

## **About the Artist**

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Born 9th June 1954, Tripura, India

Diploma from Government College of Art & Crafts, Agartala, Tripura

In 1983 I went to Ahmedabad and fortunately met Architect Shri Nimish Bhai Patel. He inspired me to do sketches of the Old Heritage Buildings in Ahmedabad. That is the beginning of my journey in the art world. Later in 1986 I joined Visvesvaraya Industrial & Technological Museum, Bengaluru. Since then "The Garden City of India"- Bengaluru has been a great inspiration throughout my life to sketch the city's architectural marvels. It's been a struggle for every artist in India, especially from a middle class family, it was no different for me. But eventually I met some great friends and they help me grow. I did approach a few galleries and collectors in the past, but the response wasn't really positive as the trend was towards only to collect other Master artists work. This led to a small break in my art journey and then my family supported me a lot. I must say my son is always been a good motivator to me.

Apart from my paintings I did more than 180 on-site sketches of Old Heritage buildings of Bengaluru which includes The Cubbon Park, Lalbagh Botanical Garden and IIM Bangalore.

Some of my sketches have featured at "The Raj Bhavan, Karnataka-Trough the Ages", an illustrative publication sponsored by The Raj Bhavan, Karnataka, tracing the history of the Iconic Building over the last 150 years.

The 'Manasa Light Age Foundation', a non-profit charitable trust published a calendar featuring my sketches.

IIT Kharagpur Alumni Association of Bangalore had gifted prints of 10 of my best sketches as a Memento to their Distinguished Guests

Karnataka Lalit Kala academy had published my Vidhana Soudha sketch in a recent book, titled KALA

I also did Heritage buildings and temples of my homeland Tripura recently.

## **Participation**

1988- 5th Karnataka Kala Mela organized by Karnataka Lalit kala Academy at Venkatappa Art Gallery, Bangalore

1989 - 12th All India Fine Art Exhibition at Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath, Bangalore

1990 -13th All India Fine Art Exhibition at Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath, Bangalore

1993 - Sadbhavana Art Exhibition at Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath, Bangalore

1996 - Karnataka Lalit Kala Academy 26th Annual Art Exhibition

2018- 2019 - Special show of Chitra Santhe at Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath, Bangalore, as a Special Invitee

2009- Group Exhibition at Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath, Bangalore

1989 - Solo Show in Ahmedabad

### **Workshops and Camps**

In 2015 I had given three days demonstration (17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> April 2015) "Demonstration workshop on Heritage Building Sketches" at NGMA, Bengaluru. This was organized by the National Gallery of Modern Art, Bengaluru chapter on "World Heritage Day"

In 2015 I had participated in four days camp at 'Century Club' Bangalore, organized by the "Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan", Bangalore, on Century Club's Centenary Celebration

### **Major Collection & Articles**

Lalbagh Botanical Garden Bangalore-Abhikram Architects Ahmedabad. 'Manasa Light Age Foundation' Bangalore and many other private collections in India and abroad

On 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018, 'THE HINDU' Bangalore Edition has published a review on my Old & Heritage Buildings Sketches.