

# Ali Cherri

## Biography

Born in 1976 in Beirut, Lebanon  
Lives and works in Paris, France

### Solo Exhibitions

2026

Almine Rech, New York, US (upcoming)

2025

'How I Am Monument' Baltic Centre for Contemporary Art, Gateshead, UK

'Les Veilleurs', [mac] Musée d'art contemporain de la Ville de Marseille, France

2024

'Alberto Giacometti / Ali Cherri : ENVISAGEMENT', Giacometti Foundation, Paris, France

'Le Songe d'une nuit sans rêve', Frac Bretagne, Rennes, France

'Triumph of the Limp', Musée National Eugène Delacroix, Paris, France

'How I Am Monument', Secession, Vienna, Austria

2023

'Dreamless Night', GAMeC, Bergamo, Italy

'Humble and quiet and soothing as mud', Swiss Institute, New York, US

'Ceux qui nous regardent', CAC La Traverse, Alfortville, France

2022

'If you prick us do we not bleed?' The Herbert Art Gallery, Coventry, UK

'If you prick us do we not bleed?' The National Gallery, London, UK

2021

'Somniculus', Uppsala Art Museum, Uppsala, Sweden

'Return of the Beast', Imane Farès, Paris, France

2020

'The Gatekeepers', Musée des Beaux Arts - Manifesta, Marseille, France

2019

'The Breathless Forest', La Vitrine, Beirut, Lebanon

Solo Show, FIAC 2019, Paris, France

2018

'Tales from the Riverbed', Clark House, Mumbai, India

2017

'Dénaturé', Galerie Imane Farès, Paris, France

'Somniculus', Jeu de Paume, Paris, France

'Somniculus', CAPC musée d'art contemporain de Bordeaux, Bordeaux, France

'From Fragment to Whole', Jönköping County Museum, Sweden

2016

'A Taxonomy of Fallacies', Musée Surssock, Beirut, Lebanon

2014

'Bird's Eye View', CAP Kuwait Art Center, Kuwait

'On Things that Move', Galerie Imane Farès, Paris, France

2012

'Bad Bad images', Galerie Imane Farès, Paris, France

2011

'A fleur de peau', Galerie Regard Sud, Lyon, France

#### **Group Exhibitions / Screenings** (*selection*)

2025

'CACTUS', Nouveau Musée National de Monaco, Villa Sauber, Monaco (upcoming)

'Corps et Âmes', Bourse de Commerce Pinault, Paris, France

'Apocalypse. Hier et Demain', BnF François-Mitterrand, Paris, France

'Once Within a Time -12th Site Santa Fe International Biennial', New Mexico Museum of Art, Santa Fe, NM, US

'VIVRE', Memento - Espace départemental d'Art Contemporain, Auch, France

2024

'Seeing Is Believing: The Art and Influence of Gérôme', Mathaf: Arab Museum of Modern Art, Doha, Qatar

Festival d'Automne, Paris, France

Festival international du film de La Roche-sur-Yon, France

Cinemed, Montpellier, France

El Gouna Film Festival, Giza, Egypt

Ajyal Film Festival, Doha, Qatar

'Visages', Almine Rech, New York, US

'Être Méditerranée', MO.CO Panacée, Montpellier, France

'Roma Amor', Biennale of Bonifacio #2, Bonifacio, Corsica, France

'La Fleur et la Force' at the Triennale de Nîmes, Musée de la Romanité, Nîmes, France

2023

22nd Biennial Secs Videobrasil, Sao Paulo, Brazil

'L'Île Intérieure', Villa Carmignac, Île de Porquerolles, France

'Dans l'air, les machines volantes', Hangar Y, Meudon, France

'Thinking Historically in the Present', 15th Sharjah Biennial, United Arab Emirates

'In our veins flow ink and fire', 5th Kochi-Muziris Biennale, India

2022

'The Sun Rises in the West and Sets in the East', Tufts University Art Galleries, Medford, US  
'Cosmogonies II - Devenir fleur', MAMAC, Nice, France  
'À fleur de peau', Centre d'art contemporain Passerelle, Brest, France  
'The Milk of Dreams', 59th International Art Exhibition, Biennale Arte 2022, La Biennale di Venezia, Venice, Italy  
'Habiter les interstices. Beyrouth, les artistes et la ville', Galerie Michel Journiac, Paris 'Amakin, 21,39', Jeddah Arts, The Saudi Art Council, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

2021

'Making Revolution', MAI (Montréal, arts interculturels), Montreal, Canada  
'Hungry for Time, Epistemic Disobedience with the Art Collections of the Academy of Fine Arts', Vienna, Austria  
'Penser les possibles', La Macérienne, Charleville-Mézières, France  
'Cities Under Quarantine', Villa Romana, Florence, Italy  
Middle East Now Festival, Firenze, Italy

2020

'Minds Rising, Spirits Tuning', 13th Gwangju Biennale, South Korea  
'Le vent se lève', MacVal, Val de Marne, France  
'Traits d'union.s', Manifesta, Marseille, France  
'The Gatekeepers', Musée des Beaux-Arts de Marseille, France  
'Orientalism. The construction of images of the Near East and North Africa (1800-1956)', Institut Valencià d'Art Modern | IVAM, Valencia, Spain  
'Trembling Landscapes', Eye Film Museum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
'Comme un parfum d'aventure', Musée d'art Contemporain de Lyon, Lyon, France  
'La vie des tables', Centre d'art contemporain d'Ivry - le Crédac, Ivry sur Seine, France

2019

'Immortality', Ural Industrial Biennale, Yekaterinburg, Russia  
'MAC International', The MAC, Belfast, Northern Ireland  
'Le vent et les Oiseaux m'encouragent', Facteur Cheval, Hauterive, France  
'Phantom Limb', Jameel Art Center, Dubai, United Arab Emirates  
'Water Blues', Para Site, Hong Kong  
'Liquid Horizons', Tranzit.sk, Bratislava, Slovakia  
'Water Blues', Jameel Art Center, Dubai, United Arab Emirates  
'Climbing Through the Tide', B7L9, Tunis, Tunisia  
'Water Blues', Foaje, Bratislava, Slovakia  
'A Century in Flux', Sharjah Art Museum, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates  
'Water Blues', B7L9, Tunis, Tunisia  
'Water Blues', Palais de la découverte, Paris, France  
'Water Blues', Silencio, Paris, France  
'An Opera for the Animals', Rockbund Art Museum, Shanghai, China  
'Roseaie du Val de Marne', MacVal, Val de Marne, France  
'Last Skies: Avian Imaginaries', Museum Volkenkunde, Leiden, Netherlands

2018

'General Rehearsal', MMOMA (Moscow museum of modern art), Moscow, Russia

'Forum do Futuro', Porto, Lisbon, Portugal

'Harvard Films Archives', Boston, US

'Prospectif Cinema', Centre Pompidou, Paris France

Le Musée Imaginaire Jaou, Tunis, Tunisia

'Statues Also Die', Fondazione Sandretto Re Rebaudengo and Museo Egizio, Torino, Italy

'But a Storm Is Blowing from Paradise', Guggenheim Exhibition, Galleria d'Arte Moderna, Milan, Italy

Fast Forward Festival, Onasis Foundation, Athens, Grece

2017

'Fruit of sleep', 13th Sharjah Biennial, Act II, Sursock Museum, Lebanon

'Mondes Flottants', 14th Lyon Biennial, Lyon, France

'Home Beirut. Sounding the Neighbors' - MAXXI Museum, Rome, Italy

'Where History Begins', Void - Derry, Irland

'Tous, des sang-mêlés' - Le MACVAL - Musée d'Art Contemporain du Val-de-Marne, France 'Anarchéologies', Centre Pompidou, Paris, France

'Dust In Our Eyes', Twin Gallery, Madrid, Spain

2016

'Rainbow Caravane', Aichi Triennial, Aichi, Japan

'The End of the World', Centro per l'Arte Contemporanea Luigi Pecci, Prate, Italy

'But a Storm Is Blowing from Paradise', Guggenheim, New York, US

'THE DIGGER, New Directors/New Films', MoMA - New York, US

'The Time is Out of Joint', Sharjah Art Space, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates

'THE DIGGER', Cinéma du Réel, Centre Pompidou (Competition), Paris, France

'THE DIGGER', Ann Arbor Film Festival (Competition), Michigan, US

'Lest the Two Seas Meet', Gwangju Museum of Art, Gwangju, Korea

'THE DIGGER', Imagine Science, NYU Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

'Matérialité de l'Invisible', Le Centquarre, Paris, France

'THE DIGGER', Rotterdam International Film Festival, Netherlands

'Ystads konstmuseum/Ystad Art Museum', Ystad, Sweden

'March Meetings', Sharjah Art Foundation, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates

Abraaj Art Prize, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

'Le Grand Monnayage', 8ème biennale de Melle, France

2015

CPH:DOX - Copenhagen International Documentary Festival, Screening of THE DIGGER - Copenhagen, Denmark (NEW VISION Award)

'Desires and necessities New incorporations', MACBA, Barcelona, Spain

'Home Works 7', Ashkal Alwan, Beirut, Lebanon

'kurz / dust', Centre for Contemporary Art Ujazdowski Castle, Warsaw, Poland

'A Space is a Space is a Space', Deutsches Architektur Zentrum DAZ, Berlin, Germany

'Moving Image', Malmö Konsthall, Germany

'The Migrant (Moving) Image' - Rotterdam, Netherlands

'Southern Panorama', (Award for The Disquiet), VideoBrasil, São Paulo, Brazil

'La città che sale / The City Rises - BID PROJECT SPACE', Milan, Italy

Bruges Triennial, Bruges, Belgium

'Space Between Our Fingers', Apexart exhibition, Beirut, Lebanon

'Lest the Two Seas Meet', Warsaw Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw, Poland

'Mare Medi Terra Es Baluard', Museu d'Art Modern i Contemporani de Palma, Palma, Spain

'The Skin Off Our Time', CACSA: Contemporary Art Centre of South Australia, Adelaide, Australia

'Open Rhapsody: A Journey into Photography and Video Collections', Beirut Exhibition Center, Beirut, Lebanon

'Du paradis à l'enfer... Tapis volants et drones', Villa Empain - Fondation Boghossian, Brussels, Belgium

2014

'Passé simple, futurs composés', CENTQUATRE, Paris, France

Virginia Commonwealth University, Doha, Qatar

MENA Pavilion, Singapore Art Fair 2014, Singapore, Singapore

'Songs of Loss and Songs of Love', Gwangju Museum of Art, Gwangju, South Korea

Helsinki Photography Biennial (Commissioned project), Helsinki, Finland

Indie-Lisboa, International Independent Film Festival (Competition), Lisbon, Portugal

Ann Arbor Film Festival (Competition), Michigan, US

'ZKM', Center for Art and Media, Karlsruhe, Germany

'A-I-R Laboratory', Centre for Contemporary Art (Residency), Warsaw, Poland

AFAC Film Festival - Beirut, Lebanon

'Afteratlas exhibition', curated by Georges Didi-Huberman and Arno Gisinger, Beirut Art Center, Beirut, Lebanon

2013

Dubai International Film Festival - UAE (Best Director Award for The Disquiet), Yallay Art Space, Silk Highway 21C, Hong Kong, China

VideoBrasil, (Award for Pipe Dreams), Southern Panorama, São Paulo, Brazil

'Future Imperfect', Tate Modern, London, UK

'Santa Cruz, Unfixed Itineraries', University of California, Santa Cruz, USA

'Dream-Machine', Beirut Art Center, Beirut, Lebanon

'Some Body to Love', Galerie Janine Rubeiz, Beirut, Lebanon

Toronto International Film Festival - Toronto, Canada

'Australia, Shifting Sands' - Art Gallery of South, Sydney and Adelaide, Australia

International Documentary and Short Film Festival - Kosovo

'Transition Project', Yapi Kredi Cultural Center, Istanbul, Turkey

'Home Works 6 Exhibition', Ashkal Alwan, Beirut, Lebanon

'Le Sept/Cinq, Collections / Collection', Paris, France

Alwan Film Festival, New York, US

'The Hatch', Art Dubai, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

San Francisco International Film Festival, San Francisco, US

Oberhausen International Film Festival, Germany

Berlin International Film Festival, Berlin, Germany

Rotterdam International Film Festival - The Netherlands

2012

'Mapping Subjectivity', MoMA, The Museum of Modern Art, New York, US

San Francisco Museum of Modern Art (SFMOMA), US

Doha Tribeca Film Festival, Doha, Qatar

Toronto International Film Festival, Toronto, Canada

The Running Horse Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon

FID Marseille (Festival international du documentaire), Marseille, France

Beirut Art Fair, Beirut Exhibition Center, Beirut, Lebanon

CAP (Contemporary Art Platform), Beirut II, Kuwait

Arab World Institute - Dégagements, Paris, France

Rotterdam International Film Festival, The Netherlands

2011

VideoBrasil, Southern Panorama - São Paulo, Brazil

Makan Art Space, Amman, Jordan

'Beirut Ô Beirut', Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France

'Exposure - Beirut', Beirut Art Center, Lebanon

'Beirut', Kunsthalle, Vienna, Austria

'1 an déjà !', Galerie Imane Farès, Paris, France

2010

'Coincidences', Galerie Imane Farès, Paris, France

'Artist to Artist', The Delfina Foundation, London, UK

2009

'Fiction in Action', Raster Gallery, Warsaw, Poland

'A Fantasy For Alain Kaprow', Contemporary Image Collective, Cairo, Egypt

2008

'Home Works IV: A Forum on Cultural Practices', Beirut, Lebanon

'Esto no es una exposición', Huarte Centro de Arte Contemporáneo, Spain

2007

Venice Biennale, Lebanese Pavilion , Venice, Italy

Port Izmir Festival, Izmir, Turkey

Majestic Petra Festival, Beirut, Lebanon,

'Stories', Jordan Edinburgh International Film Festival, Edinburg, UK

Festival Paris Cinéma, Paris, France

Tate Modern, In Focus, London, UK

'Mostravideo', Instituto Itaú Cultural Belo Horizonte, Brazil

'The Karma of War', SUNY Stony Brook, New York, US

'Image-Thought', Belo Horizonte, Brazil

2006

'Out of Beirut', Modern Art Oxford, Oxford, UK

'Kunst-Werke Berlin E.V.', Institute For Contemporary Art, Berlin, Germany

Kasa Galerie, Istanbul, Turkey

'Dictionary of War', Munich, Germany

2005

Manifesta, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

18ème Instants Video, Paris, France

'Le TARMAC de la Villette, Video libanaise: entre fiction et réalité', Paris, France

'Diskurs 05', European Festival for Young Performing Arts, Giessen, Germany

'Festival des Instants Video Numériques et Poétiques', Marseille, France

'Home Works III : A Forum on Cultural Practices', Beirut, Lebanon

KunstFilmBiennale, Köln, Germany

Medien und Architektur Biennale Graz, Austria

**Collection** (*selection*)

British Museum, London, UK  
Musée national d'art moderne - Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France  
Cnap (Centre National des Arts Plastiques), Paris, France  
Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, US  
Fonds d'art contemporain – Paris Collections, Paris, France  
MAC VAL, Musée d'Art Contemporain du Val-de-Marne, Vitry-sur-Seine, France  
Kadist Art Foundation, Paris, France  
Domaine de Chamarande, Chamarande, France  
Frac Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur, Marseille, France  
Frac Nouvelle Aquitaine-MÉCA, Bordeaux, France  
Les Abattoirs, Musée – Frac Occitanie Toulouse, France  
MACBA - Fundacio, Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain  
Ursula blickle – videoarchiv – Kunsthalle Wien, Vienna, Austria  
The Herbert Art Gallery, Coventry, UK  
Sursock Museum, Beirut, Lebanon  
Vehbi Koç Foundation, Istanbul, Turkey  
Art Jameel, Dubai, United Arab Emirates  
Sharjah Art Foundation, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates  
Barjeel Foundation, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates  
Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, NY, US  
Museo Egizio, Turin Italy