

EXHIBITION REVIEW

Majd Abdel Hamid

Solo Exhibition The Rhetoric from Within Gallery One, Ramallah October 21–November 6, 2014

Gallery One is pleased to present the first solo exhibition by young emerging artist Majd Abdel Hamid, entitled *The Rhetoric from Within*. The exhibition interrogates the national rhetoric and the heritage of the image that have been produced and reproduced in modern history in an attempt to deconstruct symbols visually and conceptually. Through the use of various mediums such as paintings, video art, public interventions, and installation, Abdel Hamid attempts to understand the highly symbolic visual narrative and his position towards it.

Majd Abdel Hamid, born in Damascus, Syria (1988), holds a bachelor's degree in fine arts from Malmo Art Academy, Malmo, Sweden (2010). He also studied at the International Art Academy Palestine (2007–2009). Abdel Hamid was one of the finalists for the 2008, 2010, and 2012 Young Artists Award, organised by the A.M. Qattan Foundation in Palestine.

Much of his work revolves around cultural sabotage, nationality, depression, conflict analysis, and time. His work has been exhibited in a number of group shows in Palestine and internationally, including *Qalandiya International*, Ramallah, Palestine (2012); *Here and Now* at the Laznia Centre for Contemporary Art, Poland (2012); *de Ramallah et Gaza* at Beaux-Arts de Toulouse, France (2012); *Such Stuff As Dreams Are Made On* and *Fragile* Bodies at the Mosaic Rooms, London (2009 and 2011); *ESCAPE* at Lunds konsthall, Lund, Sweden (2011); *Place Without Borders* at Cittadellarte-Fondazione Pistoletto, Italy (2008); and *Mono Cultures and Other Realities* at the Third Guangzhou triennial, Guangzhou, China (2008).



Majd Abdel Hamid Declaration of Independence 2 Acrylic on canvas 70 x 70 cm, 2014

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