

**YOUSEF JAHA**

Born in 1954, Makkah, Saudi Arabia  
Lives and works in Makkah, KSA

**EDUCATION**

**1983** BA degree in Art Education, Umm Al-Qura University, Makkah

Jaha made his first solo exhibition in Roshan Gallery in Jeddah in 1987, The 2ND exhibition in Ro-chan Gallery, Jeddah 1996. The 3RD exhibition in Arabisc Gallery, Jeddah 2001. The 4TH exhibition in Al-Alalamiah Gallery, in Jeddah 2005. The 5TH exhibition in Ro'iya Gallery, in Jeddah 2012.

He took part in most of the Exhibitions held by The Saudi Arabian Society of Culture and arts, and was part of many of international exhibitions such as: Golden Sail Gallery in Kuwait 1983, The Saudi Art Exhibition in India 1983, The Saudi Art Exhibition in Turkey 1984, The Art and culture of Saudi Exhibition in Rome 1984, The cultural Week of Saudi Exhibition in Morocco and Algeria 1984, The Kuwait 9th art Exhibition (Golden Sail) 1985, The Exhibition of International Award for the contemporary Art in Monte Carlo-France 1987, Asian Fourth Art Exhibition in Bangladesh 1989, BENALY in Sharjah 1993, The Arab Islamic contemporary Art Exhibition in Turkey 1993, The Saudi Art and culture Exhibition in Lebanon 1999. □ The International Art Exhibition in Sharjah U.A.E 2001. THE 8TH BENALY in Cairo 2001, Al-Safir Saudi Exhibition in Riyadh 2006, The Edge of Arabia Exhibition in London 2008 and a bilateral Exhibition with artist Ahmed Felemban Hafez Gallery 2017.

He's won many awards, most notably: The first Award of The Third General Art Exhibition in Riyadh 1979, Medal and recognition certificate from Kuwait Eight Art exhibition for Arab Artist 1983, Golden palm Award in the first periodic for the Gulf Cooperation Council in Riyadh 1989, The 1st Award of The Tenth Saudi contemporary Art Exhibition in Riyadh 1990, The First Award in Saudi Color Competition in Jeddah in 1992 and 1997, Al-Danah Award The 25th Art Exhibition in Kuwait 1997, The 2nd Award in Saudi Art Exhibition in Riyadh 1997, The first category award of beauty makkah 2010.

His painting were acquired by many facilities inside and outside of the Kingdom such as The national Jordanian museum for fine Art, King Khaled International airport in Riyadh, King Fahad International Airport in Dhahran, The national Jordanian museum for fine Art and The Saudi Hall in Mexico (General Presidency of Youth Welfare).

# MONO GALLERY

In his artwork, the artist and plastic critic Sami Al Jreedy said: “Jaha merges the external and inner nature of the human being. Forming a spiritual combination between the elements of nature (dust, water, fire and air) and psychology, Through their psychic worlds, to appear more anxious and angry”.

He uses a lot of calm colors that convey the full meaning in a original manner that escapes repetition.