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## **London Exhibition Showcases Iranian Art Reflecting on Shifting Socio-Political Sentiment**

London, UK – Tehran-based **Bavan Gallery** presents the works of **13 Iranian contemporary artists** at Cromwell Place in London. The exhibition titled ***Event: Iranian Contemporary Art and Shifting Realities*** examines the 2022 women’s rights protests in Iran through the lens of art, shedding light on the transformative power of art in echoing societal change and sparking international dialogue. The show’s opening reception is on October 19, 2023, 6–8pm, and it runs until October 30.

Curated by **Takin Aghdashloo**, the show is inspired by the philosophy of contemporary French philosopher **Alain Badiou**, in which the concept of Event holds a central and transformative role. As described by Badiou, an Event disrupts the existing order, introducing new perspectives and possibilities. It disrupts the existing order, breaks with the established norms, and opens up new possibilities for change and truth. It can be an occurrence such as a radical political rupture, a transformation of reality, or the rise of a new art form.

The 2022 protest movement in Iran is one such Event. The shifting attitudes in the psyche of the Iranian society, resulted in a transformative reframing of reality, and one of the biggest feminist uprisings in history. This exhibition delves into the conditions leading to this social movement.

In this exhibition multiple generations of Iranian artists become subjects of change, standing steadfast in their commitment to capturing the essence of truth. Their works transcend local boundaries and resonate universally.

### **Participating Artists**

**Mehrdad Afsari, Atoosa Alebouyeh, Navid Azimi-Sajadi, Mohsen Fouladpour, Amir Kamand, Shohreh Mehran, Parsa Mostaghim, Nicky Nodjoumi, Farah Ossouli, Elham Pourkhani, Ali-Akbar Sadeghi, Soraya Sharghi, and Mahsa Tehrani.**

**Listing Information**

**Event: Iranian Contemporary Art and Shifting Realities**

Dates: October 19–30, 2023

Address: Cromwell Place, 4 Cromwell Pl, London SW7 2JE

For more details on the exhibition and to learn more about the gallery, visit **[bavangallery.com](http://bavangallery.com)**