



Gallery Les Arts du Soleil



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“ Painter and visual artist from Cotonou in Benin, Samson Gahoui draws his artistic influences from abstract painting, traditional dyeing and the recovery of objects that have become "useless". In order to sensitise the younger generation and to bring them to their necessary awareness on the issue of life, death and the environment, he creates sculptures from waste that the sea throws up on the beaches, found on the street or in wild dumps. Iron, plastic, used shoes, wood, old clothes, light bulbs, become his favourite materials to poetically recreate a new form of beauty.

In an act committed against pollution and by which everything is transformed to become "Récupart" - his themes such as "Les Gueules Cassées", "The Dead are not dead" or the "Ghosts" are a daily fight for the right to be different and to shake the immobility of leaders. At the heart of his travels between Mali, Burkina Faso, Togo, Nigeria, Ghana and Niger, Samson Gahoui has chosen to set up his studio in Senegal, which he considers to be the artistic crossroads of West Africa.

Sensitive to the way we look at the world, to the little tenderness that we disperse around us, he transmits through his art (painting and sculpture) a deep human sense, love, values of solidarity, non-violence, which he exhibits throughout the world (Benin, Belgium, Luxembourg, France, Switzerland, Germany, United States...).

For the emergence of a more positive collective consciousness
and for the care of humanity. “

Claire Raffenne - art historian

Personal exhibitions:

2023 - Exhibition "Cri du coeur" - Gallery Les Arts du Soleil Geneva

2019 - "African Memories" Gallery, Saly, Senegal

2018 - Artistic performance Africa is Calling You (social, economic and cultural event dedicated to Africa)

Dakar, Senegal. Opening and permanent exhibition at the Bigaro Dos Establishment, Saly, Senegal

2017 - "Art'Up" as part of the event organised by Sekou, in the presence of key players in Senegalese entrepreneurship, in Ngaparou.

Collective exhibitions:

2023 - Gallery Les Arts du Soleil Dakar « Love »

2023 - Gallery Les Arts du Soleil Dakar « Rencontre »

2022 - Dak'Art off, the biennial of Contemporary African Art, Gallery Les Arts du Soleil "Pan African Exhibition"

2018 - Live painting and exhibition at the Festival des Vieilles Pirogues, Saly, Senegal.

Dak'Art Off, the

Biennale of Contemporary African Art, Village des Arts de Ngaparou, Senegal

2017 - "Batik and textile" exhibition at the Village des Arts in Ngaparou, Senegal

2016 - Dak'Art Off, the Biennale of Contemporary African Art, Ngaparou Arts Village. Senegal

2015 - "Memory of Africa" exhibition, Place du Souvenir in Dakar, Senegal

2013 - Vernissage Exhibition-Sale at the Club of Friends of the Arts in Cotonou, Benin

2013 - Exhibition "Marine Debris Art Exhibition", at the American Cultural Center in Cotonou, Benin

2013 - Exhibition at the French Cultural Center in Mouscron, Belgium

2013 - Exhibition at the Dahomey Festival, Abomey, Benin

Events:

2021 - Sensitization workshop with young refugees in Niger and Mali, for the United Nations Refugee Agency (UNHCR), Senegal

2019 - Winner of the Bordeaux Afrique Residency Program, Bordeaux, France

2018 - Natural dyeing workshop in partnership with the social and cultural enterprise Teralgän, Senegal



African resistance

100cmx120cm
acrylic on canvas

2023

Motto of peace

135cmx105cm

acrylic on canvas

2022





Impact of peace

135cm x 105cm

acrylic on canvas

2022

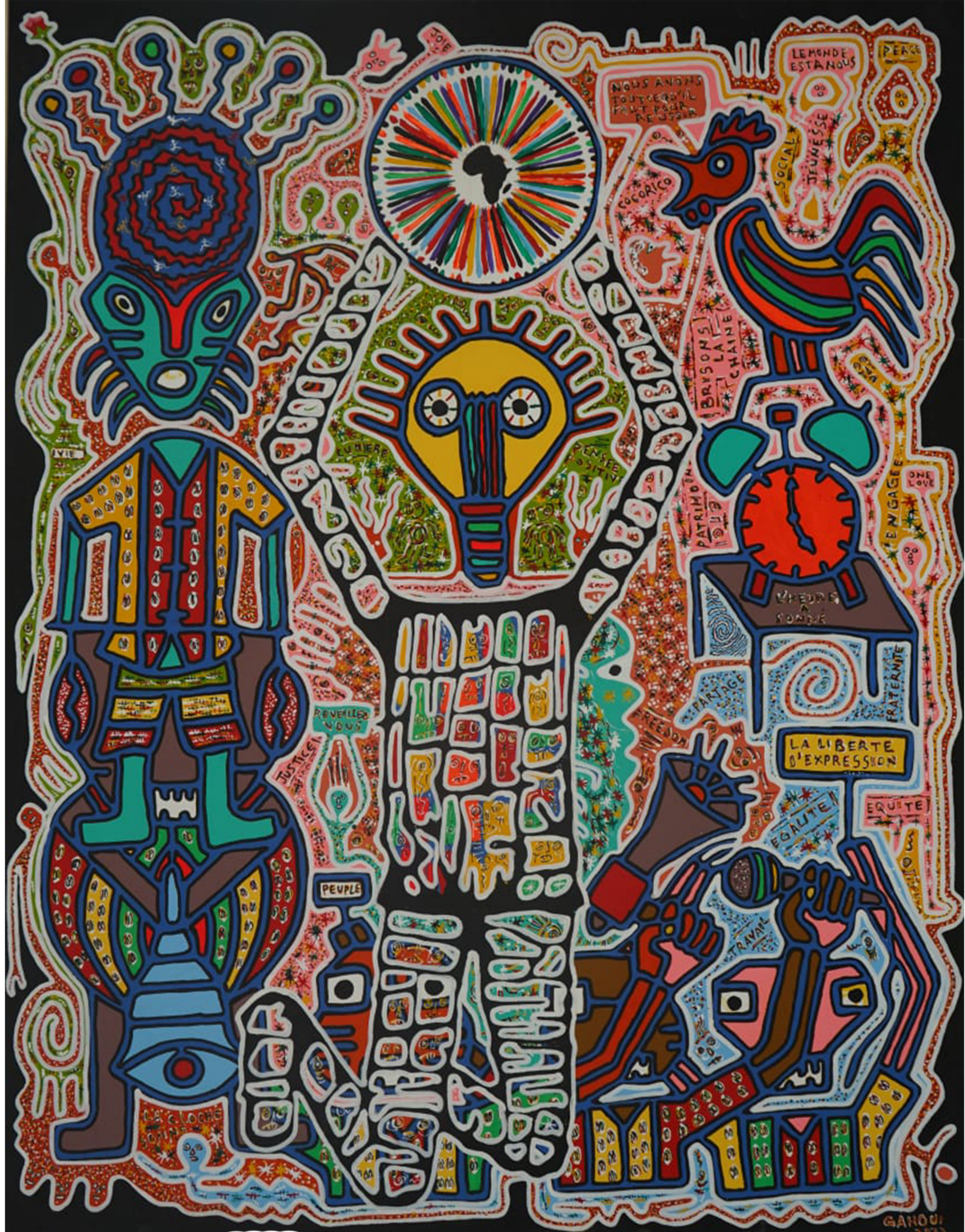
Safeguarding Peace

135cmx105cm

acrylic on canvas

2022





Wake up
105cmx135cm
acrylic on canvas
2023



Who goes slowly goes surely

140cm x 105 cm

acrylic on canvas

2022



Peace in the world

120cm x 94cm
acrylic on canvas
2022



No to violence against women

120cm x 90cm
acrylic on canvas

2023



Resource for peace

120cm x 90cm
acrylic on canvas

2023

No peace no life

105cm × 135 cm

Acrylique sur toile

2022





Love and life

140cm x 105 cm

acrylic on canvas

2022



Victim of war

112cm x 66cm

acrylic on canvas

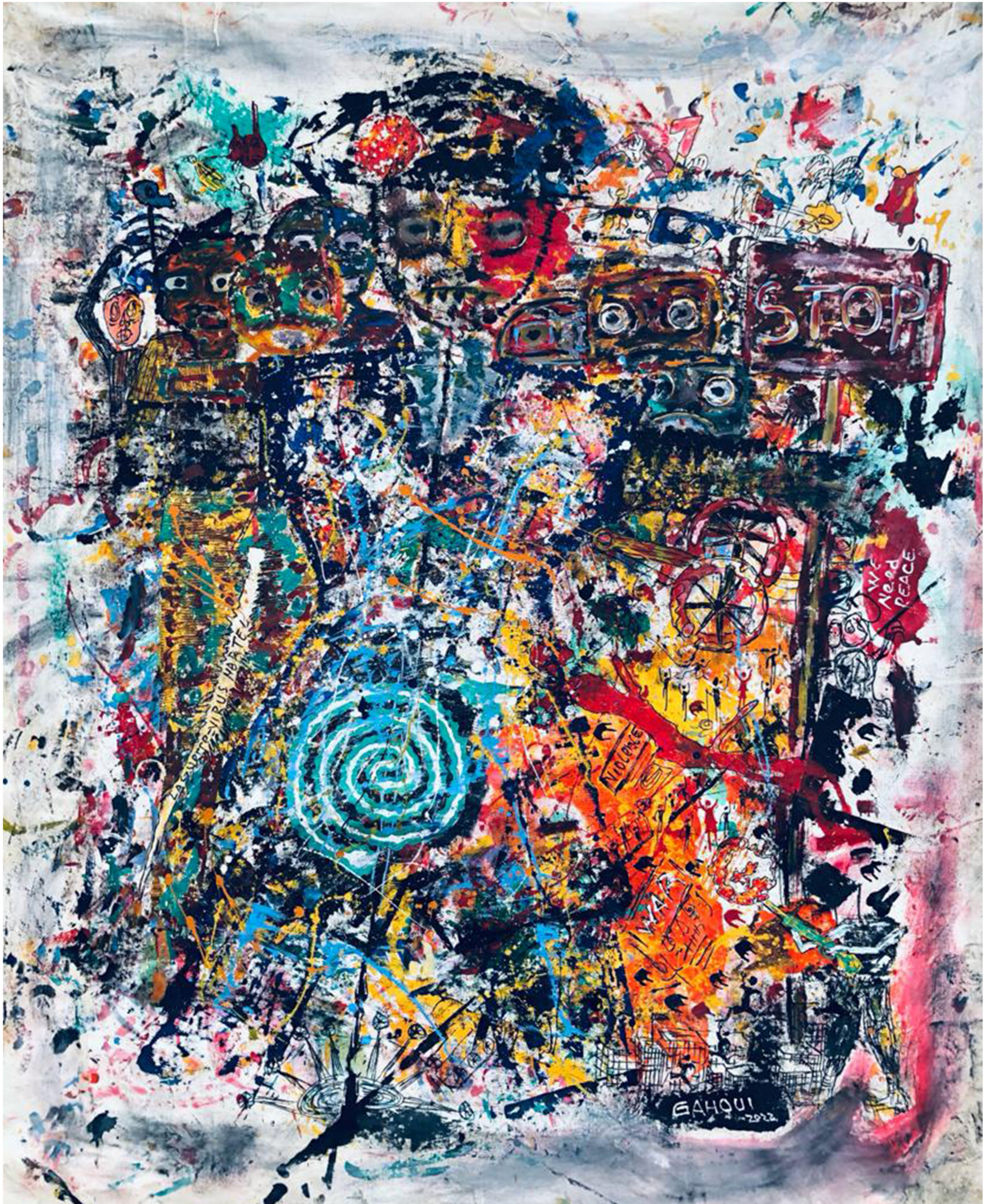
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Red light

120cm x 100cm

acrylic on canvas

2022





Let's break the chain

120cm x 93cm

acrylic on canvas

2022



Give us peace and love

120cm x 93cm

acrylic on canvas

2022



In the Eden's garden

132cm x 80cm

acrylic on canvas

2022



The loneliness

120cm x 60cm
acrylic on canvas

2023



Same destination

122cm x 60cm

acrylic on canvas

2022



Same destination 3

218cm x 125cm
acrylic on canvas

2022



Same destination 2

150cm x 120cm
acrylic on canvas

2022



We understood it all

135cm x 105 cm
acrylic on canvas
2023



Unity is strength

100cm × 80cm
acrylic on canvas

2022



Who wants to go far prepares his mount

135cm x 105cm

acrylic on canvas

2022



Collaboration

100cm x65 cm
acrylic on canvas

2023



Together
90cm x 100 cm
acrylic on canvas
2023

Freedom

100cm x 80cm
acrylic on canvas
2022





Prudence

100cm x 80cm
acrylic on canvas
2022

Protect our planet

100cm × 80 cm

acrylic on canvas

2022





Friendship

100cm x 80cm

acrylic on canvas

2022

Fertile land

100cm x 120cm

acrylic on canvas

2023





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