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5 December 2024 - 16 January 2025



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VISUAL ARTS AWARDS



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5 December 2024 from 4pm - Opening Reception

Join us on 5 December 2024, from 4 PM, for the Opening Reception of the Emerson's Zanzibar Foundation Visual Arts Award Exhibition, celebrating the creativity and talent of Zanzibar's women visual artists.

7 December 2024 - Jury Panel Selection Meeting

The Jury Panel Selection Meeting: Visual Arts Award 2024 brings together professionals in the arts and cultural sector to carefully review and deliberate on the submissions, ensuring a fair and thorough process to identify the winner who best represents creativity, innovation, and cultural heritage

19 December 2024 - Winner Announcement Event

The Emerson's Zanzibar Foundation Visual Arts Award 2024: Winner Announcement Event celebrates the outstanding achievements of women visual artists in Zanzibar, unveiling the winner who exemplifies artistic excellence and cultural inspiration.

CURATORIAL STATEMENT

The Emerson's Zanzibar Foundation Visual Arts Award 2024 is dedicated to honoring and amplifying the voices of women visual artists in Zanzibar. This year's award celebrates their remarkable contributions to the island's cultural and artistic heritage, reflecting the unique perspectives and creative expressions that women bring to the visual arts.

Zanzibar, with its storied past and vibrant present, is a living canvas of history and culture. From its iconic 18th-century monuments and intricately carved doors to its indigenous crafts, boatbuilding traditions, and dynamic art community, the island is a treasure trove of inspiration. Women have been pivotal in shaping this heritage, serving as custodians, creators, and innovators who have preserved and revitalized Zanzibar's cultural identity across generations.

Today, Zanzibari women artists continue to contribute to the arts and creative industries, drawing from traditions such as henna painting, handcrafts, and fashion, while also exploring contemporary mediums like painting, photography, and mixed media. Their work embodies not just artistic expression but also socio-economic impact, reinforcing the vital role of women in the cultural and creative sectors.

For the 2024 Visual Arts Award, we are proud to spotlight the talent and vision of women artists from the island. This year's submissions—spanning paintings, drawings, and mixed media—showcase a diverse range of themes, each a celebration of the resilience, creativity, and cultural richness of Zanzibar's women artists. These works reflect the deep connection between art and heritage, drawing from the island's rich tapestry of history and lived experiences.

By dedicating this year's award to women visual artists, we aim to honor their artistic achievements, celebrate their contributions to Zanzibar's cultural landscape, and inspire the next generation of women creatives to carry forward the island's legacy of innovation and beauty.

Tuze ya Sanaa ya Uoni ya Emerson's Zanzibar Foundation ya mwaka 2024 imeandaliwa maalumu kwa ajili ya wasanii wanawake waliopo Zanzibar. Tuze ya mwaka huu inasherehekea mchango wao wa kipekee katika urithi wa kitamaduni na kisanii wa kisiwa hiki, ikionesa mitazamo ya kipekee na ubunifu wa kisanaa ambao wanawake huleta kwenye sanaa za uoni.

Zanzibar, ikiwa na historia yake tajiri na maisha yake yenye mvuto, ni turubai hai ya historia na utamaduni. Kutoka kwenye majengo yake maarufu ya karne ya 18 na milango iliyo na nakshi za kipekee hadi ufundi wake wa asili, utengenezaji wa mashua, na jumuiya ya wana sanaa yenye nguvu, kisiwa hiki ni hazina ya hamasa katika maendeleo. Wanawake wamekuwa msingi wa kuunda urithi huu, wakiwa wahifadhi, wabunifu, na wavumbuzi ambao wamehifadhi na kufufua utambulisho wa kitamaduni wa Zanzibar kizazi baada ya kizazi.

Leo, wasanii wa kike wa Zanzibar wanaendlea kuchangia katika sekta ya sanaa na ubunifu, wakitumia njia mbalimbali kama vile uchoraji wa henna, ufundi wa mikono, na mitindo ya mavazi, huku pia wakijishughulisha na Sanaa za kisasa kisasa kama uchoraji, upigaji picha, na sanaa mchanganyiko. Kazi zao si tu zinaonesha ubunifu wa kisanaa bali pia zina athari kubwa kijamii na kiuchumi, zikisisitiza jukumu muhimu la wanawake katika sekta za kitamaduni na ubunifu.

Kwa Tuze ya Sanaa ya Uoni ya mwaka 2024, tunajivunia kuangazia vipaji na maono ya wasanii wa kike kutoka Unguja na Pemba. Michango ya mwaka huu—ikiwemo michoro, na picha, na aina nyingine—inaonesha mada mbalimbali, kila moja ikiwa inaonesha ishara ya ustahimilivu, ubunifu, na utajiri wa kitamaduni wa wasanii wa kike wa Zanzibar. Kazi hizi zinaakisi uhusiano wa kina kati ya sanaa na urithi, zikichota msukumo kutoka kwenye historia na uzoefu wa maisha ya kisiwa hiki.

Kwa kuifanya tuze ya mwaka huu kuwa maalum kwa wasanii wa Uoni wa Wanawake, tunalenga kuheshimu, na kuyatunza mafanikio yao ya kisanii, kusherehekea mchango wao kwa mazingira ya kitamaduni ya Zanzibar, na kuwashamasisha kizazi kijacho cha wabunifu wanawake kuendeleza urithi wa kisiwa hiki cha Zanzibar.

CHAIRPERSON'S STATEMENT

On behalf of the Emerson's Zanzibar Foundation, it is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to the 2024 edition of the Visual Arts Award. This year, our focus on women visual artists is both a celebration and a recognition of the pivotal role women have played in shaping Zanzibar's cultural and artistic landscape. Their contributions, often overlooked, are central to the preservation and evolution of our shared heritage.

Zanzibar is a land of extraordinary beauty and profound history. From the intricate craftsmanship of carved doors and traditional boat building to the timeless artistry of henna painting and handwoven crafts, our island tells a story that spans centuries. Women have always been integral to this narrative, their creativity and dedication ensuring the vibrancy of Zanzibar's culture. This year's awards pay homage to this legacy by showcasing the works of 16 talented women artists from Unguja and Pemba.

The diversity of artistic expression in this year's submissions is a testament to the depth of talent within our community. These works, ranging from paintings and drawings to other creative forms, offer fresh perspectives on themes that resonate with Zanzibar's unique identity. The dedication and creativity of these women artists not only enrich our cultural heritage but also contribute significantly to the socio-economic fabric of the island.

The Emerson's Zanzibar Foundation is committed to nurturing and promoting the creative arts in Zanzibar. By focusing this year's award exclusively on women, we hope to inspire a new generation of artists while amplifying the voices of those who have long been key players in our creative sector. To all the participants, we commend your courage and creativity. Your work embodies the spirit of resilience and innovation that defines Zanzibar's artistic community.

We extend our deepest gratitude to everyone involved in making this award possible and invite you to join us in celebrating the remarkable achievements of these women artists. Together, we continue to build a future where art thrives as a cornerstone of Zanzibar's cultural identity.

Kwa niaba ya Emerson's Zanzibar Foundation, ni heshima kubwa kwangu kukukaribisha katika toleo la 2024 la Tuzo ya Sanaa ya Uoni ikiwa ni tuzo ya Tatu kutolewa. Mwaka huu, mtazamo wetu kwa wasanii wa kike wa Uoni ni kutambua mchango muhimu ambao wanawake wameutoa katika kuunda mandhari ya kitamaduni na kisanii ya Zanzibar. Mchango wao, ambao mara nyingi haupewi kipaumbele, ni kiini cha kuhifadhi na kuendeleza urithi wetu wa pamoja.

Zanzibar ni nchi yenye uzuri wa kipekee na historia ya aina yake. Kutoka kwenye ufundi wa milango yenye nakshi za kipekee, utengenezaji wa mashua, hadi uchoraji wa henna, na ufundi wa mikono, kisiwa chetu kinasimulia hadithi iliyoanza karne nyingi. Wanawake daima wamekuwa sehemu muhimu ya hadithi hii, ubunifu wao na kujitolea vikihakikisha ustawi wa utamaduni wa Zanzibar. Tuzo za mwaka huu zinatoa heshima kwa urithi huu kwa kuonyesha kazi za wasanii 16 wenye vipaji kutoka Unguja na Pemba.

Aina mbalimbali za kazi zilizowasilishwa katika tunzo ya mwaka huu ni ushahidi wa kina wa vipaji vilivyopo katika jamii yetu. Kazi hizi, kuanzia michoro ya rangi na michoro ya penseli hadi aina nyingine za ubunifu, zinatoa mitazamo mipya juu ya mada zinazojitokeza katika utambulisho wa kipekee wa Zanzibar. Udadisi na ubunifu wa wasanii hawa wa kike hauimarishi tu urithi wetu wa kitamaduni bali pia unachangia kwa kiasi kikubwa jitihada za kuendeleza jamii kiuchumi Zanzibar.

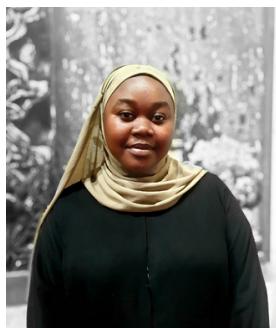
Emerson's Zanzibar Foundation imejikita katika kukuza na kuendeleza sanaa za ubunifu Zanzibar. Kwa kulenga tuzo za mwaka huu pekee kwa wanawake, tunatarajia kuwahamasisha kizazi kipyaa cha wasanii huku tukikuza sauti za wale ambao kwa muda mrefu wamekuwa wadau wakuu katika sekta yetu ya ubunifu. Kwa washiriki wote, tunawapongeza kwa ujasiri wenu na ubunifu wenu. Kazi zenu zinaakisi ujasiri na moyo wa ustahimilivu na uvumbuzi inayoilezea vyema jamii ya kisanii ya Zanzibar.

Tunatoa shukrani zetu za dhati kwa kila mtu aliyejusika katika kufanikisha tuzo hizi na tunakukaribisha kusherehekeea mafanikio ya kipekee ya wasanii hawa wanawake. Kwa pamoja, tunaendelea kujenga mustakabali ambako sanaa inastawi kama msingi wa utambulisho wa kitamaduni wa Zanzibar.

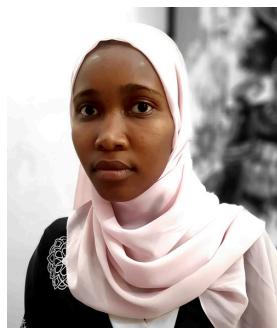
ARTISTS



Umu Kulthum
Abdullah Khamis



Khadija Khalid
Mwinyi



Lutfia Muhsin
Mzee



Rehema
Abdallah



Madina Idi
Mzee



Fatma Juma
Shaaban



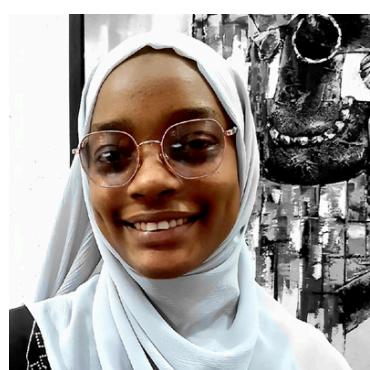
Nasra Ahmed
Rashid



Raifat Hassan
Rajab



Hafsa Asaa Yusuf



Faiza Ali Said



Sharifa Juma Mohamed



Jamila Mzee
Mataka



Suzana
Adward

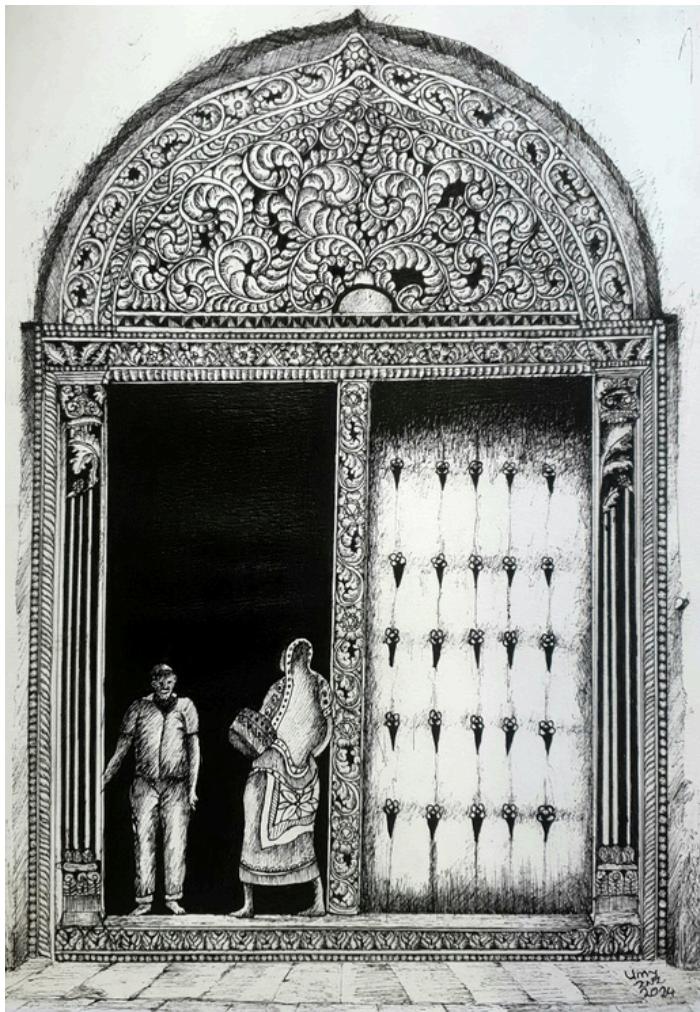


Maryam Haruna
Khamis



Fatuma Makame
Omar

Umu Kulthum Abdullah Khamis (Umy)



Zanzibar Door
A3
Ink on Canvas
US\$100



Zanzibar Door
A3,
Water Color on Paper
US\$100



Uzi Ng'ambwa

A3

Water Color on Paper
US\$100

Khadija Khalid Mwinyi (Dida)



Our Skills
50cm x 60cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$120



Biashara na Mama
60cm x 50cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$120

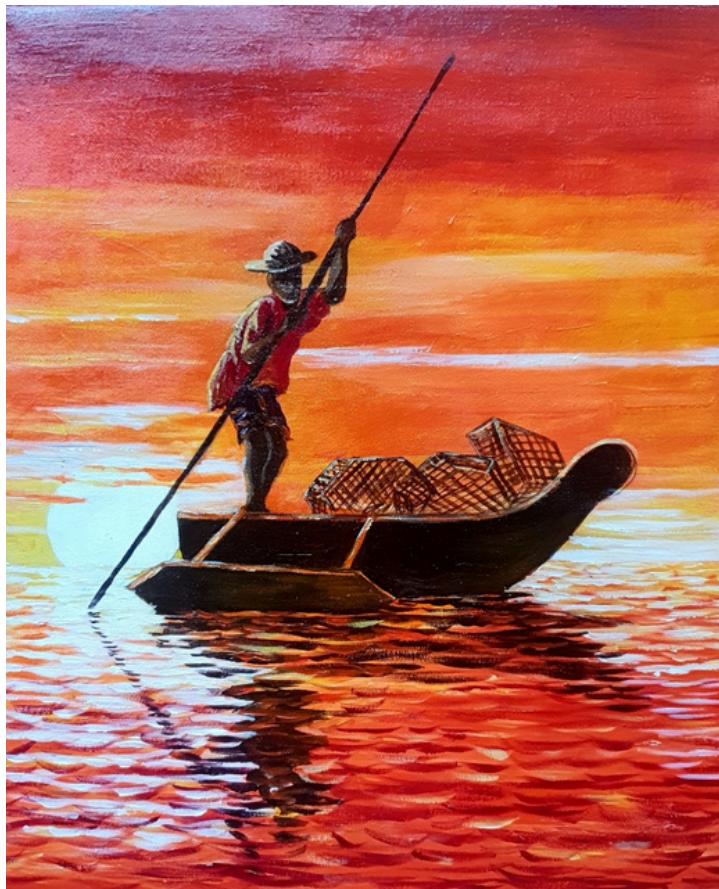


Shaba
50cm x 60cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$120\$



Cassava leaves
50cm x 60cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$120

Lutfia Muhsin Mzee (Lutfia M)



Mtega Madebe

50cm x 50cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$120



Maisha ya Kijijini

50cm x 50cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$120

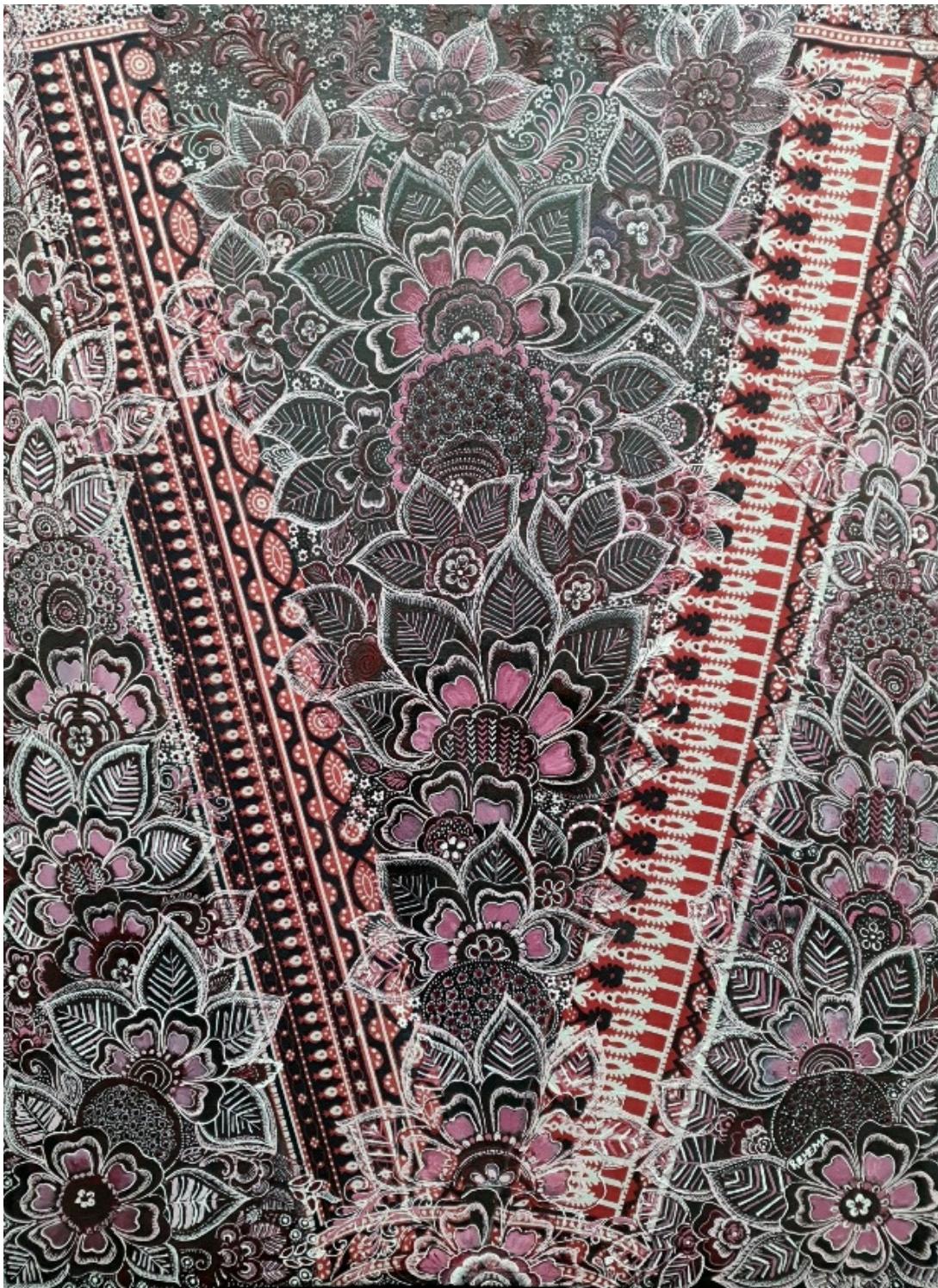


Zanzibar Door

A3

Water Color on Paper
US\$100

Rehema Abdallah (Rehema)



Kisutu Cha Bibi Harusi

100cm x 76

Mixed media, Acrylic on Canvas

US\$400



Tulia tuishi, Wazuri haweshi

85cm x 63cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$300



Kupendana raha

81cm x 60cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$350



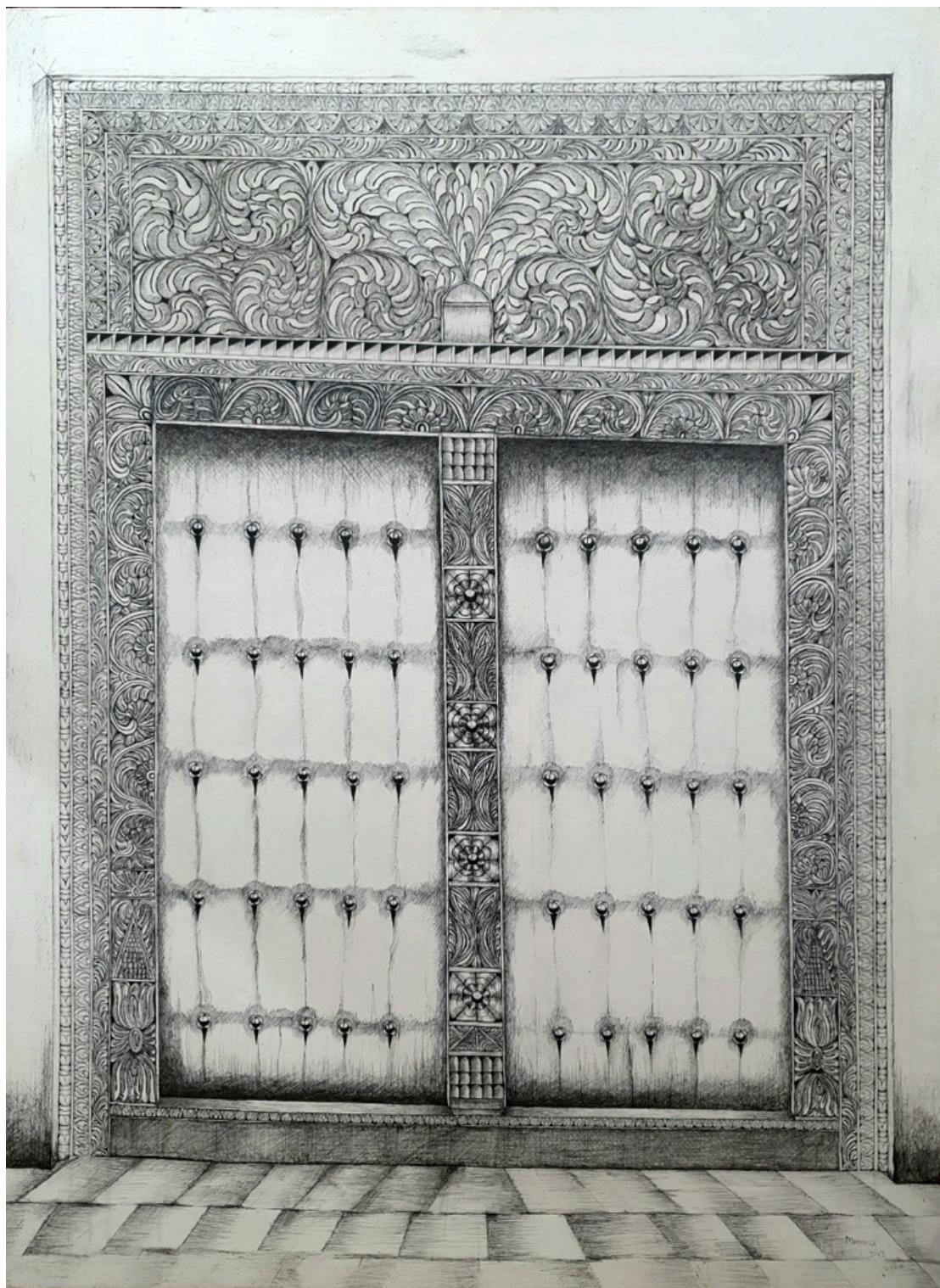
Garden-like

45cm x 63cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$200

Madina Idi Zubeir (Madina)

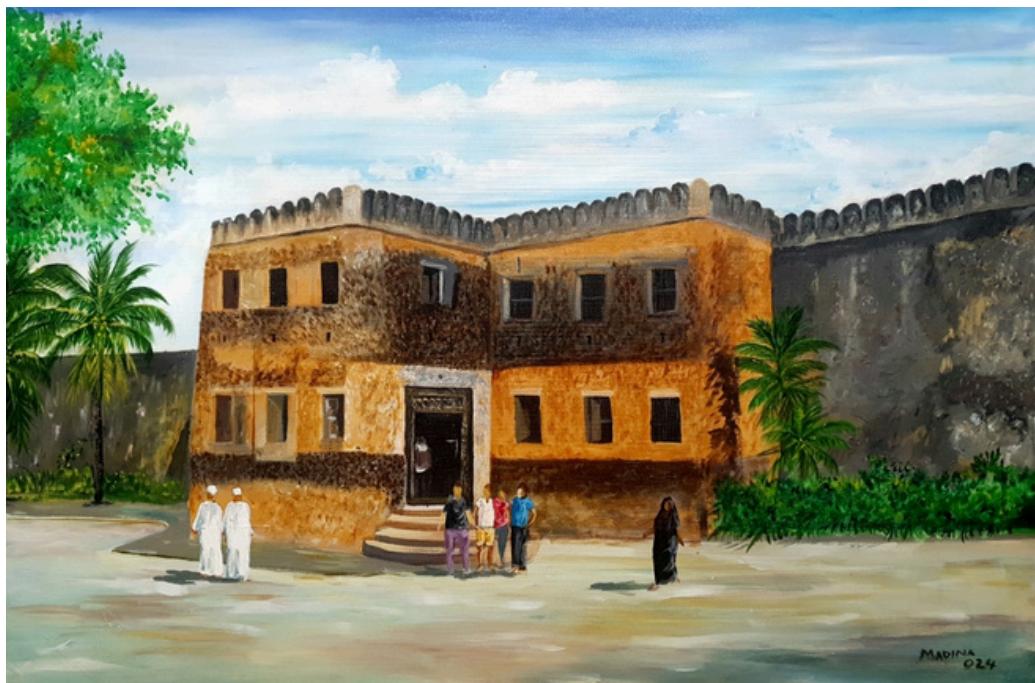


Zanzibar Door

124cm x 92cm

Ink on Canvas

US\$300



Ngome Kongwe

92cm x 62cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$200

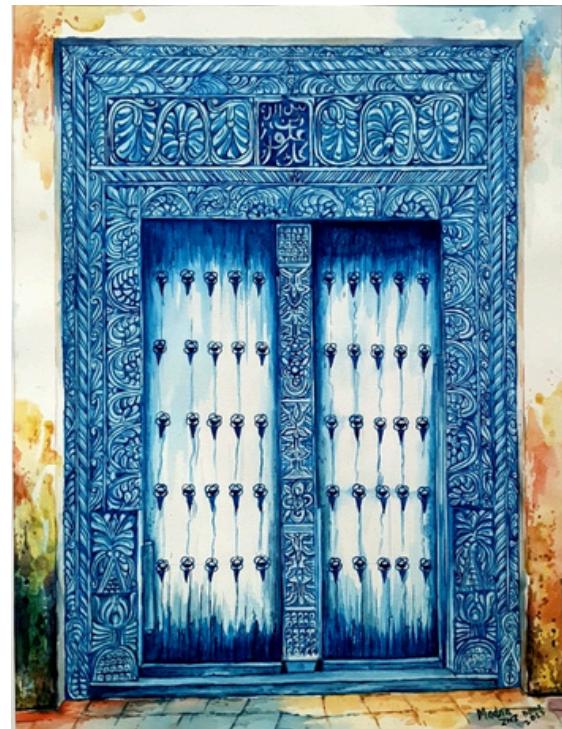


Kisiwa cha Unguja

80cm x 60cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$180



Zanzibar Door

A3

Water color on paper

US\$100



Raeza & Maua
79cm x 30cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$100

Fatma Juma Shaaban (F.Kidogo)



Tausi

100cm x 90cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$500



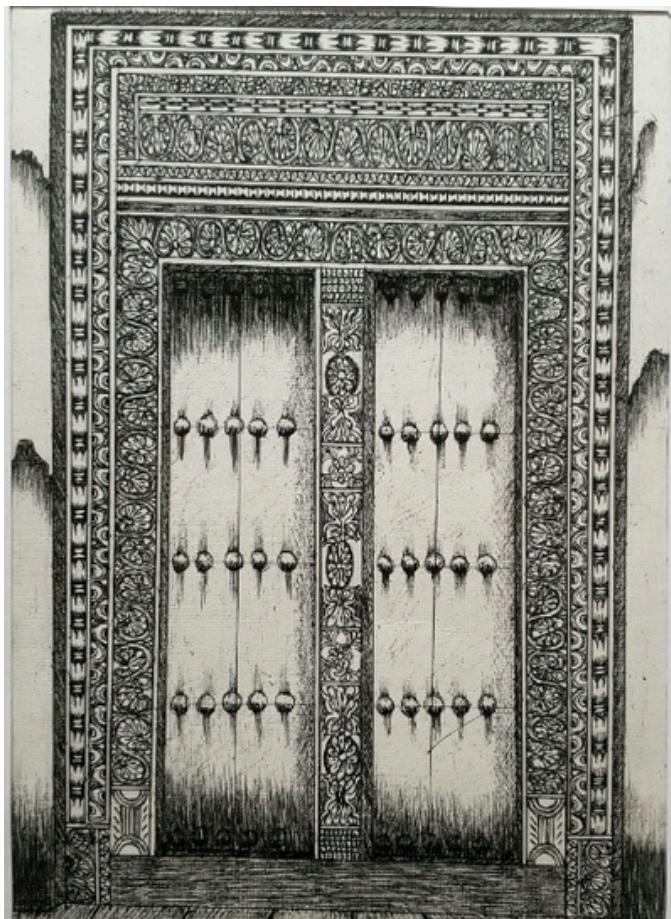
Love

136cm x 70cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$400



Tausi wa Zanzibar
123cm x 106cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$600

Nasra Ahmed Rashid (Nagsh)

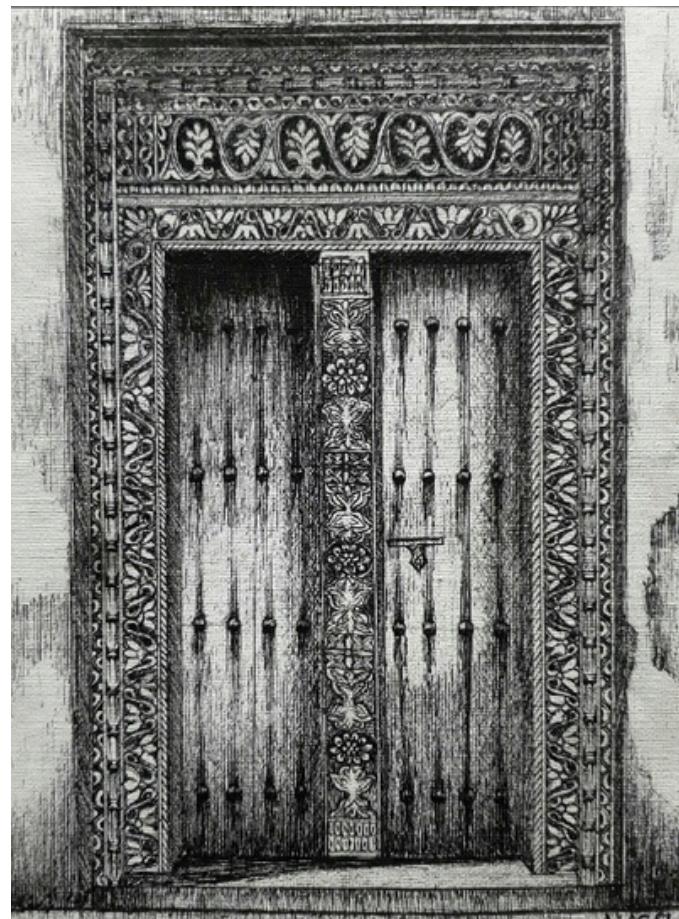


Zanzibar Door

30cm x 42cm

Ink on Canvas

US\$85

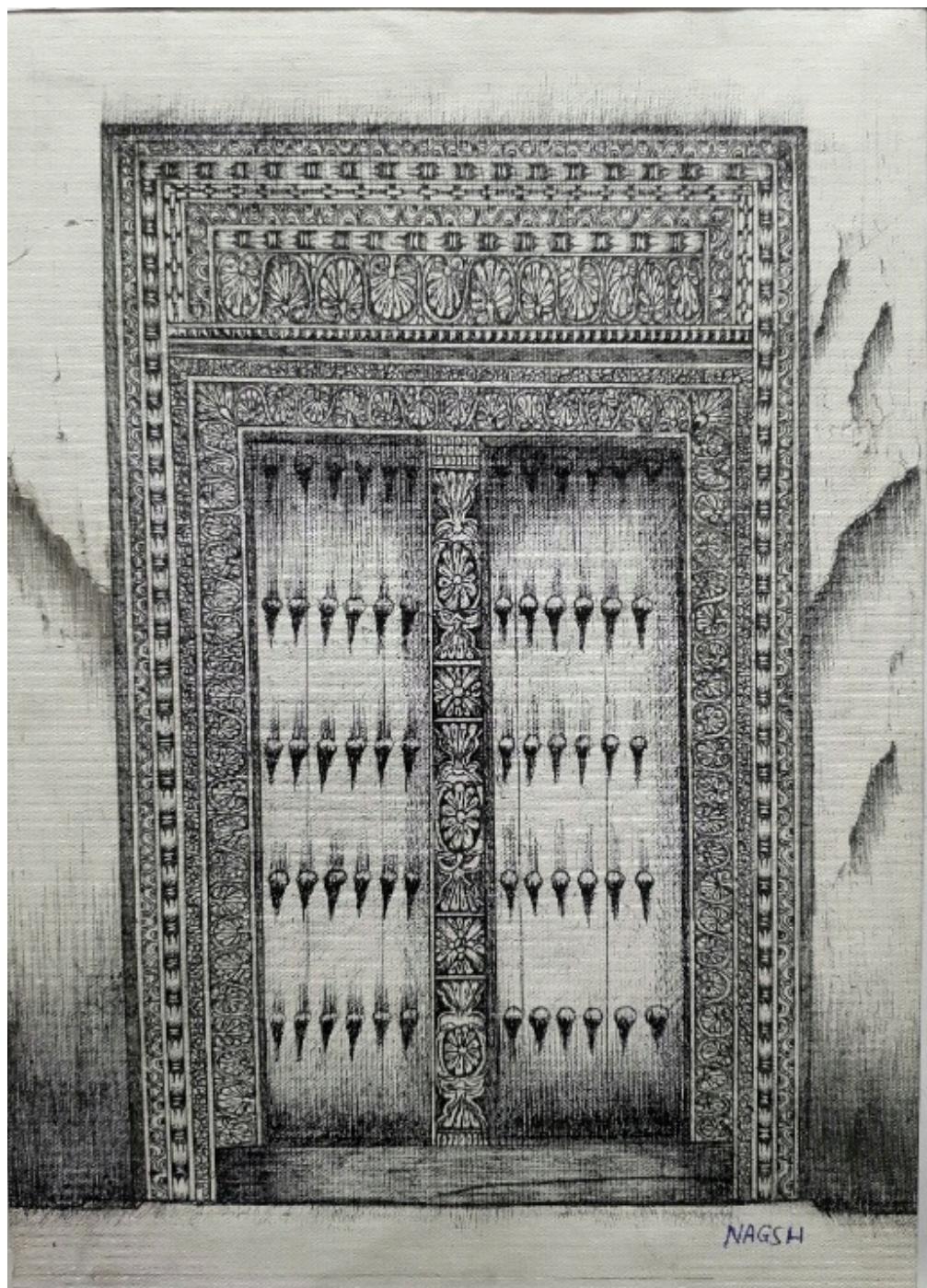


Zanzibar Door

21cm x 30cm

Ink on Canvas

US\$45



Zanzibar Door
21cm x 30cm
Ink on Canvas
US\$45

Raifat Hassan Rajab (Tifa)



Sun Set
60cm x 80cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$260



Mkuna nazi
A3
Water Color on Paper
US\$100



Zanzibar Door

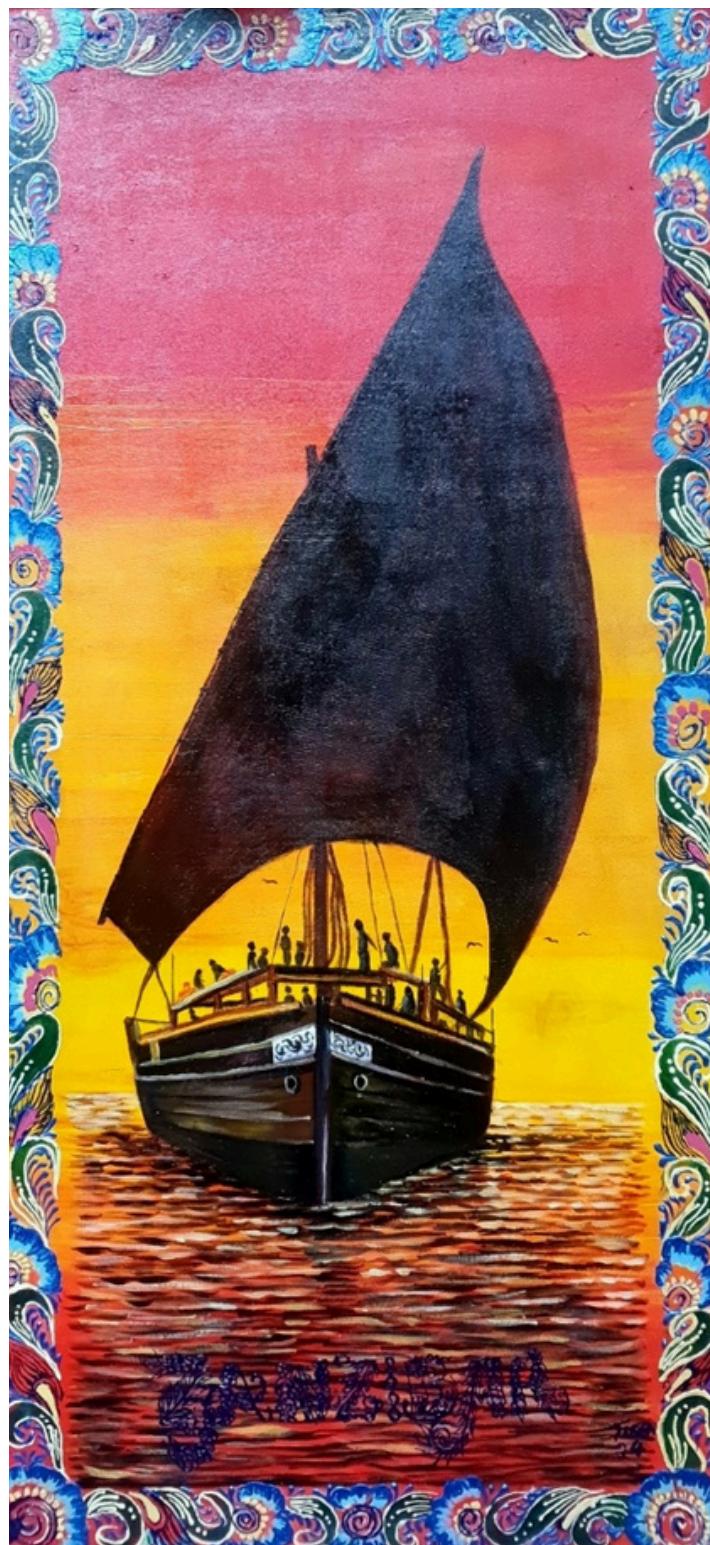
60cm 80cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$260



Jahazi
A3
Water Color on Paper
US\$100



Jahazi

83cm x 39cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$180

Hafsa Asaa Yusuf (Mamaa)

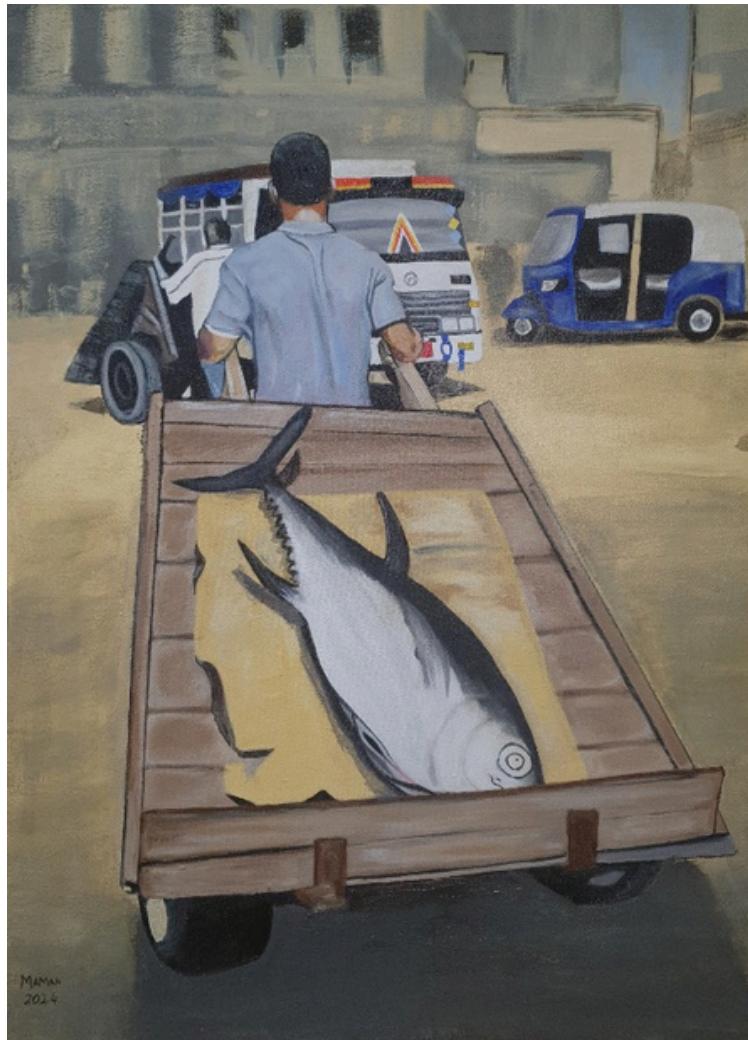


Kata

60cm x 45cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$120



Jodari
60cm x 45cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$120



Chupa
60cm x 45cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$120



The Queen

60cm x 45cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$120

Faiza Ali Said (Faillysa)



Taratibu ndo Mwendo

75cm 65cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$180



Njiwa peleka Salaam
66cm x 50cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$170



Ulinzi wa Hazira
51cm x 40cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$130



Asumini ya Zanzibar
60cm x 46cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$150



Asali ya Roho

80cm x 30cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$120

Sharifa Juma Mohammed (Sherry)



Solidarity
60cm x 80cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$300



Heritage
80cm x 30cm
Turmeric, Henna on Canvas
US\$600



Wisdom
60cm x 80cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$300



Happiness
80cm 100cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$500

Jamila Mzee Mataka (Jamila)



Wawili Wapendanaao

100cm x 120cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$500



Sunset Beach

100cm x 45cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$250



Nyumbani ni nyumbani

100cm x 45cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$200



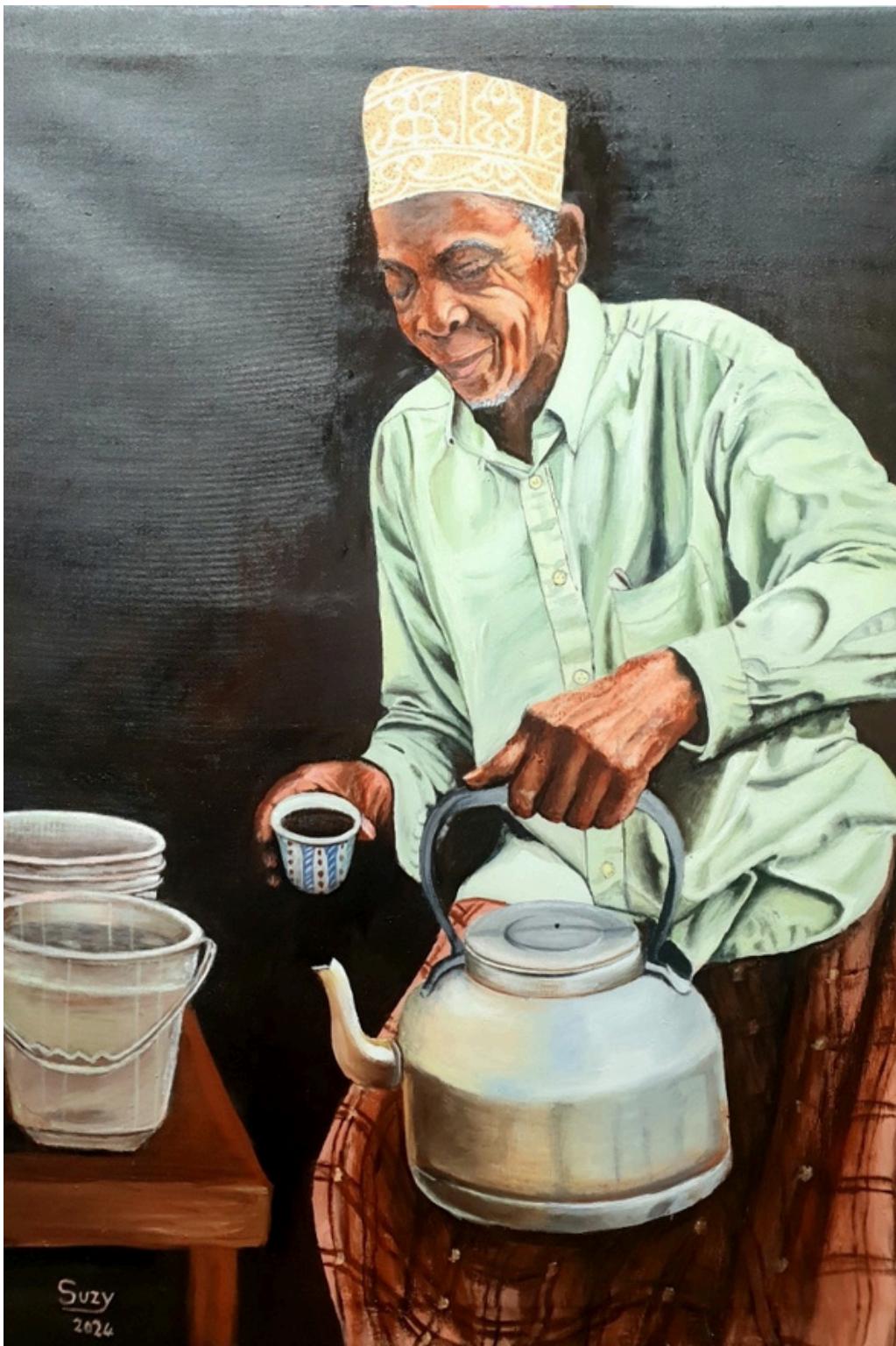
Mji Mkongwe, Urithi wetu

120cm x 50cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$300

Wanawake tunaweza

120cm x 50cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$300

Suzana Edward (Suzy)



Coffee Seller
100cm x 80cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$400

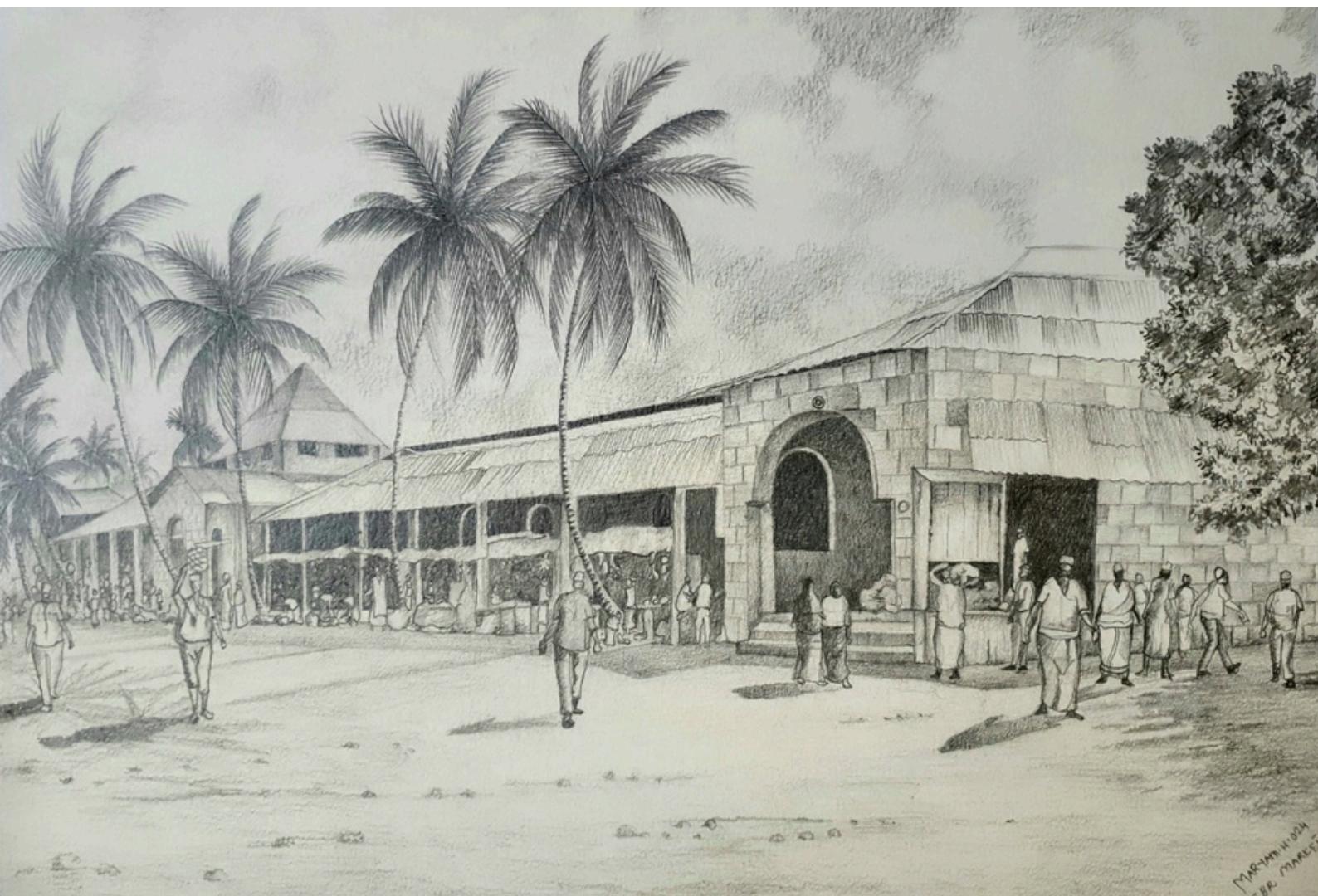


Violinist
60cm x 80cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$250

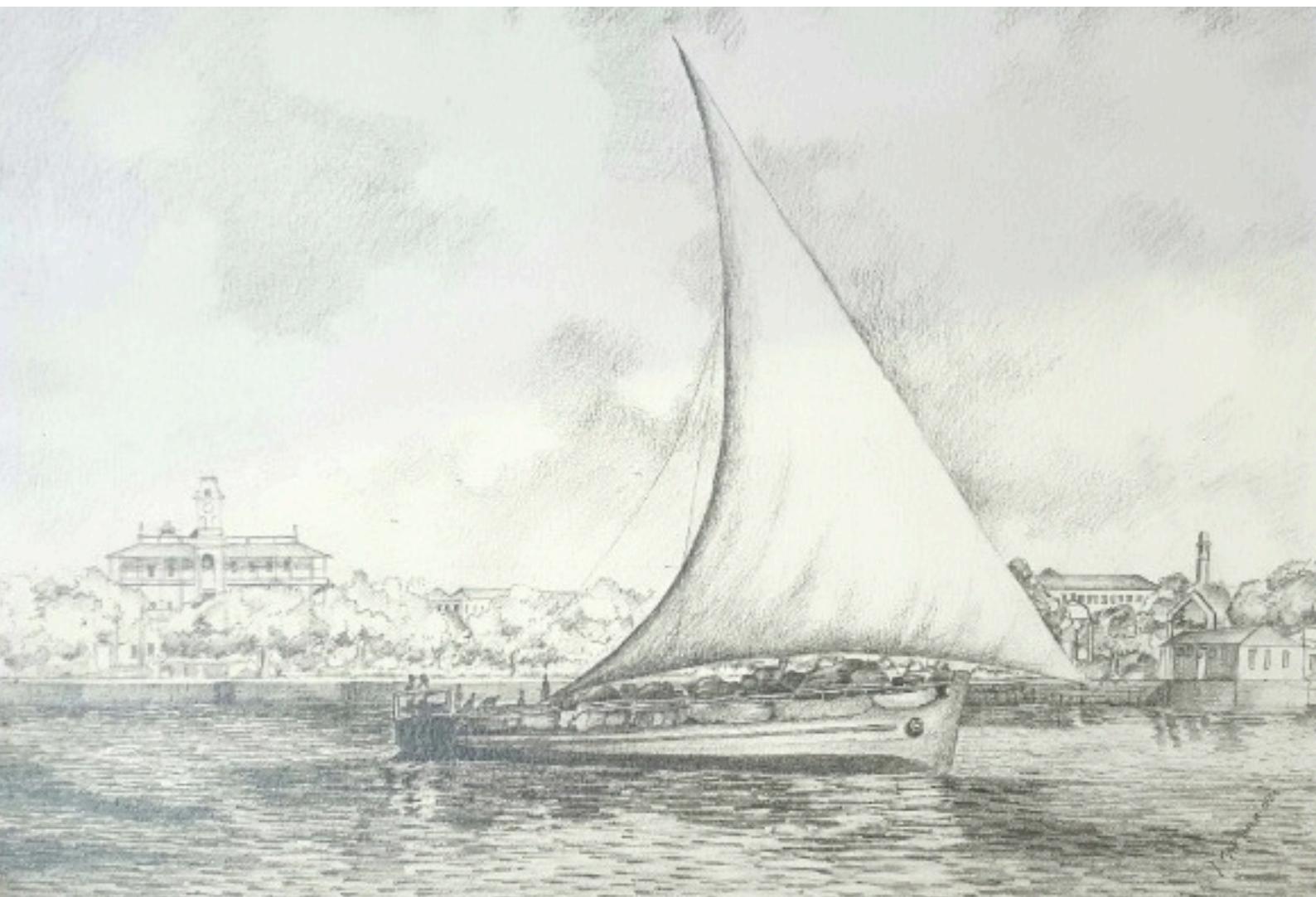


Mwari wa Unguja
60cm x 80cm
Acrylic on Canvas
US\$250

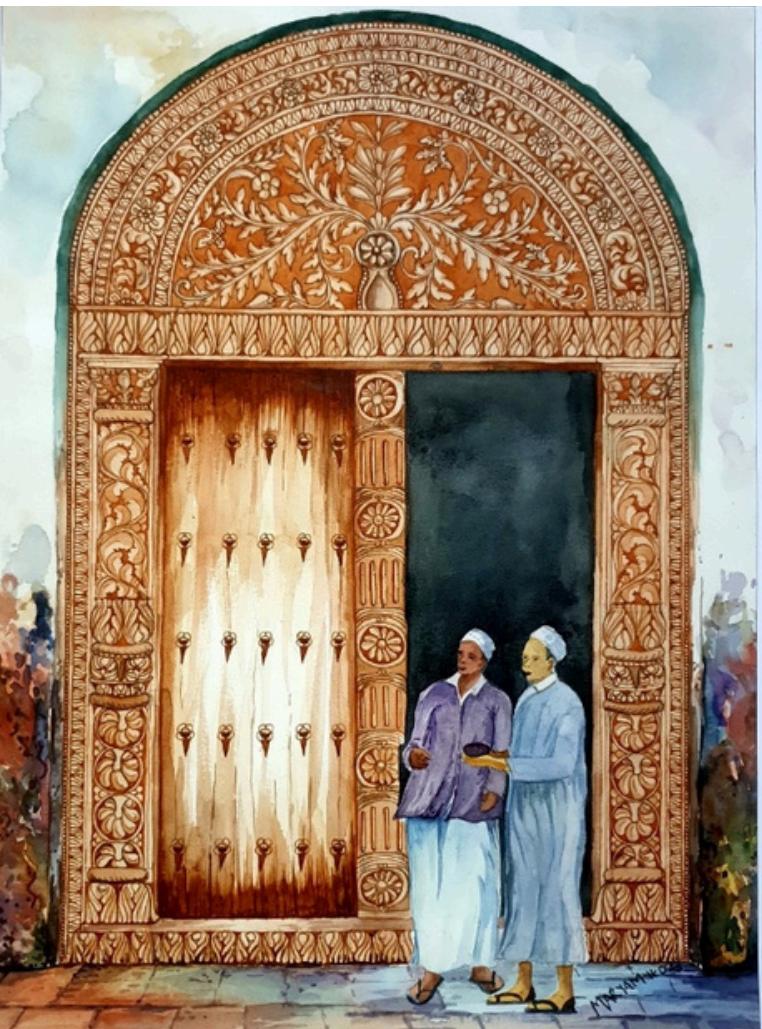
Maryam Haruna Khamis (Maryam . H)



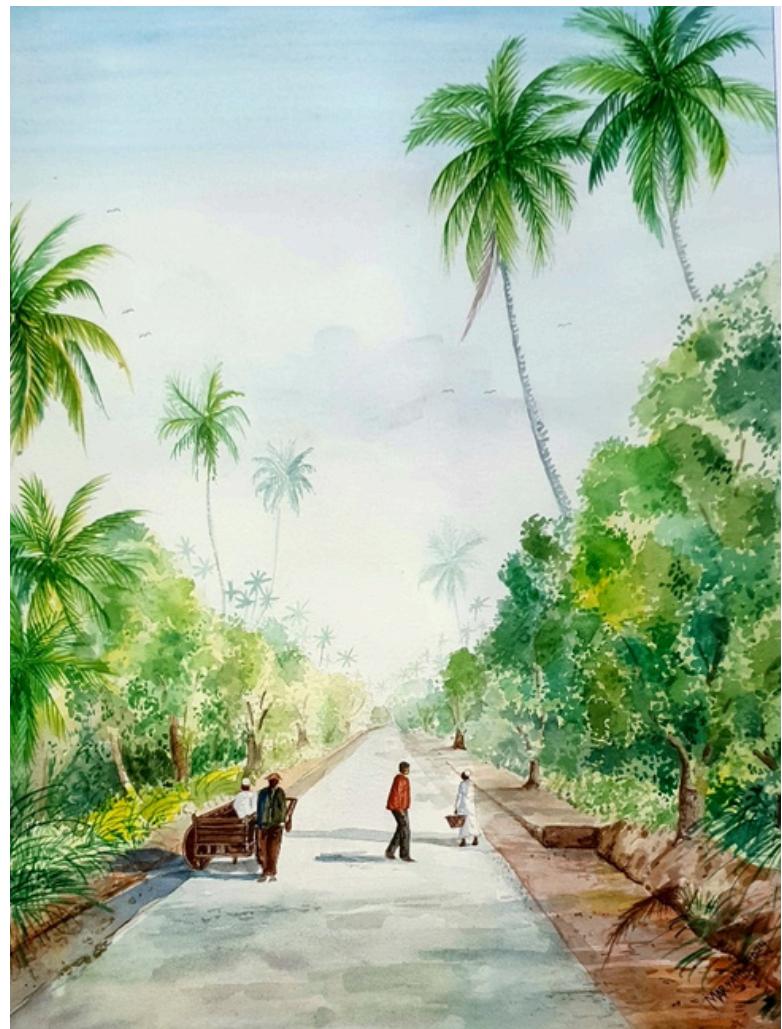
Zanzibar Market
A3
Pencil on paper
US\$100



Sea Front
A3
Pencil on paper
US\$100

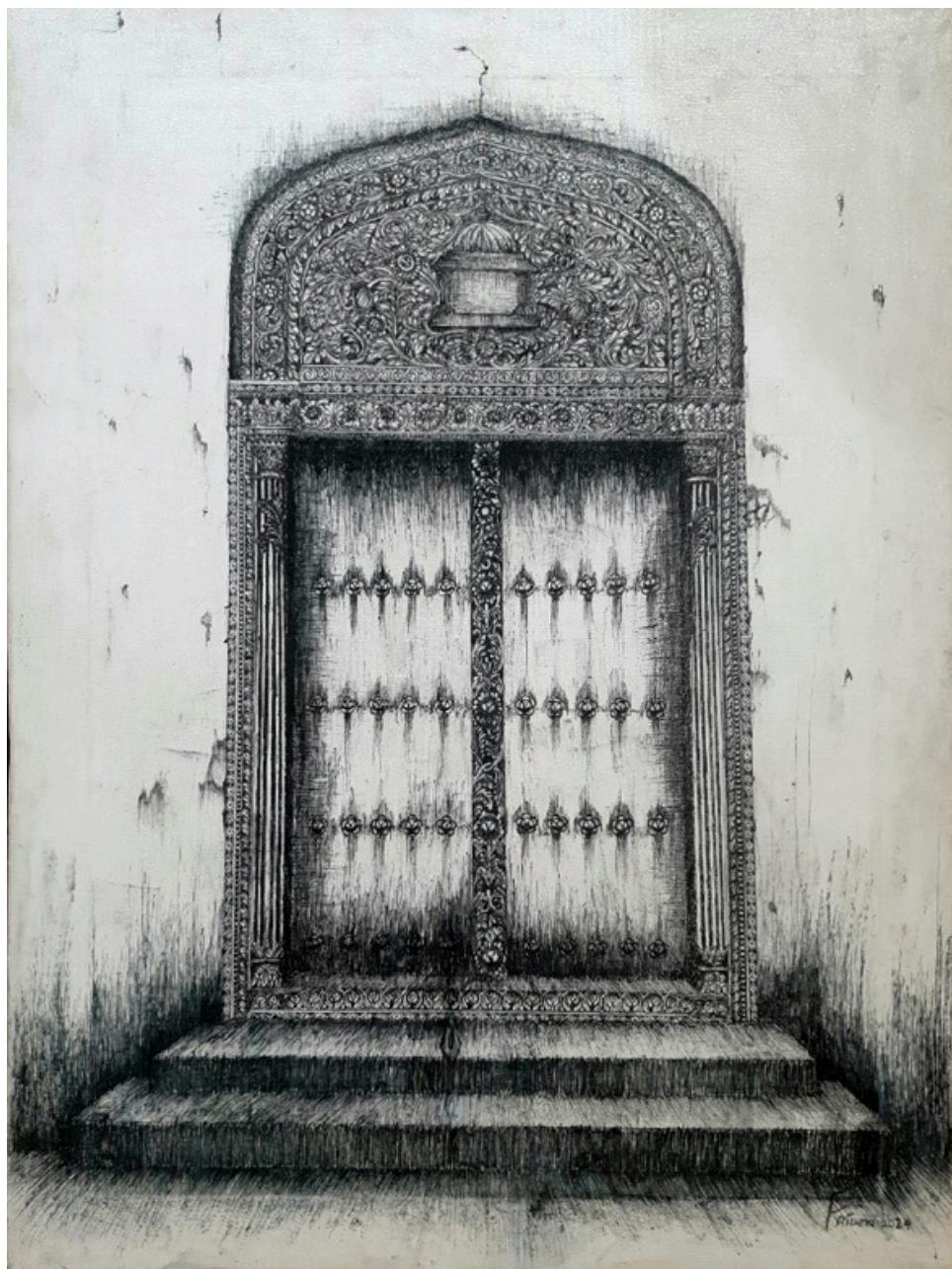


Zanzibar Door
A3
Water Color on Paper
US\$100



Barabara ya Shamba
A3
Water Color on Paper
US\$100

Fatuma Makame Omar (Fatuma)



Zanzibar Door
70cm x 53cm,
Ink on Canvas
US\$150



Tausi

80cm x 60cm

Acrylic on Canvas

US\$250



Majukumu
90cm x 60cm
Acrylic on Canvas
200\$



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