

AYAN FARAH

Born in 1978, Sharjah, UAE
Lives and works in Stockholm, Sweden

Education

2012 MA Painting, Royal College of Art, London, UK
2006 Post Graduate Degree, Fine Art, Central Saint Martins College of Art and Design,
London, UK
2003 BA Fashion Design, Middlesex University, London, UK

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2025
Galerie Nordenhake, Stockholm, Sweden (upcoming)

2024
Seeds, Galerie Nordenhake, Berlin, Germany
Heliacal Rising, Kadel Willborn, Düsseldorf, Germany

2022
Peradam, Galerie Nordenhake, Stockholm, Sweden
Kasbah, Galerie Kadel Willborn, Düsseldorf, Germany

2020
Pippy Houldsworth Gallery, London, UK

2019
Between Two Lands, Galerie Kadel Willborn, Düsseldorf, Germany

2018
Hanging #19, Sammlung Klein, Eberdingen-Nussdorf, Germany

2016
Maps, Pippy Houldsworth Gallery, London, UK
Ayan Farah, Galerie Kadel Willborn, Düsseldorf, Germany

2014
Notes on running water, Almine Rech Gallery, Brussels, Belgium

2012

Ayan Farah, Vigo Gallery, London, UK

2009

Flash Herring (Observatory for Northern Light), University Centre In Svalbard, Svalbard, Norway

Selected Group Exhibitions

2024

Group show, *Stockholm Cosmology*, Liljevalchs konsthall, Stockholm, SE
Black Rock Sénégal / Dak'art Biennale, Dakar, Senegal

2023

To Weave the Sky: Textile Abstractions, El Espacio 23, Miami, US
Close Looking: Collection Studies from the Roberts Institute of Art at Cromwell Place, London, UK
The Stuff of Life, The Life of Stuff, Sainsbury Centre, Norwich, UK
A Meeting with Eldfell, Safnahús Vestmannaeyja, ISL
Stockholm art visits Liljevalchs+, Liljevalchs+, Stockholm, SE
Everybody Talks About the Weather, Fondazione Prada, Venice, IT
ENVIRONMENT, Blue Knowledge Art Collection, Amsterdam, NE
Stockholm art visits Liljevalchs+, Liljevalchs+, Stockholm, Sweden

2022

Flesh Arranges Itself Differently, The Hunterian, Glasgow, UK
IDENTITÄT NICHT NACHGEWIESEN - Neuerwerbungen der Sammlung des Bundes, Bundeskunsthalle, Bonn, Germany

2020

Common Thread, New Art Centre, Salisbury, UK
Silence is so accurate, curated by Lien Craps, Geukens & de Vil, Antwerp, Belgium

2018

The London Open 2018, Whitechapel Gallery, London, UK
Ravelled Threads, Sean Kelly Gallery, New York, USA
In the Eye of the Beholder, Tarble Arts Center, Charleston, USA
Textile Abstraction, Casas Riegner, Bogota, Colombia

2017-18

How It's Made, Carl Kostyál, Stockholm, Sweden

2017

From a distance, Pippy Houldsworth Gallery, London, UK
Adjustment, Malmö, Sweden

2015

Ayan Farah, Max Lamb, Chris Succo, Almine Rech Gallery, London, UK

Dans un Intérieur. Meubles, oeuvres murales et textiles d'artistes, Almine Rech Gallery, Brussels, Belgium

2014

Le musée d'une nuit (script for leaving traces), Fondation Hippocrène, Paris, France

Dans un Intérieur. Meubles, oeuvres murales et textiles d'artistes, Almine Rech Gallery, Paris, France

Infinitude, Roberts & Tilton, Los Angeles, USA

Proxima, Museo Británico Americano, Mexico City, Mexico

Shakti, Brand New Gallery, Milan, Italy

The Figure in the Carpet, Bugada & Cargnel, Paris, France

Girlfriend material, Soho House, Berlin, Germany

Robert Blumenthal Gallery, New York, USA

2013

All that remains is here, Galleri Mejan, Stockholm, Sweden

Xtraction, The Hole, New York, USA

Alchemy, The Arts Club, London, UK

Wanderlust, Contemporary Art Society, London, UK

Girlfriend material, The Standard, Los Angeles, USA

RA, UNTITLED, Miami, USA

2012

Ululation, Vigo Gallery, London, UK

Summer Show, Patrick Heide Contemporary Art, London, UK

MA Degree show, Royal College of Art, London, UK

The Constance Fairness Award, The Constance Fairness Foundation, London UK

The Alchemist's day out, Park Central Hotel, New York, USA

Residencies

2023 The Roberts Institute of Art Residency, Scotland

2022 Black Rock, Dakar, Senegal

2013 Eilean Shona, Scotland, UK

2012-13 Royal Institute of Art, Stockholm, Sweden

2009 The University Centre in Svalbard, Svalbard, Norway

2007 Creative Collaboration, Reykjavík, Iceland

Collections

The Hill Collection, NY, US

El Espacio 23, Miami, US

Stockholm konst, SE

Public Art Agency Sweden, SE
Roberts Institute of Art, UK
Kunstpalaſt, DŰsseldorf, DE
Contemporary Art Collection of the Federal Estate of Germany, DE
HSBC Art Collection, UK
Kadist Foundation, FR
Sammlung Klein, Eberdingen-Nussdorf, DE
Saatchi Gallery, London, UK