

## NADIA AYARI

Born 1981, Tunis, Tunisia  
Lives and works in Brooklyn, NY

### EDUCATION

MFA in Painting, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI  
CFA in Painting, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA  
BA in Art History, Boston University, Boston, MA

### MAJOR COLLECTIONS

Pinault Collection, Paris, France  
Dalloul Art Foundation, Beirut, Lebanon  
X Museum, Beijing, China  
The Scantland Collection, Columbus, OH  
Fundacion Medianoche0, Grenada, Spain  
Museum of African Contemporary Art Al Maaden, Marrakesh, Morocco  
Barjeel Art Foundation, Sharjah, UAE  
State Museum of Contemporary Art, Thessaloniki, Greece  
Kamel Lazaar Foundation, Tunis, Tunisia

### SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

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| 2026 | Art Basel Doha, with Selma Feriani, Doha, QA<br>Oblivion Rains: Notations of Gravity, Light and, Resistance, Selma Feriani, Tunis, Tunisia                  |
| 2024 | Artwork Spotlight, Taymour Grahne Projects, online<br>Tell it to Me Again, Lisa Kandlhofer, Vienna, Austria<br>About Surrender, Double Q Gallery, Hong Kong |
| 2023 | Glitches, Amplifications, Cadet Capela, Paris, France   |
| 2022 | Eyelash in the unknown, Nina Johnson Gallery, Miami, FL<br>Wave, 89 Greene at Signs and Symbols, New York, NY   |
| 2021 | We Saw Stars, Taymour Grahne Projects, London, UK   |
| 2020 | New Drawings, Taymour Grahne Projects, online<br>Art Genève, Taymour Grahne Projects, Geneva, Switzerland   |
| 2019 | 8 Ways of Holding On, Taymour Grahne Projects, London, UK   |
| 2016 | Alien, Untitled Miami Beach, Taymour Grahne Gallery, Miami, FL<br>Bricks, Taymour Grahne Gallery, New York, NY  |

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS (CONT.)

- 2013 The Fountain and the Fig, The Third Line, Dubai, UAE  
2011 This Place, Monya Rowe Gallery, New York, NY  
2009 Nadia Ayari, Luce Gallery, Turin, Italy

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 NADA Miami, with Cadet Capela, FL  
Spectre Visible, Christie's, Paris, France  
Selma Feriani, Art Basel Paris, Basel, France
- 2023 One Wall a Web Through Which the Moment Walks, 1/9 unosunove, Rome, Italy  
States of Becoming, Independent Curators International, Center for Art Design and Visual Culture, Baltimore, MD  
Kawkaba: Highlights from the Barjeel Art Collection, Christie's, London, UK  
Immersed, Jack Siebert Projects, Los Angeles, CA
- 2022 States of Becoming, Independent Curators International, Africa Center, New York, NY  
1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair, Taymour Grahne Projects, London, UK  
Landscape, Woaw Gallery, Hong Kong  
Density's Glitch, Fine Arts Work Center, Provincetown, MA  
Intimacy, Taymour Grahne Projects, London, UK
- 2021 The Entelechians, Eric Ruschman, Chicago, IL  
Trove, Artsy, Miami Beach Art, FL  
a Serious Game, MACAAL, Marrakech, Morocco  
Greater New York, MoMA PS1, Queens, NY  
Ridiculous Sublime, SFA Advisory, New York, NY
- 2020 El que busca, encuentra...y sigue encontrando, White Columns, New York, NY  
2018 Cinnamon, Produce Model Gallery, Chicago, IL  
2017 Between Two Rounds of Fire, the Exile of the Sea, American University Museum, Washington, DC  
Volley, Abrons Arts Center, New York, NY  
Immigrancy, Samson Projects, Boston, MA  
Art Fair, Taymour Grahne Gallery, Dallas, TX  
Through Thick and Thin: Image Painting Today, Erin Cluley Gallery, Dallas, TX

## SELECTED GROUP PROJECTS (CONT.)

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| 2017 | 100 Chefs D'Oeuvre, Institute du Monde Arabe, Paris, France  |
| 2016 | A Verdant Summer, Taymour Grahne Gallery, New York, NY<br>Me, My, Mine, DC Moore Gallery, New York, NY<br>Dallas Art Fair, Taymour Grahne Gallery, Dallas, TX<br>Art Dubai, Taymour Grahne Gallery, New York, NY |
| 2015 | Walls and Margins, Maraya Art Centre, Sharjah, UAE<br>EXPO Chicago, Taymour Grahne Gallery, Chicago, IL<br>Seducers, Greenpoint Terminal Gallery, Brooklyn, NY   |
| 2014 | Art Dubai Projects, Dubai, UAE<br>Hudson Guild, New York, NY   |
| 2013 | Diamonds, Diamonds, Gallery Diet, Miami, FL  |
| 2011 | Domino, Biennale: 3, Thessaloniki Biennale of Contemporary Art, Thessaloniki, Greece   |
| 2010 | United States Pavilion, 12th International Cairo Biennale, Cairo, Egypt<br>Mutual Migration, Michael Rosenthal Gallery, San Francisco, CA  |
| 2009 | Unveiled: New Art from the Middle East, Saatchi Gallery, London, UK<br>On Paper, Galleria Monica De Cardenas, Zuoz, Switzerland<br>May December, Memorial Hall Gallery, Providence, RI                           |
| 2007 | Whimsy Sex, Sol Koffler Gallery, Providence, RI  |

## CURATORIAL PROJECTS

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| 2014 | Didn't Start the Fire, Taymour Grahne Gallery, New York, NY                       |
| 2011 | Our Backs Against the Wall, Joseée Bienvenue, New York, NY                        |
| 2009 | Across Histories: Artist and Curator Talks, ArteEast, Cabinet Space, Brooklyn, NY |

## RESIDENCIES

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| 2014 | A.i.R Dubai, Dubai, UAE                                 |
| 2009 | Fine Arts Work Center, Provincetown, MA                 |
| 2006 | Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Madison, ME |

## AWARDS

- 2019 Lotos Foundation Prize, Lotos Foundation, New York, NY  
2009 Robert Motherwell Award, Fine Arts Work Center, Provincetown, MA  
2006 Matching Scholarship, Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Madison, ME

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- 2022 Panettieri, Tiziana. "Van Dyke Espone Un Cortocircuito tra Generazioni," Il Messaggero, October 1, 2023  
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Gleason, Will. "Greater New York artist Nadia Ayari on the Local Spots that Inspire Her," Time Out, November 3, 2021  
Lee, Shannon. "8 Artists to Discover at MoMA PS1's Greater New York 2021," Artsy, October 6, 2021  
Greenberger, Alex. "MoMA PS1 reveals Artist List for 2021 Greater New York Show," Artnews, July 28, 2021  
Davis, Olivia. "11 Questions with Pete Scantland," Art of Choice, July 9, 2021
- 2018 "Top Weekend Picks," Bad at Sports, Jan 18, 2018
- 2017 Sansom, Anna. "100 Masterpieces of Modern and Contemporary Arab Art," Damn, issue 67, June 20, 2017  
Laurent, Tom. "La Collection Barjeel en Images et Signes," Art Absolutement, issue 77, May 17, 2017
- 2016 "Highlights From Untitled Art Fair 2016, Miami," Purple Diary, December 1, 2016

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"Artists on Political Art," Artforum, November, 2016  
Pena, Arthur. "Painting Picks From Dallas Art Fair," New American Paintings, April, 2016  
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- 2015  
Bhasthi, Deepa. "Some Figs for After Dinner," The Forager Magazine, April, 2015
- 2014  
Jaber, Rania. "A Walk Through Art Dubai Projects 2014," Kalimat, April, 2014  
Ansari, Saffiya. "Selfies in the Bathroom: Artist Nadia Ayari Spotlights Trends," Al Arabiya News, March 19, 2014  
Farhat, Maymanah. "In Conversation with Artist Nadia Ayari," Jadaliyya, March 10, 2014
- 2013  
Aivazian, Haig. "The Activity of Painting and other Actions: Nadia Ayari in Conversation with Haig Aivazian," Ibraaz, May 30, 2013
- 2012  
Azimi, Negar. "Model Unesco," Bidoun Magazine, Issue 27. Spring 2012  
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"Nadia Ayari, Torino, Luce Gallery," Exhibart, Italy, 2009  
Mey, Adeena. "Whispers and Murmurs: Unveiled," Flash Art Online, February, 2009