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Osama Said embarks on a Journey Through the Color Terrain at Zawyeh Gallery, Dubai

Said's abstract series is a mixture of reality and illusion depicting fleeting images and emotional memory will be on show from 15 January

Dubai- 10 January 2022: Zawyeh Gallery at Alserkal Avenue announces its first exhibition this year: a solo exhibition by the Palestinian artist Osama Said. Titled *Through the Color Terrain* the exhibition presents a series of abstract works where reality is mixed with illusion depicting fleeting images from the artist's memory. The exhibition is part of a process of exploration with colors, textures, and light, using predominantly tones of blue, red, purple, and yellow. He executes his works using unrestrained high intense colors, painting wide areas with free spontaneous brushwork and generous paint application capturing the essence of memory rather than its details.

Said was born in 1957 in the small town of Nahef in Galilee and he was influenced by German expressionists. Throughout his career as an artist, he explored themes of memory and forgetfulness; identity and alienation; illusion and reality especially when he lived in Germany for 16 years. He imagined home and family and did not stop producing artworks inspired by his homeland. Ziad Anani, director of Zawyeh Gallery emphasizes the different dimensions Said brings to Palestinian art with his unique style that lies between expressionism and abstraction. He notes "We attempt at presenting Palestinian art across the spectrum, by showing a mixture of styles and visions. We aim through our work to reflect the diversity and wealth of existing experiences amongst Palestinian artists throughout different generations.

The exhibition runs from 15 January until 26 February 2022.

Opening hours: 11 am - 7 pm daily

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