

IMAN ISSA

born 1979 Cairo

Lives and works in New York

Solo Exhibitions

2010 Subjective Projections, Bielefelder Kunstverein, Bielefeld

2008 Making Places, Townhouse Gallery of Contemporary Art, Cairo

2003 Proposal for a Crystal Building, Gezira Arts Center, Cairo

2002 Lights, Gezira Arts Center, Cairo

Group Exhibitions

2010 Rodeo Gallery, Istanbul

2010 A New Formalism, Bidoun Projects, Art Dubai, Dubai

2010 Adelaide International 2010, Samstag Museum of Art, Adelaide, curated by Victoria Lynn

2010 Why Not, Palace of Arts, Cairo, curated by Mohammed Talaat

2009 3rd Riwaq Biennale, curated by Nikki Columbus (screening)

2009 Totale Erinnerung, 3 Fotofestival Manneheim Ludwigshafen Heidelberg, curated by VVORK

2009 Cairoscapes, Museo Internazionale della Musica di Bologna, Bologna (screening)

2009 9th Sharjah Biennial, curated by Tarek Abou El Fetouh (screening)

2009 "She doesn't know it but she's dressed for the h-bomb", Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide, (screening)

2009 Trapped in Amber, UKS, Oslo, curated by Bassam El Baroni and Helga-Marie Nordby

2008 7th Gwangju Biennale

2008 "She doesn't know it but she's dressed for the h-bomb" Tate Modern, London, curated by Negar Azimi

2008 Cairoscapes, Kunstraum Kreuzberg/Bethanien, Berlin, curated by Marina Sorbello and Antje Weitzel

2008 Summer Screen, Spacex, Exeter

2008 Cairoscapes, Cultural Center of the City of Athens, Athens

2008 Still Cinema 5, Open Eye Gallery, Liverpool (screening)

2008 "She doesn't know it but she's dressed for the h-bomb", tank.tv

2008 Self Storage, The Hardware Store Gallery, San Francisco

2008 Look Around, Galleria Artericambi, Verona

2008 Heysa, Bidoun Artists' Cinema, Art Dubai

2007 Memorial to the Iraq War, ICA, London, curated by Mark Sladen

2007 Bidoun Artists' Cinema, Art Dubai

2007 MFA Exhibition, Columbia University, New York, curated by Daniel Bozhkov

2006 Conscious in Coma, Goethe Institut, Istanbul, curated by Clare Davies (screening)

2006 Philip, Project Art Center, Dublin, curated by Mai Abu ElDahab in collaboration with Heman Chong and Leif Magne Tangen

2006 First Year MFA Show, Columbia University, New York, curated by Jenny Moore

2005 PhotoCairo 3, CIC (Contemporary Image Collective), Cairo curated by Aleya Hamza, and Maha Maamoun

2004 Mediterraneo, MACRO (Museo d'Arte Contemporanea Roma), Rome
2003 Going Places: A Project for Public Buses, Cairo, curated by Mai Abu ElDahab
2003 Open Studio, Townhouse Gallery of Contemporary Art, Cairo
2003 Wasla Contemporary Art Workshop, South Sinai
2002 Dar El-Hiwar, Goethe Institute, Cairo
2001 The Opening, Falaki Gallery, Cairo

Residencies, Grants and Awards

2010 Young Arab Theatre Fund Production Grant
2010 AIR Antwerpen Residency, Antwerp
2009 The Arab Fund for Arts and Culture Grant
2006 Martin Birnbaum Fellowship Award

Education

2005 - 2007 MFA, Columbia University, New York
1996 - 2001 BFA, American University in Cairo

Catalogues and Publications

2010 Apart We Are Together, Adelaide International 2010, ed. Victoria Lynn, published by Adelaide Festival Corporation, Adelaide
2009 The Younger than Jesus Artist Directory, ed. Massimiliano Gioni, Laura Hoptman and Lauren Cornell, published by Phaidon Press and the New Museum, New York
2009 Cairo: Resilience publication, Refuge exhibition, 4th International Architecture Biennial Rotterdam, (Artist Contribution)
2009 Contemporary African Art since 1980, ed. Okwui Enwezor and Chika Okeke-Agulu, published by Damiani
2009 Cairoscope: Images, Imagination and Imaginary of a Contemporary Mega City, ed. Marina Sorbello and Antje Weitzel, published by argobooks, Berlin
2009 The Past of the Coming Days, 9th Sharjah Biennial, published by Sharjah Biennial, UAE
2009 Trapped in Amber: Angst for a Reenacted Decade, ed. Bassam El Baroni and Helga-Marie Nordby, published by Unge Kunstneres Samfund, Oslo
2007 Bidoun magazine, Fall Issue (Artist Project)
2008 Annual Report, The 7th Gwangju Biennale, published by Gwangju Biennale Foundation
2003 Wasla Contemporary Art Workshop, ed. Mai Abu El Dahab, Cairo
2002 Dar-el-Hiwar, published by Goethe Institute, Cairo

Bibliography

2010 Margaret Gray, Can Altay – Iman Issa, this is tomorrow, June Issue
2010 Jim Quilty, Lets try having an argument. About art, Daily Star, Saturday 27 March Issue
2008 Clare Davies, "Critics' Picks: Iman Issa", Artforum.com, January Issue

2008 Mariam Hamdy, "Scenes from the City", Daily News, 11 January Issue
2007 Laura Allsop, "Memorial to the Iraq War", Art Review, September Issue
2007 Christine Lindey, "Iraq War: A Vital Theme", Morning Star, June Issue
2006 Negar Azimi, "Iman Issa: Make of it What You Want", Bidoun, Spring/Summer Issue
2005 Mai Abu El Dahab, "Iman Issa", Metropolis M, 2005 June/July/Nr3
2003 Sara Rifky, "Crystal Proposal", Cairo Times, 2-8 October Issue
2003 Dina Ramadan, "Remote connection: Wasla contemporary Art Workshop", Nka: Journal of Contemporary African Art, Spring/Summer Issue
2003 Mai Abu El Dahab, "Going Places", Bidoun, Spring 2004, Issue 00
2002 Dina Ramadan, "Abnormal Normality", Cairo Times, 19-25 December Issue
2002 Hassan Khan, "Bright Lights", Cairo Times, 2-8 May Issue