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## B I O G R A P H Y

Jalal Jamal Bin Thaneya is a photographer based in Dubai. His large format compositions capture industrial facilities and ghostly landscapes in the United Arab Emirates, exposing society's all-encompassing reliance on oil and nature's manipulation by human hands. His work has been included in group exhibitions at Sharjah Art Foundation, The Empty Quarter Gallery, Tashkeel, Dubai Photo and elsewhere.



## A R T I S T   S T A T E M E N T

I started visiting the cement plants in 2017, after the initial site visits, I only started really making images in the winter of 2018 and again in 2019 where one of the images would be showcased. I returned to the series in 2021 to complete the interior images, I felt that the landscapes needed an atmosphere from within the series itself. Gaining access was a mixed affair, I had to go to the owner to many of these places if I wanted to enter, this slowed down my process of capturing the inner workings of these industrial estates. The world is becoming more and more paranoid and I feel that when it comes to this sort of practice, people ask why a man, Emirati, is interested in infrastructure. It isn't something that people are used to. The biggest challenge was access and then the actual effort involved in making an image. In 2022 I continued the project, looking at abandoned architecture and different cement plants.

All images were made with 4x5 and Digital medium format cameras for the highest quality and detail possible.

**S E L E C T E D   A R T W O R K S**



Cement Factory Interior 01

Photography

148cm x 187cm

2020



Cement Factory 01

Photography

148cm x 187cm

2019



Cement Factory 03

Photography

148cm x 187cm

2020



Silo 01  
Photography  
148cm x 187cm  
2019



Cement Factory Interior 02

Photography

148cm x 187cm

2020



Raw Material Feeder

Photography

148cm x 187cm

2020



Silo 02  
Photography  
148cm x 187cm  
2020



Cement Factory 04  
Photography  
120cm x 160cm  
2022



Cement Factory 05

Photography

148cm x 187cm

2022



Untitled 01  
Photography  
148cm x 187cm  
2022



Untitled 02  
Photography  
148cm x 187cm  
2022



Boiler Room  
Photography  
148cm x 187cm  
2020



**2022**