

# Missak Terzian

Beirut Art Fair 2017

*Linear Momentum*



Rapture - 2017 - Acrylic on Canvas - 100 x 80 cm



Lebanese-American, b.1949 in Beirut to Armenian Genocide survivors. Semi-abstract expressionist contemporary painter, Missak Terzian studied at Ecole d'Art Guvder in 1968 and graduated from London College of Printing in 1971.

He held his first major art exhibition in 1984. Since then, the artist has participated in 129 exhibitions worldwide. He was originally represented by Galerie Epreuve d'Artiste in Beirut.

His paintings are part of many collections in Europe, United States, the Middle East, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Armenia, the United Arab Emirates, Canada and the Republic of China; namely the Saudi Royal family and prominent Lebanese political personalities. His works are on permanent display throughout Lebanon, at the bank Audi head office, the Armenian Catholicosate of Cilicia museum, Haigazian university, the Sursock museum, the museum of Bzommar and the Bank of Sharjah head office.

With an innate and primal impulse to create, Missak Terzian is in timeless search for existentialism and is eager to record time and occurrences. "For me, painting is a visual testament of the mind, body and spirit. Distortion and exaggeration triggers a continuous search into an unknown abstraction and figurative semi-abstraction" Missak Explains.

#### **Artist's Statement**

When you look at a painting - see the light, shapes, colors and the textures.

Be aware of the silent presence of each element.

Be aware of the space that allows everything to be.

Listen to the silence underneath the sounds.

Observe the rhythm of your breathing;

Feel the life energy inside your body.

You will move deeply into the Now.

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Equinox - 2017 - Acrylic on Canvas - 130 x 170 cm



Baatara Sinkhole "Tannourine" - 2017 - Acrylic on Canvas - 92 x 72 cm



Untitled - 2017 - Acrylic on Canvas - 120 x 160 cm



Upswing - 2017 - Acrylic on Canvas - 100 x 130 cm



Aurora Borealis - 2017 - 100 x 80 cm



Mediative Memories - 2017 - 100 x 80 cm



Hikari - 2017 - Acrylic on Canvas - 120 x 180 cm