

DISCOVER YOUR SANCTUARY

What does the word sanctuary mean to you? In the exhibit Sanctuary, artists created carpets to reflect on the word sanctuary - whether that means a safe haven, refuge, sacred place, place of beauty, or something entirely unique. This activity is great for all ages.



Hayv Kahraman's carpet is an image of a childhood memory. Who would you have in your sanctuary with you?



The title of Jeffrey Gibson's work, *The Only Way Out is Through*, is written on both ends of this carpet. What does that mean to you?



Look around your home, do you have a carpet? How does it make you feel when you look at it?



Look at where you are and inside yourself, then draw your own carpet that means sanctuary to you! What do you need to create your sanctuary?





Can you see the stars and angels in this carpet?



Ala Ebtekar uses arches, windows, and images from the Hubble space telescope. If you could fly from your window and go anywhere, where would it be?



These rugs were made by master weavers in Lahore, Pakistan, using traditional techniques!



John Akomfrah based his carpet on cave art made thousands of years ago in the Cave of Hands in Argentina. How do you think these prints were made in the past? What mark would you make?



Do any of these carpets say sanctuary to you? What about other people you know? Do you all agree?



Share your drawn and woven masterpieces with us @agakhanmuseum to be featured on our social media page! What does #sanctuary mean to you? #agakhanmuseum



Watch this video from the MET, and try to weave your own carpet!
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AWLIy-Um7_0

