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Step into a World of Colours at Timur Akhmedov's Exhibition at ME Dubai

Immerse yourself in the captivating and colourful artworks of Uzbekistan artistic master Timur Akhmedov at Andakulova Gallery's two-month long residency for ME Dubai's latest Cultural Connections showcase



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August 2023, Dubai, UAE | ME Dubai, the iconic architectural haven designed by the late Zaha Hadid, returns with its new Cultural Connections initiative, this time in collaboration with Andakulova Gallery Dubai. As the hotel remains dedicated to supporting and spotlighting flourishing creative arts and design in the region, they embrace the arrival of Timur Akhmedov's solo exhibition titled "ME tamorphosis of Colours", a captivating display which will find its home in the hotel's expansive and minimalist lobby starting **Friday, 18th August** until **Sunday, 8th October**.

Born in Uzbekistan in 1968, Timur Akhmedov brings with him to ME Dubai over three decades of artistic mastery and profound perspective. His artworks, seemingly uncomplicated at first glance, are metaphorical works of art that each unfold into profound narratives and reveal his story.

Often centred around the embodiment of women and flowers, his art depicts the world and people in a surreal, and dream-like way, habitually representing himself and others as majestic characters. His paintings are left unnamed, giving the viewer the liberty to interpret each piece as they please. In each painting, he beautifully blends vibrant colours such as Asian turquoise, warm ochre, and different tones of red into cohesive oil canvases to create a strange sense of silence. These pieces exude an undeniable feeling of familiarity, as they elegantly capture and explore the intricacies of human emotions and experiences.

The two-month long residency at ME Dubai is supported by the Consulate General of Uzbekistan in Dubai in dedication to the nation who will be celebrating Uzbekistan's 32nd Independence Anniversary, solidifying the cultural significance of this artistic partnership. The hotel's awe-inspiring architecture will be harmoniously complemented by Timur's artworks, seamlessly forming a visual synergy that is sure to captivate all guests. In addition to the paintings that will be hung on the lobby walls, the artworks will also be displayed on the hotel's digital screen, further extending their immersive impact.

Guests, visitors, and art aficionados are invited to seek solace from the summer heat within the sanctuary of ME Dubai. They can explore the hotel's creative space and indulge in a variety of eye-grabbing canvases from the "ME tamorphosis of Colours" exhibition.

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About Legends Art Club

A community of art lovers who explore the magic of art together by meeting famous artists, visiting their workshops, observing the process of creation, and sometimes joining the creation of a new art object. We attend previews of the best exhibitions around the world. Legends Art Club helps to open the border between the viewer and art, exploring creativity from new angles.

About Andakulova Gallery (Dubai)

Andakulova Gallery, Dubai, is an art gallery whose objective is to promote Central Asia's contemporary visual arts. It serves as a platform to exhibit and support emerging to mid-market contemporary artists from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan (or the 'Stans'), across a variety of media. Founded by Natalya Andakulova, also among gallery goals is to cultivate a dialogue between Central Asia and the Middle East by re-introducing the art of the 'Stans' to the artistic hub of Dubai. The gallery does this by building academic and professional relationships between artists, writers, art specialists, and collectors.

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About ME Dubai

ME Dubai is the first ME by Meliá in the Middle East designed by the late and renowned architect Dame Zaha Hadid. ME Dubai is in the breath-taking The Opus by Omniyat building. The only hotel project where she has personally designed the interiors and exteriors. ME Dubai is situated in the heart of the Burj Khalifa district, one of the city's most vibrant areas. The Opus building is developed by leading Middle East real estate developer, Omniyat. The property consists of 93 rooms and suites across four floors. The legacy hotel presents Central Cosmo Tapas and Bar as the owned F&B outlet.

About ME by Meliá

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Contemporary culture is part of who we are. We express its creativity and energy in every aspect of our hotel experience. ME by Meliá hotels thrive on the sensorial connection to their settings – the visual stimuli, the taste of exquisite local food, the uplifting culture of its citizens and cultural leaders. Embedded within each hotel's ecosystem is a community of artists, influencers, creatives and technologies that raise the hotel to a must-see, and must-stay, destination for those who yearn for inspiration and energy. There are currently eight hotels in the portfolio across Europe, Middle East, The Americas and Mexico, including ME Dubai, ME Milan Il Duca, ME London, ME Madrid, ME Ibiza, ME Barcelona, ME Sitges and ME Cabo. Upcoming openings include ME Malta, ME Guadalajara & ME Lisbon, set to launch in the coming months. Follow ME by Meliá on Instagram [@me_by_melia](https://www.instagram.com/me_by_melia) and Facebook [mebymelia](https://www.facebook.com/mebymelia). www.mebymelia.com

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