

ANISA ABDULLAH (B. 1985)

(Based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)

Anisa Abdullah (she/her) (b. 1985, Poland) spent much of her early life abroad, following her father, a member of the Malaysian diplomatic corps, to countries such as Poland, Pakistan, and Saudi Arabia. She began her art education in 2003, earning a certificate in Fine Art at Perbadanan Muzium Melaka (PERZIM), followed by a Diploma at IKIP College in Kuantan, Pahang, and later at Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) in Shah Alam, where she obtained her Bachelor's degree in Fine Art, majoring in Painting, in 2010.

Based in Malaysia, Anisa is a painter by training and discovered the art of paper collage early in her career. Her works are intricately collaged depictions of everyday life in culturally rich Malaysia, with thousands of paper fragments carefully cut from newspapers and periodicals.

Over the years, many aspects of nature and culture have become subjects of her artworks, ranging from wildlife to urban life, as seen through her eyes. In her most recent solo exhibition, 'Gemersik' (2023), Anisa presented a body of work that focuses more on her personal life, marking a departure from her previous themes. Documenting her life and struggles as an artist, mother, and wife, while also expressing her love for culture and fashion, the exhibition reaffirms her position as an important artist of her generation, one whose practice sets her apart from her peers.



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EDUCATION

2008-2010 Bachelor (Hons.) Fine Art, Majoring in Painting, UiTM Shah Alam, Selangor

2005-2008 Diploma in Art And Design (Fine Art), Ikip College Kuantan, Pahang

2003-2004 Certificate in Fine Art, PERZIM, Melaka

SOLO EXHIBITION

2013 CEBIS-CEBIS, Chandan Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024 18@8 pLAy, Wei-Ling Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

2022 TEGUH BERSAMA, UiTM GESTURZ, Galeri Seni Tuanku Nur Zahirah

BEBAS, ARTAS Gallery

2021 MARS, Hom Art Trans

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2020 SEDEKAD, G13 gallery, Petaling Jaya

COV-ART 19, Rumah Seni Selangor 1 Meter Apart, Core Design Gallery

C-19 FUND, Hom Art Trans

2019 In Sync, G13 gallery, Petaling Jaya

Neo Baroque- A Malaysian Reinterpretation, Core Design Gallery, Kuala

Lumpur

Art Bangkok 2019, Thailand, Core Design Gallery Art Taichung 2019, Taiwan, Core Design Gallery

Mihrab, Segaris Art Centre

2018 BINTANG 5, Segaris Art Centre

IMMATERIAL, G13 Gallery

Mother and Child, Nadine Fine Art

Y Canvas, Core Gallery

MARS, art transit 3x3, Hom Art Trans ART EXPO 2018, G13 Gallery, Maltrade

2017 Open House, Z Gallery, Kuala Lumpur

Transit A1, House of Matahati Sensation, Segaris Art Centre

2016 De/ Corum, Chandan Gallery, Kuala Lumpur

Sayang Seni 1.0, Wisma MCA

Transit A2, House of Matahati, Kuala Lumpur Art Expo, Segaris, Matrade, Kuala Lumpur

2015 Spice Select Yogjakarta, Pace Gallery, Petaling Jaya

Melukis Puisi: Sebuah Pencitraan Puisi-puisi Pyanhabib oleh 31



seniman kontemporari Malaysia, House of Matahati, Kuala Lumpur Extreme Potrait, Chandan Gallery, Kuala lumpur 2014 Art Expo, Matrade, Kuala Lumpur The Good Malaysian Woman, Black Box Publika, Kuala Lumpur Shanghai Art Fair, Shanghai, China Measuring Love, Wei-Ling Gallery Pulpa, Galeri Chandan, Publika Pieces of me, art charity show, White Box, Kuala Lumpur Young Guns, Singapore edition, Chan Hampe Gallery, Singapore 2013 SEKAKI, Segaris Art Center, Publika, Kuala Lumpur CEBIS-CEBIS, a solo show by Anisa Abdullah, Chandan Gallery, Publika, Kuala Lumpur Love Measurements, Wei-Ling Gallery - Malaysian Contemporary Arts Suarasa 2, Segaris Art Center, Publika, Kuala Lumpur Art Expo Malaysia 2013, MATRADE Exhibition & Convention Centre Zain Azhari's Favourite, The Edge Gallerie, Kuala Lumpur Young Guns, House of Matahati, Kuala Lumpur Charity art show (typhoon Haiyan), White box, Publika Kuala Lumpur 2012 NAFA'S Residensi Showcase Cycle One 2012, Yogyakarta, Indonesia Independent Art-Space & Management (I AM) POPUP, House of Matahati, Kuala Lumpur Reminisces Two Men Show, RA Fine Arts, Kuala Lumpur Locals Only, Taksu, Kuala Lumpur An Environmental Art Show, Puncak Art Gallery, Selangor Young Art Exhibition, RA Fine Arts, Kuala Lumpur 2011 MEAA (Malaysian Emerging Artist Award), HOM, Galeri Chandan & Soka Gakkai Malaysia New Young Contemporary Art Show, Pace Gallery, Petaling Jaya Kalimah, Galeri Chandan, Kuala Lumpur Anniversary Show, Pace Gallery, Petaling Jaya Signs, Symbols and Icon (Pameran 3 Artis), Galeri Chandan, Kuala Lumpur Electic Magnetic, RA Fine Arts, Kuala Lumpur Pulp Friction, Galeri Chandan, Kuala Lumpur Private Affairs, Galeri Chandan, Kuala Lumpur LiFest, MAP@Publika, Kuala Lumpur 2010 Dis-Chromatic, Small Talk With The Moon, Petaling Jaya Expressions of Malayan Tiger, Galeri Seni, Menara Maybank, Kuala Lumpur Open Show 2010, Galeri Shah Alam, Selangor Con/Form, Three Sixty Art Development Studio, Desa Park City, Kuala Lumpur LOAD, Galeri Tengku Nurzahirah (FSSR), UiTM, Shah Alam, Selangor



Nando's, Kicking Off With Art & Soul, One Utama Shopping Centre,

Damansara Utama, Selangor

2009 Young Art, RA Fine Arts, Kuala Lumpur

V-Show, Three Sixty Art Development Studio, Desa Park City, Kuala Lumpur

Open Show, Galeri Shah Alam, Selangor

2008 Diploma Show, Kolej IKIP Kuantan, Pahang

ACHIEVEMENT

2021	1st Prize Winner of Setia Karya Hotel Art Contest
2012	Residensi at NAFAS, Yjogjakarta, Galeri Chandan
2011	Finalis MEAA (Malaysian Emerging Artist Award), Galeri Chandan, HOM &
	Soka Gakkai Malaysia
2010	Hadiah Saguhati, Pertandingan Seni "Expression of the Malayan Tiger
	Expression", Galeri Seni Maybank, 2010
2009	Anugerah Insentif, Open Show Shah Alam, Galeri Shah Alam, Selangor

COLLECTION

GDP ARCHITECTURE, Kuala Lumpur DBKL, Kuala Lumpur Scomi, Kuala Lumpur (DYMM) Sultan Selangor