



MAHMUT ÖZTEKİN

PAINTER

ABOUT THE ARTIST

Mahmut Öztekin was born in Batman in 2002. He graduated from the Painting Department of the Faculty of Fine Arts at Mardin Artuklu University in 2024. He lives and works in Istanbul.

His paintings deal with the body, belonging and identity. He treats the human body not as a fixed sign of identity but as a field where change and re-formation take place; coverings, fabrics and above all the puşı appear in his work as layers that carry identity, geography and memory. He has taken part in group exhibitions in Istanbul, Mardin and Diyarbakır, and in the Together at the Threshold programme at Nesin Art Village (2024) and the Your True Measure residency in Bursa (2026).

EXHIBITIONS

- 2026** Offgridart — Offgrid Art Shop opening exhibition, Istanbul
- 2026** Görüngüler (Phenomena) — Independent group show held alongside the 7th Mardin Biennial, Artuklu, Mardin
- 2025** CI BLOOM 2025 — Koli Art Space, Lütfi Kırdar, Istanbul
- 2024** What Does Art Do? — BASE, Istanbul
- 2024** On The Wall Summer'24 — The Wall Art Gallery, Istanbul
- 2024** Appendix to Visible Cities: Ask the Dust — Independent group show held alongside the 6th Mardin Biennial, Mardin
- 2023** Route: The City in the Footsteps of Art — Rıdvan Kutay Gallery, Diyarbakır
- 2023** On The Wall Summer — The Wall Art Gallery, Istanbul
- 2023** Anthropocene — Üçgen Art Collective, online
- 2023** Bazaart Project — Bazaart, Istanbul
- 2022** Organ Donation Poster Exhibition — Mardin Provincial Health Directorate
- 2021** Drawing from a Distance — Mardin Artuklu University

All exhibitions are group shows.

RESIDENCIES

- 2026** Your True Measure — Bursa
- 2024** Together at the Threshold: Artists and Curators Meeting II — Nesin Art Village, Şirince, İzmir

OTHER

- 2022** 5th Mardin Biennial — Artist assistant

WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

- 2025** Thinking of a Place — Among the Ruins — Istanbul
- 2024** Flowing Body (3rd Edition) — Mardin
- 2024** Multiple Timelessnesses and Practices of Shared Life — States of the Earth — Istanbul
- 2024** Open-Ended Gatherings for a Liveable World — Theatre and Performance Workshop — Mardin

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BORN

2002, Batman

LIVES IN

Istanbul

EDUCATION

Mardin Artuklu University
Faculty of Fine Arts, Painting
Department (BA)
2020 – 2024

MEDIA

Oil on canvas
Oil on paper
Monotype and glass print