



**SAMANEH MOTALEBI**

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Fabric with sewing.

30 x 20 cm.

This artwork is part of [Middle Eastern Art - Weaving Its Way West](#), an exhibition curated by Collectionair.

**ABOUT THE ARTIST**

Samaneh Motalebi (Tehran, 1986) is an Iran-based artist who earned her B.A. in graphic design from Shariati University, Tehran. Motalebi puts a spin on conventional portraiture by using thick-woven thread, a technique she herself introduced. The faces of Motalebi's subjects are noticeably blank, inviting viewers to substitute their own. Doing so might result in facial-floral overgrowth, or a large insect covering the face. Motalebi's original artwork has been featured in numerous museums, galleries, and auctions.