



DAYA Olympiad of Art 2026 – Cultural Identity

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FATEMEH AFSHARIAN

Iran

Adult Category

FINALIST



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ABOUT THE ARTIST

Handmade dolls become carriers of cultural memory in Fatemeh Afsharian's practice. Drawing on approximately seven years of experience and specialist training, she combines fabric, thread, and traditional Kerman Patch embroidery. Each figure preserves regional patterns and craft knowledge while giving them a contemporary sculptural presence, joining the intimacy of handwork with a wider commitment to Iranian cultural identity.

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ABOUT THE ARTWORK

Artwork *Traditional Kerman Pateh Stitching*
Year 2021
Discipline Doll Making / Visual Arts
Technique / Materials Handmade Doll Making, Fabric, Wool Thread, Polyester Fiberfill
Dimensions Doll: 32 cm; Mafsho (Traditional Sugar Bowl): 12 × 12 × 15 cm

