

RUKSHANA HOODA

Born on 09.07.1958 at Maharashtra. Artist's Statement: "I make you feel nature's soul. My artworks bring the enchantment of nature into your homes or workplaces. Almost every artwork will have some element of nature, to bring you closer to Mother Earth & I prefer to fill my canvases with my love, emotions, and energy so viewers can enjoy it for many years later & I also Wish to be remembered as an Artist who always SMILED."

Myself & Art ~ I love to create and am inspired by my surroundings, nature, sky, chirping birds, changing seasons, and most of all my travels. But then, I never felt I would be a professional artist in school. Since my first attempts, I realized how vital painting was to me: it filled my afternoons, and after classes, and I could create my universe with just a glass of water and a brush. That's the natural way I always tried to approach my artwork. The result is a relentless search for an expressive method, experimenting with different art techniques and accurately selecting materials that allow my work to be unique, fine, and long-lasting.

My favorite genre is always 'Villages of India' in acrylics, charcoals, and textures, and I have captivated the daily life, enjoyments, celebrations, and daily chores of villagers and artisans of India. Viewing various textures in nature inspired me to create a new range of textured Abstracts.

Being a Semi Abstract Artist with a Foundation degree from Sir J.J. School of Art and a Diploma in Textile Design from Sophia College, Mumbai. I also created Semi-Abstract Paintings which are about designating a style of painting or sculpture in which the subject remains recognizable. However, the forms are highly stylized in a manner derived from abstract art.

I believe that art is the communication of knowledge and experiences.

I mainly use charcoal in my construct as this is where we all come from and also believe in the adage, ashes to ashes, dust to dust! We will all eventually return to where we have emerged. I am inspired by the five elements of nature, Earth, Water, Fire, Air, and Void.

For me, Colors are like the rewards of life that one receives from the universe hence they are always bright and alive, colors also create a sense of positive energy in contrast to the stark charcoal that I use to form the blueprint of my thoughts, from darkness to light.

All feedback for my work is welcome, and I am surprised by how people interpret my paintings, which keeps me alive and bewildered. It's the journey of evolution and imagination and the opportunity to experience the process of learning and unlearning which helps me create better.

Awards are a sign of being appreciated as an Artist, people do recognize me as a Professional Painter, and I feel delighted and blessed with this opportunity in my life to express myself through Paintings. Still, also this is not a graph to be considered in my lifelong relationship with Art.

It's a blessing to visit the homes of Families, Friends, and Collectors, and seeing my works displayed there is the greatest delight.

We all aspire for something, if we pursue that with all our devotion and give it time; the universe will conspire and help us create our legacy. When that happens the circle is complete.

I believe in Rudyard Kipling's quote, "An ounce of demonstration, is worth a ton of theory."

Whilst Viewing My Art-works turn on all your senses and let life make its impact on you. Your dreams are your paints, the world is your canvas, believing is the brush that converts your dreams into a masterpiece of reality, and that Masterpiece is your Life..!

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

1975, 1976 Foundation Sir J.J. School of Art Mumbai
1976 - 1978 Diploma in Text. Design Sophia Coll. Mumbai.

For more on my genre, please browse www.yessy.com/rukshanahooda
I feel "All art is an autobiography in some way. The theme, style, even color can give you a glimpse of the artist."

Her paintings are in the Collections of Many in Canada, the UK, the USA, Britain, New Mexico, Australia, Miami, Pakistan, and India.

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

7 DAY ART GALLERY, MUMBAI, INDIA ~ 2005.
OASIS ART GALLERY, MUMBAI, INDIA ~JULY 2006.
RONAK ART GALLERY, MUMBAI, INDIA ~ MARCH 2009.
LEELA KEMPINSKI, MUMBAI, INDIA ~ 2010.
OUT OF THE BLUE ART SPACE, LE SUTRA, MUMBAI 23rd Aug-5th Sept. 2010.
KOHINOOR CONTINENTAL ~ 16TH JAN-31st JAN 2011.
Gallerie Leela @ THE LEELA KEMPINSKI, MUMBAI, INDIA ~ 17th Jun – 23rd Jun. 2011.
Svenska Hotels, Oshiwara, Mumbai ~ Feb 1st to 29th Feb. 2012.
KOHINOOR CONTINENTAL ~ 16th May to 18th June 2012. Andheri-East Mumbai.
Pradarshak Art Gallery, Khar, Mumbai, India ~ 17th Sept to 29th Sept. 2012.
Nehru Centre, Mumbai, India ~ 12th Feb to 18th Feb 2013.
The Oberoi, Trident, Mumbai, India ~ 27thOct to 9th Nov 2014.
Venue: U2 Designer Denim, behind " Jal Darshan ", Perry Cross Road, next to Chimbai Police chowki, near Joggers Park, Bandra (West) Mumbai 400050, ONGOING...
Dubai Media City Amphitheatre, Dubai. 25th-26th Nov. 2016.
@ The Leela Mumbai bet. 8th-14th Sept. 2017.
@ Nehru Centre, Mumbai, India 10th to 16th Sept. 2019

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

KamalNayanBajaj Art Gallery, Mumbai, India. ~ July 2009.
The Leela, Mumbai, India, bet 5th Aug -11th Aug. 2011.
Jawahar Kala Kendra, Jaipur, 19th Dec to 27th Dec. 2011.
Thane Kala Bhavan, Thane West, Mumbai, bet. 26th.Jan - 2nd Feb. 2012.
Taj lands end, Bandra 20th April 2012.
Arctic Vision 16th June - 16th July 2012.
Cymroza Art gallery, Breach Candy, Mumbai 23rd June - 27th Jun 2012
Free Port Exhibition Center, Mer Rouge, Mauritius, An Art and Culture Exhibition, 7th - 16th Sept. 2012.
ARTIC VISION, The Gallery, Off Link Rd, Goregoan West, Mumbai India bet. 18th Oct - 2nd Nov. 2012.
Jawahar Kala Kendra (Jaipur) bet: 19th - 22nd Oct'2012.
(AIFACS) Gallery, New Delhi Paint for Justice, Delhi 8 nov.-14 Nov 2012.
"Aroma" ~ COOMARASWAMY HALL, Fort, Mumbai from 12th November to 16th November 2012.
27 th. Nov.-3rd Dec. 2012 the Indian society of international law (Supreme court) New Delhi Paint for Justice.
"Expressions" @ Artist Centre, Mumbai 25thFeb – 3rd March 2013.
"Amalgamation" ~ The Viewing Room, Mumbai, bet. 24th May - 29th May 2013.
IAF ~ Nehru Centre, Mumbai bet 19th – 22nd Dec. 2013.
ANOKHII at Lalitha Kala Academy; Trichur, Kerala, bet January 14th to 18th, 2014.
"FRAGONARD" at Bal Gandharva Rang Mandir Deccan Gymkhana Jungli Maharaj Road. Pune. from 4 to August 2014 to 6 th August 2014.
Annual Art Exhibition at Artists' Centre, Ador House, First floor, 6 K, Dubash Marg, Kala

Ghoda, Mumbai 400001. from 4th- 16th Aug. '14.
 Annual Art Exhibition of Sir J. J. school of Art at 23rd - 29th Sept. 2014. Venue ~ Deenanath Dalal Art Gallery. Andheri Sports Complex.
 KOHINOOR CONTINENTAL ~ 1st. to 31st Oct.2014. Andheri-East Mumbai.
 Colors of Heritage – 2014 at Greenmark Art Gallery, Vaishali East of Delhi bet. 18th-26th. Oct 2014. Group Exhibition ~ Anokhii ~ 21st-28th Dec 2014. at State Art Gallery, Madhapur, Hightech City, Hyderabad.
 Reeves ~ Gallery space, Plot no 259-C, Road no. 12, M.L.A Colony, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad,500034 India bet. 28th Mar-15th April 2015.
 "Before and After" At The Art Entrance, Army & Navy bldg. Foyer, 148 M. G. Road, Kalaghoda, Mumbai 40001. bet 28th Mar-3rd April 2015.
 Hotel Hindusthan International, In front of 'Mythh' Restaurant, Ground floor, 235/1 A J C Bose Road, Kolkata - 700 020. bet. 23rd -30th June 2015.
 "SPANDAN International Art & Craft Festival in GOA" bet.Jan. 20th to 24thJan. 2016. @ Entertainment Society Goa, Near Inox, Panjim Goa 403001.
 "SPANDAN International Art & Craft Festival in Mumbai" bet. April. 10th to 14th. 2016.at Coomaraswamy Hall, Kalaghoda, Mumbai 40032.
 16th All Artist Member's art EXHIBITION@ Artist Center Art Gallery, Adora House. M G road. Kala Ghoda. Mumbai 18th July to 24th July 2016.
 SOLO BOOTH @ "Kalaa Spandan National Art Festival" 17th to 20th November 2016, Gr.Fl. Nehru Center, Mumbai.
 AT ARTISTS' CENTRE - ANNUAL EXHIBITION OF " DRAWINGS & SKETCHES COMPETITION - 2017" - bet. 20th Feb - 26th Feb. @ Ador House, First Floor, 6 K. Dubash Marg, Kal Ghoda, Mumbai, India 400 001.
 The Prestigious Jubilee Arts, The Fine Arts Society, Fine Arts Cultural Centre, Chembur East. and Awarded for The Same for Western Region India. 2018.
 IAF, Nehru Centre, Worli, Mumbai bet. 15th - 18th Feb. 2018.
 The Prestigious Jubilee Arts, Balgandharva Rang Mandir, 24th and 32nd Road, Church Road, Near Patwardhan Udyan, Bandra West, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400050 27th April 2018.
 "Kalaa Spandan Art Fair" 23rd-26th Nov'18, Gr. Floor, Nehru Centre, Mumbai.
 The Jehangir Art Gallery, Kalaghoda, Mumbai, India bet.16th April -22nd April 2019.
 L.P. Deshpande Maharashtra Kala Academy, Sidhivinayak, Prabhadevi, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400025. 14th-16th Feb 2020.
 Gallery Pradarshak, Khar, Mumbai, 6th to 23rd May 2021.
 Manikarnika National Exhibition Jhansi, 28th Nov. to 10th December 2021.
 Artsaroma International Art Exhibition from1st. Dec to 31st Dec.2021.
 Flair International Art Exhibition by Vulcan from 31st. Jan. to 15th Feb.2022.
 Manikarnika National Exhibition Jhansi, Women's Day Special, 8th March to 22nd. March 2022.
 Gallery Pradarshak, Khar, Mumbai, 24th. MARCH to 10th. April 2022.
 AIFACS, Gallery 1, Delhi 22nd. to 28th. April 2022.
 Gallery Pradarshak, 6th to 20th Oct. 2022.
 Face to Face International Group Art Exhibition by Manikarnika Art Gallery from 15th Nov to 17th Nov 2022 at Government Museum Jhansi UP, INDIA. Participating Artists From All over the world

H O N O U R S

From Camlin ~ Oct 1972.
 From Happy Hours Workshop ~ Oct 2015.
 From People's Choice Art Award~ Feb 2016.
 From Amazing Artists Quebec, Canada ~ Black and White Painting Award Feb 2016.
 From Amazing Artists Quebec, Canada ~ Abstract Painting on Series of India Award Feb 2016.
 Award of Excellence From Spandan 2015.
 National Award of Excellence For Best Charcoal Artist From Spandan 2016.

Award for Abstract Art From Spandan Enhance Groups 2016.
From People's Choice Art Award ~ May 2016.
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From The Prestigious Jubilee Arts, The Fine Arts Society, Fine Arts Cultural Centre,
Chembur East. and Awarded for The Same for Western Region India. 2018.
Award Certificate: Generation Art Foundation. 2020.
Award Certificate: Sharma Art Foundation. 2021.
Award Certificate: Manikarnika Foundation. 2021.
Certificate of Honor by Chitrangan ~ July 2021.
National Award + medal & certificates: "Manikarnika Kala Award" by Manikarnika Art
Gallery on the occasion of Women's Day from 8th March to 22nd March 2022.

COLLECTIONS

Her Artworks are now in the Collections of Many in Burnaby, British Columbia, Paris,
France, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, Menorca, Spain, Cayman Islands, Bristol, UK, USA,
Great Britain, New Mexico, Australia, Miami, Constanta, Romania, Russia, Paris,
Pakistan, India. Follow me on the following for more updates, new items, exhibitions, etc