

“Ađlı Hikayeler” Exhibition by Semra Özümerzifon opens at Gallery Deniz

Converting waste fishnets into works of art, the artist Semra Özümerzifon has her “Ađlı Hikayeler” exhibition meet with art lovers at Gallery Deniz, the culture and art space of DenizBank.

Making it a mission to ensure culture and arts is accessible to everyone, DenizBank hosts the **Ađlı Hikayeler** exhibition including 28 works of art in which the artist Semra Özümerzifon turns fishnets she collected from the Bosphorus and that were no longer in use into unique forms of art at Gallery Deniz, the culture and art space of DenizBank.

Özümerzifon turns the fishnets which is the main material of her works into three dimensional paintings and soft sculpture which she calls “net paint”. Boosting social awareness in subjects such as environment, recycling and climate change, the exhibition may be visited until **14 February 2026**.

In her opening speech **Semra Özümerzifon** commented “The fish nets which I encountered during my walk along Bosphorus 15 years ago got my immediate attention with their rich color and texture. I really enjoyed this material which had been in use for long stretches of time under water and give off the lived-in feeling, started to collect them from fishermen and putting my oil paint work that I had used until then on hold, set out on a new artistic journey with this material. After a long work period, the fish nets turned into various forms with their new identities. At the same time, they tell their own stories about environmental issues, extinction of marine life, the labor put into fishery and recycle. I am delighted that my works of art are now being exhibited within DenizBank.”