El-Paso, Texas S.P.E. Photography Exhibition, Albuquerque, New Mexico

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

# Catalogs

"Transfigurations: Tarek Al-Ghoussein", Black Dog Publishing, London, UK, 2014

"In Absentia: Photgraphs by Tarek Al-Ghoussein", Page One Publishing Ltd, Singapore, 2009

Gray, Nikola, "Mapping, Self Portraits and B Series", Art School Palestine, London, UK 2009

"Reorientations", European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium, 2009

Nanjo, Fumio, "Wonder", Singapore Biennial, Singapore, 2008

Berbiic, Isak, "Self Portrait A,B and C Series", Exhibition Catalog, College of Fine Arts, University of Sharjah, UAE, 2008

Paytner, November, "Scenes du Sud II", Nimes, France, 2008

"Self –Representation", Doha, Qatar, 2007

Prof. Dr. Ronte, Dieter, "Languages of the Desert", Museum Of Modern and Contemporary Art, Bonn, exhibition catalogue, Dumont, Köln, Germany, 2007

Holton, Johan, "Political Realities", 2006

"Sharjah International Biennial 7", Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE, 2005

Melis, Wim, "Nazar: Photographs from the Arab World", Fries Museum, The Netherlands, 2004 Carver, Antonia, "Sharjah International Biennial 6", Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, UAE, 2003

### **Anthologies**

Issa, Rose, "Arab Photography Now", Kehrer Press, Germany 2011

Bright, Susan, "The Self Portrait in Contemporary Art", Thames and Hudson, London 2010 New Vision, "Arab Contemporary Art in the 21<sup>st</sup> century", Trans Globe Publishing, London, UK, 2009 Muller, Nat, "Contemporary Art in the Middle East", Black Dog Publishing, London, UK, 2009 Foster, Elena, "C Photo International Magazine", Ivory Press, UK, 2008

Messina, Audrey, "The Arab World...Now", Gallarie Enrico Navaraa, Paris, France, 2008 Dakhlia, Jocelyne, "Créations artistiques contemporaines en pays d'Islam: Des Arts en Tensions", Editions Kimé, 2006

Keller, Christoph, "Ideal City - Invisible Cities", European Art Projects, Zamość, Polen, exhibition catalogue, 2006

### **WORK IN PERMANENT COLLECTIONS**

Arab Museum of Modern Art, Doha, Qatar

Barjeel Art Foundation, Sharjah, UAE

British Museum, London, UK

Darat Al Funoon, Amman, Jordan

Freer and Sackler Gallery at Smithsonian Institution, Washington D.C.

Mori Art Museum, Tokyo, Japan

Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX

Royal Photography Museum, Copenhagen, Denmark

Salsali Private Museum, Dubai, UAE

Sharjah Art Foundation, Sharjah, UAE

Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY

Victoria and Albert Museum, London, UK

Zwemmers Fine Photographs, London, UK