



Art *Feature*

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1. Ammara Imran

"I'm a stay at home mom of 3 amazing but crazy kids. I'm a self taught mixed media artist based in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. I started painting a year ago as I was looking for a new hobby and a way to relax and unwind. It soon became a daily thing and there's not many days that go by where I've not got a paintbrush in my hand. I love to work with different mediums like Watercolors ,Acrylics, Gouache and Inks. I'm inspired by nature and I love painting galaxies and night skies."

Instagram- [@journey_of_a_paintbrush](https://www.instagram.com/journey_of_a_paintbrush)



2. Nasmiya Shabnam

Salaam // Peace. . .

When the chaos in our minds ends up churning confusion and negativity, seeking the divine light and wisdom from the All Knowing and spreading it around is the only way towards attaining peace. Fighting that ego , fighting that nafs. Salaam is all we actually want. For you, for me and for the whole of humanity.

Instagram- [@binjax](https://www.instagram.com/binjax)



3. Reham Akbar

Awakening Heart

An Awakening heart is about REALIZING that "This growth may not be easy, but just keep trusting in it. Just keep breathing through it. It is guiding you somewhere worth going." The 'tiger' signifies strength and the 'sea' symbolises to keep moving through the blue storm.

Reference (quotation by Jess sharp)

Instagram- [@rehamcihan](https://www.instagram.com/rehamcihan)



4. Shahin Ibrahim

"When I was in Madrasa, my Ustad used to appreciate my arabic handwriting, which inspired me to translate the Quranic verses into an artistic form, as it is Allah's Book. I developed this art as my passion and learned more about Arabic calligraphy, to introduce this beautiful art to more people."

Instagram- [@shanu.shaj](https://www.instagram.com/shanu.shaj)



5. Kulsoom Kahkashan

AQUA GOLD

"This is a Resin Abstract Landscape painting. In this painting I tried to capture the natural beauty of our oceans which were not polluted by human beings earlier, this is done by incorporating natural elements like Pearls, seashells and stones. The gold in this painting depicts the marine life as they are very precious and are being killed by the carelessness of us humans. With this painting, I intend to connect the viewer with the importance of marine life and its conservation. It reminds us how beautiful, serene and pure our oceans were once."

Instagram- [@fascinatingfairy_bell](https://www.instagram.com/fascinatingfairy_bell)



6. Juhi Sana Shad

The Modern Classic

'The Modern Classic' is a mix media artwork. The central core of this artwork is painted using acrylic paints. It was inspired from Van Gogh's signature style of painting, constituting the classical component of the artwork. The modern aspect is created using small stones and pebbles around the core forming a circular 'window' into the old classic vision of art, slowly transitioning into modern and raw-out of the box surrounding when you draw back from the core.

Instagram - [@Aartliner](https://www.instagram.com/Aartliner)



7. Fathima Nashra KM

*"This is an oil painting seascape on stretched cotton canvas board of size 50*50cm. The main highlight of this painting is the sky, painted using a palette knife to create rough textures with different shades of colors. And created palette knife strokes for the waves and the sailboat as well. This is one of my favourite works."*

Instagram- [@Thepaintedstory_](https://www.instagram.com/Thepaintedstory_)



8. Fatera Hasan

Tranquillity - Contradiction of serenity

Depicting the serene brutality of the Ocean,
Calm at the surface yet the contradicting nature of mayhem it
can create, It can give and yet take lives,
It's beautiful yet chaotic.

Instagram- [@faterahasan](https://www.instagram.com/faterahasan)



9. Rubaiyet Abedin

Sunrise at Monument Valley

"When the first rays of the day hit the red rock formations, it creates a very beautiful and amazing scene. I was there the whole time, watching the sunrise like a hypnotized person. Because of the time limitation, I could not do any painting there. Later, when I came back home, I drew the whole scene... from my imagination and from the pictures I took. As much as I am an artist, I am a hiker and nature lover too. I feel most inspired when I am in nature. I still remember the beautiful amazing sunrise at Monument Valley. And this oil painting portrays who I am - a nature lover who is also an artist."

Instagram- [@thedreamcatcher_art](https://www.instagram.com/thedreamcatcher_art)

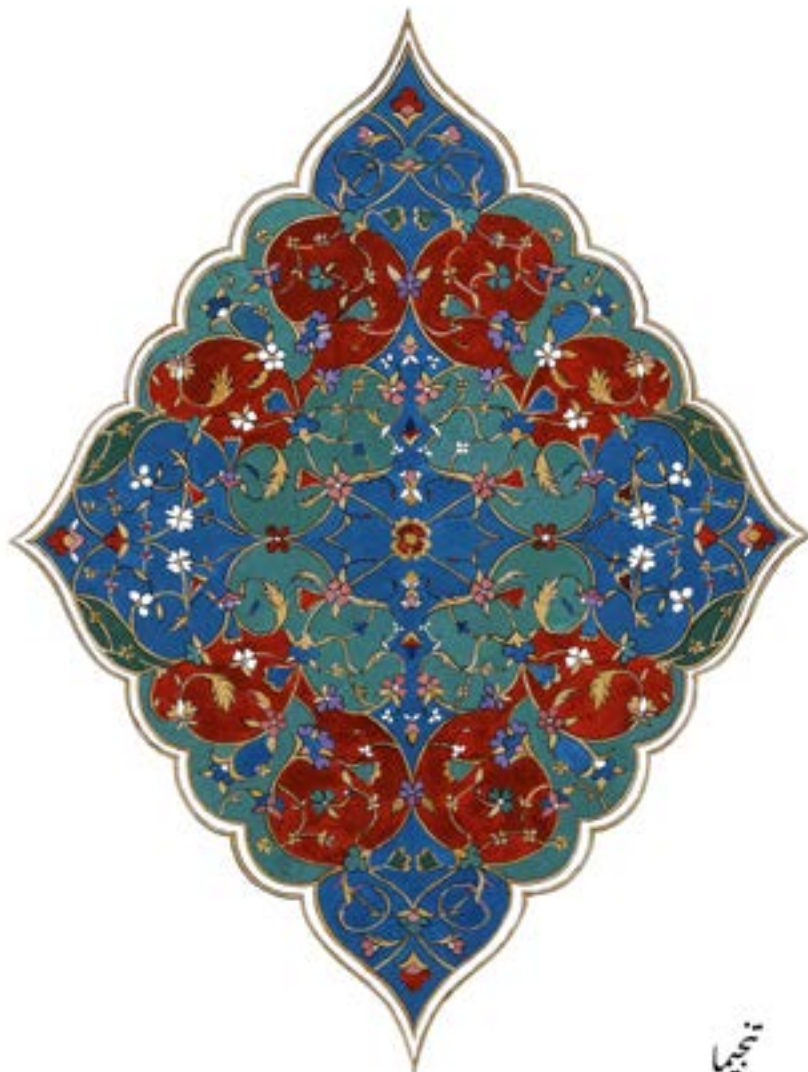


10. Tanjima Kar Sekh

"I am Tanjima Kar Sekh and I own an art studio named Musawwir Studio by Tanjima. I am an artist and relief printmaker based in New Delhi, India. I am also pursuing Ph.D in the department of History and Culture at Jamia Millia Islamia.

I have been always inspired by the breathtaking Mughal monuments in India. The most amazing characteristic that I find in Mughal art is its symmetry and detailed rendering. Throughout my stay in Delhi I have revisited the Mughal monuments numerous times and learnt new things each time. I have been exposed to mughal miniatures extensively during my masters of art course in Art History at the National Museum Institute, New Delhi. The artwork is highly inspired from the traditional art."

Instagram- [@musawwirstudio](https://www.instagram.com/musawwirstudio)



11. Ayesha Baig

"This is one of the three paintings I made one night as I sat with my art book and paints. When I started, I had no specific idea of what I wanted to paint, the two words that I used as inspiration were darkness and monotone. I made the colour palette black and white, and the character surrounded by darkness all around her as she stayed still."

Instagram- [@mostlygdart](https://www.instagram.com/mostlygdart)



12. Irfan

Creatures

Creatures have different layers upon thee
Far high in the sky amongst the deep sea
peeling them off we often see
The same old soul just trying to be free.

Instagram - [@doodlebeing](https://www.instagram.com/doodlebeing)



13. Hafida Boulafrah

This first piece entitled "prosperity in unity" explores the idea of expressing unity in repetition and order , this maze of letters keeps the viewer dwelling in meaning again and again as if lost and looking for guidance by repeating the words and connecting with the Divine.

"When I first got experimenting with islamic geometrical art, I felt such a strong emotion and connection with it, So I started creating art pieces with a Moroccan zeflij feel to it , this style opened a whole new world of possibilities for me."

Instagram - [@hafidaboulafrah](https://www.instagram.com/hafidaboulafrah)



14. Iffat Fatima

"I would like to mention that the ideas behind my artwork aren't original, but they most definitely are personal. Most of my inspiration comes off of pinterest like everyone else, however I only draw the things that I feel inclined towards. I don't draw things that I don't feel a connection to."



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