



Yared Olivelli

VISUAL ARTIST | LECTURER

Profile

Yared Olivelli is an Ethiopian visual artist and lecturer in Graphic Art based in Addis Ababa. His artistic practice explores the emotional and psychological aspects of belonging. He creates paintings with fluid compositions that blend abstraction and suggestion, allowing figures, landscapes, and memories to come together to form intimate, shifting environments.

He is deeply interested in the capacity of images to convey profound feeling without the need for explanation. His creative process is remarkably intuitive and fluid; rather than following rigid rules, it simply flows. This allows elements to naturally take shape, dissolve, and then reappear in his work.

Yared's work has been exhibited in solo and group exhibitions in Ethiopia and has reached international audiences through exhibitions and private collections. His recent solo exhibition, *Way In // Way Out*, reflects his ongoing exploration of home as an internal and emotional landscape rather than a fixed physical place.

As both an artist and educator, Yared is committed to fostering dialogue through contemporary art while mentoring the next generation of Ethiopian artists.

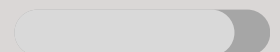
Education

**ADDIS ABABA UNIVERSITY ALLE
SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS AND DESIGN
2007-2010**

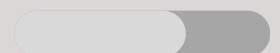
- Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in Graphic Art

Skills

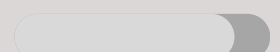
Painting



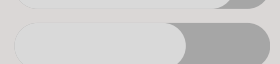
Print Making



Mixed Media



Installation



Solo Exhibition

- 2026** **Way In // Way Out**, Italian cultural institute Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Solo
- 2024** **So Close,yet So Far**, Italian cultural institute Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Solo
- 2016** **'Dukak'**, Galani, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Solo

Group Exhibition

- 2026** **Teseser**, Addis cinema complex Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Group
- 2025** **Art of Ethiopia**, Sheraton Addis hotel Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Group
- 2025** **Threads of origin**, Sheraton Pentagon city, USA, Group
- 2023** ET metro gallery Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Group
- 2023** **Imagin Rotary**, Alliance Ethio-Francaise Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Group
- 2023** **ALLE Legends**, Addis fine art gallery Addis Ababa, Ethiopia Group
- 2022** **Ethio-Moroco**, St George gallery Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Group
- 2019** **Art of Ethiopia**, Sheraton Addis hotel Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Group
- 2017** **Art of Ethiopia**, Sheraton Addis hotel Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Group
- 2016** **Art of Ethiopia**, Sheraton Addis hotel Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Group
- 2015** **Art of Ethiopia**, Sheraton Addis hotel Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Group
- 2013** **Art of Ethiopia**, Sheraton Addis hotel Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Group
- 2012** **Art of Ethiopia**, Sheraton Addis hotel Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Group
- 2009** US Embassy Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Group
- 2008** **Listro Project**, Berlin, Germany, Group

Work Experience

2010-PRESENT **LECTURER IN GRAPHIC ARTS**
ADDIS ABABA UNIVERSITY ALLE SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS AND DESIGN

- Teaching Graphic Art and studio-based courses.
- Supervising undergraduate student projects.
- Mentoring emerging artists.
- Participating in exhibitions, academic projects, and public engagement activities.

collections

Works held in private collections in Ethiopia and internationally.

GRANTS & INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT

- 2026** Supported by the Italian Cultural Institute, Addis Ababa, in connection with an international artist residency application.

ARTIST TALKS & WORKSHOPS

- Artist talks accompanying exhibitions.
- Workshops and mentoring for students and emerging artists.

PUBLICATIONS & MEDIA

- Exhibition features and interviews.
- Arts and cultural media coverage. Artistic Practice.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Memory, Identity, Belonging, Home, Cultural Narratives, Contemporary Ethiopian Art.

Language

- Amharic — basic
- English — Professional Working Proficiency

RESEARCH

- Participating in exhibitions, academic projects, and public engagement activities.

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