

Alok Bal

Indian artist, curator.

Born 1969 Orissa, India

Lives and works in Baroda, India

Description-

Alok Bal's paintings range across a wide spectrum of spaces, subjects and time—through construction sites, forests, women in gendered spaces, metropolises, abandoned playgrounds, wastelands, green parks and wild tundra. His subjects tend to deal with themes of conflict between man and his environment, nature and nurture, the pagan and the scientific, between nature and the concrete jungle, individual despairs and collective anxieties of a post modern age.

Education

2001 Post-Diploma in Painting, Faculty of Fine Arts, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda

1998 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Faculty of Fine Arts, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda

Exhibitions	
S N o.	Solo Exhibitions
1	2007 “Black Landscape” , Anant Art, New Delhi, Priyasri Art Gallery, Mumbai
2	2006 “Football Fever” , Priyasri Art Gallery, Mumbai http://www.livemint.com/Leisure/B323uc5uUyTNcuUBCUJY9M/Alok-Bal-Portraits-from-an-artist-as-a-nature-lover.html
S N o.	Group Exhibitions-
1	2012 “Angkor Wat: An Indian Perspective” , Gallery Art and Soul, Mumbai
2	2010 “Freedom to March: Rediscovering Gandhi through Dandi” , presented by Ojas Art at Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi

3	2010 “Purva” , L & P Hutheesing Centre, Ahmedabad	
4	2010 “Irreverent Gene” , Crimson- The Art Resource, Bangalre	
5	2010 “Symbols and Metaphors” , Centre of International Modern Art (CIMA), Kolkata	
6	2010 “India Rising: Tradition Meets Modernity” , presented by Ati Art Gallery at Varya, New Delhi	
7	2009 'Nature vs. Modernity' , India Fine Art, Mumbai	
8	2009 “Cutting Chai” , Sarjan Art Gallery, Vadodara	
9	2009 “Towards a New Viewership/ Audience” , presented by Art and Deal, New Delhi and Bakul Art Foundation, Bhubaneshwar at Art Konsult, New Delhi	
10	2009 “Multitudes” , Goethe-Institut / Max Mueller Bhavan, Bangalre in collaboration with Zen Studio Gallery and Artflute.com	
11	2009 “With the Best Intentions” , presented by Anant Art at Shridharni Gallery, New Delhi	
12	2009 “Conversations” , The Loft, Mumbai	
13	2008 “Through a Glass, Darkly: Reflections On The Self Portrait” , The Guild, Mumbai	

1 4	2008 “Baroda: A Tale of Two Cities”, (Part II), Sarjan Art Gallery, Vadodara	
1 5	2008 “Freshly Squeezed: The Young Indian Contemporaries”, Suchittra Arts, Mumbai	
1 6	2008 “Live Wires”, Presented by Art Konsult & Mon Art Gallerie at Visual Arts Centre, Hong Kong	
1 7	2008 “Dimensions and Directions”, Mon Art Gallerie, Kolkata	
1 8	2007-08 “Similarities”, Lansdowne Gallery, Mumbai	
1 9	2007 “Pulsating Rhythms on Paper”, Alliance Francaise, Bangalre	
2 0	2007 “A Slice of Art from India”, RL Fine Arts, New York	
2 1	2006 “Shifting Focus”, The Air Gallery, London	
2 2	2006 “Satya Graha Show”, Travancore Gallery, New Delhi and Kizo Art Gallery, Durban, South Africa	
2 3	2006 “Merging Cultures”, Sarjan Art Gallery, Vadodara	
2 4	2005 “Drawing and Act of Art – I”, Priyasri Art Gallery, Mumbai	
2 5	2005 “Drawing and Act of Art – I”, Priyasri Art Gallery, Mumbai	
2 6	2005 “We Are Like This Only”, Vadhera Art Gallery, New Delhi	http://www.artalivegallery.com/shows.php?cat=shows&scat=past_shows&show_display=33

2 7	2005 "Use / Throw" , Installation Show at Sara Arrakal Gallery, Bangalore	
2 8	2005 "Generations To and Fro" , Kaleidoscope Gallery, Vadodara	
2 9	2004 "Tribute to Bhupen Khakhar" , Tao Art Gallery, Mumbai	http://www.sakshigallery.com/?category=exhibitions
3 0	2004 "Garden of Roses" , Sarjan Art Gallery, Vadodara	http://archive.deccanherald.com/Deccanherald/jul22006/citytoday.asp
3 1	2003 Son- et-Lumiere, Mumbai.	http://www.gallerythreshold.com/about.htm
3 2	2002 Nazar Art Gallery, Vadodara	http://mattersofart.blogspot.in/2009_03_01_archive.html
3 3	2002 "Voices against Violence" , Faculty of Fine Arts, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara	http://trove.nla.gov.au/work/15937372?q&versionId=18705242
	Text	
1	News Vadodara pays homage to its master builder Robert 'Fellowes' Chisholm signature of British By N.P. Krishna Kumar, January 21, 2015	http://gulfnnews.com/arts-entertainment/performing-visual-arts/vadodara-pays-homage-to-its-master-builder-1.1444540
2	News Alok Bal Portraits from an artist as a nature lover By Pallavi Singh Apr 17 2013	www.livemint.com/Leisure/B323uc5uUyTNcuUBCUJY9M/Alok-Bal--Portraits-from-an-artist-as-a-nature-lover.html?utm_source=copy
3	News Alok Bal- Story of a Painter and Footballer 2010	http://johnnyml.blogspot.in/2010/01/alok-bal-story-of-painter-and.html

4	News Bhavna Kakar presents A Solo Show by Alok Bal titled Ember By Roopa Saxena Apr 4, 2013	http://www.labforculture.org/es/grupos/public/labforculture/acontecimientos-y-noticias/129019
	Videos	
1	Interview with Alok Bal	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D5vPGI6pNPA

Gallery Show Solo	2
Gallery Show Group	33
Museum Show Solo	0
Museum Show Group	0
Countries exhibited in	5
Years in practice	13
International/national residencies	0
Awards	1
Publications	0
Museum/public collections	0
Auctions	0
Biennales	0
Special projects	0

AWARDS

1998 National Scholarship, (H.R.D) New Delhi

Selected Artworks-

1. **Alok Bal, *A Web of Water*, 2013**
2. Alok Bal, *Wild Game*, 2013, Watercolour on Paper
3. **Alok Bal, *Green Landscape* , 2006, Acrylic and Emulsion on Canvas**
4. **Alok Bal, *Lawn*, 2006, Oil on canvas**
5. **Alok Bal, *Summer Landscape*, 2010, Acrylic and emulsion on canvas**
6. **Alok Bal, *Anaconda*, 2013 ,Graphite, acrylic, hair on paper,Size: 47 x 8 inch**

7. **Alok Bal**, *Untitled*, 2013, Mix media on paper, 5.5 x 7.5 inch (each) Edition: Set of 6
8. **Alok Bal**, *Untitled*, 2012, Watercolour on paper, 11 x 14 inch
9. **Alok Bal**, *Missing Soil*, 2012, Found human waste, wooden box, digital print on glass, 12 x 12 x 4 inch (each), Edition: Set of 9 works
10. **Alok Bal**, *Habitat 2*, 2011-12, Mix media on canvas, 7.6' x 6.6'
11. **Alok Bal**, *Untitled*, 2013, Watercolour on paper
12. **Alok Bal**, *Untitled*, 2008, Wash on paper,
13. **Alok Bal**, *Untitled*, 2007, Acrylic and emulsion on canvas
14. **Alok Bal**, *Urban Tension II*, 2005, Acrylic and emulsion on canvas
15. **Alok Bal**, *Untitled*, 2007, Mixed media on canvas

Artwork links:

1. <http://www.thewebofwater.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/05/Alok-Bal-artwork-1024x697.jpg>
2. http://mediacroud.saffronart.com/auctions/2014/aprilabsstoryltd/alok_14stor_14830_big.jpg
3. <http://www.artinvestgallery.com/admin/PaintingImages/633724912775940565ALOK%20BAL%20GREEN%20LANDSCAPE%2078X78.jpg>
4. <http://www.artinvestgallery.com/admin/PaintingImages/633718127695314915ALOK%20BAL%20LAWN%2036X48.jpg>
5. http://api.aptgloball.org/images/artworks/1375707809_10813-Alok%20Bal_Summer%20Landscape.jpg
6. <http://www.latitude28.com/app/webroot/img/work/grayboximage/892.JPG>
7. <http://www.latitude28.com/app/webroot/img/work/grayboximage/891.jpg>
8. <http://www.latitude28.com/app/webroot/img/work/grayboximage/890.jpg>
9. <http://www.latitude28.com/app/webroot/img/work/grayboximage/888.jpg>
10. <http://www.latitude28.com/app/webroot/img/work/grayboximage/883.jpg>
11. https://d1drtiiz13sc9k.cloudfront.net/auctions/2014/julystory/alokn_1407abs_04955_tbig.jpg
12. https://d1drtiiz13sc9k.cloudfront.net/auctions/2014/artabsnov/alok_14nov_18622_tbig.jpg
13. https://d1drtiiz13sc9k.cloudfront.net/auctions/2014/storyabsaug/alokb_1408abs_16487_tbig.jpg
14. http://mediacroud.saffronart.com/auctions/2013/absaug/alok_1108_04025_big.jpg
15. http://mediacroud.saffronart.com/auctions/2013/janabsauc/alok_12mn_05991_big.jpg

Artist image link: http://www.monartgalerie.net/artist_pic/1203939493Alok%20Bal.jpg