

There Is Fiction In The Space Between ¹
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The Third Line is pleased to present *There Is Fiction In The Space Between*, a group exhibition celebrating the gallery's fifteenth anniversary.



Youssef Nabil, Alicia Keys, New York, 2010



Farah Al Qasimi, Curtain Shop, 2019

This exhibition draws on the breadth of The Third Line's program by presenting eleven pairings of artworks by twenty-two different artists. Each of these pairings tells stories of aesthetics, ideologies, irony, fables and humor, and while they may or may not have initially been intended to be shown together, their coupling creates a space between them powered only by suggestion and enables a quest into re-defining and re-shaping the facts presented before their viewer.

There is a sense of duality when looking at the selection of works, which can be interpreted in a variety of ways. Whether it is seen as visual parallels or complementary concepts, the viewer is invited to bring their own fictitious narrative in connecting the duos.

The role fiction plays in our conscious lives is not of empirical nature. It is not fact. But it does bear truth. It is the re-imagination or completion of facts one might see as incomplete. The imagination exists and curls between two facts and makes for infinite possibilities.

Participating Artists:

Abbas Akhavan, Ala Ebtekar, Amir H. Fallah, Farah Al Qasimi, Farhad Moshiri, Fouad Elkoury, Hayv Kahraman, Huda Lutfi, Joana Hadjithomas and Khalil Joreige, Jordan Nassar, Laleh Khorramian, Monir Shahroudy Farmanfarmaian, Nima Nabavi, Poursan Jinchi, Rana Begum, Sahand Hesamiyan, Sara Naim, Slavs and Tatars, Sophia Al Maria, Tarek Al Ghousein, Youssef Nabil and Zineb Sedira.

About The Third Line

¹ Exhibition title taken from the song lyrics 'Telling Stories' by Tracy Chapman

The Third Line is a Dubai-based art gallery that represents contemporary artists locally, regionally and internationally. The Third Line also hosts non-profit, alternative programs to increase interest and dialogue in the region.

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