

Dr Veeda Ahmed - Full CV 2026

Talks

- 2013 Lecture *Drawing on Tradition: Miniature painting, its relevance and recovery for use in contemporary art practice today* at the Prince's School of Traditional Art's, London
- 2014 Talk at the book launch in which my work was featured 'Art and Resilience' at the Alhambra Art Council, Lahore
- 2019 During *Women's week* gave a talk at the Qatar Library, *Drawing on Tradition* her PhD and artist practice

Education

- 2013 PhD Prince's School of Traditional Arts, London (UK)- "*Drawing on tradition: The recognition and relevance of the elements of Persian, Mughal and Pahari drawing and painting in contemporary art practice.*"
- 1976-77 Ruskin School of Drawing and Fine Art, University of Oxford (UK)
- 1974 Master of Fine Arts (MFA), Department of Fine Arts, University of Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan
- 1972 Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree (BFA) Department of Fine Arts, University of Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan

Exhibitions

- 2025-2026 *Canticle of the Birds*, The Aga Khan Centre Gallery, London
- 2025 *The Joy of Chelsea*, Chelsea Art Society members show at 340 Kings Road Gallery.
- 2025 Demonstration at the Kings Foundation's 35-year celebration, at the Garrison Chapel, Chelsea, London
- 2024
the Exhibited with the King's Foundation School of Traditional Arts, at Start Fair, The Town Hall by Bottaccio, London
- 2024 *Light, Colour and the Cosmology of Pigments*, Kings Foundation, The Garrison Chapel, London

2023-2024	<i>The Quran, Form, Fragrance and Feeling</i> , The Aga Khan Centre
2023	<i>Seeds, Trees & Mountains</i> , The Aga Khan Centre Gallery, London Gallery, London
2023	<i>Humanism: Flowering of Being</i> : Asia House Gallery, Asia House,
2022	<i>Chelsea in Colour</i> , Chelsea Art Society Members exhibition, London
2021	<i>Chelsea, Naturally</i> , An exhibition of the members of Chelsea Art Society, London
2021	<i>The Petri dish project</i> exhibition, Tebbs gallery, London.
2021	<i>Love thy neighbour</i> , Manchester Triennial, exhibition at the Poetry Library Manchester. (This exhibition will be travelling with the Asia Triennial)
2021	<i>Making Paradise</i> exhibition at The Aga Khan Centre gallery, London.
2020	ING Discerning Eye exhibition 2020
2019	<i>Ebb and Flow: A Chelsea Perspective</i> , an exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society Members, London
2019	<i>Carpet Pages Roots II</i> , Group show The Art Pavilion, London
2019	Solo exhibition at <i>AlBahie</i> , Doha, Qatar
2019	Three paintings on permanent display at Dumfries House, UK
2019	Solo exhibition <i>In the Absence of Shadows</i> , Minaretein Gallery, Doha, Qatar
2019	72 nd Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
2018	Group show <i>Living Tradition</i> , VM Art Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
2018	Group show <i>Contemporary Arts Through Living Traditions</i> at The Prince's School of Traditional Art's, London.
2017	The 9 th National Exhibition of the National Council of the Arts, National Gallery, Pakistan

2017	Solo Exhibition <i>Echoes of Contemplation</i> , the Prince's School of Traditional Art's, London.
2017	66th Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
2016	65th Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
2015	64th Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
2014	63 rd Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
2013	PhD and master's degree Show at the Prince's Foundation School of Traditional Art's, London.
2010	Exhibited my miniature paintings at the National Gallery alongside the Exhibition <i>The Indian Portrait 1560-1860</i> ," London
2008	61st Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
2007	60 th Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
2005-07	International Travelling Exhibition: " <i>Building a Tradition: The Work of the Prince's School of Traditional Arts</i> ," The National Building Museum, Washington, DC, (2005-2006), King Abdul Aziz Historic Centre, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (2006), Sultan Taj Palace, Cairo (2006-2007)
2004	Interim Show and exhibition of the Visual Islamic and Traditional Arts, at the Shakespeare Globe Theatre, London
2003	Interim Show at the School of Visual Islamic and Traditional Arts, at the Prince's Foundation, London
2002	Group Exhibition at the Kufa Gallery, and the Best of British Islam, Arrum Gallery, (2002-3)
2001	55 th Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
2000	54 th Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London Open Studio, No.2 Cooper House, London

2000	Solo Exhibition <i>Museum Series</i> at the ‘Chawkandi’ Art Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
	53 rd Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
1999	52 nd Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
1998	51 st Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
1997	7 th National Exhibition of Pakistan Visual Arts, Islamabad, Pakistan
1996	49 th Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
	Group Exhibition at the Silverthorne Studios, London
1995	48 th Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
1994	95 th Annual Exhibition of the Pastel Society, Mall Galleries, London
	Solo Exhibition of paintings at The Barbican, London
	Exhibition of Three Pakistani Women Artists, Queen Elizabeth House, Oxford
1993	46 th Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
1992	45 th Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
1991	44 th Annual Exhibition of the Chelsea Art Society, London
1989	Pakistani Women Artists Exhibition at the National Council of Arts, Islamabad, Pakistan
1988	Group Show at the ‘Chawkandi’ Art Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan
1987	Group Show at The Art Gallery, Sheraton Hotel, Karachi, Pakistan
1986	“Art Festival” group exhibition of six artists at the Art Council, Karachi, Pakistan
1985	5 th National Art Exhibition, National Council of Arts, Lahore, Pakistan
1984	Group Show at the American Art Centre Art Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan

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| 1983 | Group Show at the American Art Centre Art Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan |
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Achievements and awards

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| 2002 | Muslim Achievement Award in Art and Culture, House of Lords, London, |
| 1983 | First Prize (Painting) Artists of Sind Competition, the Arts Council, Karachi, Pakistan |
| 1974 | Gold Medal for achieving the First Position in MFA, University of Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan |
| 1972 | Merit Scholarship (BFA) University of Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan |
| 1971 | First Position in Fine Arts (Life Drawing) competition at the Annual Gathering of All Pakistan Talented Students, Lahore, Pakistan. |