

# NOHRA HAIME GALLERY

## NESSIM BASSAN

Born in Panama, in 1950  
Lives and works in Panama

## EDUCATION

- 1970 Master of Fine Arts, Colgate University
- 1969 Art Students League, New York
- 1968 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Peddie School, New Jersey
- 1963 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Isabel Almolda Academy, Panama

## AWARDS

- 1992 Second Prize, Panama Biennial of Paintings, Panama, Panama
- 1971 Second Prize, Xerox Art Contest, Panama, Panama (Jury member, Lester Cooke, former Curator from the National Gallery, Washington, DC)
- 1971 First Prize, Xerox Art Contest, Panama, Panama (Jury member, Thomas Messer, former Curator of the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum in New York)
- 1970 Second Prize, Xerox Art Contest, Panama, Panama (Jury member was renown art critic José Gómez Sicre)
- 1969 Honorary Mention, Xerox Art Contest, Panama, Panama

## ONE PERSON EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *Los mundos Inimaginables de lo perfecto - Nessim Bassan: 50 años* (The Unimaginable Worlds of Perfection, Nessim Bassan: 50 Years), Museo de Arte Moderno Carlos Mérida, Ciudad de Guatemala, Guatemala
- Los mundos Inimaginables de lo perfecto - Nessim Bassan: 50 años* (The Unimaginable Worlds of Perfection, Nessim Bassan: 50 Years), Museo de Arte de el Salvador, Ciudad de San Salvador, El Salvador
- Los mundos Inimaginables de lo perfecto - Nessim Bassan: 50 años* (The Unimaginable Worlds of Perfection, Nessim Bassan: 50 Years), Museo para la Identidad Nacional, Tegucigalpa, Honduras
- 2022 *Los mundos Inimaginables de lo perfecto - Nessim Bassan: 50 años* (The Unimaginable Worlds of Perfection, Nessim Bassan: 50 Years), Museo de Arte Contemporáneo, Panama, Panama
- Nessim Bassan*, Yaco Art Gallery, Panama, Panama
- 2015 Shevet Ahim Sinagoga de Panama, Bassan was commissioned by the synagogue to paint the ceiling and design the stain-glass windows.
- 1973 *Nessim Bassan*, Art Museum of the Americas, Organization of American States, Washington DC
- 1971 *Nessim Bassan*, Museo de Arte Contemporáneo, Panama, Panama
- 1968 *Nessim Bassan*, Peddie School, New Jersey

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2021 *Collective Exhibition*, Marión Gallery, Panama, Panama
- 2012 *La abstracción en el arte panameño* (Abstraction in Art of Panama), Museo de Arte Contemporáneo, Panama, Panama
- 1994 *Bienal de Arte Pictórico* (Panama Biennial of Paintings), Museo de Arte Contemporáneo, Panama, Panama
- 1992 *Bienal de Arte Pictórico* (Panama Biennial of Paintings), Panama, Panama
- 1985 *Décadas* (Decades), Museo de Arte Contemporáneo, Panama, Panama
- 1981 XVI Sao Paulo Biennial, Sao Paulo, Brazil
- 1972 *Bienal de Arte Coltejer*, Medellin, Colombia

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- 1972 *Nessim Bassan*, University of Panama, Panama  
1970 *Student Show*, Colgate University, Panama, Panama  
1969 *Student Show*, Colgate University, Hamilton, New York

## PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

National Bank of Panama  
Caja de Ahorros, Panama  
Museo para la Identidad Nacional, Honduras  
Museo de Arte de El Salvador  
Museo de Arte Contemporáneo, Panama  
Art Museum of the Americas, Organization of American States, Washington DC

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