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LINES OF SUBJECTIVITY: PORTRAIT AND LANDSCAPE PAINTINGS

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Enquiry into the training and exposure artists from North Africa and West Asia received at the turn of the 20th century, as well as ways in which it impacted their practice and outlook towards

representation drove the selection of works for this exhibition. Changing social and political milieu during this time, layered with the artists' academic backgrounds and travel histories played into the shifting methods and strategies employed to tackle familiar subjects. This exhibition addresses these fluctuations and evolving stances on depiction through arguably two of the most longestablished genres in the history of art - that of representing people and places. While certainly not complete or presented as an unbroken developmental continuum, this compilation of work drawn from the collection of the Barjeel Art Foundation demonstrates a number of common directions and highlights milestones and patterns in the evolution of techniques, methodologies, and reasons for depicting bodies and landscapes in changing contexts. From a naturalistic representation of subjects, to the flattening out of space and subsequent experiments with different degrees of abstraction, always coupled with the artists' subjective observation and understanding of the world, these works reveal the breadth of the spectrum of influences, interests and investigations carried out in the region in the 20th century.

Artwork from Lines of Subjectivity: Portrait and Landscape Paintings







MOM AND CHILD Faraj Abbo Al Numan

ON THE NILE Saad El Khadem IRAQ **EGYPT**

LOVERS Mona Saudi JORDAN



THE EGYPTIAN HOUS... Mohammed Naghi **EGYPT**



PORTRAIT OF A SUD... Ibrahim El-Salahi SUDAN



NU ACADÉMIQUE (AC... Habib Srour LEBANON



UNTITLED **Ezequiel Baroukh EGYPT**



PORTRAIT Elias Zayat SYRIA



BEDOUIN TENT Faik Hassan IRAQ



UNTITLED (BLUE) Saliba Douaihy LEBANON



THREE STANDING FI... Khalil Gibran LEBANON



LES SYCOMORES DU ... George Hanna Sabbagh **EGYPT**



VIEW OF THE TIGRIS Abdul Qadir Al Rassam **IRAQ**



PORTRAIT OF AN IT... Abdel Hadi El Gazzar **EGYPT**



STANDING FIGURE A... Khalil Gibran LEBANON



SCENE DANS LE PARC Marguerite Nakhla **EGYPT**



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