

GÖNEN ATAKOL

Gönen Atakol was born in 1945 in Nicosia, Cyprus.

She completed her secondary education in Cyprus.

She received her BFA (Bachelor of Fine Arts) degree from The Pennsylvania State University, USA in 1972. (With Highest Distinction, Student Marshal, ranked first in graduating class of '72).

Received the "Edwin W. Zoller" award for Academic and Artistic achievement (1971).

Taught Art and Art History at Turkish Maarif College (TMK) Nicosia. (March 1975 - June 1996) She retired in 1996 after 21 years of active teaching.

She exhibited in single and collective art exhibitions in North Cyprus, Turkey and USA.

Her Retrospective Exhibition titled "GÖNEN ATAKOL: *Down The Line 1967-2014*" Curated by Dr. Esra Plumer and Zehra Şonya was held on 14 May at the Rauf Raif Denktaş Culture and Congress Center, Grand Exhibition Hall by the joint organization of EMU – Center for Cyprus Studies and EMEA – European Mediterranean Art Association.

Her paintings are in State collections in North Cyprus and in private collections in Turkey, UK, Germany, USA and North Cyprus.

She works at her studio in Kyrenia.

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