



## **RAJAB ALI SAYED**

### **EDUCATION:**

2014-2017: University of Houston, TX, MFA Painting, Minors in Art History

2009-2013: National College of Arts, Lahore, Pakistan, BFA Painting, Minors in Printmaking

2011-2012: Augustana University, Sioux Falls, SD, Fulbright Exchange Fellowship

### **SOLO AND TWO PERSON EXHIBITIONS:**

#### **2020:**

*Layercake*, a virtual presentation of an extended body of paintings by Rajab Ali Sayed, curated by Mallory Gemmel (Canada), programmed and hosted by YNGSPC

#### **2018:**

*Memoir*, Rajab Ali Sayed and Michael Patrick O' Brien, Bank of America Center, Houston, TX

#### **2017:**

*Swim*, Rajab Ali Sayed and Owen Dreysdale, Barbara Davis Gallery, Houston, TX

#### **2013:**

*Melting into Us*, Rajab Ali Sayed and Dua Abbas, Unicorn Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan

### **SELECT GROUP EXHIBITIONS:**

#### **2021:**

Young Painter's Competition 2021, Miami University, curated by Kelly Baum

#### **2020:**

*Animal Nitrate*, group show curated by Bill Arning, Artsy

#### **2019:**

*Stonewall 50/50*, 1969 Gallery, NYC, curated by Bill Arning

*Collect it for the Culture II*, Winston Contemporary, Houston, TX, curated by Robert Leeroy Hodge

**2018:**

*30 Under 30*, Viridian Artists, NYC, Curated by Chrissie Iles

*Assistance League of Houston Celebrates Texas Art*, Williams Tower, Houston, TX; 2018 curated by Anna Katz / 2017 curated by Jose Esparza Chong Guy

*The Big Show*, Lawndale Art Center, Houston, TX; 2018 curated by Evelyn C Hankins/ 2017 Curated by Toby Kamps/ 2016 curated by Tina Kukielski

**2017:**

*Let's Get Lost*, Gensler Summer Exhibition, Gensler, Houston, TX, curated by Aaron Parazette

*39<sup>th</sup> Annual MFA Thesis Show*, Blaffer Art Museum, Houston, TX

*Texas National*, Stephen F. Austin University, Nacogdoches, TX; 2017 curated by Benito Huerta/ 2016 curated by Abelardo Morell

*New Texas Talent XXIII*, Craighead Green Gallery, Dallas, curated by Frank Hettig

**2013:**

*BFA Thesis Show*, National College of Arts, Lahore, Pakistan, 2013

**AWARDS/RESIDENCIES:**

2021: William and Dorothy Yeck Award, Young Painter's Competition, Miami University, Finalist

2019: City of West Hollywood 9x9 Mural, Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission for Public Art, Los Angeles, CA

LA Summer Residency, Otis College of Art and Design, Los Angeles, CA

2018: The Big Show Prize, Lawndale Art Center, Houston, TX

2017: Vermont Studio Center, VSC Fellowship/Community of the Artists Alliance Grant, Johnson, VT

Sam and Adele Golden Foundation, Painting Fellowship, New Berlin, NY

**TEACHING:**

2019-Present: Bridges Academy, Studio City, Los Angeles, *Performing Arts Faculty*

2018-2019: Art League Houston, Instructor

2014-2017: University of Houston, Teaching Fellowship

**PRESS/PUBLICATIONS:**

"Rajab Ali Sayed", *The Fight Magazine*, March 3, 2021

"Partition: Rajab Ali Sayed", City of West Hollywood, press release, 2020

“Bourelly, Fisher, Manalo, and Sayed Take Top Honors in Lawndale’s ‘The Big Show’”, Houston Press, September 18, 2018, by Susie Tommaney

“Perceiving the presence in the absence – The paintings of Rajab Ali Sayed”, Artwort, June 22, 2018

“Rajab Ali Sayed”, Create! Magazine, June 19, 2018

“University of Houston Masters of Fine Arts Thesis Exhibition”, Glasstire, April 12, 2017, by Michael Bise