

TADESSE MESFIN

Born in Wollo Province, Ethiopia in 1953.
Currently lives and works in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

EDUCATION

1972 BFA, Alle School of Fine Art, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
1984 MFA, Leningrad Academy of Painting, Architecture, and Sculpture, St. Petersburg, Russia
1984-2019 Professorship at Alle School of Fine Art, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2024 *Where We Coalesce*, Addis Fine Art, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Where We Coalesce, Vigo Gallery, London, UK
2022 *Column of Rhythm*, Addis Fine Art, London, UK
2020 *Pillars of Life*, Addis Fine Art Project Space, London, UK
2018 *Pillars of Life: The Power and Grace of Market Life*, Addis Fine Art, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
2014 *In Search of Rhythm*, Alliance Ethio-Française, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

SELECTED GROUP SHOWS

2024 *Connected Threads: Contemporary Art from the Horn of Africa and Diaspora*, Addis Fine Art, New York, USA
2023 *Coalescent Lights*, 1-54 Presents in Collaboration with Christie's, Hong Kong
2022 *Eye of the Collector*, with Addis Fine Art, London, UK
2021 *From Modern to Contemporary: Artists from the Horn of Africa and Diaspora*, with CFHILL, Stockholm, Sweden
2021 Art Dubai, with Addis Fine Art, Dubai, UAE
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1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair, with Addis Fine Art, London, UK
2018 Art X Lagos, with Addis Fine Art, Lagos, Nigeria
FNB Joburg Art Fair, with Addis Fine Art, Johannesburg, SA
2013 *Art of Ethiopia*, Sheraton Hotel Addis, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
2010 *Art of Ethiopia*, Sheraton Hotel Addis, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
2007 *Continuity and Change: Three Generations of Ethiopian Artists*, Samuel P. Harn Museum of Art, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, USA
2007 *Four Points: African Contemporary*, Pounder-Koné Art Space, Atwater Village, California, USA
1977 Second World Black and African Festival of Art and Culture (FESTAC 77), Lagos, Nigeria

FELLOWSHIPS, RESIDENCES, AND AWARDS

1998 Mid-American Arts (MAA) Allianceship Fellowship
1999 Ethiopian Fine Arts & Mass Media Prize for Painting