

Education:

Award winning graduate of OCAD University, Toronto, Canada, 2003

Bachelor of Art, Allameh Tabatabaie University, Tehran, Iran, 1983

Art work shops with Mr. Harold Klunder, a prominent Canadian visual artist, 2003-2004

Achievement of Intermediate Persian Calligraphy, Toronto, Canada, 2014

Achievements:

- 2017 **Iranian Woman's Organization of Ontario (IWOO) Creative Spirit Award** for accomplishments over the years and making an impact in the community through art.
- 2016-2018 **Recipient of the Ontario Arts Council Exhibition Assistance Grant**
- 2014 **2014 Iranian Canadian Congress (ICC) Achievement Award**, in the category of Excellence in Community Contribution for the Arts field, Toronto
- 2013, 2011 **Royal Bank of Canada Sponsored Representative of Iranian Art**, Tirgan Festival
- 2012, 2010 **Recipient of the Ontario Arts Council Grant**
- 2011 **Royal Bank of Canada Sponsored Iranian Artist**, Cultura Festival
- 2009 **Second Prize Award**, "Drawing 2009", 10th Annual Juried Drawing Exhibition, John B. Aird Gallery, Toronto
- 2008 **Jurors' Award of Merit**, 2008 Annual York Region Juried Exhibition, Varley Art Gallery, Unionville, Ontario
- 2008 **Signature Member Award**, of the Toronto Watercolour Society, Toronto
- 2007 **Jurors' Merit Award**, 34th Annual Juried Show, Art Gallery of Peel, Brampton, Ontario
- 2007 **Second Prize Award**, Annual Juried Exhibition, Latcham Gallery, Stouffville, Ontario
- 2007 **Community Arts Ontario**, selection of work for the cover of spring 2007 issue of Community Arts Matters! (CAM) newspaper, Toronto
- 2006 **Grand Prize Award**, First Annual Vortex Art Competition, Hosted by Blue Man Group, Toronto
- 2005 **Juror's Merit Award**, 2005 Juried Exhibition, Thames Art Gallery, Chatham, Ontario
- 2004 **First Prize Award**, the 6th National Biennial Competition of Art and Paper, Ottawa
- 2004 **Honorable Mention**, the 6th Tehran Contemporary Painting Biennial, Society of Iranian Painters, Tehran, Iran
- 2003 **Dorothy Hoover Award** for excellence in originality and innovation, OCAD, Toronto
- 2003 Live demonstration of newly invented technique, "**Breakfast Television**", "**City TV**", Toronto

Solo Exhibitions:

- 2012 "Walls of Prejudice", McKay Art Centre, Unionville, Ontario.
- 2012 "Walls of Prejudice, part 2", Mohawk College community Centre, Hamilton, Ontario
- 2009 "The Charm of Beauty", McKay Art Centre, Unionville, Ontario.
- 2009 "Toronto's Multiculturalism", Markham Mayor's Office, Honorable Frank Scarpitti, Markham, Ontario
- 2007 "Diversity", Loop Gallery, Toronto
- 1997 "Memory", North York Art Gallery, Toronto
- 1996 "Treasure of My Past", Pleasant View Community Branch, Toronto
- 1994 "Joy", Barge Gallery, Tehran, Iran

Juried Exhibitions:

- 2018 "26th Annual Members' Exhibition", Station Gallery, Whitby, Ontario
- 2018 "11th Annual Open Juried Fine Art Show 2018", Beaux Art Gallery, Brampton, Ontario

2013 & 2017	"Annual Spring Juried Show", Papermill Gallery, Willowdale Group of Artists, Toronto
2017	"WGA Sunny Brook Hospital Art Show", fundraising for the 'Sunny Brook Hospital.
2017	"Drawing 2017", 18 th Annual Juried Drawing Exhibition, John B. Aird Gallery, Toronto
2017	"Love Transforms", Queen Gallery, Toronto, Ontario
2015-2016	"Experiencing Perspectives", Mercedes-Benz Financial Services (MBFS), Partnership with OCAD University, Mississauga, Ontario
2011	"50/50 2 nd Annual Juried Art Exhibition", Queen Gallery, Toronto, Ontario
2010	"Juried Show", Beaux-Arts Brampton Gallery, Brampton, Ontario
2009	"Drawing 2009", 10 th Annual Juried Drawing Exhibition, John B. Aird Gallery, Toronto
2008	"2008 Annual York Region Juried Exhibition", Varley Art Gallery, Unionville, Ontario
2008	"Aquavision 2008", Toronto Watercolour Society 24 th Juried Fall Exhibition, Toronto
2008	"Celebrating Tirgan", Tiragan Festival, Harbourfront Centre, Toronto
2008	"2008 Juried Show", McKay Art Centre, Unionville, Ontario
2007-08	"Annual Juried Exhibition", Latcham Gallery, Stouffville, Ontario
2007	"34 th Annual Juried Show", Art Gallery of Peel, Brampton, Ontario
2007	"Canadian Artists without Borders", Varley Art Gallery of Markham, Unionville, Ontario
2005 & 2007	"Aquavision", Toronto Watercolour Society's 22 nd Spring Juried Show, Thera Gallery, Toronto
2006	"Visual Arts Mississauga", 29th Annual Juried Show of Fine Arts, Art Gallery of Mississauga, Mississauga, Ontario
2006	"Legacy of the Circle: Thornhill Artists Today", McKay Art Centre, Unionville, Ontario
2006	"Vortex", Blue Man Group's Annual Vortex Art Competition, Panasonic Theater, Toronto
2005	"2005 Juried Exhibition", Thames Art Gallery, Chatham, Ontario
2005	"Transitive: Toronto Artists in St. Petersburg", Kabat Wrobel Gallery, Toronto
2005	"58 th Annual Art Show", Willowdale Group of Artists, Toronto
2002-05	Etobicoke Civic Centre Art Gallery, Toronto
2004	"Art & Paper VI", the 6th National Biennial Competition of Art and Paper, Galerie d'Art Jean-Claude Bergeron, Ottawa
2004	"The 6th Tehran Contemporary Painting Biennial", Contemporary Museum of Arts, Tehran, Iran
2003	"Roots", OCAD Gallery, Toronto
2003	"Go West", S.P.I.N Gallery, Toronto
2000-02	"Aquavision", Toronto Watercolor Society's Annual Fall Show, Toronto
2000	"Red Hot" Show, Toronto Watercolor Society, OCAD Gallery, Toronto
1999	38th Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition, Nathan Philips Square, Toronto

Non-Juried Group Exhibitions:

2018	"Annual Fall Show", Papermill Gallery, Willowdale Group of Artists, Toronto
2007-2018	Heintzman House Art Show, Thornhill, Ontario
2014 & 2017	"The 4 th Nowruz Festival Canada", Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts, Richmond Hill, Ontario
2017	"Remembering 1956", the Consulate General of Hungary in Toronto
2016	"Coming Together", Joseph D. Carrier Art Gallery, Toronto, Ontario
2016	"ICAA Community Open House Show", ICAA Community Center, Hamilton, Ontario
2013	"Wall", Arta Gallery, Toronto
2012	"Iranian Heritage Day", Royal Ontario Museum (ROM), Toronto
2010 & 2012	"Nowruz Group Show", Queen Gallery, Toronto, Ontario
2011-2008	"Varley Art Instructors Annual Exhibition", McKay Art Centre, Unionville, Ontario
2010	"Spider in The Gardens", 2010 Annual Spider Jones Fine Art Auction, Believe To Achieve Organization, Artworld of Sherway Gallery, Toronto
2009	"Unmask Your Passion for Art", Varley Art Gallery, Unionville, Ontario
2009	"Mayer's Art Showcase", Markham Civic Centre, Markham, Ontario

2007	"Iranian artists' Cultural Reunion", Six Weeks of Iranian Art Show, Headbones Gallery, Toronto
2007	"The Group Show", Sole Gallery, Toronto
2006	"Silence of Colours", Persian New Year Festival, "Under the Azure Dome", Marilyn Brewer Community Space, Harbourfront Centre, Toronto
2005	"10 th Annual Members' Fundraising Show", Aspace Gallery, Toronto
2004	Society of Canadian Artists Exhibition, Society of Canadian Artists, Heliconian Hall, Toronto
2003	"Autumn Art Show", Society of Canadian Artists, Hummingbird Center, Toronto
2003	88th Annual Student Exhibition, OCAD, Toronto
2002	"Thought Images", Gallery 401, Toronto
2002	"Art Exhibition for International Women's Day", Irena Art Gallery, Toronto
2000-1998	OCAD Open house Exhibition, Toronto

Charity and Donations:

2018-2019	Fundraising for Station Gallery, Whitby, Ontario.
2017-2018	"WGA Sunny Brook Hospital Art Show", fundraising for the 'Sunny Brook Hospital.
2014-16	Fundraising for Paradise Charity Group
2012 & 2016	Fundraising for Iranian Women's Organization of Ontario (I.W.O.O)
2012	Fundraising for the survivors of the earthquake in Azarbaijan, Iran, Pariya Centre, Toronto
2010	"Spider In The Gardens", 2010 Annual Spider Jones Fine Art Auction, Believe To Achieve Organization, Artworld of Sherway Gallery, Toronto
2009	"Unmask Your Passion for Art", Varley Art Gallery Fine Art Auction, Unionville, Ontario
2008	"If the Shoe Fits", the 10 th Annual Varley Gallery Fine Art Auction, Varley Gallery, Unionville
2003	"Salute to Spring", fundraising for "The Rotary Club of Willowdale", Willowdale Group of Artists, Toronto
2001 & 1999	"The Millennium Artists Art Exhibition", fundraising for the 'Sunny Brook Hospital', Wagner-Rosenbaum Gallery, Toronto

Collections:

2011	Royal Bank of Canada, Toronto
2004	National Bank of Canada, Ottawa
2003	Acknowledgment and collection of work by former Honorable Mayor of Toronto, Mr. David Miller. Private collections in Canada, Iran, Australia, Austria, Colombia & England

Professional Experience:

2013	Volunteer Art Instructor for Iranian Women's Organization of Ontario (I.W.O.O)
2012 to date	Art Article Contributor/Columnist to the 'Persian Tribune' Magazine
2007-2011	School Program Instructor Varley Art Gallery, Markham
2008	Volunteer Art Instructor for Iranian Seniors Centre
2000-01	Art Instructor at the Kaveh Educational Center, Toronto
1998 to date	Private Instruction- Adults and children, Toronto