

## **Nilgün Güney**

1952 Born in Nicosia, Cyprus

1976 Graduated from 'Istanbul State Art Academy' Graphic Design department in Master Degree

1977-1998 Taught art at the secondary schools, Cyprus

1991-1998 Taught Art, Art History and Graphic design at the Fine Arts School, Nicosia, Cyprus

1992 Short story book '*Başka Bir Yerden*' (From Another Place) has published.

1998-1999 Voluntary exhibition consultant for Cyprus İktisat Bank

2002-2008 Founder of '*European-Mediterranean Arts Association (EMAA)*'. Worked as the president and as an executive board member of the association.

2007 Set up an Art Studio and Art Cafe (*Atölye Cadı Kazanı Cafe*) in the walled city of Nicosia

2017 Received a plaque of thanks from the Embassy of the Slovak Republic, for her voluntary, humanitarian work on 'missing persons' and for her help in healing the wounds through the Bi-communal Association of Relatives of Missing Persons and Victims of War, 'Together We Can'

*"In my early years I was influenced from my father's (İsmet V. Güney) art who is one of the important landmarks of the Cypriot art society.*

*The starting point of my paintings is mostly human and other living beings. The reflections of inner and environmental dilemma. As subject I take human psychology which is effected by the society and the political/economic environment. The psychological break ups, loneliness, rage, weakness, resistance, the identity crisis of people... Not only to understand them, but also to look into my own soul... Specially living in an island, which have an unsettled and uncertain situation. And living in a world, where struggle for human rights and for all other rights are still needed"*

### **Solo Exhibitions**

1983 Saray Hotel Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus

1985 Atatürk Culture Centre Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus

1988 Geising City Library, Munich, Germany

1993 Atatürk Culture Centre Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus

1994 Vision Art Gallery, Kyrenia, Cyprus

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1999 Gallery Kapoor, Munich, Germany

2000 Çiçekli Ev Art Gallery, Nicosia, Cyprus

2002 Atatürk Culture Centre Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus

2002 '*Peace*' Archway Gallery, Kyrenia, Cyprus

### **Two Person Exhibitions**

2003 '*Mauerschau*', Ried, Austria

2005 '*Unsettled Fragments*' Eaved House Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus

2007 '*Uneasy Reflections*' Opus 39, Nicosia Cyprus

## Selected Group Exhibitions

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- 1981 Nicosia Municipality Art Exhibition, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1982 *'Past and Present'* Art exhibition, Visual Artists Association, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1983 Nicosia Municipality Art Exhibition, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1984 Nicosia Municipality Art Exhibition, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1985 Asian- European Art Biennale, Ankara, Turkey
- 1986 State Art Exhibition, Atatürk Cultural Centre Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1987 State Art Exhibition, Atatürk Cultural Centre Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1987 *'Graduates of the İstanbul State Fine Art Academy First Art Exhibition'*, Atatürk Cultural Centre Exhibition Hall, Nicosia Cyprus
- 1988 Asian- European Art Biennale, Ankara, Turkey
- 1988 State Art Exhibition, Atatürk Cultural Centre Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1988 *Graduates of the İstanbul State Fine Art Academy Second Art Exhibition*, Atatürk Cultural Centre Exhibition Hall, Nicosia Cyprus
- 1989 State Art Exhibition, Atatürk Cultural Centre Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1990 State Art Exhibition, Atatürk Cultural Centre Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1991 *Paintings Exhibition of the Artists of Northern Cyprus*, Petit Foyer Cultural Centre of Uccle, Brussels, Belgium
- 1991 *Present Day Cyprus Turkish Art Exhibition*, HP Gallery, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1991 *Turkish Cypriot Painters Art Exhibition*, Ankara, Turkey
- 1991 *Turkish Cypriot Painters Art Exhibition*, Ordu, Turkey
- 1991 *An Overall Look at Cyprus Turkish Paintings Exhibition*, HP Gallery, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1991 State Art Exhibition, Atatürk Cultural Centre Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1993 UFACSI (Union Feminine Artisque et Culturalle Salons Internationaux) Exhibition, Nancy, France
- 1993 *Brushstrokes across Cultures Exhibition*, HP Gallery, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1993 UFACSI *Landscape Workshop Exhibition*, Bella Pais Exhibition Hall, Kyrenia, Cyprus
- 1994 UFACSI (Union Feminine Artisque et Culturalle Salons Internationaux) Exhibition, Valencia, Spain
- 1996 *Dokunuşlar* Group Exhibition, Near East University Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1997 *Illustrations on Photographs Exhibition*, Near East University Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1998 *Between Orient and Oxidant Exhibition*, Holsözter, Austria
- 1998 *Between Orient and Oxidant Exhibition*, İktisat Bank Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 1999 *Salzburg Art Fair*, Salzburg, Austria
- 2000 *Akdeniz Öyküleri Art Exhibition*, Ankara, Turkey
- 2001 *Paintings Influenced from Poems Exhibition*, Holzöster, Austria
- 2001 *Paintings Influenced from Poems Exhibition*, Eaved House Galery, Nicosia, Cyprus
- 2001 *'Marks' Exhibition*, Osman Gökçe Exhibition Hall, Famagusta, Cyprus
- 2002 Bi-communal Exhibition, Hilton Hotel Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus

2003 *Open Horizons* Bi-communal Exhibition. Melina Mercury Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2003 *Christmas Art Exhibition*, Amorgos Galley, Nicosia Cyprus  
2004 *Women in Art Bi-communal Art Exhibition*, Gallery En Plo, Paphos, Nicosia  
2004 *Women Meeting Art Exhibition*, Arabahmet Culture House Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2005 *From Sunrise to Sunset*, Osman Gökçe Exhibition Hall, Famagusta Cyprus  
2005 *Island/Border*, EMAA Group Exhibition, Union of Municipalities House, Nicosia Cyprus  
2006 *Dalgada Bulut*, EMAA Group Exhibition, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2006 *Karekök*, EMAA Group Exhibition, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2007 *Tuyap Art Fair*, Istanbul Turkey  
2011 *'You are Here'* Group Exhibition, Atatürk Culture Centre, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2013 *'The Color of Truth'* Bi-communal group exhibition, Goethe Institute, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2013 *'Little Things'* Group Exhibition, Atölye Cadı Kazanı Cafe, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2014 *'You are Here'* Group Exhibition, İsmet V. Güney Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2014 *'Kafkaesk'* Group Exhibition, Naci Talat Vakfı Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2016 *'Return to life with brushes'* Group Exhibition, Atatürk Culture Centre, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2017 *International Women Artists exhibition, as honorary guest*, İsmet V. Güney Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2018 *International Women Artists exhibition, as honorary guest*, İsmet V. Güney Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2017 Annual Exhibition of Association of Cyprus Paper Artists, İsmet Güney Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2017 Salon D'automne in Pafos (European Capital of Culture 2017) Exhibition, Palia Ilektriki Gallery, Paphos, Cyprus  
2018 *'Salon D'automne Cyprus 2018 in Art no Borders'* Collection Gallery, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2018 Paper Touch (2'nd Annual Exhibition of Association of Cyprus Paper Artists) Sol Atelier and Exhibition Hall Nicosia, Cyprus

### **Exhibition Curatorship**

2011 *'You are Here'* Group Exhibition, Atatürk Culture Centre Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2013 *'The Color of Truth'* Bi-communal Group Exhibition, Goethe Institute Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2013 *'Little Things'* Group Exhibition, Atölye Cadı Kazanı Cafe, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2014 *'You are here II'* Group Exhibition, İsmet V. Güney Exhibition Hall  
2014 *'Kafkaesque'* Group Exhibition, Naci Talat Foundation Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2016 *'Return to life with brushes'* Group Exhibition, Atatürk Culture Centre Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus

*\*The artist participated in exhibitions, she has curated.*

## **Workshops**

### ***i. Participated***

- 1990 *Participated* Bi-communal Raku Workshop, Ledra Palace, Nicosia, Cyprus  
1993 *Participated* UFACSI Landscape drawing and painting workshop (Directed by Mme. Helene Deguel), Doğanköy, Cyprus  
1998 *Participated* 'Between Orient and Oxident art Workshop' (Directed by Anton Nussbichler), Holsözter, Austria  
2001 *Participated* Art Workshop Influenced from Poems (Directed by Anton Nussbichler), Holzöster, Austria  
2003 *Participated* 'Shared Echoes' (Dance, Music and Drawing) (Directed by Horst W.) Kastelliodisa, Nicosia, Cyprus  
2017 *International Women Artists workshop, as honorary guest*, Kyrenia, Public Library  
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### ***ii. Directed by the artist***

- 2012 *Directed* a voluntary art workshop 'The Color of Truth' with Sevgül Uludağ (the investigative reporter) on missing people in Cyprus  
2014 *Directed* a voluntary art workshop 'Kafkaesque' reading/discussion and creation art, Naci Talat Foundation Exhibition Hall, Nicosia, Cyprus  
.2015 *Directed* a voluntary art workshop 'Return to life with brushes' Working with recovering drug addicted young people.

## **Graphic Designs**

### ***i. Selected Posters***

- 1982 *Peace Poster*, Peace Association  
1982 *Dün Bugün* Exhibition Poster, Visual Arts Association  
1989 *Neşe Yaşın Poetry Night* Poster  
1990-1995 *Artists and Writer Organization* Serial Posters  
1993 *G.S.O Concert* Poster  
1993-2002 *Türksoy Opera Days* Serial Posters  
1992 *State Art Exhibition* Poster  
1993 *Secondary Schools Theatre Festival* Poster  
1994 *Sevgil Barış* State Theatre Poster  
1995 *10th Anniversary of Nicosia Municipality Theatre* Poster  
1996 *Teachers Union Art Exhibition* Poster  
1997 *Famagusta Festival* Poster  
1999 *Kadın Oyunları* Municipality Theatre Poster  
2000 *International Spring Concerts* Poster, TRNC Music friends Association  
2001 *Book Fair* Poster, Işık Publishing house.  
2001 *Kyrenia Municipality Classic Music Concert* poster

2003 *Nicosia Municipality Theatre Festival* Poster  
2003 *Out of Line* Bi-communal Art Activity Poster  
2004 *Nicosia Story Days* Poster  
2004 *Adnan Durmaz* Poetry Night Poster  
2006 *EMAA exhibition* poster  
2011 *You are here* exhibition poster  
2013 *Little Things* exhibition poster  
2014 *Kafkaesque* exhibition poster  
2017 *Return to life with brushes* exhibition poster

**ii. Selected Logotypes**

1988 Nicosia Municipality Theatre  
1990 Artists and Writers Organization  
1995 TRNC Music Friends Association  
1999 Has-der Youth Club  
2000 European-Mediterranean Arts Association (EMAA)  
2003 Nicosia Municipality Theatre Festival  
2004 İsmet V. Güney Exhibition Hall  
2007 Atelier Cadı Kazanı Cafe

**iii. Stamps**

1981 Campaign Against Discrimination  
1981 World Food Day  
1982 Civilian Services Organizations  
1988 Seoul Olympics  
1998 Commemorative set of Europa (cept), Children's Games  
1989 Traditional Agriculture Implements Commemorative Issue

**iv. Selected Book & Magazine Covers & Book Designs**

-*Bir Zamanlar Kıbrıs'ta* Haşmet Gürkan  
-*Fidancığın Çilesi*, Feriha Altıok  
-*Dublinli Şiirler*, İbrahim Çangar  
-*Sıkıntıya Vurulan Düşüm*, Neriman Cahit  
-*Başka bir Yerden*, Nilgün (Kozal) Güney  
-*Uyuşturucu Madde Kullanımı*, Doç. Dr. Mehmet Çakıcı  
-*KKTC Lise Gençliğinde Uyuşturucu Madde Kullanımının Yaygınlığı*, Doç. Dr. Mehmet Çakıcı, Ebru Çakıcı  
-*Kişsel Becerileri Geliştirme Kılavuzu*, Doç. Dr. Mehmet Çakıcı  
-*Kız Mustafa*, Hasan Karaokçu  
-*Kıbrıstan Geçen Beyaz Ruslar*, Dr, Elnur Ağayev  
-*Halim Çilelinin Fevkalade Serüvenleri*, Zeki Erkut  
-*Jans Mans Sokağı Çocukları*, Zeki Erkut  
  
-*Mimar*, Chamber of Architects

- Kültür Dergisi*, TRNC Culture and Education Ministry
- Günüşiği*, Womens Magazine
- EMAA Art Journal*
- *Ğ Şiirler*, İhsan Gürel

## **Awards**

- 1976 First Award  
*Sign Competition, Orange Festival of Güzelyurt Municipality, Cyprus*
- 1979 Third Award  
*Dev-İş 1st of May, Poster Competition*
- 1981 First Award  
*Visual Artists Association Logotype Competition*
- 1981 Second Award  
*Nicosia Second Culture and Art Festival, Poster Competition*
- 1983 First Award  
*Nicosia Fourth Culture and Art Festival, Poster Competition*
- 1985 Second Award  
*Nicosia Sixed Culture and Art Festival, Poster Competition*
- 1986 First Award  
*Dev-İş 1st of May, Poster Competition*
- 1991 First Award  
*State Art Competition of TRNC Culture and Education Ministry*
- 2001 Honor Award  
*TRNC Culture and Education Ministry, Serial Posters for Türksoy Opera Days*
- 2001 Honor Award  
*For the Contribution of the Artist as Jury Member for Competitions of Deniz Bank*
- 2001 Honor Award  
*For the Contribution of the Artist for Art, Women Organization*
- 2017 Received a plaque of thanks from the Embassy of the Slovak Republic, for her voluntary, humanitarian work on 'missing persons' and for her help in healing the wounds through the Bi-communal Association of Relatives of Missing Persons and Victims of War, 'Together We Can'

## **Literature**

### **i. Published Books**

- 1992 *Başka Bir Yerden*, Okalıptüs Yay. Cyprus

### **ii. Published Short Stories**

- 1989 *Bay Gerçekçiye Cevabımdır*, Ortam art additional. ( pp.5,6,)
- 1989 *Limon Ağacı*, Yeni Düzen Albeni, (pp.2,7, July)
- 1990 *Denizin Mavisı*, Varlık Dergisi, (pp.6, Sept.)
- 1990 *Gece*, Ortam Sanat Ek. (pp6,7,11, June)
- 1990 *Sis*, In Vivo (pp.8,9, July)
- 1990 *Denizin Mavisı*, Ortam art additional. (pp.6, Sept.)

- 1991 *Başkalaşım*, İnsancıl (pp.33,34, Jan)  
1991 *Avcumdaki Ter*, İnsancıl (pp.33, March)  
1991 *Avcı, In Vivo* (pp.33,34,35, Feb.)  
1992 *O Resme Bakarken*, Kıyı, (pp.14, March)  
1993 *Başka Bir Yerden*, Günişiği, (pp.16,17, March)  
1993 *Kara Gözlü Kız*, Yeni Düzen (pp.24, March)  
1993 *Sınır*, Alternatif Yazın (pp.10,11, July-Aug.)  
1993 *Yine Herşeyin Bittiği Gündü*, Arkadaş (pp.9, Sept)  
1994 *Seninle Yeniden*, Alternatif Yazın (pp.18i10 May-April)

**iii. Published Essays**

- 1993 *Süflör*, Çizme, Kibarlık, Alternatif Yazın( pp.24i25,26, July-Aug.)  
1993 *Sanattan Anlamak*, Alternatif Yazın (pp.29 sept- Oct.)  
1993 *Çizgi Büyülü Değnek*, Alternatif Yazın, (pp.25,26,27, Nov-Dec.)  
2004 *Sanat*, EMAA journal, (pp.1, March)

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