



# Sahar Ghavami

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## EDUCATION

**2021-23** Master of Education (M.Ed), American University in Dubai, UAE

**2017-21** BFA, Studio Arts, American University in Dubai, UAE

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## EXPERIENCES

**Dec 2023- May 2024: Workshop Facilitator - De Creaxe Atelier & GC de Wildeman, Herent, Belgium**

- designed and implemented interactive learning experiences that foster creativity and engagement, through hands-on activities and dynamic instruction for the city's art and culture department.

**March 2024: Sugar-Coated, Solo show, Church of Veltem, Belgium**

- Successfully curated a challenging solo exhibition in a historic 600-year-old church, creatively navigating architectural constraints. Managed a dedicated children's area, fostering creativity and engagement. Overcame display challenges. Solely managed all aspects of programming, communication, and promotion, showcasing resilience and creative problem-solving abilities.

**March 2023: Guest Speaker at the Youth Speak Initiative, Louvre Abu Dhabi**

- Cultural exchange sessions between different schools or universities to exchange knowledge, to serve the art and to enhance the educational role of the museum for students and teachers/professors.

**Jan-April 2023: BFA-Visual Communication TA- American University in Dubai**

- TA at courses: Graphic design 1, Visualization in Advertising, Business Practices and Final Portfolios, Senior Project, Field Experience in Visual Communication.
- Outreach, Lesson Planning, Assessments & Grading, Lectures, Project Feedback

**Sep-Dec 2022: Learning Assistant -Jameel Arts Centre, Contemporary Museum, Dubai**

- Organizing the Creative Career's Day event for more than 2,000 students across UAE. Designing drop-in workshops for Down to Earth, the UAE's annual festival celebrating all things green. Involved in the broad range of educational initiatives at Jameel Arts Centre, including school tours and children's workshops. Outreach to youth and educational institutions, public workshops, and children's community festival programming.

**Nov 2022- Dec 2022: Workshop Facilitator -Jameel Arts Centre, Contemporary Museum, Dubai**

- Juniors' tour and workshop: Poets, inspired by Proposals for a Memorial to Partition exhibition.
- Once Upon a Dream Junior's tour and workshop inspired by An Ocean in Every Drop exhibition.
- Designing drop-in self-led workshop activities for Down to Earth, the UAE's annual festival celebrating all things green.

**Jan-April 2017: Internship-Swiss International Scientific School in Dubai**

- KG-Grade 5 Art Instructor

## AWARDS & PRIZES

2024	World Zodiac Competition, Musée du Carnaval et du Masque, Binche, Belgium
2022	Dubai Lynx, Student Advertising Contest, MENA - Shortlisted
2021	The Global Undergraduate Awards, Ireland - Highly commended winner
2021	Outstanding Visual Communication Student Award, AUD Gala Awards
2020	Marine Debris Design Competition, Azraq Marine Conservation Organization - 1st place winner
2020	RAC Fahrenheit 451, Poster Design, AUD - 1st place winner
2019	Dubai Lynx, Student Advertising Contest, MENA - Shortlisted
2018	Zayed, Leader and Human, University of Sharjah, UAE- 2nd place winner
2018	Universities Creative Art Festival, University of Ajman, UAE - 2nd place winner
2016	UOWD Art Attack, University of Wollongong, Dubai, UAE - 1st place winner
2016	8th Annual Uni-Care Wellbeing Days, University of Wollongong, Dubai, UAE - 1st place winner

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## EXHIBITIONS

2024	Kunstroute Leuven, Group show, De Melkrerij, Veltem, Belgium
2024	Longings, Solo show, LDC D'Ontmoeting, Herent, Belgium
2024	Sugar-Coated, Solo show, Church of Veltem, Belgium
2024	Happy Chinese New Year, Group show, Musée du Carnaval et du Masque, Binche, Belgium
2023	<i>kunst in Vervuurng, en toen was er licht</i> , De Creaxe, Herent, Belgium
2023	Qassemiyya Student Showcase, Sharjah, UAE
2023	<i>Ekta'23</i> , Group Exhibition, ToDa Theatre of Digital Art, Dubai, UAE
2022	<i>Brandvertising</i> , Campaign Magazine Middle East Cover Design, Group Exhibition, Rotunda Gallery, Dubai, UAE
2021	<i>Qodorat</i> , Aqdar World Summit, Group Exhibition, Expo 2020, Dubai, UAE
2021	<i>Beyond Translucency</i> , Group Exhibition, AUD, Dubai, UAE
2021	<i>Off-Guard</i> , Senior Show, Rotunda Gallery, Dubai, UAE
2021	<i>In-Flux: Once Upon a Dream</i> , Group Exhibition, Zimzy Gallery, Dubai, UAE
2020	<i>In-Flux: Once Upon a Dream</i> , Group Exhibition, Rotunda Gallery, Dubai, UAE
2019	<i>Wetex Dubai – Dewa Green Week</i> , Group Exhibition, World Trade Centre, Dubai, UAE
2018	<i>Zayed, Leader and Human</i> , Group Exhibition, University of Sharjah, Sharjah, UAE
2018	<i>Universities Creative Art Festival</i> , Group Exhibition, University of Ajman, Ajman, UAE
2018	<i>Innovation Week Art Show</i> , Group Exhibition, University of Sharjah, Sharjah, UAE
2018	<i>Dive</i> , Solo Exhibition, Rotunda Gallery, Dubai, UAE
2018	<i>Beyond</i> , Solo Exhibition, Rotunda Gallery, Dubai, UAE

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## SKILLS

Lesson and Course Planning, Curatorial Expertise, Interactive Engagement, Creative Problem-Solving, Project Management, Research, Adaptability, Resilience, Resourcefulness, Creativity

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## LANGUAGES

English: Native - Persian: Native - French: Intermediate - Korean: Intermediate - Arabic: Beginner

## CERTIFICATIONS

2024	Picturebook Creation, Domestika.
2024	From Autobiography to Illustrated Story, Domestika.
2023	Illustrating Children's Book, Make Art That Sells.
2023	Apple Teacher
2022	USW30x: Tangible Things: Discovering History Through Artworks, HarvardX.
2021	Art Management & Exhibition Design, The Ziegler Academy.

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## COLLECTIONS

- *Chinese Zodiac Year of the Dragon* - Musée du Carnaval et du Masque, Binche, Belgium
  - *Three Sheikhs Portraits* - Salma Children's Rehabilitation Hospital, Abu Dhabi, UAE
  - *Fahrenheit 45 Poster* - AUD Library, Dubai, UAE
  - *In-Flux: Once Upon a Dream Painting Series* - Zimzy Gallery, Dubai, UAE
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## AFFILIATIONS

2023	Creaxe Atelier, Herent, Belgium
2021	AUD Alumni Club, Dubai, UAE
2021	UA The Global Undergraduate Awards Alumni Club, Ireland
2020	Capsule Arts Dubai Catalogued Artist, Dubai, UAE
2017	She Says, Dubai Chapter Founding Member, Dubai, UAE