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### NADA BOULOS

Nada Boulos is an established and experienced auctioneer in Beirut, Lebanon. After obtaining degrees in political science from the American University of Beirut and University Paris II in Paris, she joined Sotheby's Institute of Art in London. An intensive training course at Sotheby's led her to work with Guy Loudmer, a leading auctioneer at Drouot in Paris.

Upon returning to Lebanon in 1992, Boulos founded her own auction house, building upon her expertise in Middle Eastern art and the business of auctioneering. This made her one of the country's pioneers to launch auctions specializing in modern and contemporary art from the Middle East. After a hiatus in 1998, she returned to the scene in March 2004. From 2011 to 2019, she organized biannual auctions which took place in a scenic and picturesque Lebanese mansion with a garden situated in the heart of Beirut. Since the pandemic, they have been held remotely four times a year to ensure the best health and safety measures.

Boulos' passion for the arts and her experience working with Lebanese artists and patrons have earned her the trust and respect of a plethora of clients on all sides of transactions – sellers, buyers and artists. Moreover, charitable institutions and NGOs have and continue to ask her to organize auctions to benefit their causes. These include Brave Heart, Heartbeat, the Children's Cancer Center, Oum El Nour and OpenMinds. All of these auctions have thus far been well attended, lively and successful.

### YASMINA HAMMOUD

Yasmina Hammoud is an art specialist based in Beirut, Lebanon. After completing her undergraduate education in art history at AUB, she went on to achieve an MSc in Art, Law and Business at Christies Education in London, cultivating knowledge in the logistics of the art market. Her Master's degree led her to work in several areas of the art world, including international auction houses, galleries, and art fairs in both London and Beirut. Yasmina's interest in non-western art canons enticed her to work at Christies Chinese art department and Sotheby's Modern and Contemporary Middle Eastern and Islamic art departments. Yasmina also worked with the first internationally based East African gallery, Addis Fine Art in London. Upon her return to Beirut in 2019 Yasmina started working as an auction assistant at Nada Boulos Auctions.

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We are deemed fortunate to offer a balanced assortment of artworks in this auction, ranging from the early twentieth century, the late modern period, to our contemporary era, with a particular focus on works on paper.

The early modern pieces that stand out include those by Omar Onsi, Georges Cyr, Boris Novikof's mosque of Tripoli, and another one of Beirut by an unknown painter. Nature remains a recurrent theme, as shown in the *nature mortes* of César Gemayel and Bibi Zogbé.

The late modern selection includes pieces by Jean Khalifé, Yvette Achkar, Paul Guiragossian, Willy Aractingi and an imposing watercolour by Etel Adnan of a mountain, a familiar motif in her works, characterised by a merger of abstraction and figuration. Flowers, or *nature morte*, are also manifested in this period, but they differ with the use of exceptionally bright colours, such as in the paintings of Aref el Rayess and Samia Osseiran.

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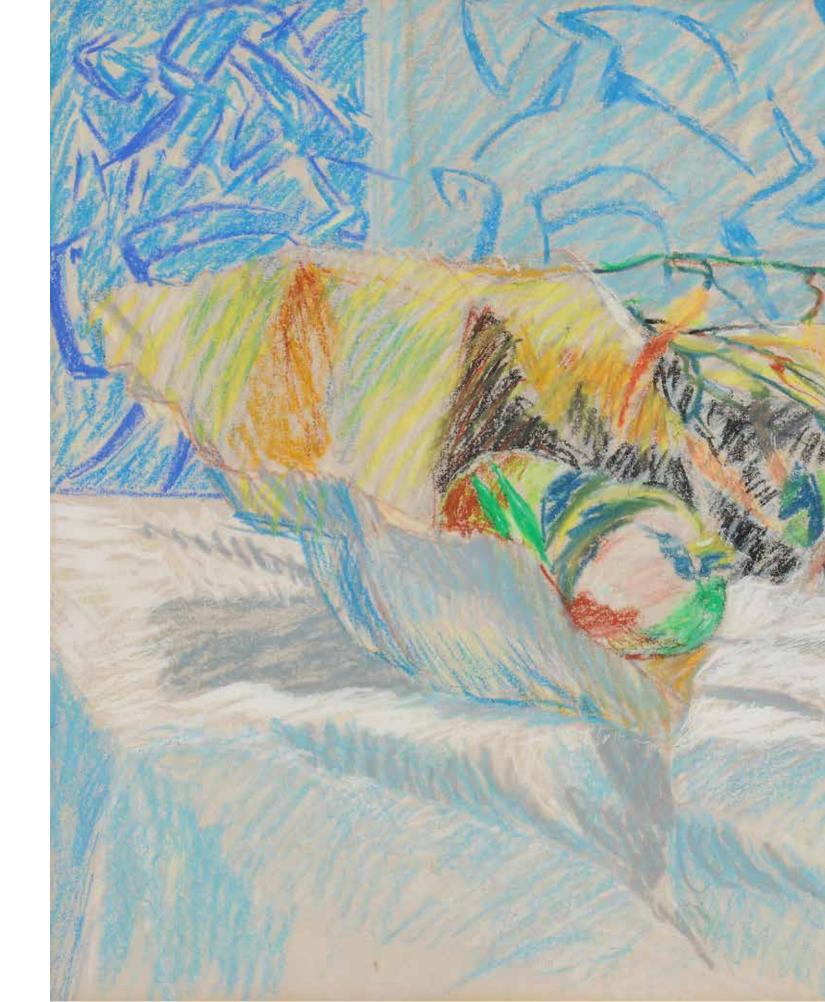
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Although the names of Yvette Achkar and Willy Aractingi have been well-established in the sphere of late modern Lebanese art, their works reveal two distinctive styles throughout their respective practices. In Achkar's case, each of her pieces is emblematic of a specific approach, unveiling her more figurative beginnings in the 1960s to the apex of her abstract style in the 1980s, characterised by the use of wide and powerful brushstrokes. A similar observation is present in Aractingi's pieces. *L'Oasis* (1973) is characterised by simple shapes, less defined and sharp lines than in *La Jungle s'éclaire* (1988), the latter whose elements seem truer to the eye. Nonetheless, in both paintings, the themes of nature and its flora and fauna are present.

The contemporary collection distinguishes itself through its varied representation of gender, artistic media, and the artists' origins, from Samia Halaby to the recently deceased Hussein Madi, to Hiba Kalache, Jamil Molaeb, Hassan Jouni, and Tagreed Dargouth. In addition to these established artists, it includes Rima Amyuni's pastel on paper and paintings by emerging talents like Ribal Molaeb and Manuella Guiragossian.

While the selection from each era features prominent names, it also puts forth lesser-known figures which have not received the recognition they merited. This is especially true for Nicolas Maksoud (1884-1972), a Syrian Lebanese painter who was active in Lebanon when the country was part of Greater Syria under the rule of the Ottoman Empire.



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### LOT 1

### Nadia Saikali (1936)

Untitled, 1983

Mixed media on paper Signed and dated lower right 59 x 74 cm

### 5,000 - 7,000 \$

Provenance: Bellamy's World online. Nada Boulos Auction & Artscoops, Beirut, June 2020. Lot 41. Acquired from the above by the present owner.



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### Juliana Seraphim (1934 - 2005)

Ville Imaginaire Fantastique, 1999

Watercolour on paper Signed and dated lower left 19 x 27 cm

### 1,200 - 3,000 \$

Provenance: Art Auctions, November 2022, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner

### LOT 3

### Juliana Seraphim (1934 - 2005)

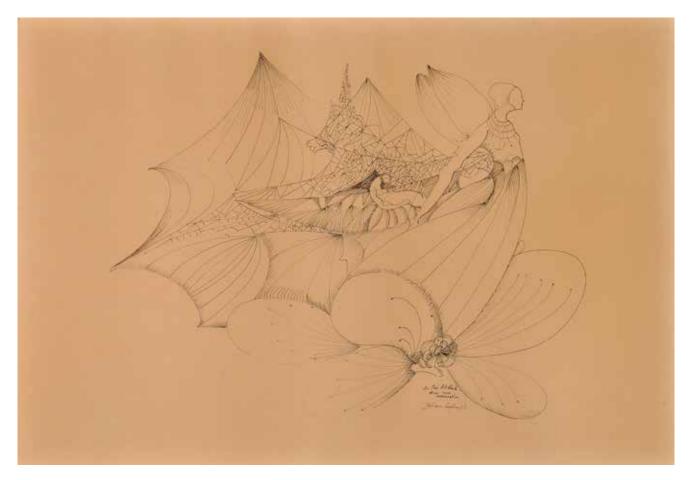
Untitled, 1999

Watercolour on paper Signed and dated lower left 19 x 27 cm

### 1,200 - 3,000 \$

Provenance: Art Auctions, November 2022, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner

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Juliana Seraphim (1934 - 2005)

Femme Fleur, 1967

Ink on paper Signed dated and dedicated lower right 33.5 x 49 cm

1,000 - 1,500 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.

### LOT 5

Juliana Seraphim (1934 - 2005)

Les Fées

Ink on paper Signed lower right 29 x 22 cm x 2

1,000 - 1,500 \$

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### Amine El Bacha (1932 - 2019)

Au Café, 1988

Watercolour on paper Signed and dated lower left 13 x 18 cm

### 800 - 1,000 \$

Provenance: Galerie Epreuve d'Artiste, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

### LOT 7

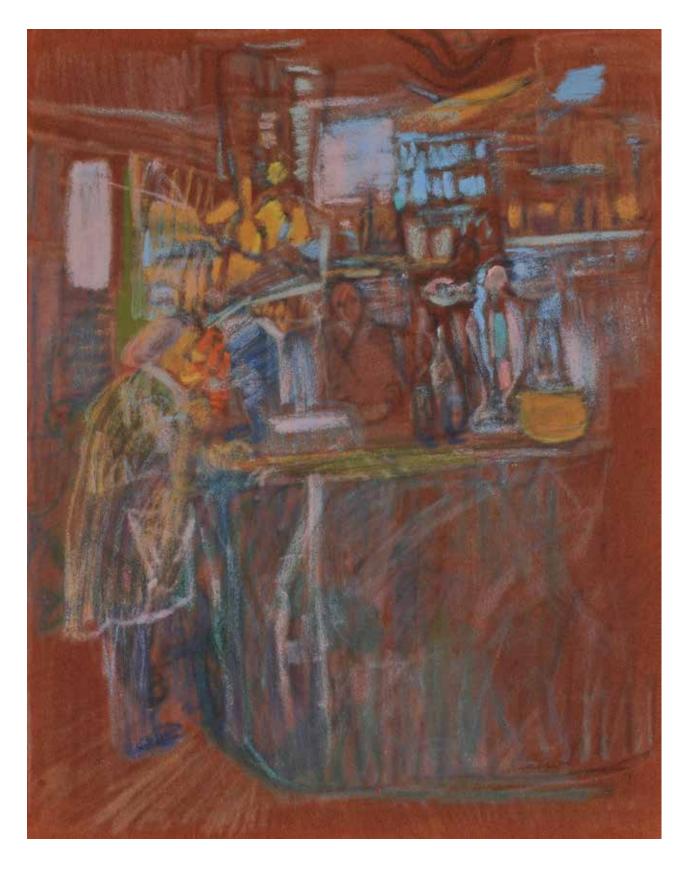
### Farid Aouad (1924 - 1982)

Au Zinc

Pastel on paper Signed lower right 32.5 x 25.5 cm

### 1,800 - 2,500 \$

Provenance: AT Auction Beirut, March 2016. Lot 6. Acquired from the above by the present owner.





Elie Kanaan (1926 - 2009)

### Untitled

Gouache on paper Signed lower left 32 x 43 cm

### 2,500 - 3,500 \$

Provenance: Galerie Epreuve d'Artiste, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.



### LOT 9

Elie Kanaan (1926 - 2009)

### Untitled

Gouache on paper Signed lower right 32 x 44 cm

### 2,500 - 3,500 \$

Provenance: Galerie Epreuve d'Artiste, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

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### LOT 10

Paul Guiragossian (1926 - 1993)

Songe d'Or, c. 1987

Watercolour on paper Signed lower left 25 x 16 cm

1,800 - 2,500 \$

Provenance: Galerie Tabbal, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

Note: This artwork has been researched by the Paul Guiragossian Foundation. © Courtesy of the Paul Guiragossian Foundation.

### LOT 11

### Paul Guiragossian (1926 - 1993)

Exotique, c. 1987

Watercolour on paper Signed lower left 25 x 16 cm

### 1,800 - 2,500 \$

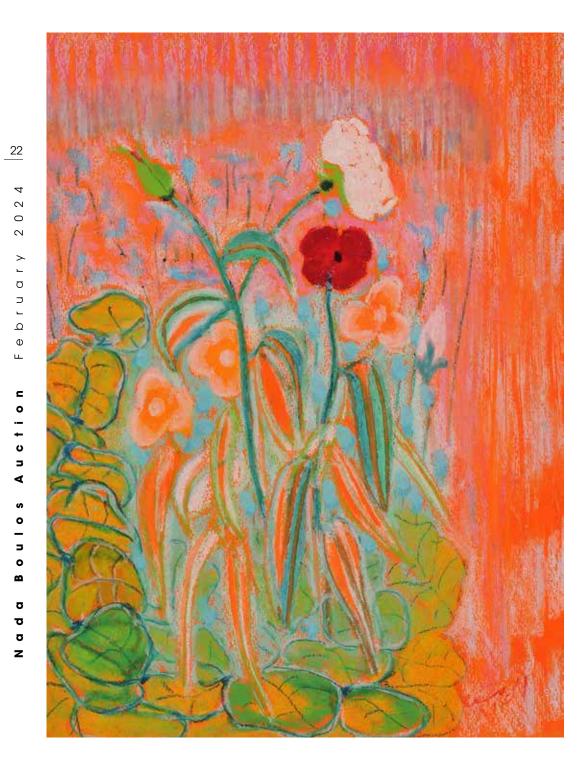
Provenance: Galerie Tabbal, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

Note: This artwork has been researched by the Paul Guiragossian Foundation. © Courtesy of the Paul Guiragossian Foundation.









### Aref El Rayess (1928 - 2005)

Fleurs 2, 1971

Pastel on paper Signed lower right 33 x 24 cm

### 1,500 - 3,000 \$

Provenance: Galerie Janine Rubeiz, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

### LOT 13

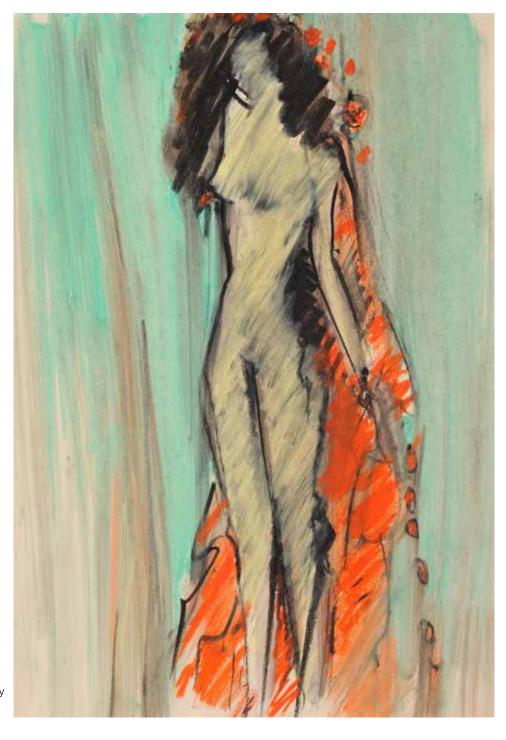
Jean Khalife (1923 - 1978)

Nu de Femme, c. 1976

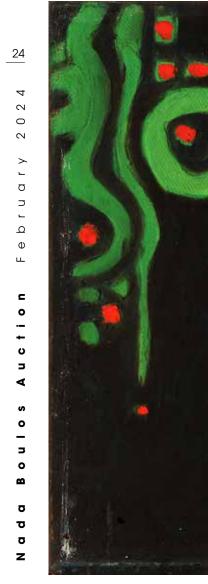
Pastel and charcoal on paper 50 x 35 cm

3,000 - 5,000 \$

Note: This artwork is accompanied by a certificate of authenticity from the son of the artist, Jim Khalife.



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Jean Khalife (1923 - 1978)

Untitled, 1963

Oil on board Signed and dated lower right 31 x 29.5 cm

1,000 - 2,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist's estate by the present owner.

### LOT 15

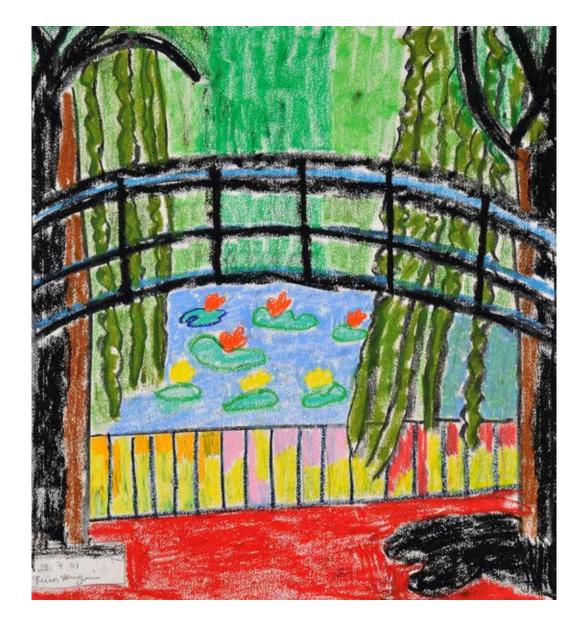
Rima Amyuni (1954)

Pont aux Nénuphars, 2001

Oil pastel on paper Signed and dated lower left 70 x 64 cm

2,000 - 4,000 \$

Provenance: Arcache Auction, Beirut, March 2018. Lot 14. Acquired from the above by the present owner.





### Adonis (1930)

Untitled, 2015

Mixed media on paper Signed and dated lower left 30 x 23 cm

### 3,000 - 4,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.

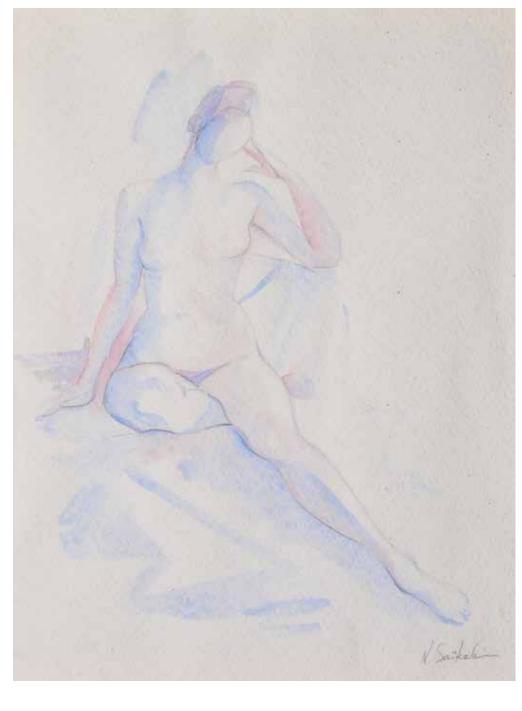
### LOT 17

Nadia Saikali (1936)

Nu de Femme

Watercolour on paper Signed lower right 46 x 34.5 cm

800 - 1,000 \$



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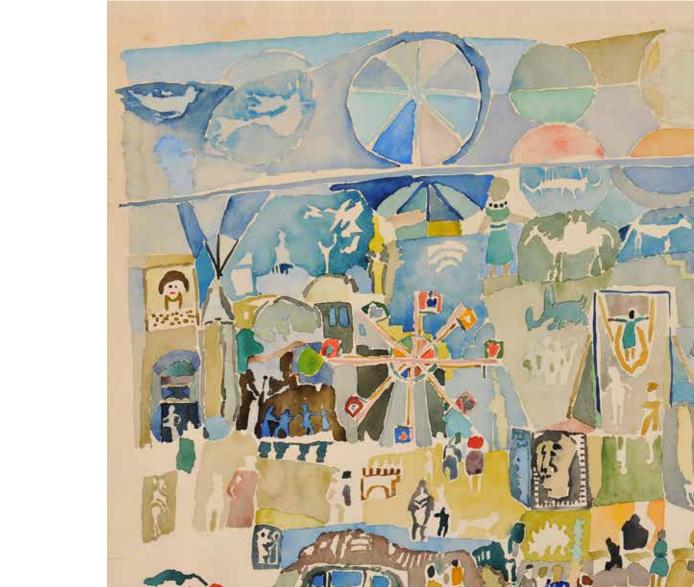
Amine El Bacha (!932 - 2019)

La Roue À Manara

Watercolour on paper Signed lower right 48.5 x 65 cm

### 3,500 - 4,500 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.





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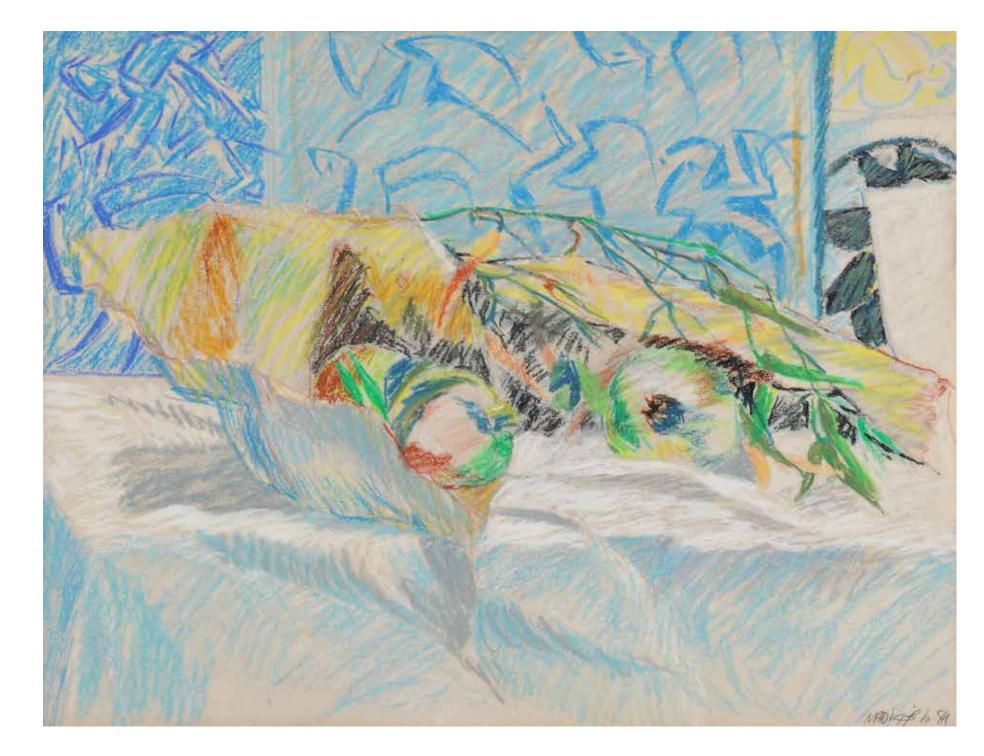
Hussein Madi (1938 - 2024)

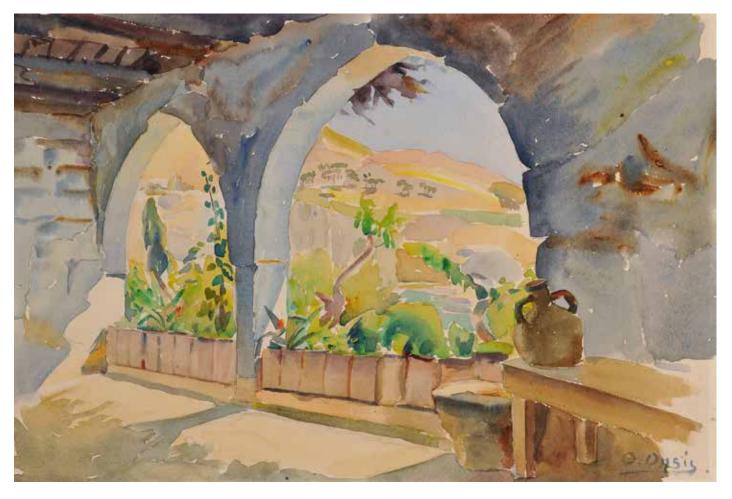
Nature Morte, 1984

Pastel on paper Signed and dated lower right 45 x 60 cm

### 5,000 - 7,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.





Omar Onsi (1901 - 1969)

Terrace à Mayrouba, c.1958

Watercolour on paper Signed lower right 34 x 50 cm

3,000 - 5,000 \$

Provenance: Private collection, Joseph Tarrab, Beirut. AT Auction, Beirut, October 2017. Lot 47. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

### LOT 21

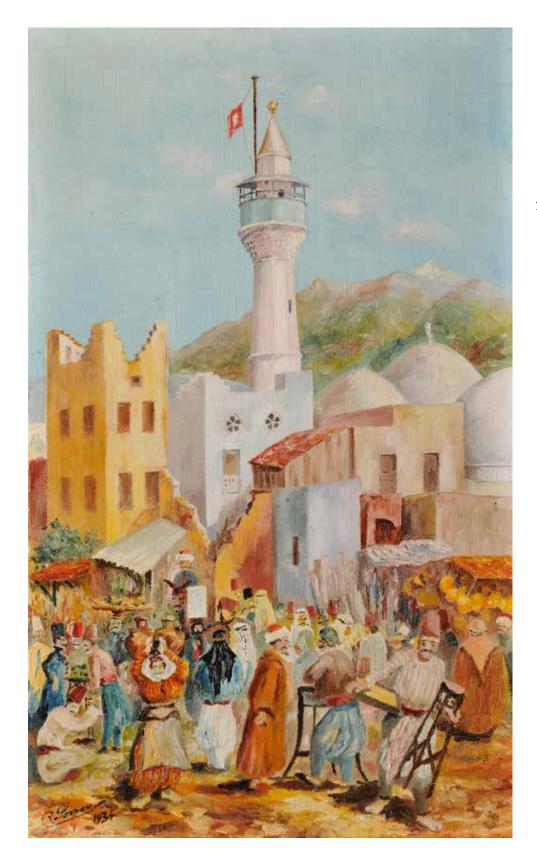
### Unknown

Mosquée Émir Mansour Assaf - Rue Weygand -Beyrouth, 1934

Oil on canvas Signed and dated lower left 55 x 34 cm

### 500 - 700 \$

Provenance: Private collection, Lebanon.



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### LOT 23

### Mustapha Farroukh (1901 - 1957) Olga Limansky

Portrait of Dr Michel, 1949

Drawing on paper Signed dated and dedicated lower left 28 x 20 cm

### 700 - 900 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.

### Olga Limansky (1903 - 1988)

Arbre sur la route de Tripoli, 1969

Oil on canvas Signed and dated lower right. Signed and titled on the back 50 x 45 cm

### 2,000 - 4,000 \$



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The familiar mosque and madrasa al-Burtasi in Tripoli was chosen as the subject of Boris Novikoff's painting executed in 1965 towards the final years of his life, after having settled in Lebanon to escape the aftermath of the Russian Revolution of 1971.

This well-known landmark of Tripoli was rendered in an impressionistic style, with rapid and loose brushstrokes capturing the atmosphere of what was every-day life in Tripoli in the mid 1960s. Indeed, the emphasis on the play of light and shadow is evident in this painting executed "en plein air", showcasing the quality of outdoor light and the natural colours of its surroundings. Additionally, the lack of detailed precision, characteristic of Impressionism, ignites emotional engagement in the viewer rather than analytical scrutiny.

Novikoff's trainings as a naval officer, engineer and painter are manifested in this singular piece – the painting is especially emblematic of Novikoff's interest in Islamic architecture, as indicated in the explanatory note written in French on the back of the canvas. Providing insights into the history of the mosque, he also advocates for the preservation of historical sites and buildings in Lebanon.

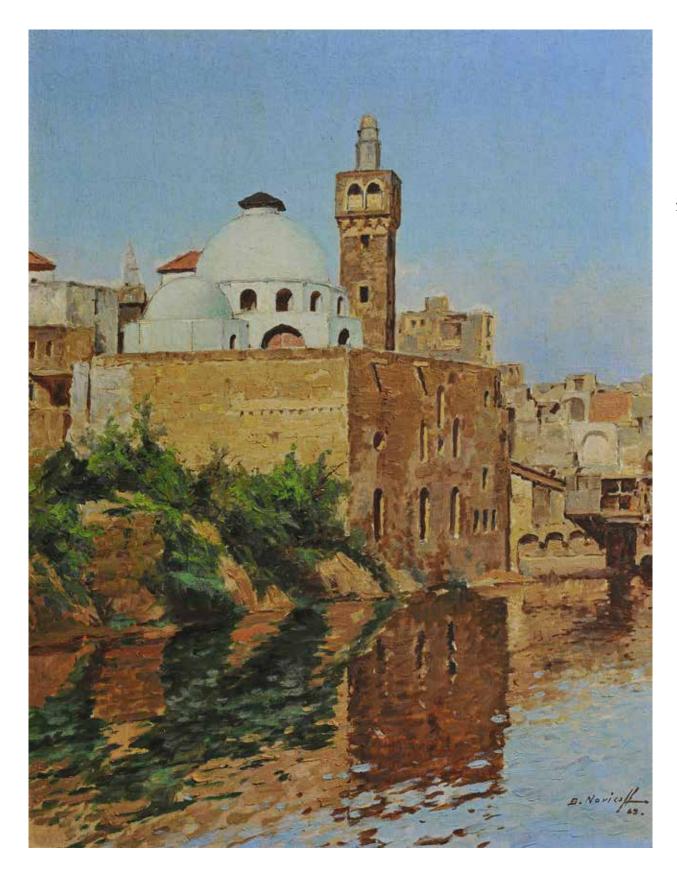
### LOT 24

### Boris Novikoff (1888 - 1966)

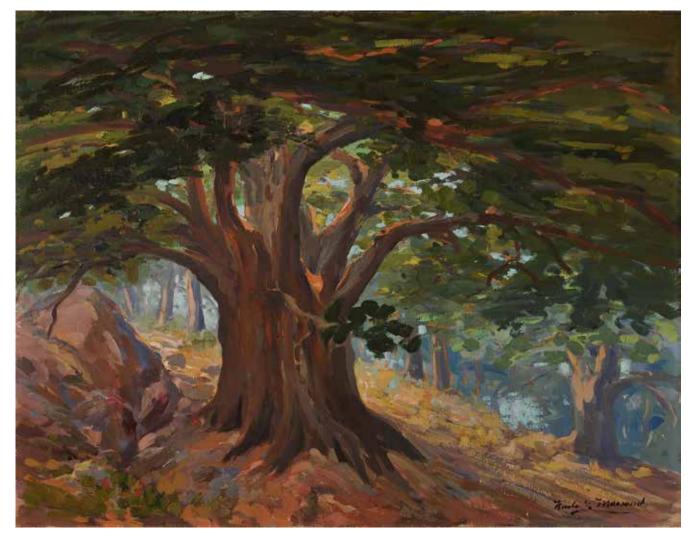
Mosquée al Burtasi à Tripoli, 1965

Oil on board Signed and dated lower right 63 x 50 cm

### 9,000 - 12,000 \$



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### Nicholas Macsoud (1884 - 1972)

### Cedars of Lebanon

Oil on canvas Signed lower right 71 x 91 cm

### 3,000 - 5,000 \$

Provenance: Freeman Fine Arts, Philadelphia, USA, January 2017. Lot 145. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

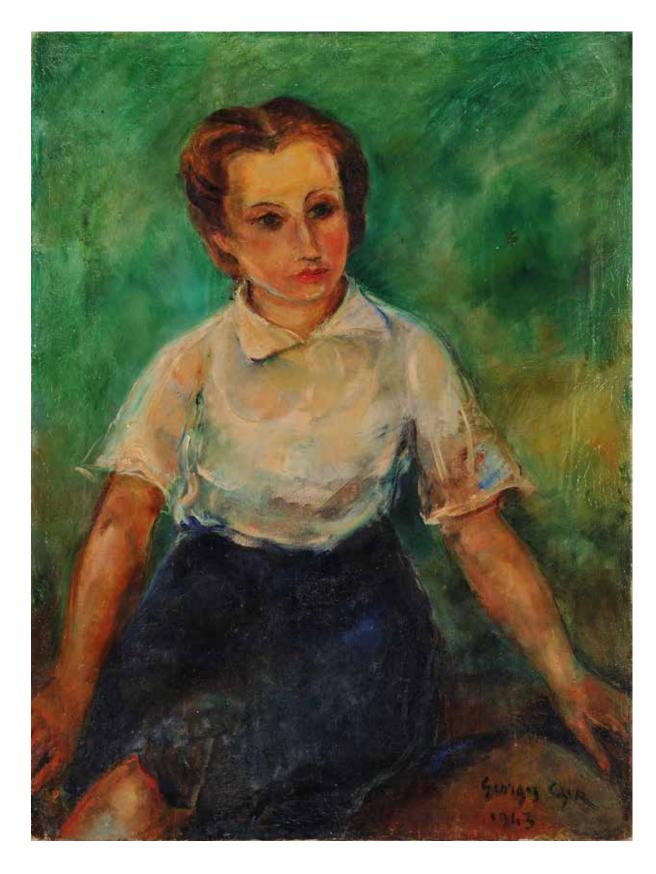
### LOT 26

### Georges Cyr (1880 - 1964)

Portrait of A Young Girl, 1943

Oil on canvas Signed and dated lower right Signed and dated on the back 80 x 60 cm

### 3,000 - 4,000 \$



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### LOT 27

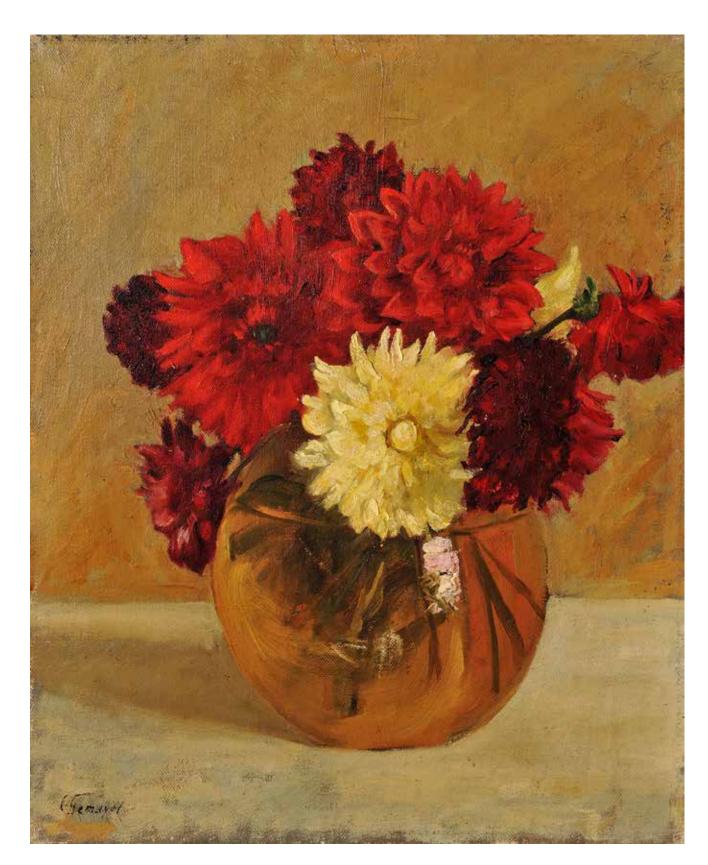
Cesar Gemayel (1898 - 1958)

Les Dahlias

Oil on canvas Signed lower left 46 x 37 cm

### 4,000 - 6,000 \$

Provenance: Private collection, Lebanon.



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### LOT 28

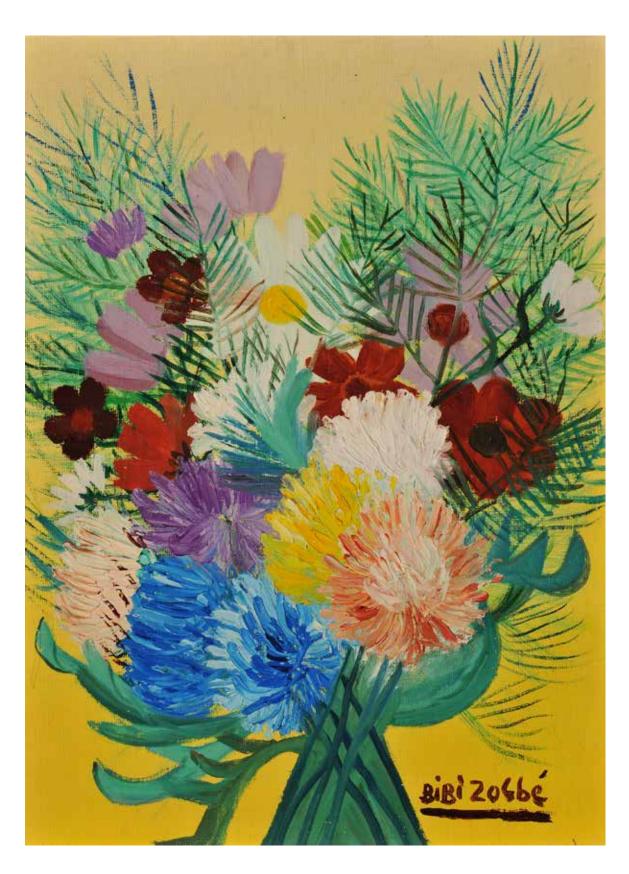
### Bibi Zogbe (1890 - 1973)

### Bouquet, 1962

Oil on canvas Signed lower right Titled and signed on the back 30 x 40 cm

### 4,000 - 6,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist, c. 1965. Thence by dencent.



### Paul Guiragossian (1926 - 1993)

### Balade, c.1990

Tempera on paper Signed lower left 49.5 x 35 cm

### 9,000 - 12,000 \$

Provenance: Private collection, Lebanon.

### Note

This artwork is accompanied by a certificate of authenticity from the Paul Guiragossian Foundation. © Courtesy of the Paul Guiragossian Foundation.



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### LOT 30

### Marwan Kassab Bachi (1934 - 2016)

Kopf, 1986

Mixed media on paper Signed lower left Signed and dated on the back 58,5 x 46 cm

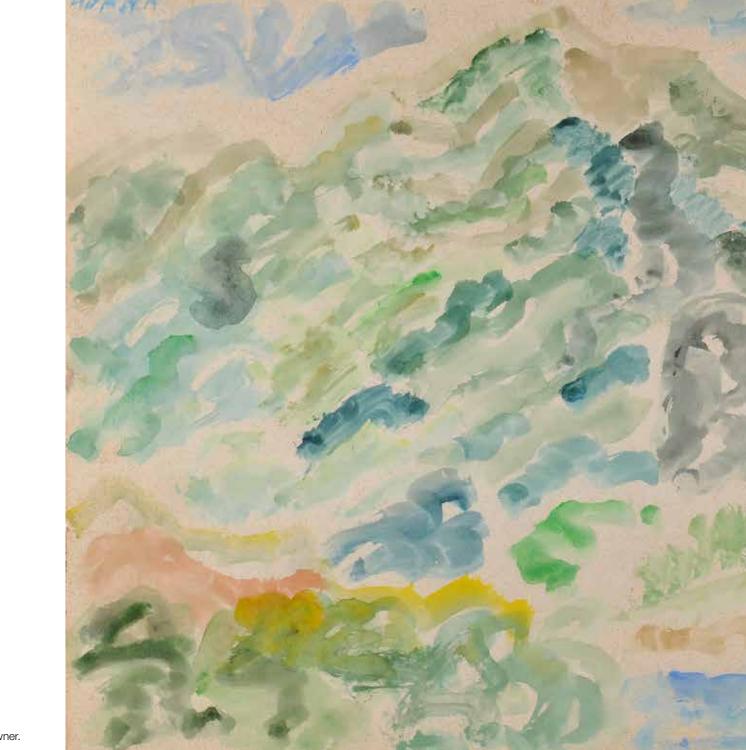
### 7,000 - 10,000 \$

Provenance: Galerie Springer, Berlin. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

Note: This artwork is currently located in Berlin, Germany.







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Etel Adnan (1925 - 2021)

The Mountain

Watercolour on paper Signed upper left 44.5 x 60 cm

### 25,000 - 30,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.

### Note:

This artwork was approved by Simone Fattal. It will be featured in the catalogue raisonné of the works of Etel Adnan in preparation by Simone Fattal.



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A vibrant interplay of colours and shapes unfolds on the rectangular canvas of Palestinian-born Samia Halaby. Dominated by a red and orange palette, the painting displays Halaby's distinctive approach to abstraction – a continuous one that pushes its boundaries forward, with an interest in the surface of painting and the illusion it can contain, as she has stated in an interview. <sup>1</sup>

The intermingling of various shapes, including semicircular and sharp forms, creates much dynamism, where every inch of the canvas is alive with colour, reminiscent of the revolutionary movement of Constructivism, which she looked up to. Negative space is deliberately absent, as red, orange, dark yellow, blue, teal, and white brushstrokes converge to occupy the entirety of the canvas, as well as the tension between warm tones and cooler shades, particularly white. A focal point emerges at the centre where lines of blue and red clash, accompanied by accents of green and blue, all surrounded by white strokes, emanating the warmth of honey on a winter morning.

### LOT 32

### Samia Halaby (1936)

Morning Honey, 1992

Oil on canvas Signed, dated and titled on the back 91 x 116 cm

### 55,000 - 65,000 \$

Provenance: Darat Al-Funun, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

Note: This artwork is currently located in Bucharest, Romania.

1 "Interview with Artist Samia Halaby," ArteFuse, February 21, 2018.



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<sup>1 &</sup>quot;Interview with Artist Samia Halaby," ArteFuse, February 21, 2018.

In the preface of a book featuring Jean de la Fontaine's fables, for which Aaractingi provided illustrations, he wrote:

I am a self-taught and instinctive painter. I see and paint on a large scale, forgetting about the details. I strive to rediscover the wonder-filled eyes of childhood. My current artistic exploration is focused on the purity of lines, the simplification of painting into flat areas, and the restriction of the colour palette to a limited range. I manage to paint large canvases using only four to six colours, infusing them with strength and precision. <sup>1</sup>

Aractingi's focus has always been on the use of rigorous colours and the contrast he was able to achieve with them, leaving his paintings up to his instincts, without the strict rules of perspective, shade, and alignment of colour dictating his technique. This use of bright hues with strong contrasts, echoing the styles of nineteenth-century French painters such as Douanier Rousseau and Paul Gauguin, aligns with Atractingi's self-description as a primitive artist, and it is precisely this freedom that gives charm to his pieces.

His landscape paintings were inspired by trips to Chicago, Miami, and Cairo – one can therefore assume that the oasis featured in this painting was Egyptian. Black outlines the square shaping the oasis, followed by inward square-like blocks of green, light green, blue, and very bright blue symbolizing the rare presence of water. The oasis's surrounding orange symbolizes the desert's sandy terrain, and the trees, with leaves in bright red, are emblematic of his imagination, free from the constraints of naturalism.

In this piece, the use of abstraction resembling childlike sketches maintains clarity, all while reminding us of the "childhood's eyes of wonder" Aractingi was infatuated with.

### LOT 33

Willy Aractingi (1930 - 2003)

L'Oasis, 1973

Oil on canvas Signed lower right Signed, dated and titled on the back 80 x 80 cm

### 12,000 - 18,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.

### Note:

This artwork is accompanied by a certificate of authenticity from the estate of Willy Aractingi.



<sup>1</sup> Jean De la Fontaine and Willy Aractingi, Fables, vol. I (Besançon: Chez Z'editions, 1997).

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### LOT 34

### Willy Aractingi (1930 - 2003)

La Jungle S'Éclaire 1988

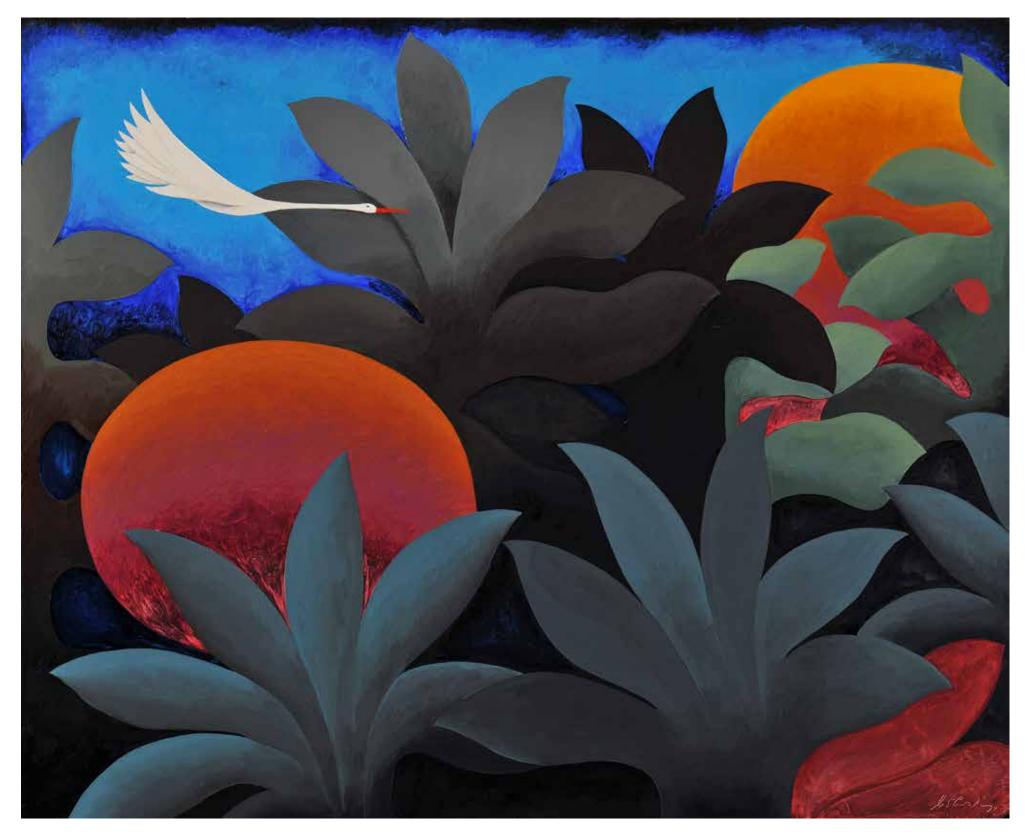
Oil on canvas Signed lower right Signed titled and dated on the back 81 x 100 cm

### 15,000 - 25,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.

### Note:

This artwork is accompanied by a certificate of authenticity from the estate of Willy Aractingi.



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Madi used a dim blue that occupies the entire background, echoing the ultramarine of the twentiethcentury French artist Yves Klein. The period during which the painting was produced was marked by the pervasiveness of abstraction in Lebanon, but what distinguishes Madi's piece is the bold choice of juxtaposing colours with strong contrasts and the incorporation of conceptual shapes with thin lines depicting birds.

The Lebanese painter Helen Khal, in her commentary on Madi's paintings, wrote that his rendering of repetitive geometric forms, lines, and sharp angles mirrors his admiration of the standards of Islamic art.<sup>1</sup> Indeed, such precise principles, often found in Islamic patterns are reflected in this piece. All proceeds from the sale of this work will contribute to the Sursock Museum's fund.

### LOT 35

Hussein Madi (1938 - 2024)

Birds, 1972

Mixed media on board Signed and dated lower left 50 x 70 cm

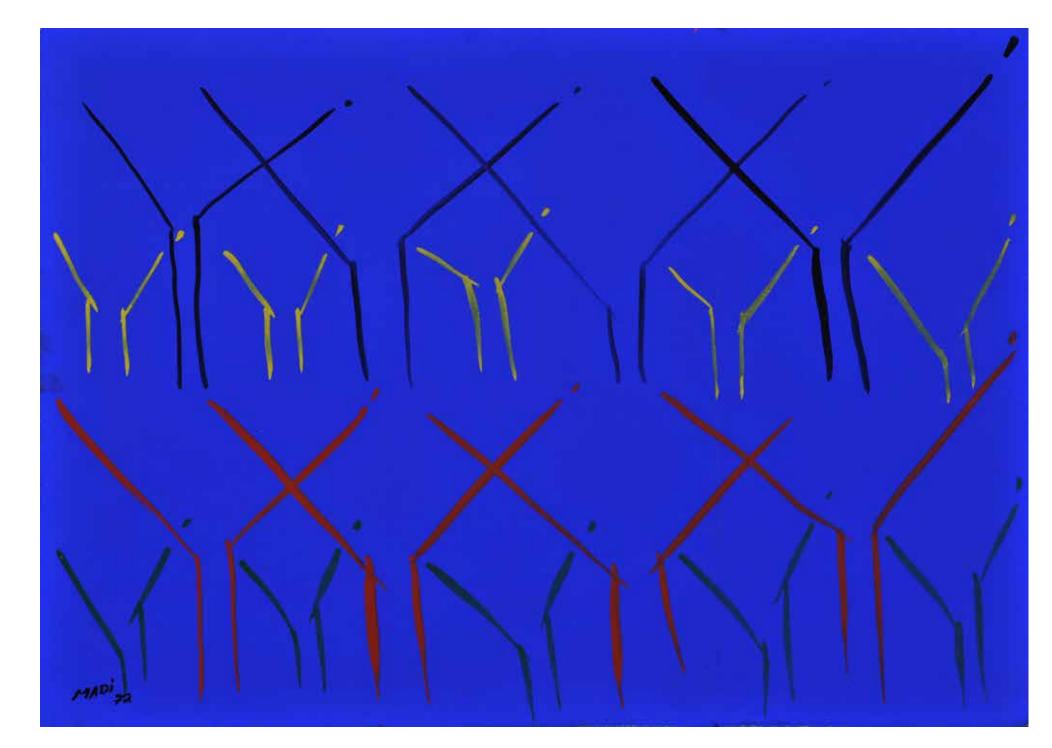
10,000 - 15,000 \$

Provenance: Saleh Barakat Gallery, Beirut.

### Note:

All proceeds from the sale of this work will be allocated to the Sursock Museum. No buyer's premium will be applied.

1- Helen Khal, "Hussein Madi", in Resonances, 82 Lebanese Artists Reviewed by Helen Khal (Beirut: Fine Arts Publishing, 2011), p.199.



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LOT 36

Shafic Abboud (1926 - 2004)

Untitled, 1980

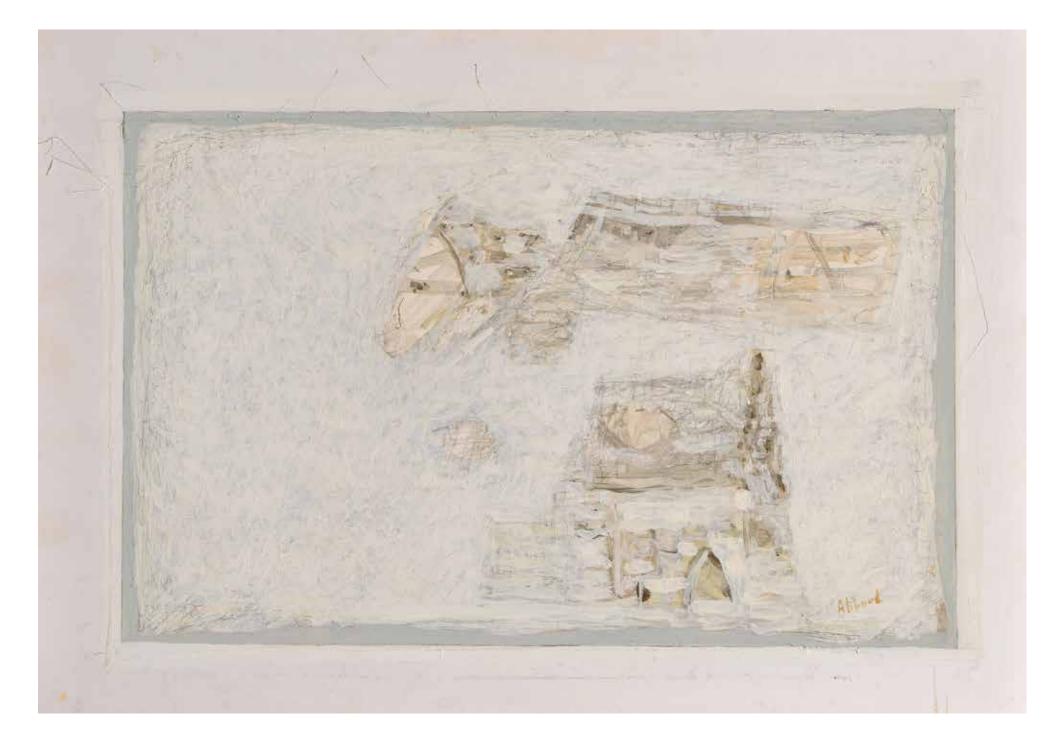
Tempera and graphite on canvas laid on paper Signed lower right 41 x 59 cm

### 6,000 - 8,000 \$

Provenance: Conan Belleville, Lyon, April 2023. Lot 406. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

Note:

This artwork will be featured in the catalogue raisonné in preparation by Ms Christine Abboud.





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### LOT 37

Juliana Seraphim (1934 - 2005)

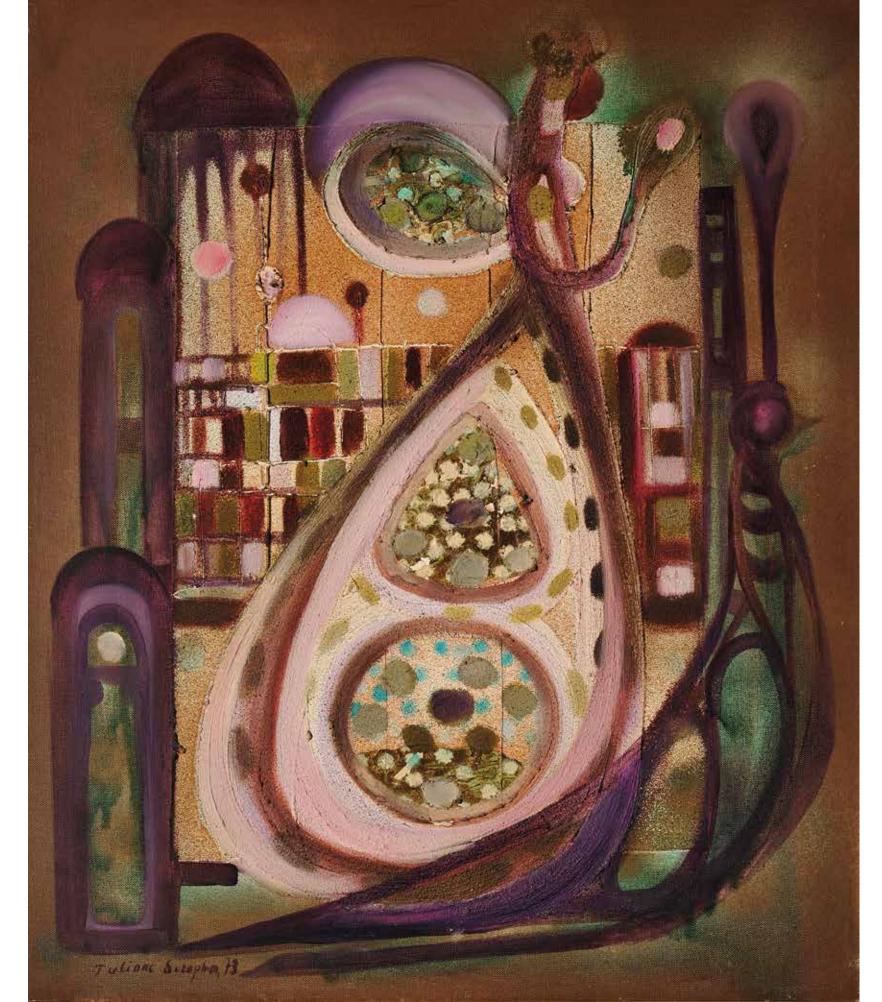
Princesse, 1973

Mixed media on canvas Signed and dated lower left 62 x 48 cm

### 8,000 - 10,000 \$

Provenance: Galerie L'Antiquaire, Beirut, 1973. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

Exhibition: Galerie L'Antiquaire, Beirut, 1973.



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### LOT 38

Assadour Bezdikian (1943)

20 Heures, 1972 - 1974

Oil on canvas Signed and dated lower left Signed titled and situated on the back 65 x 55 cm

### 10,000 - 15,000 \$

Provenance: Alec Manoukian Art Center, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.



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### LOT 39

### Yvette Ashkar (1928)

Untitled, c. 1985

Oil on canvas Signed lower right 135 x 100 cm

### 55,000 - 65,000 \$

Provenance: This artwork is accompanied by certificate of authenticity from the estate of Yvette Ashkar.



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#### 45,000 - 55,000 \$

Yvette Ashkar (1928)

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.

#### Note:

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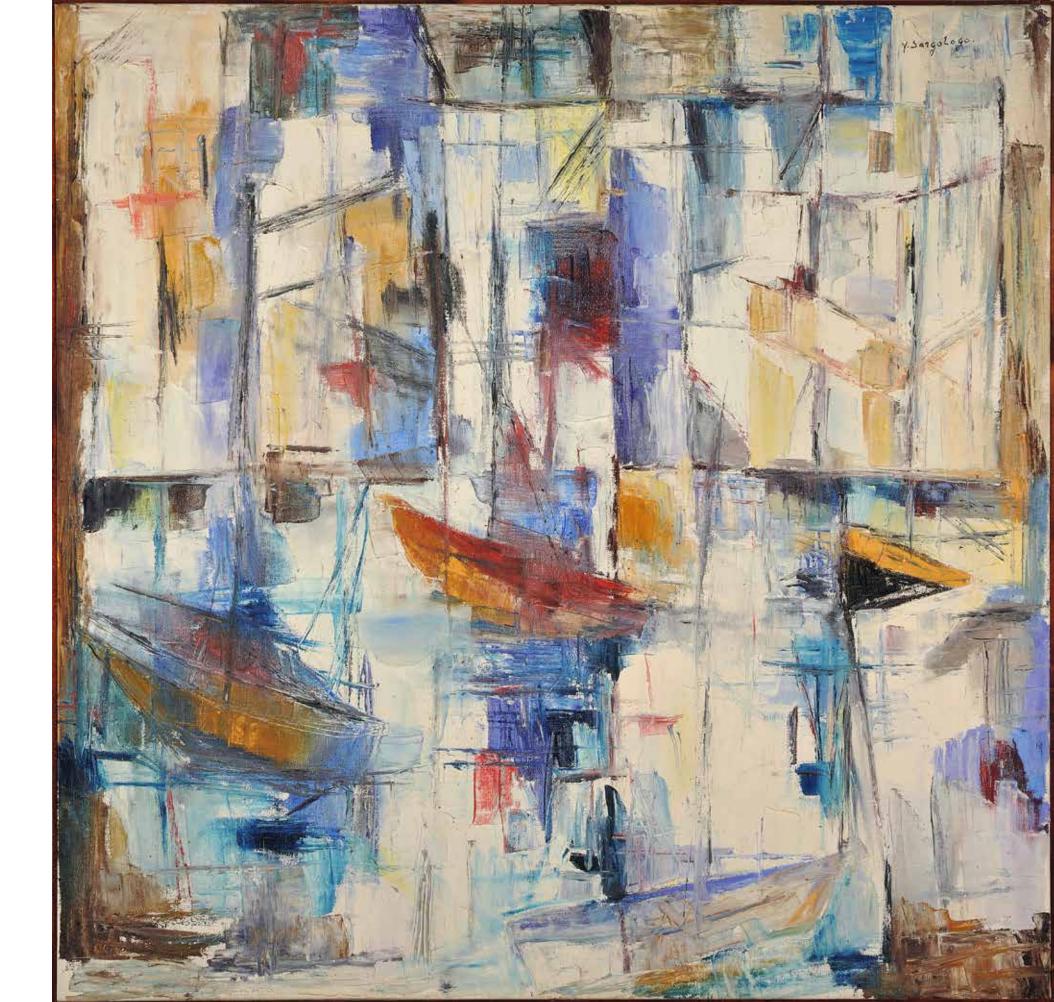
Marine, c.1960

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#### Literature:

Faysal Sultan, *Yvette Achkar,* in L'Art Au Liban: Artistes Modernes et Contemporains; 1880 - 1975, eds. Nour Salame Abillama and Marie Tomb. Beyrouth: Wonderful Editions, 2012, p. 236, illustrated.





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<sup>66</sup>The 1970s started off with a big bang. In March of 1970, Guiragossian was awarded the Poet Saïd Akl's prestigious prize for excellence in an artistic domain. The prize was usually awarded to significant advancements in, or contributions to different disciplines.

In April, Guiragossian opened his first solo exhibition of that year at the Galerie du Journal de L'Orient with 35 "mystical paintings" as French painter Jacques Mart who was exhibiting at the Galerie Vendome in Beirut described them. One of the many art critics who reviewed the exhibition hailed them as a sign of "Paul, the indefatigable, the only true one. The first among Lebanese painters."<sup>11</sup>

Sam Bardaouil and Till Fellrath, "Paul Guiragossian the East Dwells within Him and within His Paintings," in *Paul Guiragossian: Displacing Modernity* (Milano: Silvana Editoriale, 2018), 237.

#### LOT 41

#### Paul Guiragossian (1926 - 1993)

Dévoilement, 1970

Oil on canvas Signed lower left Signed, dedicated and dated on the back 100 x 80 cm

#### 40,000 - 50,000 \$

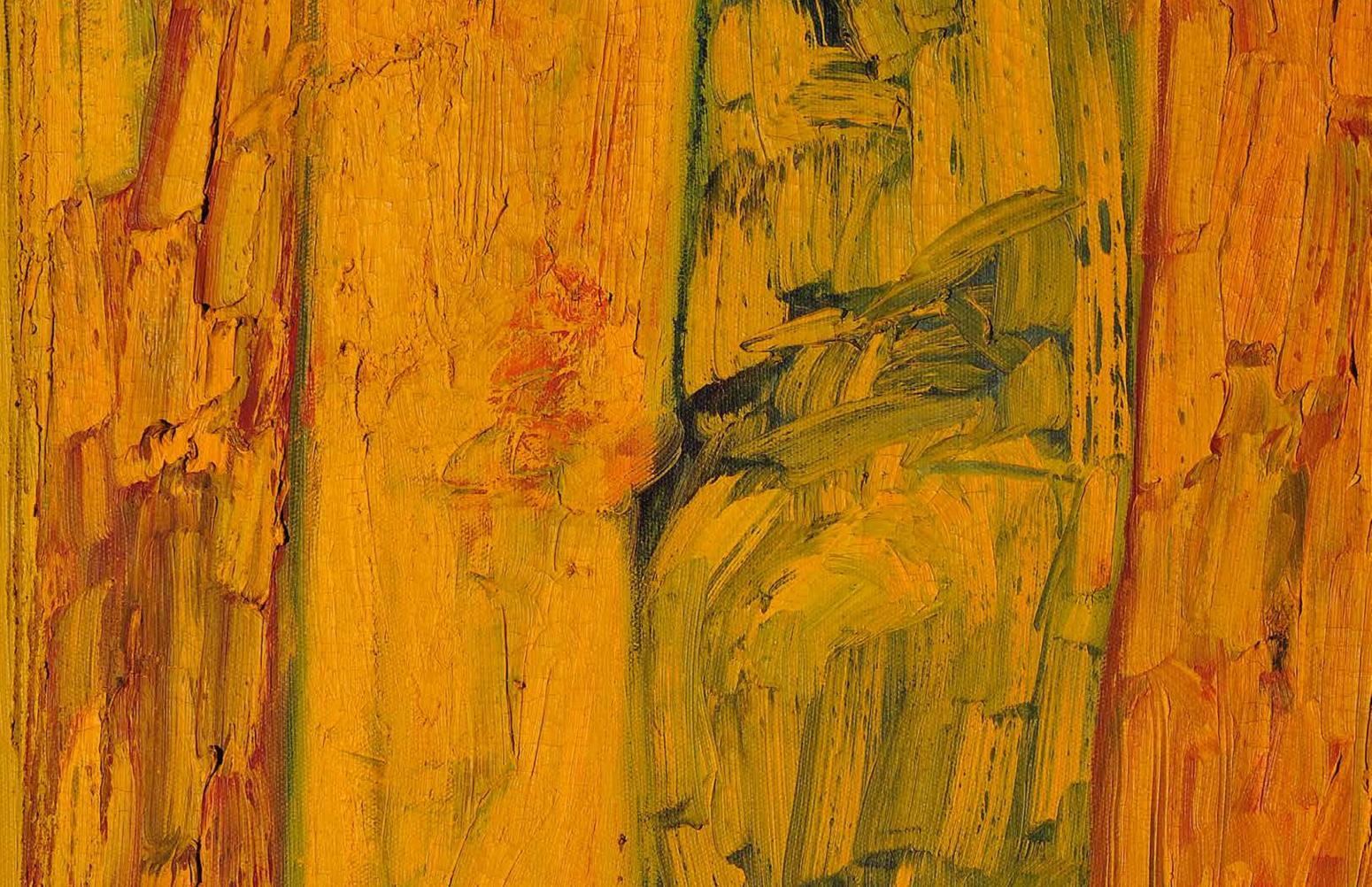
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#### Note:

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#### Alfred Basbous (1924 - 2006)

Pheonecian Head, 2003

Bronze (Black and blue patina) Signed, dated and editioned on the bottom EA I/IV (from and edition of 8+ IV EA) 90 x 13 x 17 cm

#### 15,000 - 18,000 \$

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#### LOT 43

#### Hrair (1946)

Woman on a Horse

Oil on board Signed lower left 110 x 90 cm

#### 5,000 - 7,000 \$

Provenance: Private collection, Lebanon.



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#### LOT 44

#### Hrair (1946)

Untitled

Oil on board Signed lower right 110 x 60 cm

#### 3,000 - 4,000 \$

Provenance: Gallery One, Beirut, c. 1960. Acquired from the above by the present owner.



#### LOT 45

Mahmoud Zibawi (1962)

#### Untitled

Oil on board Signed lower right 73 x 25 cm

700 - 1,000 \$

Provenance: Galerie Janine Rubeiz, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.



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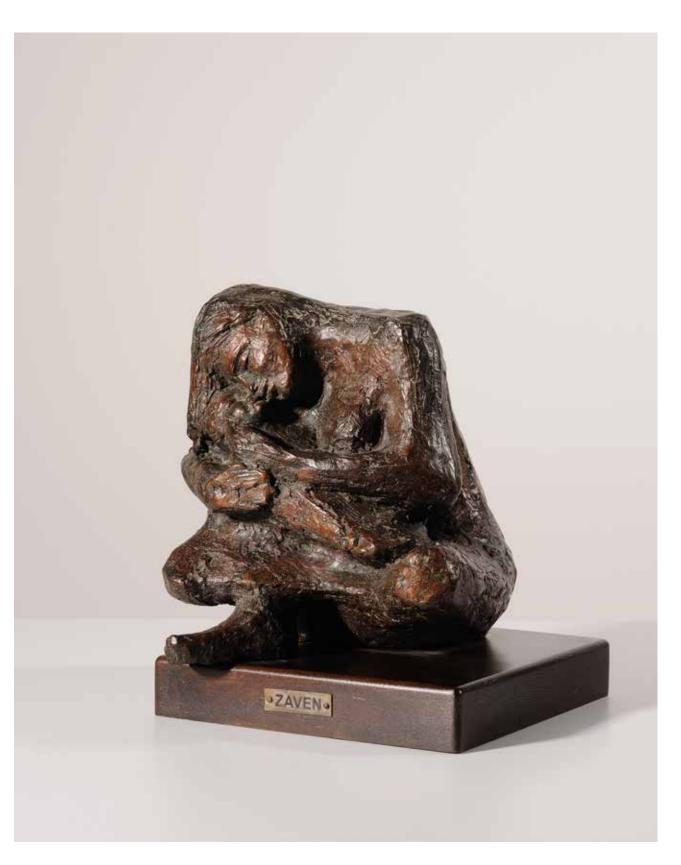
#### Zaven (1958)

#### Maternité

Bronze Signed on the base Artist's proof 30 x 27 x 23 cm

#### 2,500 - 3,500 \$

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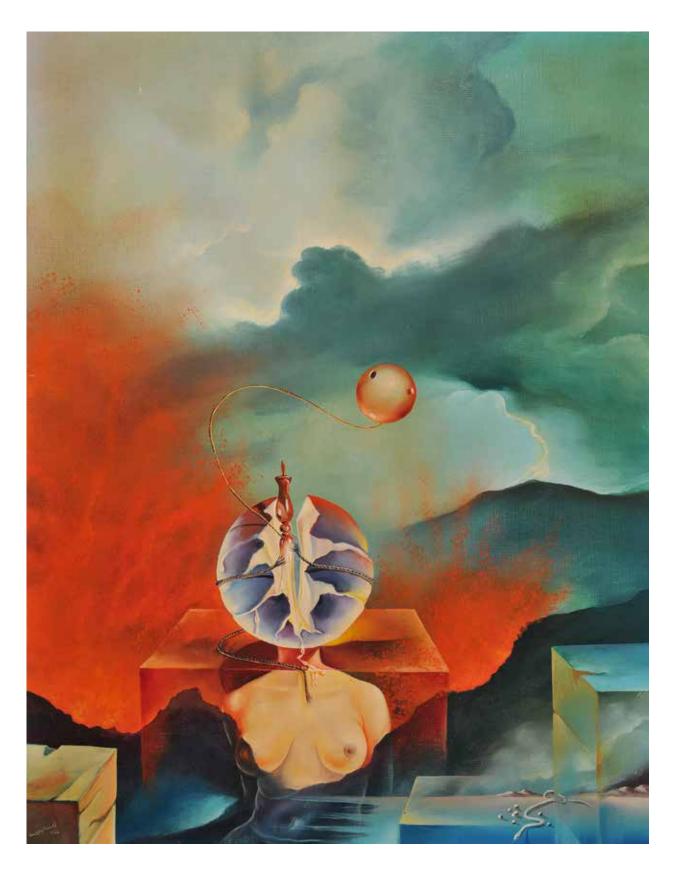
#### Samir Abi Rached (1947)

Untitled, 1977

Oil on canvas Signed and dated lower left 90 x 70 cm

#### 2,500 - 3,500 \$

Provenance: Private collection, Lebanon.



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#### LOT 48

#### Jean Kazandjian (1938)

#### Untitled

Oil on canvas Signed lower right 40 x 30 cm

#### 800 - 1,000 \$

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#### Aida Halloum (1967)

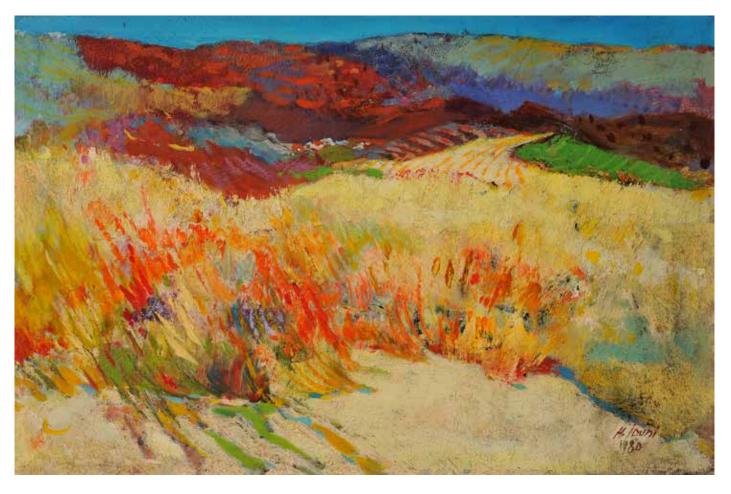
Paysage, 2009

Oil on board Diptych Signed and dated lower left 80 x 181 cm

#### 3,000 - 5,000 \$

Provenance: Aida Cherfan Gallery, Antelias. Acquired from the above by the present owner.





Hassan Jouni (1942)

Paysage, 1980

Oil on board Signed and dated lower right Signed dated and situated on the back 40 x 60 cm

#### 2,500 - 4,000 \$

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#### LOT 51

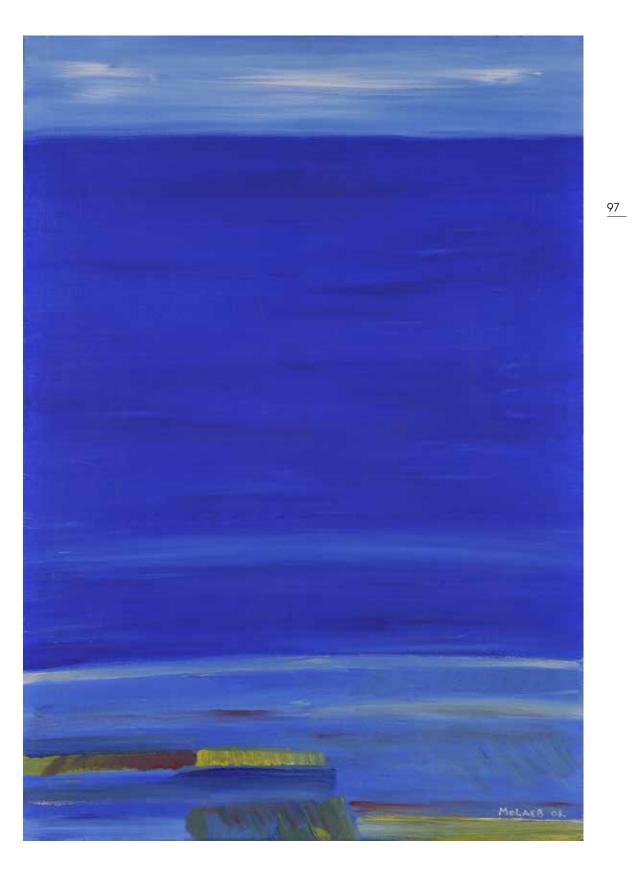
#### Jamil Molaeb (1948)

#### Seascape, 2008

Oil on canvas Signed and dated lower right, signed and dated on the back 100 x 70 cm

#### 4,000 - 6,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.





#### Mazen Rifai (1957)

Paysage, 2020

Acrylic on canvas Signed dated and titled on the back 30 x 40 cm

#### 400 - 600 \$

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#### LOT 53

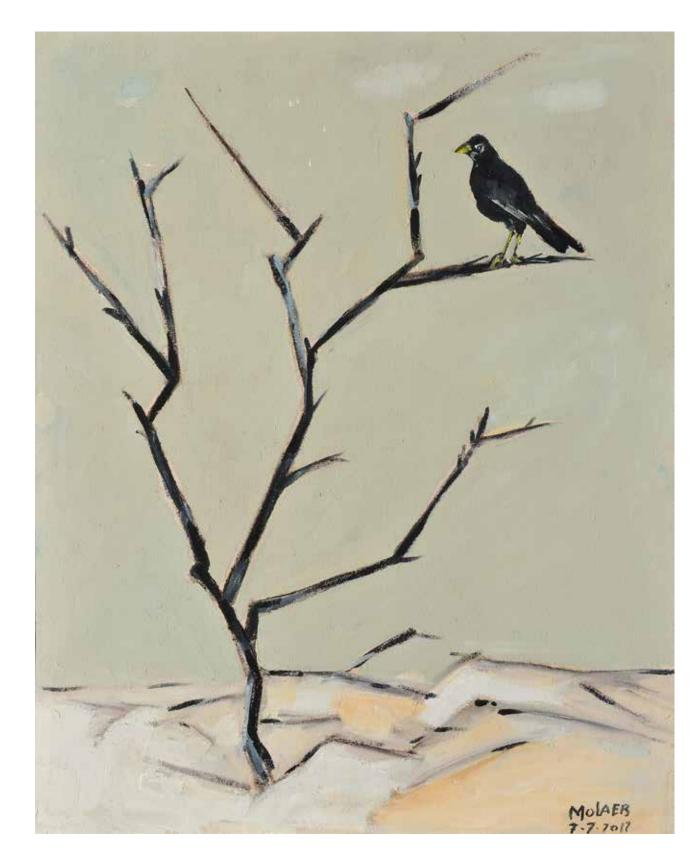
#### Jamil Molaeb (1948)

Winter Landscape, 2012

Oil on canvas Signed and dated lower right 50 x 40 cm

#### 2,000 - 4,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.



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#### Mohammad Abdallah (1967)

#### Beirut Cityscape, 2023

Acrylic on canvas Signed and dated lower left Signed and dated on the back 100 x 130 cm

#### 2,500 - 5,000 \$

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#### LOT 55

#### Mazen Rifai (1957)

Paysage, 2021

Acrylic on canvas Signed, dated and titled on the back 80 x 80 cm

1,500 - 3,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.

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#### LOT 56

#### Samir Sayegh (1945)

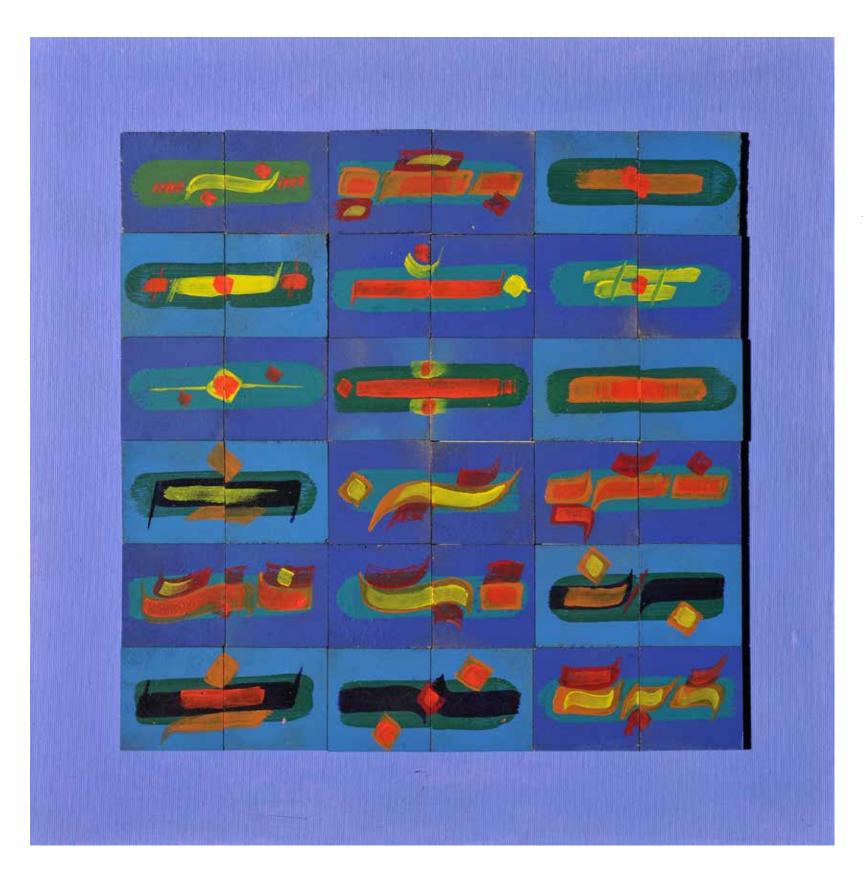
Music, 2016 - 2023

Acrylic on wood laid on canvas Signed dated and titled on the back 40 x 40 cm

#### 4,000 - 6,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.

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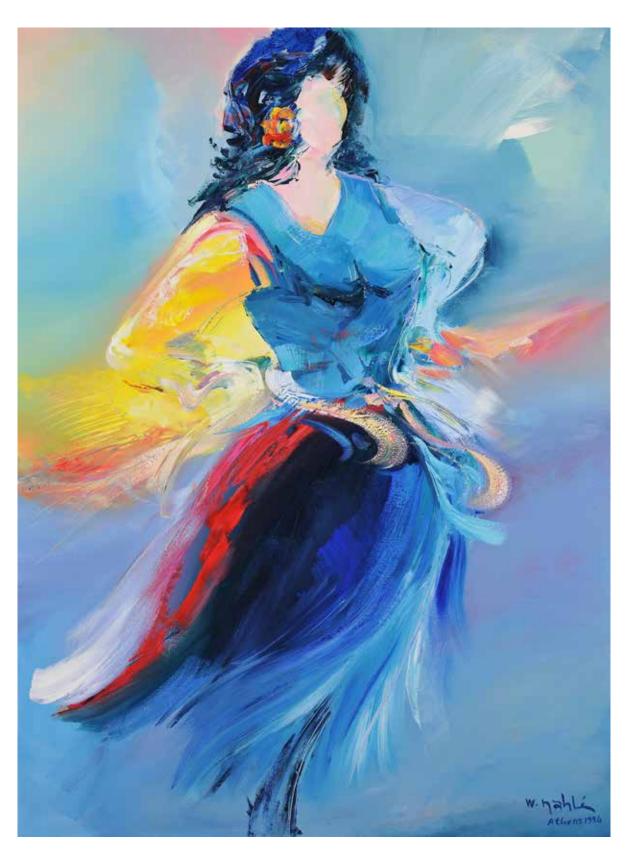
#### Wajih Nahle (1932 - 2017)

The Dancer, 1994

Oil on canvas Signed dated and situated lower right 120 x 90 cm

#### 3,000 - 5,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist, Athens, c. 1990. Thence by decent.



Within the series of artworks painted between 2012 and 2013, "The Escape II" emerges as a poignant reflection on the profound dilemmas faced by individuals living in regions marred by conflict, instability, and corruption. Through this piece, Guiragossian delves into the complex interplay of emotions surrounding the decision to stay and confront adversity or to seek refuge elsewhere, where safety and opportunity beckon.

As the second installment bearing the title "The Escape," this painting encapsulates a moment of contemplation, a fleeting glimpse into the fantasy of liberation. Here, Guiragossian invites viewers to imagine the exhilarating prospect of shedding the burdens of the past, of abandoning the familiar in pursuit of newfound freedom. The canvas becomes a sanctuary for dreams of escape, a space where the weight of responsibility momentarily lifts, allowing for the possibility of flight.

Through "The Escape II," Manuella confronts the stark realities of displacement and upheaval, while also acknowledging the psychological toll of such upheavals on individuals and communities. The painting serves as a mirror, reflecting the struggle to reconcile attachment to one's roots with the allure of distant horizons.

In the end, "The Escape II" emerges not only as a visual testament to the human spirit's resilience but also as a meditation on the universal quest for freedom and belonging. It reminds us that, amidst the chaos of existence, there exists the possibility of renewal, of forging a path toward a brighter tomorrow.

The provided text originated directly from Manuella Guiragossian.

#### LOT 58

#### Manuella Guiragossian (1972)

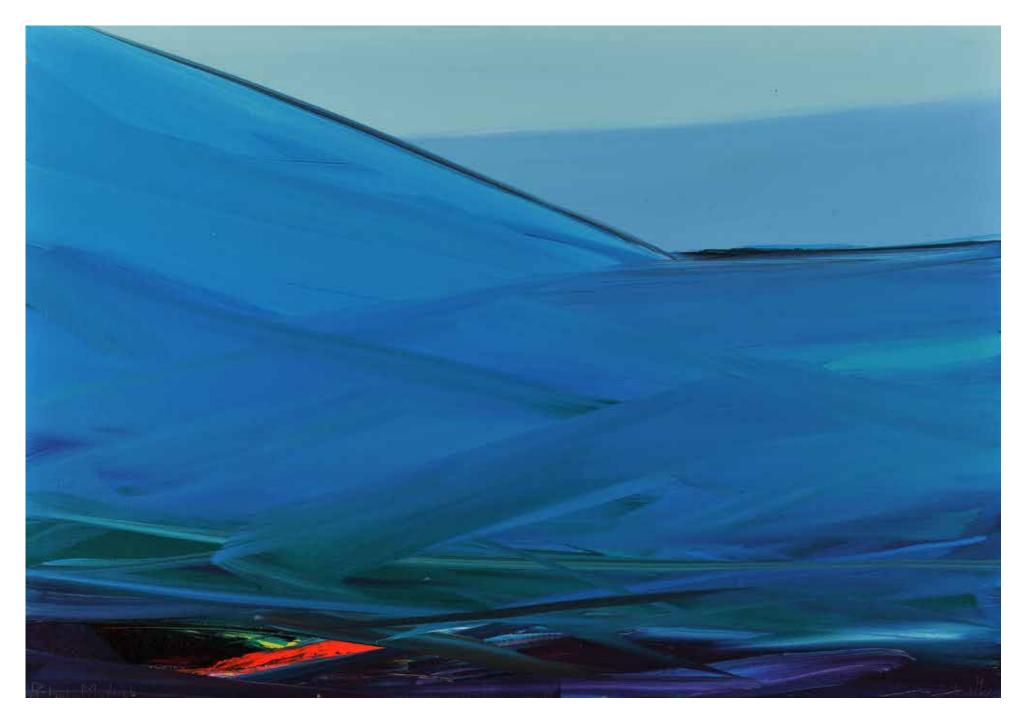
The Escape 2, 2012

Acrylic on canvas Signed and dated lower right 100 x 100 cm

#### 6,000 - 8,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.





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#### LOT 59

Ribal Molaeb (1992)

#### Untitled

Oil on canvas Signed lower left 90 x 130 cm

#### 2,500 - 4,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.

#### Notes:

This artwork is accompanied by a certificate of authenticity by the artist.



#### Jamil Molaeb (1948)

#### Untitled, 2008

Oil on canvas Signed and dated lower left 45 x 60 cm

#### 2,000 - 4,000 \$

Provenance: Galerie Janine Rubeiz, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

#### LOT 61

#### Raouf Rifai (1954)

Untitled, 2003

Mixed media on canvas Signed and dated lower left 122 x 61 cm

2,500 - 4,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.









#### Jamil Molaeb (1948)

Untitled

Oil on canvas Signed lower right 120 x 90 cm

#### 6,000 - 9,000 \$

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#### LOT 63

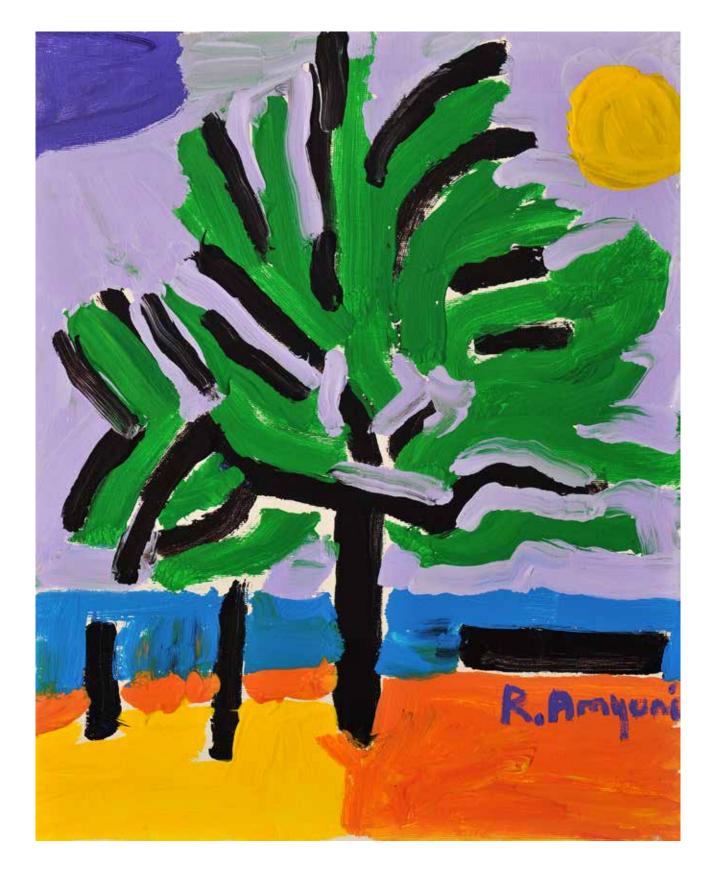
#### Rima Amyuni (1954)

Un Arbre Au Soleil

Oil on canvas Signed lower right 50 x 40 cm

#### 2,500 - 3,500 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.





Jean Marc Nahas (1963)

#### Untitled

Mixed media on cardboard Signed lower right 60 x 80 cm

#### 1,500 - 3,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.



#### LOT 65

#### Jean Marc Nahas (1963)

Untitled

Mixed media on cardboard Signed lower right 60 x 80 cm

1,500 - 3,000 \$

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#### LOT 66

#### Tagreed Darghouth (1979)

Woman and Child, 2010

Oil on canvas Signed and dated lower left 120 x 100 cm

#### 4,000 - 6,000 \$

Provenance: Private collection, Beirut. Artscoops, Beirut, March 2019. Lot 66. Nada Boulos Auction, Beirut, February 2021. Lot 47. Acquired from the above by the present owner.



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#### LOT 67

Hanibal Srouji (1957)

Petales, 2006

Oil on canvas Signed and dated on the back 120 x 120 cm

#### 8,000 - 12,000 \$

Provenance: Galerie Janine Rubeiz, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.



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LOT 68

#### Samia Osseiran Jumblatt (1944)

Hibiscus Blooms, 1998

Oil on cardboard laid on panel Signed and dated lower right 51 x 81 cm

4,000 - 6,000 \$

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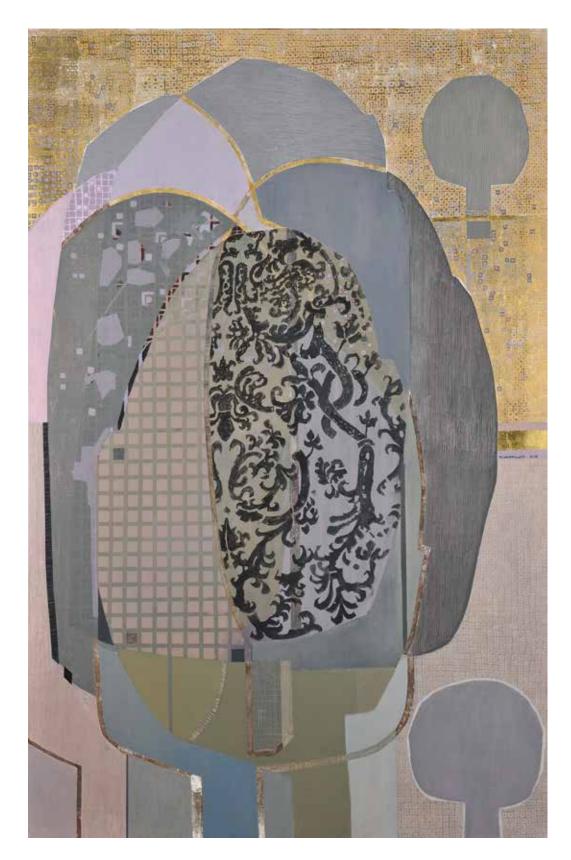
#### Michel Harmouch (1925 - 2021)

No 10, 2016

Oil on canvas Signed and dated upper left 170 x 110 cm

#### 2,000 - 4,000 \$

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LOT 70

#### Martin Giesen (1945)

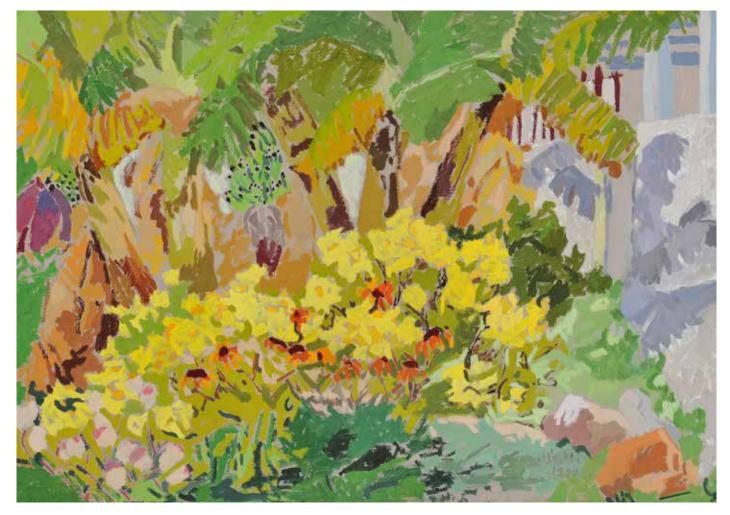
Café Abu Nasr 1993

Watercolour on paper Signed and dated lower right 51 x 72 cm

#### 2,500 - 3,500 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist. Arcache Auction, Beirut, November 2022. Lot 5. Acquired from the above by the present owner.





Fatima El Hajj (1953)

Landscape, 1990

Mixed media on cardboard Signed and dated lower right 48 x 68.5 cm

#### 3,000 - 4,000 \$

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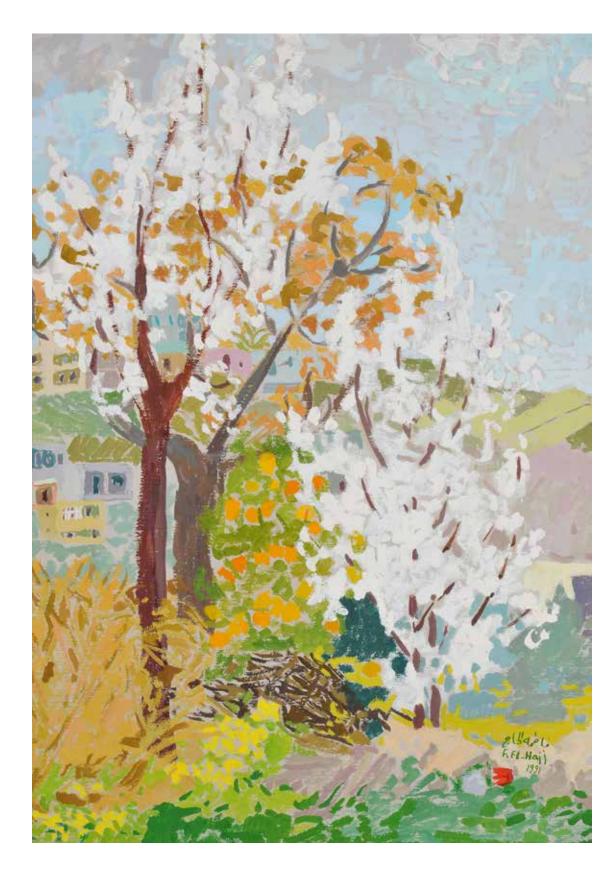
#### Fatima El Hajj (1953)

Landscape, 1991

Mixed media on cardboard Signed and dated lower right 68.5 x 48 cm

#### 3,000 - 4,000 \$

Provenance: Galerie Alwane, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.







Charles Khoury (1966)

#### Untitled

Mixed media on paper Signed lower right 30 x 25 cm & 19 x 11 cm

#### 1,400 - 2,000 \$

Provenance: Galerie Epreuve d'Artiste, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

#### LOT 74

#### Charles Khoury (1966)

Souvenirs d'Enfance, 1997

Acrylic on paper Signed and dated lower right 37 x 23 cm

#### 800 - 1,000 \$

Provenance: Galerie Epreuve d'Artiste, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.







#### Juliana Seraphim (1934 - 2005)

#### The Bird, 1972

Watercolour on paper Signed and dated lower left 49 x 62 cm

#### 4,000 - 6,000 \$

Provenance: Private collection, Lebanon.

#### LOT 76

#### Hiba Kalache (1972)

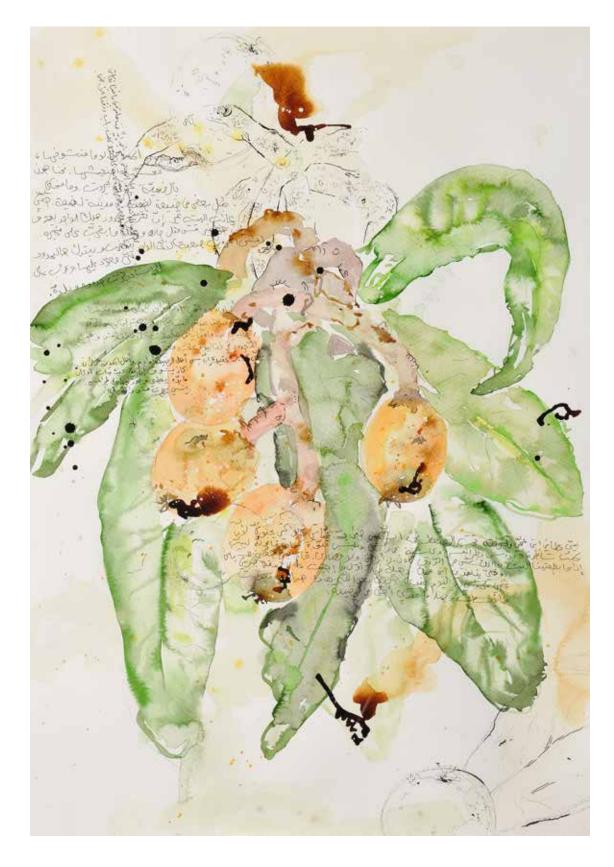
#### Borders

Watercolour and ink on paper Signed lower right 50 x 35 cm

#### 2,000 - 4,000 \$

Provenance: Saleh Barakat Gallery, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

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Hussein Madi (1938 - 2024)

Woman in a Circle, 1980

Lithograph in black and white Signed and dated lower right, editioned lower left 2/30 54 x 54 cm

#### 1,000 - 2,000 \$

Provenance: Acquired directly from the artist by the present owner.

#### LOT 78

#### Mohammad El Rawas (1951)

L'Eau, 1990

Lithograph Signed and dated lower right, titled in the middle, editioned lower left Artist's proof 24 x 16 cm

#### 300 - 600 \$

Provenance: Private collection, Lebanon.







Laure Ghorayeb (1931 - 2023)

Paul, 1989

Ink on paper Signed and dated lower left 33 x 47.5 cm

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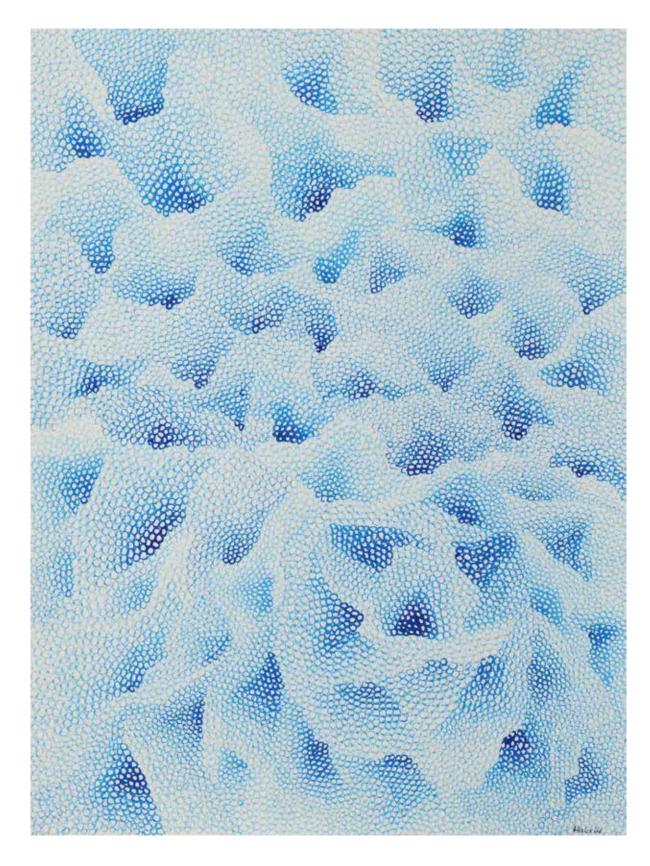
Hala Schoucair (1957)

#### Untitled, 2014

Watercolour on paper Signed and dated lower right 31 x 23 cm

#### 700 - 1,000 \$

Provenance: Saleh Barakat Gallery, Beirut. Acquired from the above by the present owner.



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Shafic Abboud (1926 - 2004)

Écritures, 1986

Lithograph Signed lower right, editioned lower left 7/30 50 x 65 cm

#### 900 - 1,500 \$

Provenance: Galerie Claude Lemand, Paris. Acquired from the above by the present owner.

#### LOT 82

#### Shafic Abboud (1926 - 2004)

Couleurs, 1971

Lithograph Signed lower right, editioned lower left 55/60 66 x 50 cm

#### 900 - 1,500 \$

Provenance: Galerie Claude Lemand, Paris. Acquired from the above by the present owner.





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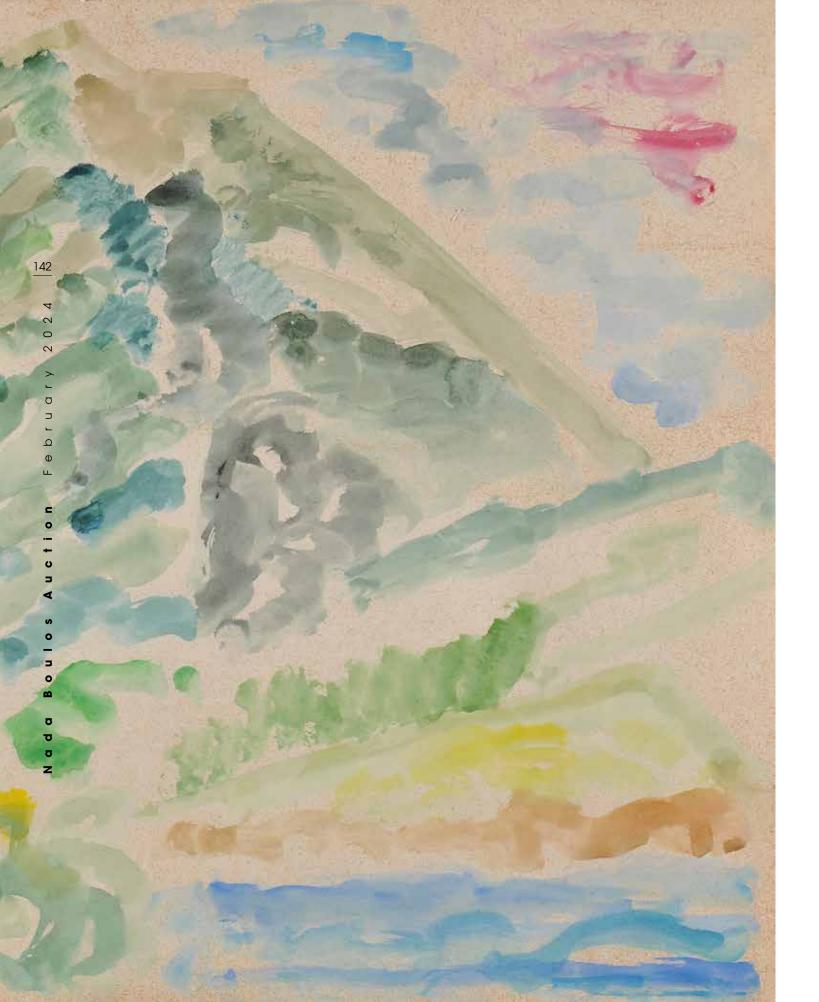
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