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Born in 1957 in Wad Madani, Sudan.
Currently lives and works in Madrid,
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EDUCATION / INSTITUTIONS

- 1978 B.A. (Honors) in Painting. Khartoum College of Fine Art, Khartoum, Sudan
- 1984 Fine Arts Degree in Painting. Complutense University of Madrid, Spain
- 1986 Fine Arts Degree in Etching. Complutense University of Madrid, Spain
- 1991 Ph.D. from the Faculty of Fine Art. Complutense University of Madrid, Spain
- 1991 – 1999 Teacher at the Faculty of Fine Art. Complutense University of Madrid, Spain
- 1999 Founded Dara Art Gallery
- 2005 Founded Rashid Diab Arts Centre
- 2018 President of the Sudanese Artists Union



SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 Stand solo at MenartFair Paris, presented by Dara Art Gallery – Paris, France
- 2023 “Reflections of War: Agony of Displacement” OneOff Contemporary – Nairobi, Kenya
 “Season of Bitter Migration” Barrak Naamani – Beirut, Lebanon
 “Mis impresiones de España” Spanish Ambassadors Residency – Khartoum, Sudan
- 2022 “A trajectory of Etchings” Red Hill Art Gallery – Nairobi, Kenya
 "Enhanced Visions" Mono Gallery -- Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
 "Echos du temps" at the French Institute -- Khartoum, Sudan
- 2021 Reopening exhibition at Dara Art Gallery -- Khartoum, Sudan
 International Art Fair – Cairo, Egypt
- 2020 “Color Kingdom” Dar Alfnoon -- Kuwait
- 2019 National Museum of Bahrain – Manama, Bahrain
- 2018 OneOff Contemporary Art Gallery -- Nairobi, Kenya
 Al Markhiya Art Gallery – Doha, Qatar
- 2017 London Millennium Gloucester hotel -- London, U.K
- 2016 Dara Art Gallery -- Khartoum, Sudan
- 2015 Galerie Bab Rouah -- Rabat, Morocco
 OneOff Contemporary Art Gallery -- Nairobi, Kenya
- 2013 Gallery Boushahri -- Kuwait
- 2012 Lilli Gallery -- Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
- 2011 City Hall Gallery -- Oslo, Norway
- 2010 SOS Edition -- Berlin, Germany
 National Gallery -- Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
 OFID Headquarters -- Vienna, Austria
 King Abd Alaziz Center -- Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
- 2009 Korea Cultural Foundation -- Seoul, South Korea
 Dar Alfnoon -- Kuwait
 Point of view Gallery Bombay -- India
- 2008 City Hall Gallery -- Oslo, Norway
- 2007 Point of View Gallery -- Bombay, India
 Galleria Lucentum -- Alicante, Spain
 Khartoum Gallery -- Sudan
- 2006 National Museum, Bahrain
- 2005 National Council for the Arts -- Kuwait City, Kuwait
- 2004 Dar Alfnoon -- Kuwait City, Kuwait
 Dar al Fanun – Tripoli, Libya
 Cultural Center Al Mezzah -- Syria
 Bab al Yaman – Sanaa, Republic of Yemen
- 2003 European Parliament -- Brussels, Belgium
 Gallery Watatu -- Nairobi - Kenya
- 2002 Bissan Gallery -- Doha, Qatar
 Al Riwaq Gallery -- Manama, Bahrain
 Royal Cultural Centre -- Amman, Jordan
 Harpe galleria - Marbella, Spain
- 2001 The 13th Marhaba Festival -- Lattakia, Syria
 Contemporary Art Exposition 2001 (Fair w/ Dara Art Gallery) -- Beirut, Lebanon
 The National Museum -- Kuwait
 “Contemporary Arab Art”, Wereldmuseum -- Rotterdam, Holland
- 2000 Dara Art Gallery -- Khartoum, Sudan
 Al Assad Library -- Damascus, Syria

- 1999 Dara Art Gallery Opening -- Khartoum, Sudan
Arabic Centre for Arts and Culture -- Beirut, Lebanon
- 1998 Santa Inés Palace -- Granada, Spain
Galleria Luz del Sol -- Madrid, Spain
- 1997 Rochan Gallery -- Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
Harpe Gallery -- Marbella, Spain
Ayaso International Gallery -- Washington, D.C., USA
Idea-Arte Gallery -- Madrid, Spain
Solo Show, 3rd Sharjah Biennale -- Sharjah, UAE
Tolmo Gallery -- Toledo, Spain
Santa Inés Palace -- Granada, Spain
- 1996 Darat al Funun -- Amman, Jordan
Ra del Rey Gallery -- Madrid, Spain
Arca Gallery -- Madrid, Spain
- 1995 Hector Mora Gallery -- Elche, Spain
Camarena Palace -- Caceres, Spain
The Mattye Reed African Heritage Center -- North Carolina, USA
- 1994 Zaragoza Gráfica -- Zaragoza, Spain
Alif Gallery -- Washington, D.C., USA
Museum of the National Center of Afro American Artists -- Boston, Massachusetts, USA
- 1994 (1983 – 1993) Retrospective Exhibition", Islamic Cultural Center -- Madrid, Spain
- 1993 Savannah Gallery -- London, U.K
Herbert F. Johnson Museum -- New York, USA
Gallery Watatu -- Nairobi, Kenya
- 1992 Tolmo Gallery -- Toledo, Spain
Tecni Art -- Madrid, Spain
Expo '92 -- Seville, Spain
Savannah Gallery -- London, U.K
Alif Gallery -- Washington, D.C., USA
- 1991 L'Espace Miró UNESCO-- Paris, France
La Caixa -- Barcelona, Spain
- 1990 Gris y Negro Gallery -- Madrid, Spain
- 1989 Gallery Watatu -- Nairobi, Kenya
Xeito Gallery -- Madrid, Spain
Khartoum University Press
- 1988 Bushahri Gallery -- Kuwait City, Kuwait
Faculty of Fine Arts, Complutense University of Madrid, Spain
Sharjah Gallery -- Sharjah, UAE
Galleria Eburne -- Madrid, Spain
- 1987 Abila Gallery -- Damascus, Syria
Orfali Gallery -- Bagdad, Iraq
School of fine art -- Madrid, Spain
Artist association -- Doha - Qatar
- 1986 Cultural Foundation -- Abu Dhabi, UAE
Al-Khalig Hotel -- Doha, Qatar
Salón de arte -- Oviedo, Spain
- 1982 Meridian hotel -- Khartoum, Sudan
- 1976 African Centre -- London, U.K

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2026	1-54 Marrakech 7 th Edition with LouiSimone Guirandou Gallery - Morocco. Sudan: A visual Art Narrative Second generation exhibition Almas Art Foundation – London, UK
2025	“Out of Time” duo with Nedim Kufi at Al Hosh Gallery – Doha, Qatar “Waves of Sorrow” ft Dar Al Naim LouiSimone Guirandou -- Abidjan, Ivory Coast
2024	Festival Internacional des arts plastique du Settât (FIAPS) -- Settât, Morocco Feria Internacional de Grabado (FIG Bilbao) -- Bilbao, Spain International Festival of Contemporary Art -- Algiers, Algeria Contemporary Visions of Sudan -- Cordoba, Spain Aurora International Art Culture Biennial -- Malmö, Sweden “Disturbance in the Nile” Casa Arabe -- Madrid, Spain
2023	International Festival Euro Kosovo Art’12 -- Pristina, Kosovo Jerash Art Festival Symposium -- Jerash, Jordan “Disturbance in the Nile” Broteira -- Lisbon, Portugal
2022	“Conceptual Vision” Narty Gallery -- Khartoum, Sudan “Paths I” Al Markiyya Gallery -- Doha, Qatar
2021	Umoja Art Gallery -- Kampala, Uganda
2016	Museum of Fine Art – Caracas Venezuela Ayla international Art Symposium -- Jordan Art for peace RDAC Khartoum (Babiker Badri Association) French Center (Black and white exhibition) Second Art Symposium, School of Art and design -- Jordan Contemporary Art Istanbul, Al-Markiyya Gallery – Istanbul, Turkiye
2013	CAP Gallery – Kuwait Art Sprit Dubai International Art Symposium Al-Sharjah Gallery Hall of plastic arts 6 th Luxor International Painting Symposium -- Luxor, Egypt
2012	Gallery Boushahry -- Kuwait
2008	Rochan gallery 1 st Arabic festival of mini auteur -- Jeddah, Saudi Arabia Mahmoud Moukhtar Gallery -- Cairo, Egypt
2007	Museum Contemporary Art (MAMA) -- Algeria Galleria Lucentum Fine Art -- Alicante, Spain
2003	Collective exhibition Moroccan Ministry of Culture
2002	Contemporary Arab Art Egee Art Consultancy – London Bissan Gallery -- Qatar
2000	Transatlantic Dialogue. "Contemporary Art in and out of Africa" National Smithsonian Museum of African Art -- Washington D.C., USA Artuel Art Fair -- Beirut, Lebanon Arab Art WIPO -- Geneva, Switzerland Dara Art Gallery -- Khartoum, Sudan
1999	Artuel -- Beirut, Lebanon Arab Foundation of cultural and arts -- Lebanon
1997	Sharjah Biennial -- U.A.E Guest of honor Al-Mahras Symposium -- Tunis Rochan Gallery -- Jeddah, Saudia
1995	"Right to Hope", United Nations -- Johannesburg, South Africa "Seven Stories about Modern Art in Africa", Africa 95 White Chapel -- London, England Africus Johannesburg Biennale --Johannesburg, South Africa
1994	5th Biennial International -- Havana, Cuba.

- Invited to the three yearly exhibition of small size prints -- Chamalies, Paris
International Triennial of Graphic Art -- Bitola, Republic of Macedonia.
5th International Biennale -- Cairo, Egypt
- 1993 U.S.A. Herbert F. Johnson Museum. (Creative Impulses-Modern Expressions
Four African Artists).
Abila Gallery, International Exhibition of Etching -- Syria
London Contemporary Art Fair '93 -- London, England
Savannah Gallery "Side by Side" -- Georgia, US
- 1992 Centro Cultural Islamico -- Madrid, Spain
Contemporary African Art -- Madrid, Spain.
Contemporary African Art, Square Gallery -- London, England
XV Asilah Festival -- Asilah, Morocco
Hanover Gallery -- London, England
Savannah Gallery -- London, England
The British Council gallery -- Cairo, Egypt
Two print makers from Sudanese Rashid Diab & Mohamed Omer Khalil, Alif
Gallery -- Washington D.C., USA
- 1991 International Print Biennale -- Varna, Bulgaria
Retiro Gallery, Graphic Works of Three Artists -- Madrid, Spain
South Square Gallery. "Paradox of the New" -- Bradford, England
First Italian Sudanese Exhibition -- Khartoum, Sudan
Quorum Gallery Spanish Workshop at 3rd Biennial -- Havana, Cuba
XIV Asilah Festival -- Asilah, Morocco
National Museum of Art -- Asilah, Morocco
Art Gallery Commonwealth Institute. "A Grain of Wheat; Art Relief for Africa" --
London, England
- 1990 Meeting of the world -- Joensuu, Finland
1st International Triennial exhibition of prints -- Kochi, Japan.
Guest of honor of the Mediterranean Biennale of Graphic Arts,
dedicated to the Golden Olympiad, 96 -- Athens, Greece.
The Villa Cultural Centre -- Madrid, Spain
Cultural House: El Convento -- Reinosa, Spain
Expo'92: Tour exhibition in all Andalucía for the works of the book
"Andalucia sueño y realidad" -- Sevilla, Spain
Cinquecento Gallery. Paper and Creation -- Barcelona, Spain
X Biennale Zamora -- Zamora, Spain
Torculo Gallery, Carmen Arocena Prize -- Madrid, Spain
- 1989 Contemporary Art from the Islamic World -- London, England
Caja de Ahorros -- Madrid, Spain
Trade Art Gallery. Mini Print International de Cadaques -- Barcelona, Spain
CIPE'89. Little Etchings -- Havana, Cuba
Torculo Gallery -- Madrid, Spain.
International Biennale Print Exhibition, Taipei Art Museum -- Taipei, Taiwan.
3rd Havana Biennale. Havana National Museum -- Havana, Cuba.
5th International Print Biennial -- Varna, Bulgaria
International Biennale of Graphic Art -- Fedrskad, Norway
- 1988 Edurne Gallery. Organized by Manos Unidas. "Nord Sout" -- Madrid, Spain
3rd International Biennale -- Cairo, Egypt
Sudan Art Aid, Oxfam Foundation, Sudan Cultural Centre -- London, England
Contemporary Arab Art Exhibition. Velazquez Gallery -- Valladolid, Spain
Contemporary Prints. Calcografía Nacional. Royal Academy of Art -- Madrid,
Spain.

- 1987 3rd International Biennale Print Exhibition -- Taipei, Taiwan
 III Young Artist, Las Vacas -- Madrid, Spain
 VI International Exhibit of Etching, Small Graphic -- Lodz, Poland
 First International Biennial -- Algeria
 International Mini Print de Cadaques -- Barcelona, Spain
 "Three Sudanese Artists", Raggab Gallery -- Cairo, Egypt
- 1986 Torculo Gallery -- Madrid, Spain.
 Today's Sudanese Painters; French Cultural Centre with
 Goethe Institute - Khartoum, Sudan.
 Contemporary forms of Oriental Art Summer Gallery -- Madrid, Spain
- 1984 7th Festival of Asilah -- Asilah, Morocco
 Primer encuentro Hispano-Arabe de Almuñecar Majuelo Park -- Granada, Spain
 Spanish painters, organized by Comunidad de Castilla y Leon, Introduction
 by Antonio Gala -- Spain
 1st Anthological Exhibition for Arab Artist at Salina Palace -- Salamanca, Spain
 International fair of contemporary art
- 1983 Hilton Hotel -- Khartoum, Sudan
- 1980 Traditional and Contemporary: 3rd Cultural Art Festival -- Khartoum, Sudan
- 1979 Diploma Exhibition, Faculty of Fine and Applied Art -- Khartoum, Sudan
 "Sudanese Contemporary Art" Three group shows -- Kuwait.
 Organized by the Council for Arts and Letters -- Hamburg and Khartoum



SELECTED PRIVATE AND MUSEUM COLLECTIONS

OFID (OPEC Fund for International Development) Collection, Vienna, Austria
Wilfredo Lam Centre of Contemporary Art, Havana, Cuba
Museum of Fine Arts, Alexandria, Egypt
Modern Museum of Etching, Cairo, Egypt
Arab World Institute, Paris, France
UNESCO, Paris, France
Royal Museum of Fine Arts, Amman, Jordan
Museum of Contemporary Art, Nairobi, Kenya
African Centre of Madrid, Madrid, Spain
Arab League, Madrid, Spain
Banco Zaragozano, Madrid, Spain
Diputación de Zamora, Zamora, Spain
Junta de Andalucía, Seville, Spain
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Agencia Española de Cooperación Internacional, Madrid, Spain
Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, Ithaca, U.S.A
Hindiye Museum, Amman, Jordan
Museum of Modern Art, Baghdad, Iraq
Museo de Arte Contemporáneo de Castilla y León, León, Spain
Museo Municipal Bello Piñeiro, Ferrol, Spain
National Library, Madrid, Spain
San Fernando Royal Academy of Fine Arts, Madrid, Spain
Spanish - Arab Institute of Culture, Madrid, Spain
National Council for Arts and Letters, Khartoum, Sudan
Life Museum of Fine Art, Tunis, Tunisia
Ramzi and Saeda Dalloul Art Foundation, Beirut, Lebanon
Museum of Modern Art, Tunis, Tunisia
Nairobi Contemporary Art Institute (NCAI254)
Sheikh Dr. Abdulla bin Ali Al Thani collection
Sheikh Hassan bin Mohammed bin Ali Al Thani collection
Almas Art Foundation, London, UK
Museum of Fine Art. Caracas, Venezuela
National Museum Bahrain.



SELECTED AWARDS, GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2023 Honor of achievement by Arab Expatriates -- Arab League – Madrid, Spain
Dedicated to Sudan
- 2013 Awarded King Juan Carlos award for excellent Service, Knight Class
- 2010 Awarded the Flame of Peace by Öfferl Gesmb, Vienna, Austria
- 2010 OFID Medal for Cultural Achievements, Vienna, Austria
- 2010 Climate Icon, an Ambassador for the Environment for the British Council,
Khartoum
- 2008 Creativity award "WIPO" The World Intellectual Property Organization
- 2007 Ambassador of Peace, Japan
- 2006 Selected within the international personalities in the International Organization
"Who is Who."
- 2005 Selected as one of the best 100 International African personalities.
- 1991 Prize of Acquisition in Drawing Biennial X, Zamora, Spain
Maximo Ramos Prize in Serigraphy, El Ferrol, Spain
Scholarship from the Institute of Collaboration with the Arab World, Madrid,
Spain
- 1989 Medal from the Cuban Fund of Cultural Goods, Havana, Cuba
Second Prize from Salon de Otoño de Madrid, Spain
- 1988 Medal from the Cairo Biennial III, Egypt
- 1987 Prize from Taipei Biennial III, R.O.C. (Taiwan)
Prize from Carmen Arocena, Madrid, Spain
1st Prize in Algerian Biennial
- 1986 Medal from the Cultural Foundation of Abu Dabi, U.A.E.
- 1985 Honorary scholarship from Spanish Arab Institute of Culture, Madrid, Spain
- 1980 Second honorary scholarship from the Ministry of Exterior Affairs of Spain
- 1979 Honorary scholarship from the Ministry of Exterior Affairs of Spain



SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Catalogue: "Different Values - Universal Art: The State of Modern African Art". Published for the Johannesburg Biennale, South Africa in 1995

Article: "Contemporary African Art from the Sudanese perspective" in Atlantica Magazine. Issue N°8 in Autumn 1994

Doctoral dissertation: "La pintura sudanesa. Tradición y contemporaneidad". Published by the Complutense University of Madrid, Spain in 1992

Article: "Al-Andalus dream and reality" in Edition Princeps. Published by Escalpo for the Andalusian Government in June 1990

Lecture: "Hacia una contribución peculiar del arte africano contemporáneo a la Historia Universal del Arte y una comprensión nueva de la estética" for the III Bienal de la Habana. Published by Letras Cubanas, Havana, Cuba in 1989

Poster and catalogue: Workshop Against the Apartheid. Madrid, Spain in 1989

Excerpt: "Sudanese Contemporary Painting" in "Art from the Islamic World", pp 245-252. Published by Escorpion Publishing Ltd., London in 1989

Article: "Arab contemporary art" in Correo del Arte Magazine. Issue n°58 in November 1988.

Seville Expo'92 Creation of Andalucía Sueño y Realidad with Jesús Tejedor. Official special edition printworks series given to top dignataries.

Posters: Two posters for "The Song of the World". Published by the OKAPI Company, Madrid, Spain

History of Sudanese Art by Dr. Rashid Diab: Visual Arts in Sudan الفن التشكيلي في السودان
Published by the Arab League in Arabic 2004. Translated and republished by the Almas Art Foundation, London, UK.

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Videos

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b5-n-7-3lpw>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=brDnTNJophs>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z_maZ8BbW0k&t=26s

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KDADK_ACGMw&t=28s

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