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## *Alice in Wonderland*

Syed A. Irfan is a miniature painter by inclination. Inspired by the high renaissance of Mughal miniature painting, his recent work at Citi Art Gallery is an effort to amalgamate time and feelings. On the backdrop of settings seen in the Mughal miniature paintings he juxtaposes women from today's society. The effort is to create a sensation felt by the modern man when driven back into times long past.

Irfan creates an aura of the Mughal period by painting situations like holding pigeons, or sitting on thrones decorated with 'gao takeyas', holding a rose in hand like a Mughal princess, heavily curtained large windows etc. Plants on his canvases are also indicative of the Mughal miniature. He has taken note of small details in his work. Women are wearing jewellery designed in the past times. The palette also supports his unique idea. His experimentation with the subject brings forth an interesting scenario. Women on his canvases give an impression as if they are there for an act on a stage. Their feelings are like those of Alice in Wonderland.

Irfan relates the act of painting with emotions. His work, to a large extent, is a reflection of his life. He has accepted the challenge of keeping alive the spirit of traditional miniature painting in post modern times.

Besides, his solo shows, Irfan has participated in group exhibitions at home and abroad. Apart from his talent of miniature painting, Syed A rfan is an excellent designer.

*By Shamim Akhter*



Watercolor, Tea Wash & Gold on Wasli

13 x 10 Inches

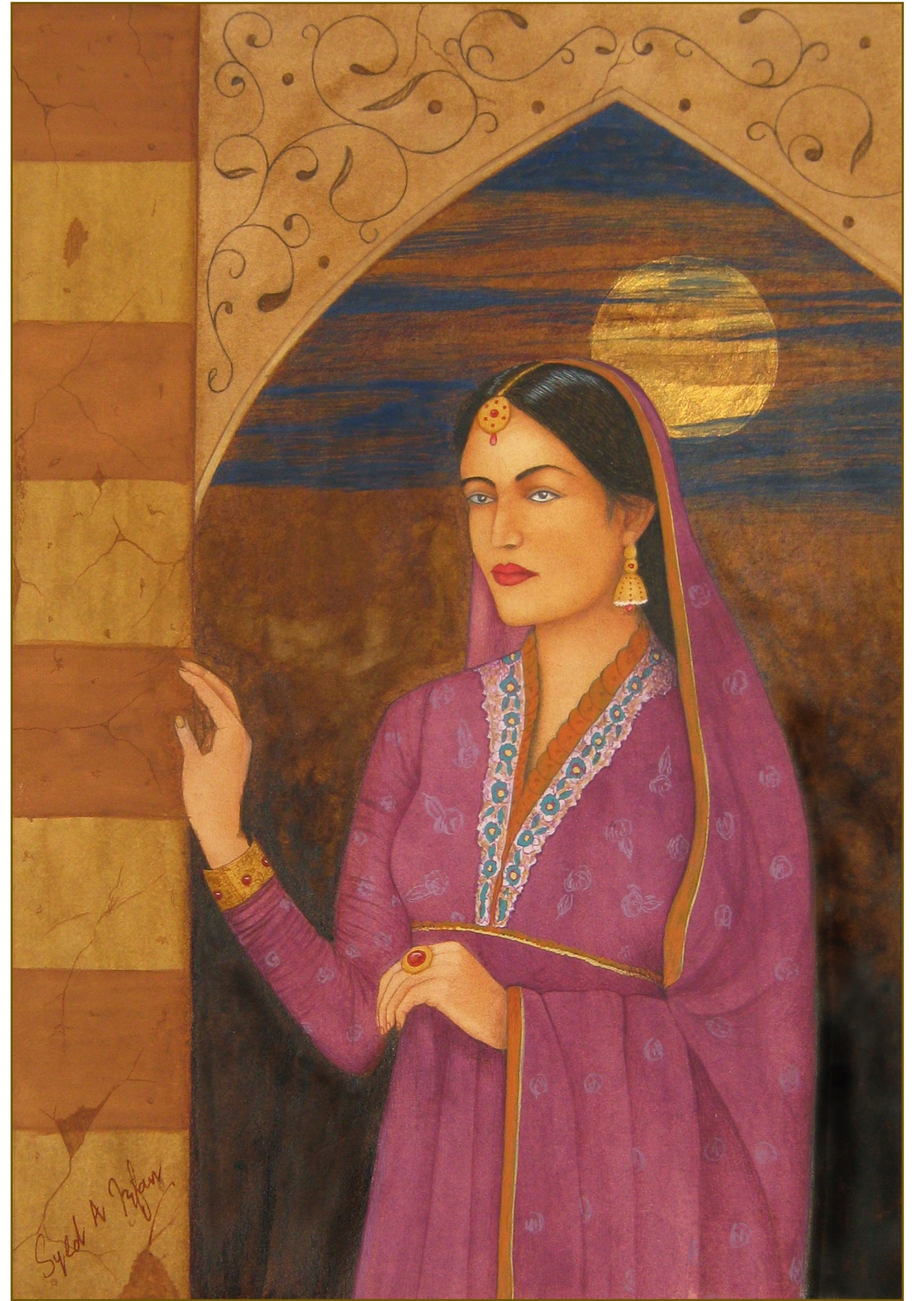
*Became the Bride of Thinking*



Watercolor & Gold on Wasli

7 x 10 Inches

*Silence Love*



Watercolor & Gold on Wasli

7 x 10 Inches

*Waiting Someone*



Watercolor, Tea Wash & Gold on Wasli

11 x 14 Inches

*Release Own Thoughts*



Gauche & Tea Wash on Wasli

11 x 13 Inches

*Preparing for Someone Special*



Watercolor, Tea Wash & Gold on Wasli

13 x 10 Inches

*Preparing for the Beloved*



Watercolor & Gold on Wasli

11.5 x 12.5 Inches

*Separation in Love*

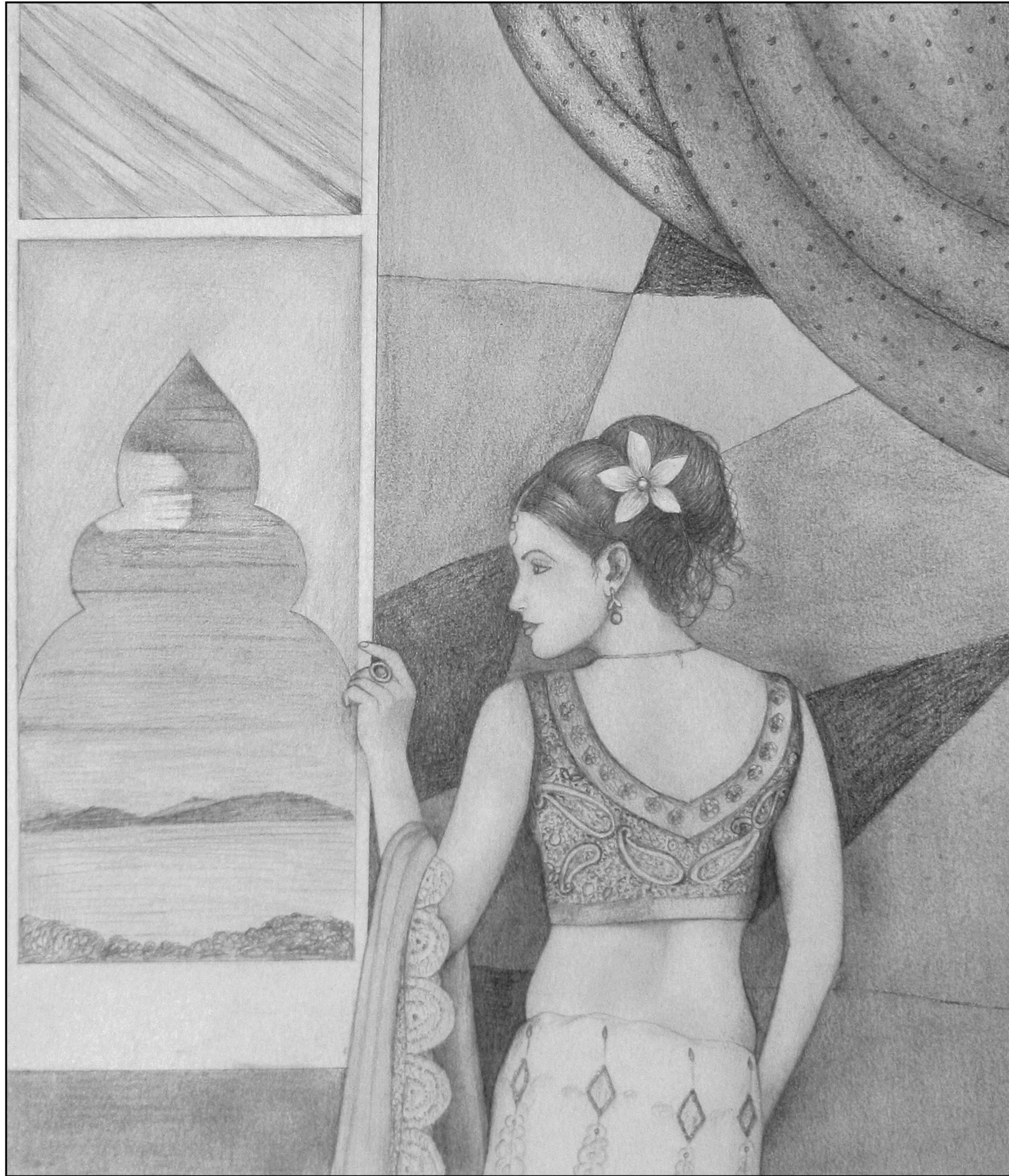




Graphite Pencil on Paper

15 x 11 Inches

*Lady in the Moon Light*



Graphite Pencil on Paper

10 x 12 Inches

*Beauty With Simplicity*



Watercolor on Wasli

7 x 8 Inches

*Woman With Pigeons*



Watercolor on paper

7 x 8 Inches

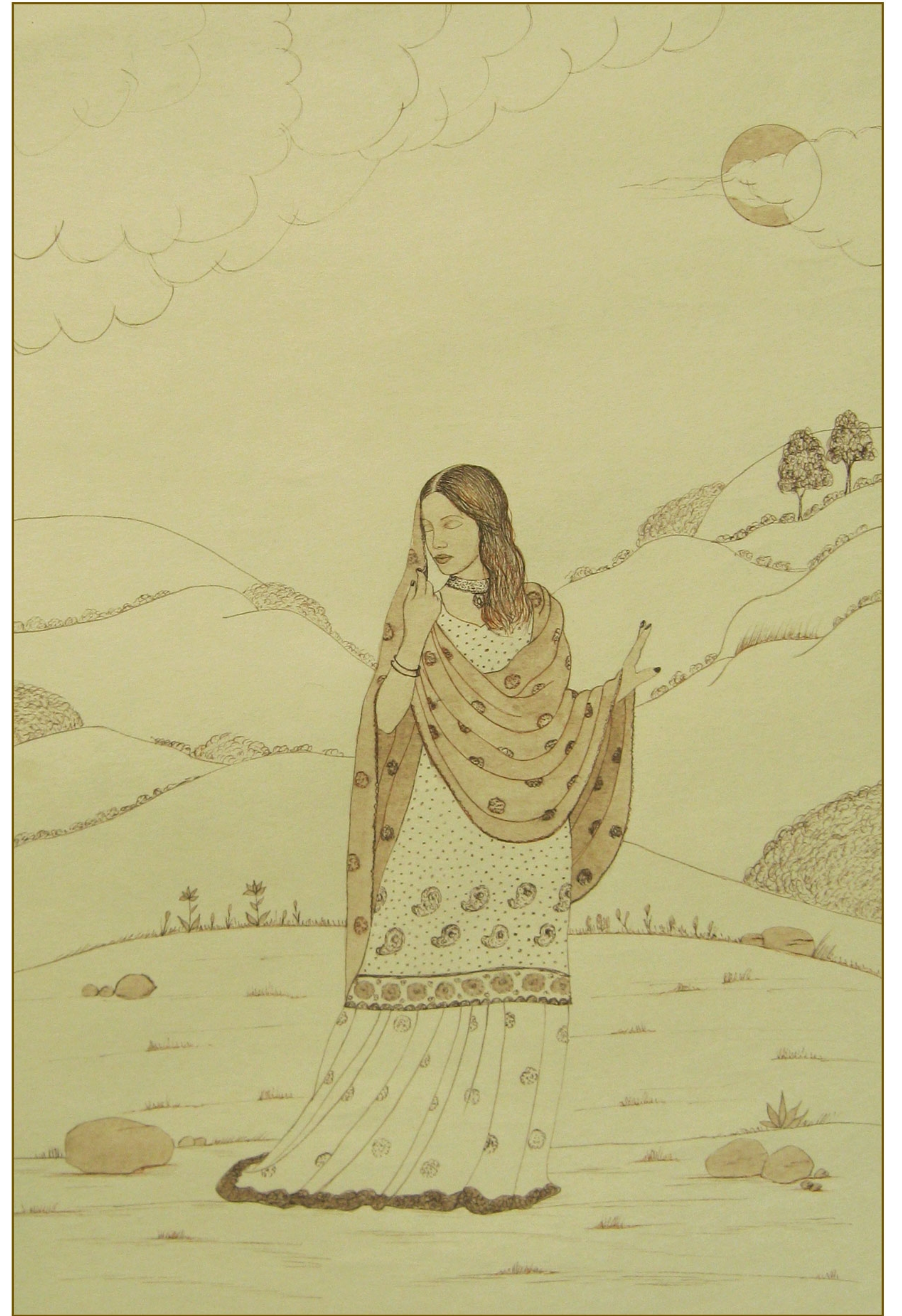
*Memories of love*



Watercolor on Paper

12 x 18 Inches

*Silent Cry*



Watercolor on Paper

12 x 18 Inches

*Women in the Garden*



Watercolor & Gold on Wasli

11 x 13.5 Inches

*Woman Play Veena*



Watercolor on Wasli

11 x 14 Inches

*In the Autumn Evening*



Watercolor, Tea Wash & Gold on Wasli

15 x 12.5 Inches

*Elegant Girl at Sunset*



Gauche, Tea Wash & Gold on Wasli

11 x 13 Inches

*After the Bed*



Watercolor, Tea Wash & Gold on Wasli

11 x 12 Inches

*Sometimes We Were Beautiful*





Watercolor, Tea Wash & Gold on Wasli

14.5 x 11.5 Inches

*Waiting*

# Syed A. Irfan

## PERMANENT DISPLAY:

- 2004 Displayed Work (London )
- 2007 Displayed Work (Golf Club, Dubai )
- 2007 Display in Efroze Chemicals Industries Pvt. Ltd. Karachi
- 2008 Display in Pakistan embassy in Delhi India

## ACHIEVEMENTS:

- 2007 Best Performance Award in PTV (Pakistan Television)
- 2006 Special Prize in Sadequain Award Exhibition
- 2001 First Prize in All Degree College Art Exhibition

## SOLO EXHIBITION:

- 2014 Solo Exhibition at Citi Gallery. Karachi.
- 2010 Solo Exhibition at Citi Gallery. Karachi.
- 2005 Solo Exhibition at The Art Gallery. Karachi.

## INTERNATIONAL SHOW:

- 2013 A Traveling Group Show of Pakistani Young Artists Karachi to Houston , New York & India.
- 2012 Group Exhibition at Ana Special Mall Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.
- 2008 Group Exhibition at Dubai Auditorium.
- 2008 Miniature Group Exhibition at I.I.C Art Gallery, Delhi, India.



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## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITION:

- 2013 Group Exhibition at Grandeur Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2013 Group Exhibition at Majmua Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2012 Group Exhibition at Grandeur Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2012 Group Exhibition at Citi Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2011 Group Exhibition at Grandeur Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2010 Group Exhibition at Unicorn Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2009 Participate Participate Youth Festival 2009 at Art Concel of Pakista Karachi.
- 2009 Organize Art Exhibition "Color of Dimension" at Art Council of Pakistan. Karachi,
- 2009 Group Exhibition at Citi Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2008 Participate Sadequain Award Exhibition at Sadequain Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2008 Group International Exhibition at University of Sindh Jamshoro.
- 2007 Participate 1st International Exhibition at Sadequain Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2007 Miniature Group Exhibition at Mom Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2007 Group Exhibition about Hammara Karachi at Gulmohar Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2006 Group Exhibition at Mom Art Gallery . Karachi.
- 2006 Group Exhibition at Gulmohar Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2006 Participate Sadequain Award Exhibition at Sadequain Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2006 Group Exhibition at Kunj Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2006 Group Exhibition at Mom Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2005 Group Exhibition at Nomad Art Gallery . Islamabad.
- 2005 Miniature Group Exhibition at Mom Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2004 Group Exhibition About Pakistan at Karachi National Museum Karachi.
- 2004 Group Exhibition at Karachi Art Concel of Pakista Karachi.
- 2004 Group Exhibition at Sheraton Hotel Karachi.
- 2004 Miniature Group Exhibition at Louvre Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2004 Group Exhibition at Mom Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2004 International Group Exhibition at J.I.Art Gallery Karachi.
- 2003 Miniature Group Exhibition at Zenaini Art Gallery Karachi.



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