**ABBAS MEHRAN**

**BIOGRAPHY**

1946 Born in Iran.

1979 Moved to Buenos Aires, Argentina.

1984 Moved to Miami, the United States.

1993 Migrated to Adelaide, Australia.

**EDUCATION**

1999 Graduated, Bachelor of Visual Arts (Honours), University of South Australia.

1. Undertook studies in art, Florida International University.

1988 Certified Internal Auditor, Institute of Internal Auditors, the USA.

1. Graduated, Bachelor of Business Management, University of Tehran.

**RESEARCH**

2003 Research on Coffee-house painting style in Iran.

**TEACHING**

2002-2010 Gust Lecturer, UNI SA.

**RESIDENCY**

2008 Three months residency in Dunhuang , China., cave painting project.

2007 NEXUS Multicultural Art Centre, Adelaide. Mural painting project.

**SELECTED ART PRIZES AND AWARDS**

2009 Finalist, Celeste Prize, Berlin

2008 Finalist, Doug Moran Portrait Prize; Finalist Black Swan Portrait Prize.

2007 Multicultural Art Prize, NEXUS Multicultural Arts Centre, Adelaide.

2006 Established Artist Project Grant, Arts SA.

2004 Finalist, McLaren Vale Art Prize, The Fleurieu Art Foundation, SA.

2003 First Prize (Painting), The Waterhouse Natural History Art Prize.

2003 Joint Winner, SoHo International Art Competition, New York, USA.

2003 Project Grant to research Coffee-house painting style in Iran, Arts SA, SA.

2002 Finalist, The Fleurieu Art Prize; Project grant, Arts SA.

2000 Project Grant, Helpmann Academy, South Australia.

2000 Project Grant, Arts SA, South Australia.

1999 First Prize, The National AQ Printworks Art Prize.

1998 Membership Award, The Golden Key National Honour Society.

**SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2010 *Moving on,* Gallery139, Aelaide.

2009 *Post Dream Secrets,* Arya Gallery, Tehran, Tran

2009 *Longing Belonging*, Niavaran Artistic Creation Foundation, Tehran

2007 *Selected Paintings*, Shanghai Art Fair, China.

2007 *Synthesis*, Dickerson Gallery, Melbourne.

2007 *Look At Me,* NEXUS Multicultural Art Gallery.

2006 *Selected work*, South Australian Museum, Adelaide.

2005 *New Paintings*, Adele Boag Gallery, Adelaide.

2004 *Chapter One,* Andrew Baker Art Dealer, Brisbane.

2003 *Glimpse.* Bay Discovery Centre, Glenelg, South Australia.

2002 *Open Studio,* SALA Festival, Adelaide.

2001 *Searching into the Past*, Andrew Baker Art Dealer, Brisbane.

*Once Upon a Time*, NEXUS Gallery, Adelaide.

2000 *Searching into the Past*, BMGART, North Adelaide.

1995 *Paintings*, Gallery Shopping Centre, Adelaide.

1994 *Paintings*, Artzone Gallery, Adelaide, South Australia.

**SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2009 *Animamix Biennial-Visual Attract and Attack,* Museum of Contemporary Art, Taipei, Taiwan.

2008 *Portrait* Paintings, Moran Portrait Prize touring exhibition

2008 Portrait painting, Black Swan Art Prize, Perth Town Hall, West Australia.

2007 *Painting,* NEXUS Gallery, SA.

2006 *New* *Painting,* Adele Boag Gallery, Unley, SA.

2005 *Unloading*, Barr Smith Library, University Of Adelaide.

2004 *AcLaren Vale Art Prize,* The Fleurieu Art Foundation,

2003 *Touring Exhibition* ,The Fleurieu Biennale, SA.

2003 *The Waterhouse Natural History Art Prize,* South Australian Museum.

2002 *Touring Exhibition,* Main Street Gallery, Adelaide.

2002 *SALA Festival,* Main Street Gallery, Hahndorf, SA

2002 *SALA Festival*, Gallery M, Marion, SA.

2001 *Alice Prize*, Alice Spring Art Foundation, Alice Spring, NT.

2000 *Members Exhibition,* NEXUS Gallery, Adelaide.