

## WELL, COME BACK HOME

Curated by Shanal Kazi

Opening reception 18 June 2022, 5–8 PM

Continues until 28 June 2022

Performance by Yumna at Full Circle Gallery at 6:30 pm





## Ayessha Quraishi



## Artist Bio

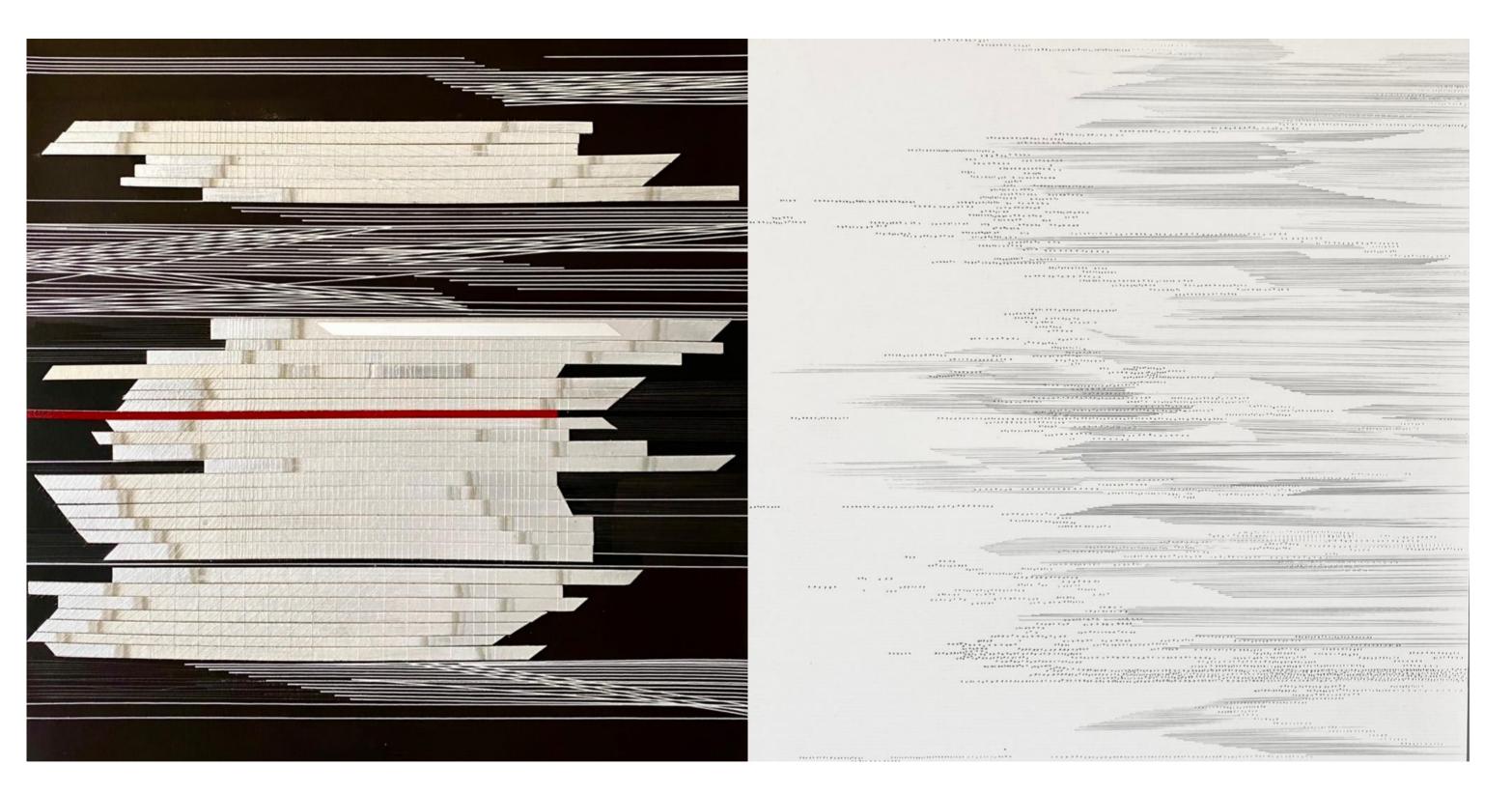
Ayessha Quraishi (b.1970) hails from Karachi. She recieved her initial art training from Karachi - based educator Nayyar Jamil. Her practice employs gestural mark - making and she often integrates drawing, painting, installation and video to explore themes of memory, absence and presence, seperation and union.

Quraishi is an accomplished artist, a finalist for the 2022 Soverign Asian Art Prize and the recipent of the Art installation Awards (2021). Recent exhibitions include the 2022 Soverign Asian Art Prize, Art Central, Hong Kong; Between Light Koel Gallery, Karachi (2020); International Instabul Biennial Istanbul (2019); and the Karachi Biennale (KB17), Karachi (2017). Her works are in the collections of both national and International collectors and the Ragoonwala Foundation UK. Quraishi's work is published in Between Light - Ayessha Quraishi Works: 1985-2020.

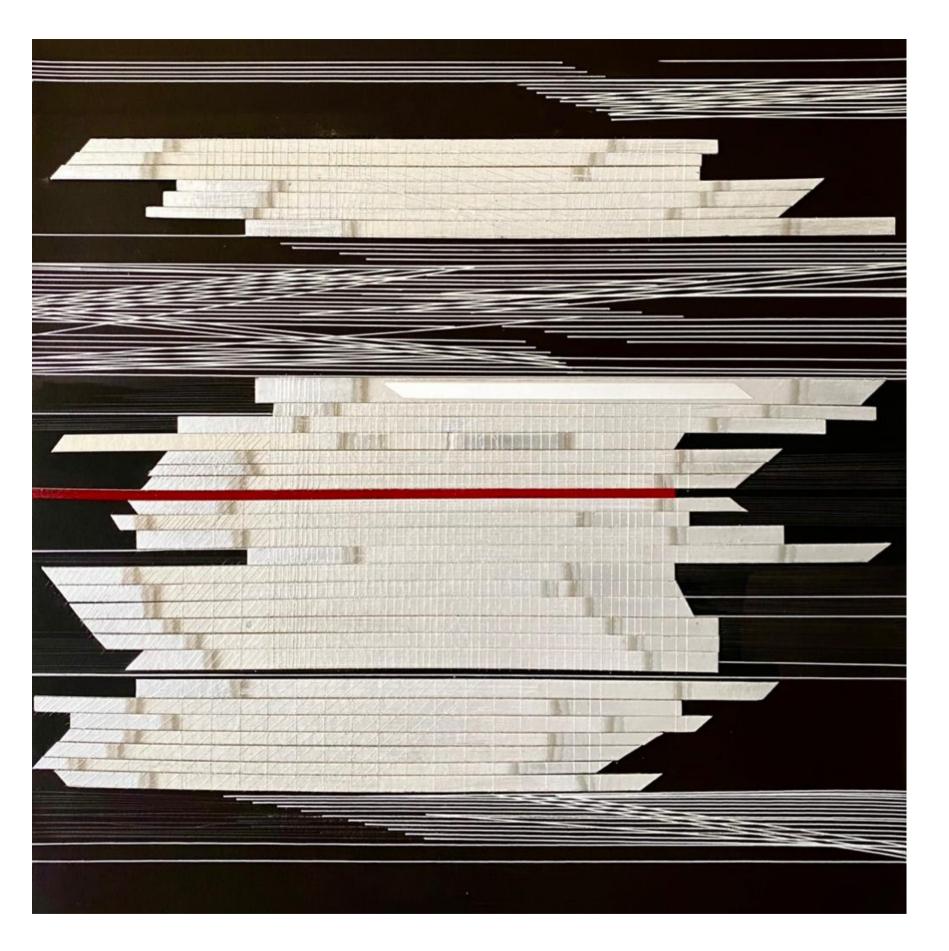
## Coming Back Home in Her Words

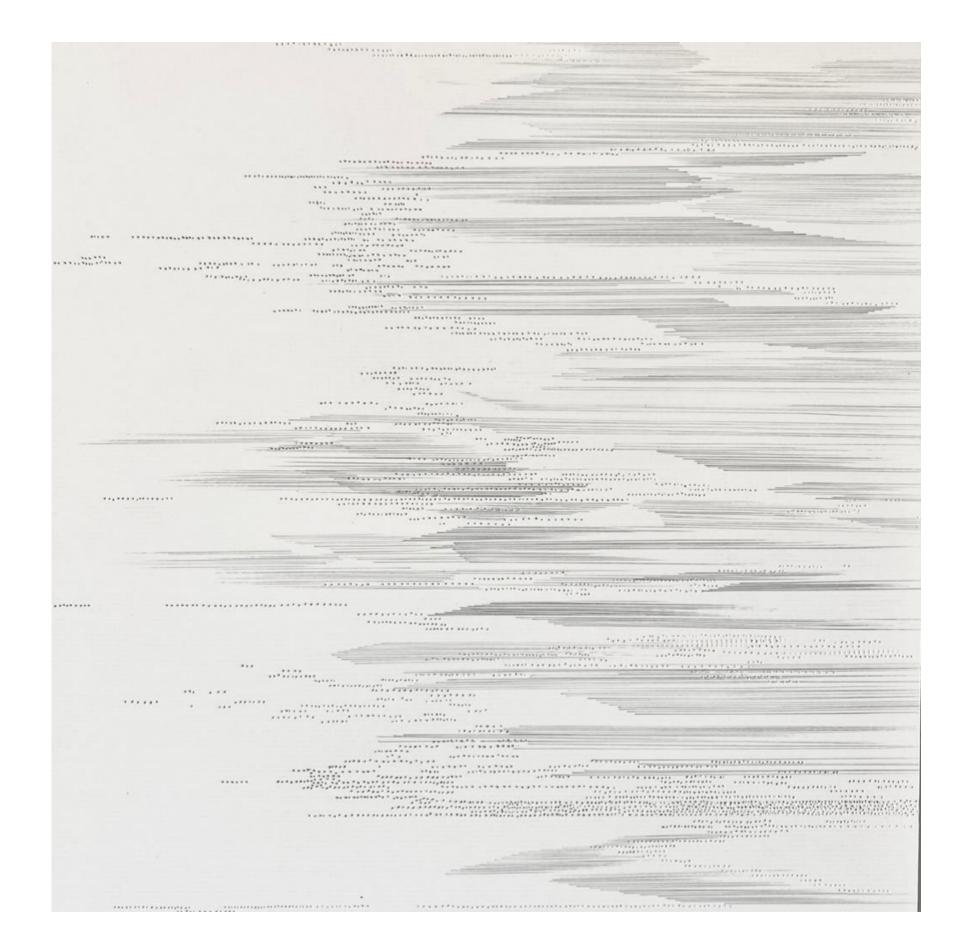
Temporary homes cast temporary shadows' questions the notion of home, from its structure and the people inhabit it to the feelings with a place, either through memory, in the present or future imaginings. This notion is constantly changing, as we are. Therefore, home is perhaps a temporary place one keeps creating and returning to.

Process: Quraishi's painting process apears like braille. Physically, she maintains constant contact with the surface and the paint, applying color with her right hand while the left removes it with a turpentine-soaked rag. Aseries of hand gestures and motions repeated over four to six hours at stretch produce markings for for a visual, viscerallanguage. Each layer gradually build on those before in a subtle yet constant progression. The additive and subtractive process of simultaneously making and unmaking constiturtes the essence of her work.



Temporary Homes Cast Temporary Shadows
Ayessha Quraishi
Oil, graphite and pen on paper
45 x 58 cm, 17.6 x 23 (each)
2018 - 2022
PKR 375,000





Details
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