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Shahpour Pouyan, *Domes*, 2014. (Photo: Courtesy the artist and Lawrie Shabibi, Dubai)

Opening: "Global/Local 1960–2015: Six Artists from Iran" at the Grey Art Gallery at NYU

Mixing work by pioneering Iranian modernists with emerging artists living in Tehran and elsewhere, this comprehensive exhibition offers a scholarly look at work by three generations of Iranian artists. Featuring some 90 works, 20 of which come from the Grey Art Gallery's permanent collection, the show's highlights include Parviz Tanavoli's symbolic paintings and sculptures that draw upon pre-Islamic sculpture and architecture for inspiration; Shiva Ahmadi's mythical landscapes of political conflicts informed by Persian miniatures; and Shapour Pouyan's ceramic and metal work sculptures that comment on war and power while riffing on traditional Persian architecture.

[Grey Art Gallery at NYU, 100 Washington Square East, New York, 6-8 p.m.](#)