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Signs: Contemporary Arab Art, opening on Wednesday at the Sundaram Tagore Gallery, displays the work of seven contemporary Middle Eastern artists, in particular their treatment of ancient Islamic art. Traditional calligraphy and symbols infuse the work of Qatari artist Yousef Ahmad, who distils Arabic letters into abstract shapes, while Syrian artist Khaled Al-Saa'i draws on Sufi philosophy, painting words into spacious landscapes. Media include paint on canvas, collage, wood and gold leaf and ink on paper. The exhibition runs until November 14. www.sundaramtagore.com

Khaled Al-Saa'i's 'Carpet of Letters' shows in New York