## PEZHMAN

## Biography

1976 Born in Shiraz, Iran

1996 Studied at Georgia Perimeter College

1997 Studied at the Atlanta College of Art

Pezhman was born in 1976 in Shiraz – the center of Iran's cultural civilization. Emigrating three years later as the result of revolution, Pezhman grew up in the United States.

Adventurous since childhood, Pezhman is an avid explorer; he thrives outdoors, trekking, kayaking, mountain biking and fishing. Beginning as a photographer, he captured destination landscapes on film; inspired by the contrast between natural and urban environments. As his work evolved into mixed media he has channeled his photography talents to explore the surfaces and textures of his own creation.

Pezhman cites his own drive for exploration, and his first photography road trip at 17 as the primary influences for picking up a camera in the first place. Passion set in as he immersed himself in the world of photography: converting his bathroom to a dark room, enrolling in photography programs, and landing an assistantship with a prominent studio. As his career progressed so did photography. Digital photography emerged and quickly moved in on traditional techniques. This sparked in Pezhman a creative stall, unsatisfied with the instant gratification nature of this new method. Craving the involvement he once had developing his imagery, Pezhman pushed forward into mixed media; slowly at first, with only oil paints, but adding more diverse media as his creative passion was ignited once again.

As a mixed media artist Pezhman explores the surfaces of his works, developing textures and colors to convey vivid sensations of actual experiences. His process involves photography, oil, acrylic, textiles, resin, encaustic, tar, and any other materials he finds to create dynamic texture. With several sources of inspiration for his collections, Pezhman's

method is born from a spirit of exploration to preserve timeless moments discovered along a journey. Pezhman continues his explorations of mixed media in Atlanta, Georgia. His work is collected and displayed across the United States.

## **Exhibitions**

2020 Art Palm Springs, Palm Springs, CA, USA

LA Art Show, Los Angeles, CA, USA

Palm Beach Modern + Contemporary, Palm Beach, FL, USA

2019 CONTEXT Art Miami, Miami, FL, USA

Affordable Art Fair, New York, NY, USA

Seattle Art Fair, Seattle, WA, USA

Art New York, New York, NY, USA

LA Art Show, Los Angeles, CA, USA

Lumas Galeries, Berlin, Germany

Palm Beach Modern + Contemporary, Palm Beach, FL, USA

Studio E, Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA

2018 Art Boca Raton, Boca Raton, FL, USA

Art Market + Design, BridgeHampton, NY, USA

Art Miami CONTEXT, Miami, FL, USA

Art New York, New York, NY, USA

Lumas Galeries, Berlin, Germany

Palm Beach Modern + Contemporary, Palm Beach, FL, USA

Studio E, Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA

Texas Contemporary, Houston, TX, USA

2017 Art Miami CONTEXT, Miami, FL, USA

Art New York, New York, NY, USA

CONTEXT New York, Manhattan, New York, USA

Palm Beach Modern + Contemporary, Palm Beach, FL, USA

Renaissance Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD, USA

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Studio E, Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA

2016 Art Miami CONTEXT, Miami, FL, USA

Art New York, New York, NY, USA

Art Studio 101, Phoenix, AZ, USA

CUBE Brussels, Belgium

Denison Gallery, Toronto, Canada

Renaissance Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD, USA

Renjeau Galleries, Natick, MA, USA

Royal Street Fine Art, Aspen, CO, USA

2015 Art Hamptons, BridgeHampton, NY, USA

Art Palm Beach, Palm Beach, FL, USA

Art Miami CONTEXT, Miami, FL, USA

Art Silicon Valley, Silicon Valley, CA, USA

Art Studio 101, Phoenix, AZ, USA

Denison Gallery, Toronto, Canada

LA Art Show, Los Angeles, CA, USA

Renaissance Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD, USA

Renjeau Galleries, Natick, MA, USA

Royal Street Fine Art, Aspen, CO, USA

2014 Art Baltimore, Baltimore, MD, USA

Art Hamptons, BridgeHampton, NY, USA

Art Studio 101, Phoenix, AZ, USA

Denison Gallery, Toronto, Canada

Houston Fine Art Fair, Houston, TX, USA

Renaissance Fine Arts, Baltimore, MD, USA

Renjeau Galleries, Natick, MA, USA

Royal Street Fine Art, Aspen, CO, US