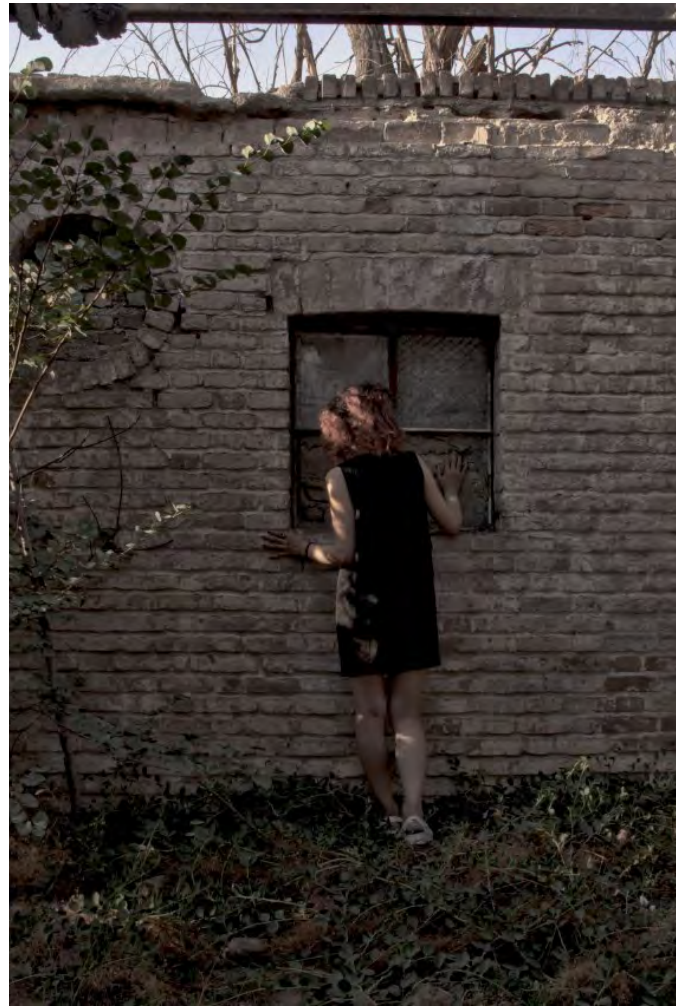


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## OBSTACLES

Being a woman means constant struggle. From the day you are born as a woman, you're always surrounded by many kinds of obstacles. Obstacles that make it much harder for you to achieve your dreams and desires. and that's only because of gender discrimination, which is still one of the main issues for women internationally. This discrimination is definitely way worse in poor countries such as Afghanistan and Iran. In these countries, even being a woman is such a shame for some families so they tend to keep the women of the family at home and forbid them from communicating with the outside world to keep them secure from any possible infamy. This tradition of misogyny is getting a greater voice with the rise of the Taliban in Afghanistan. 2021 to 2023.





Obstacles

2022



Obstacles

2021

# Beauty and Fragility

Associating women with beauty and fragility is not a bad thing in itself. Things get wrong when a traditional patriarchal society wants to use that to its own benefit, reasoning that because of being fragile and emotional, women are not wise and decisive, so they can't hold high-ranking jobs like the Presidency, Ministry, or Judgeship, and a lot of other jobs. And for the same reason, they don't let women have any kind of self-independence.

2022

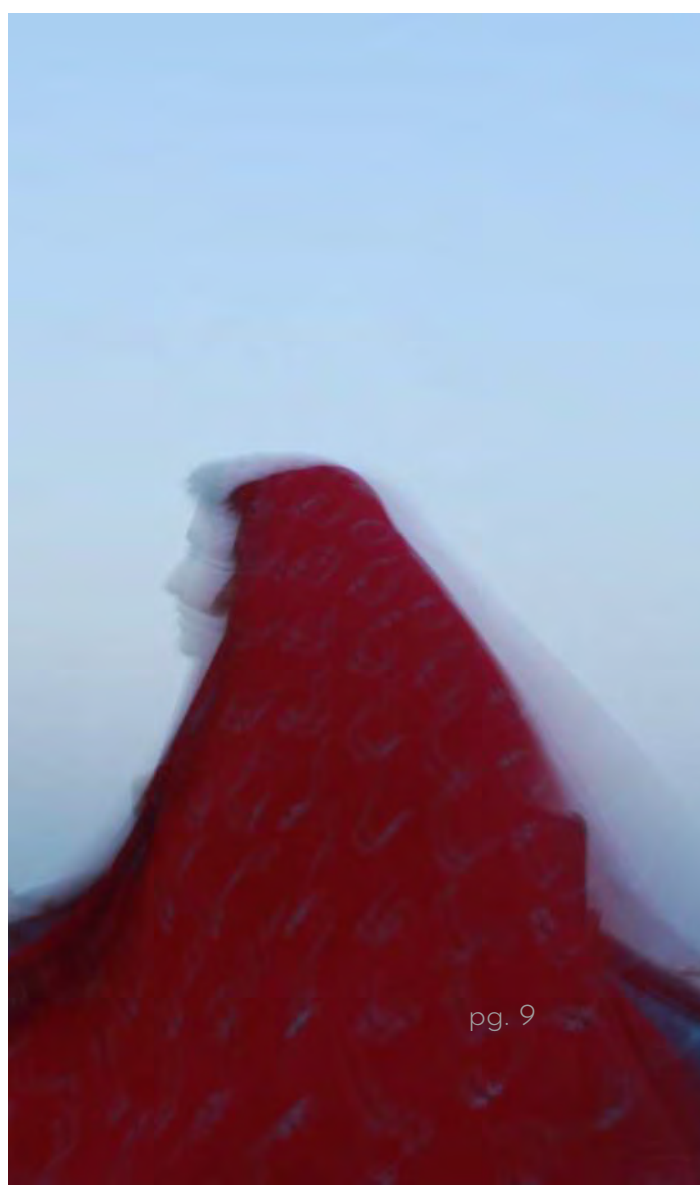






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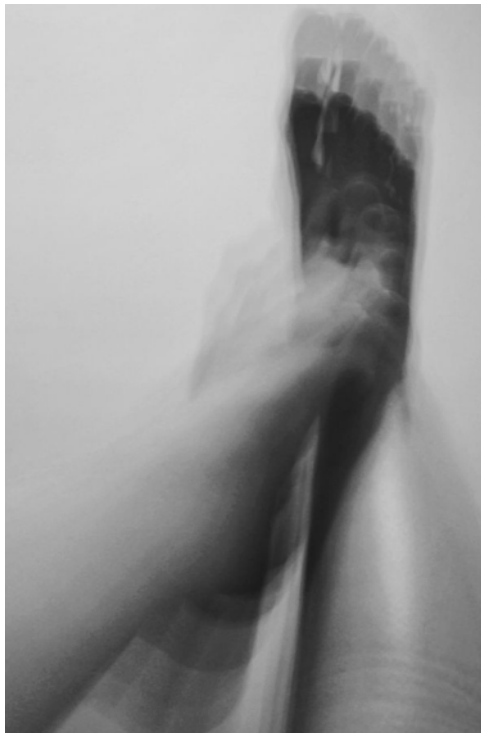
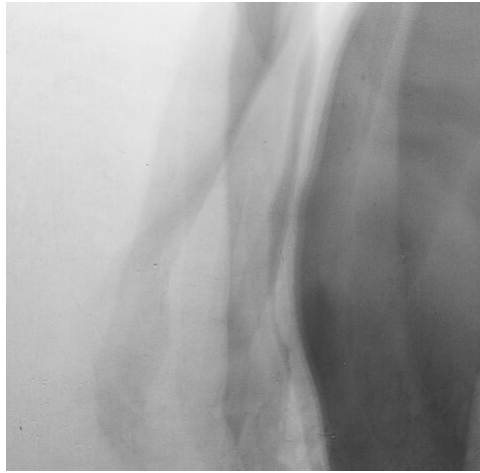


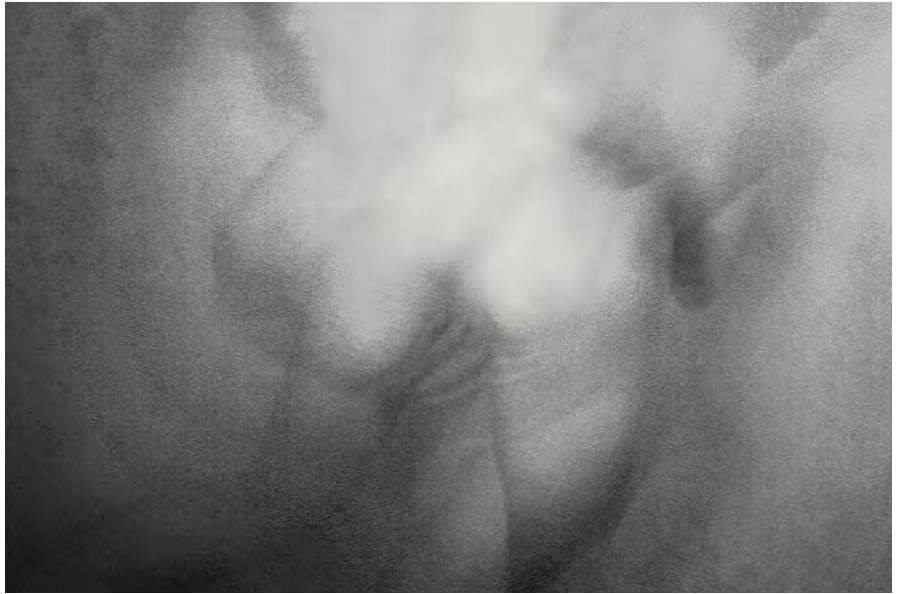
## Mother Nature

These photos aim to depict the connection between nature and woman and their reciprocal effect on each other. 2022 to 2023.

# Shutter Wide

This series is an experimental work of photography in which the photographer's main goal is to focus on the inner state of the subject and its external manifestations in the form of body gestures.





Photos of this series were taken with a slow shutter speed to capture motions.

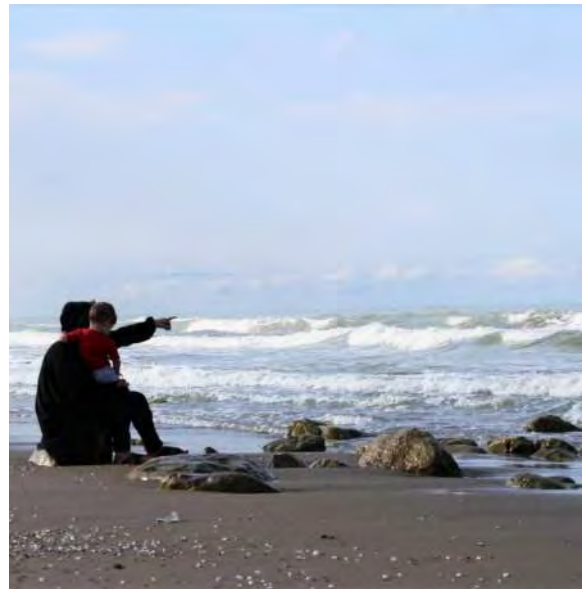
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# Swimming in the Caspian Sea

According to the Islamic Republic of Iran laws women are not allowed to take off their hijabs in the public. This elderly woman is trying to enjoy the sea while wearing Islamic Hijab.

2021





### Swimming in the Caspian Sea

Contrary to the previous pages, the photos on these 2 pages are documentaries.

Caspian Sea.

2021



The reflection of the Caspian Sea in the glass window of a nearby Hotel.

2021

# Video Art Iranshahr

In 2018 news about a rape series shocked the whole country of Iran. A gang in the city of Iranshahr, a western city of Iran had raped 41 women, yet none of the victims had come forward to report the crimes to the police, The news only emerged when one of the rapists confessed after being arrested. This Video Art is about the silence that those women chose to keep silent out of fear of how their families and the community might respond. This is a codirector video art by Mary Mousavi and Mehdi Kamranirad in 2018.



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# Documentary The Wasteland

The Wasteland is a documentary feature film made by Mary Mousavi and Nesar Zarifi in 2021. This film is about the life and work of a few Afghan children who have been smuggled to Iran to work in a waste segregation site. They are from Shendan in Afghanistan. The main conflict of the film's characters is the fact that they have to work all the time, and they have no access to education, sanitary, or entertainment because if they go out of the site, they'll be arrested by the police and will be deported to Afghanistan. This documentary was filmed during the winter and spring of 2019.



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