

## ARTIST OF THE MONTH



## **Osama Said**

Osama Said was born in 1957 in the small town of Nahaf, located between Lower and Upper Galilee. In the early 1980s, he packed up his family's history via stories handed down by his grandfather and images of the region's natural landscapes and left for Germany. Said started his artistic career with a degree in fine arts in Berlin. After graduating with high honors from Hochschule der Künste, he was granted several scholarships, awards, and residencies that encouraged and expanded his artistry whilst allowing his stay in Germany to last 16 years.

Having painted for years while abroad with only memories of Palestine, Said was struck by the painful reality of Palestinian life upon his return. As a result of his discoveries, Said's work

portrays the different faces of nature. Upon closer examination, however, viewers will find several layers of color that present themes of memory and forgetfulness; identity and alienation; illusion and reality.

The painting of the Palestinian landscape that appears in most of his drawings attests to the loss of Palestinian land in 1948 and the continuous political reality of struggle over the land.

Solo exhibition by Osama Said

**Executive Club** 

Opening days: October 3, 4, and 5, 2015, from 7:00–9:00 p.m.

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