Javad Karimi
An artist from Afghanistan.
Javed joined the Hope Project in 2018, and was with us for more than a year, while waiting for asylum in the infamous Moria camp.
A very talented artist who is now in Switzerland waiting once again for asylum. These paintings are not his normal style. Artists work together, sharing and learning from each other, these are in an African style.

We know little about this artist, only that she was a young woman from Afghanistan and passed through Lesvos as a refugee. Like many artists she felt the need to express her journey through her art.
Maryam is a young woman from Afghanistan who was with the art project for a short time in 2019. Her current whereabouts are unknown.

Unknown artist, Moria Refugee
A young lady from Ethiopia. Seni joined us in 2019, this was one of her earliest paintings. One of her works was also part of the Christies 2020 exhibition in London.

Mohamad was with us at the Hope Project in 2018 & 2019, he is a young man from Afghanistan.
Banafshe, a young artist from Afghanistan
These are her words, written on the back of the painting
Hi, my name is Banafshe Heidarg
I am a refugee
My style is black pen work with brush and pencil
Mt subject:
The hands that help are more sacred than the hands that go up for prayer
Jean-Paul Waroma - 2019
A professional artist from Congo.
Jean-Paul was a teacher at the hope project and returned to the Hope project from Athens to help out in early 2020.

Najib is a young man from Afghanistan.
A talented young artist whose talent grew over the time he was with us in 2020.
Zhila a young lady from Afghanistan who worked with us as a volunteer as she wanted to also help others. In her free time she liked to paint. We believe she has no settled in Germany

“With giving a smile for children be a hero for them”
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Soraya
A young lady from Afghanistan. She was a long term volunteer at the hope project, working everyday to help people. In her spare time she loved to paint. We believe she has now settled with her family in Germany.

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Razieh
A young lady from Afghanistan a refugee with her family in Moria camp.
Nilofor Qazikhari 1/07/2020
A young woman from Afghanistan, who was a volunteer with the hope project in 2020. She is now living in Germany with her family of many girls. Her mum was also a volunteer with us. Like many of our volunteers she spent her spare time painting. Her words are written on the back of the painting. “this is an image of my fleeing when we had to leave Turkey! Its like you are going down, and there is nobody to help you!”

Farihnoz Nigaz 20/08/21
A young artist from Afghanistan. Like many other artists she felt the need to express her feelings in a painting when Afghanistan once again fell to the Taliban.
Joseph Kangi, Sudan
Joseph was our first art teacher at the hope project art. He joined us at the very beginning of the project in 2018.
A kind and patient man who enjoyed teaching others.
He now lives in northern France. He has been part of an exhibition in New York city and has been accepted to join the fine art school there.

Paryia
A young artist from Afghanistan.
She, like many other girls, wanted to express their feelings when the Taliban took over Afghanistan.
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Gil from Iraq
Gil was with us in 2018. He is originally a tattoo artist, the hope project art was the first time he spent time painting. We believe he is still living in Greece.

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Zeinab from Afghanistan
Zeinab was with us in 2019, living in Moria while heavily pregnant with her first child. She, like many others, faced very difficult living conditions but had the strength to speak out for herself and others. She is now living in Germany with her family.
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Zahra
A young artist from Afghanistan.

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Alireza, Afghanistan
Alireza was with the hope project during 2018
We watched him grow as an incredible artist while he was with us. A kind and generous young man, who in spite of living in terrible conditions always had a kind word, and a smile for everyone. He now lives with his family in Germany.
Zahra
A young artist from Afghanistan.
Like many of our female artists, she felt the need to express her feelings in this painting when the Taliban took over Afghanistan.

Soraya 2023
This incredible young artist is from Iran. She is a painter and musician that always found time to teach and help the younger artists. She is still in Greece waiting for her passport and ID.
Soraya’s words
“My name is Soraya, I am 20 years old. I have never seen Afghanistan and I was born in Iran. But I am aware of the pain of the people of my country, I am an Afghan wherever I am in the world. I will draw a clown. My clowns come from big and small pains. The pains of the girls of my homeland. I painted each and every one of them.

The pain of the wound of oppression, depression, distrust, stress and despair. I struggled with these myself, no matter how hard, but I want to continue. I want to be a role model for the girls of my country so that they do not tolerate oppression and fight for their dreams.

Why do I paint a clown? Because clowns only laugh and no one knows about their pain. No one knows what a clown’s wish is. Clowns have a black soul and a coloured body. I drew happy clowns in a sad environment. My clowns are very sad. They have many dreams, but they are locked in chains in a country where their dreams are not important to anyone.”

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Raha Amiri- Hope Life
A young lady from Afghanistan who was with the hope project in 2019 and 2020. A volunteer, artist and beautician.

Her words are inscribed on the back of the painting.

“The kids play in Moria camp, they have bad conditions and hard living, which is terrible. But they have a positive mind. The meaning of the painting shows the tough condition, but they still enjoy life and they try to be happy and strong. So be like kids, don’t make life difficult. This picture is to know that you have to be strong in life and enjoy it.

The name of the painting is; Hope Life”
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