

B Manjunath Kamath

Indian Contemporary Artist

Born 1972, Mangalore, Karnataka, India

Lives and works in New Delhi

ManjunathKamath is an artist who believes in narrating stories through his paintings, drawings, sculpture, video and digital medium. He enjoys playing with everyday images translating them to extraordinary creations containing elements of surprise, mystery and witticism. Kamath's narratives remain unfulfilled without the engagement of his viewers. He compels them to think and give their own perspectives on his work in order to lay emphasis on the idea of continuity through his artistic creations.

Education

1994 Bachelor of Fine Arts (Sculpture), Chamarajendra Academy of Visual Arts, Mysore, Karnataka, India

Selected Exhibition

Solo

2011 "Collective Nouns", Sakshi Gallery, Mumbai	http://www.sakshigallery.com/#/EXHIBITION,175
2010 "Conscious- Subconscious", Gallery Espace, New Delhi	http://galleryespace.com/newsite/new_artworks_past2010_kamath.php
2007 "108 Small Stories", Gallery Espace, New Delhi	http://www.galleryespace.com/newsite/new_artworks_past2007_1.php?collection=35
2006 "Something Happened", Gallery Espace, New Delhi	http://www.galleryespace.com/newsite/new_artworks_past2006_1.php?collection=20
1996 "About Something", Sridharani Art Gallery, New Delhi	

Group

2013 "Edge of Reason- and beyond, into pure creativity", presented by Indian Art Circle at Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi	http://www.indianartcircle.com/edge/
2013 "Spell of Spill", The Palette Art Gallery, New Delhi	http://www.paletteartgallery.com/past-exhibitions/5120

2013 “Living Walls: where gallery walls become artist’s canvas”, Art Alive Gallery, Gurgaon	http://www.artalivegallery.com/shows.php?cat=shows&scat=&show_display=93
2012 “On A Journey”, Art Alive Gallery, Gurgaon	http://www.artalivegallery.com/shows.php?cat=shows&scat=past_shows&show_display=87
2012 “2 + 2 = 5”, The Palette Art Gallery, New Delhi	http://www.paletteartgallery.com/past-exhibitions/372
2012 “Cynical Love: Life in the Everyday”, Kiran Nadar Museum of Art, New Delhi	http://www.knma.in/exhibition/cynical-love-life-everyday-0
2012 “Sightings”, Sakshi Gallery, Mumbai	http://www.sakshigallery.com/#/EXHIBITION,193
2012 “Narratives of the Self: Autobiographies”, Gallery Espace, New Delhi	http://galleryespace.com/newsite/new_artworks_past2012_1.php?collection=105&page=1
2011 “Love is a 4 Letter Word”, Latitude 28	http://www.labforculture.org/en/users/site-users/site-members/surabhi-trivedi/86607/87447
2011 “Time Unfolded”, Kiran Nadar Museum of Art, New Delhi	http://www.knma.in/exhibition/time-unfolded-0
2011 “New Focus”, Sakshi Gallery, Mumbai	http://www.sakshigallery.com/#/EXHIBITION,170
2011 “Skin Deep: The Art of Fibreglass”, The Viewing Room, Mumbai	http://theviewingroom.in/Exhibitions.aspx?type=p
2011 “Of Humour, Wit & Satire”, Gallery Threshold, New Delhi	http://www.gallerythreshold.com/humour_wit_satire_jan2011.html
2010 “Indian (Sub)Way”, Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi; Grosvenor Vadehra, London	http://www.vadehraart.com/exhibition/viewDetails/18
2010 “Freedom to March: Rediscovering Gandhi through Dandi”, Ojas Art, Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi	http://www.ojasart.com/exhibition/freedom/freedom.html
2010 “10 x 10”, Gallery Threshold, New Delhi	http://www.gallerythreshold.com/10x10.html

<p>2009 “Reclaim/ Recite/ Recycle”, curated by Bhavna Kakar, Travancore Art Gallery, New Delhi & Bose- Pacia, Kolkata</p>	<p>http://www.deccanherald.com/content/1676/F</p>
<p>2009 “The Human Animal”, Threshold Gallery, New Delhi</p>	<p>http://www.gallerythreshold.com/Human_Animal_Mar2009.html</p>
<p>2009 “Marvelous Reality”, Gallery Espace</p>	<p>http://www.galleryespace.com/newsite/new_artworks_past2009_1.php?collection=86</p>
<p>2009 “Retrieval Systems”, Art Alive, New Delhi</p>	<p>http://www.artalivegallery.com/shows.php?cat=shows&scat=past_shows&show_display=58</p>
<p>2009 “If I Were A Saint”, presented by The Shrine Empire Gallery at Travancore Gallery, New Delhi</p>	<p>http://shrineempiregallery.com/exhibitions-detail.php?id=20</p>
<p>2008 “Keep Drawing”, Gallery Espace, New Delhi</p>	<p>http://www.galleryespace.com/newsite/new_artworks_past2008_1.php?collection=68</p>
<p>2008 “The Ethics of Encounter”, Gallery Souflower, Bangkok, Thailand</p>	<p>http://www.gallerysouflower.com/ExbPic.aspx?id=55</p>
<p>2008 “Ltd. Edition”, Gallery Threshold, New Delhi & Mumbai</p>	<p>http://www.gallerythreshold.com/sculptures_nov_2007.htm</p>
<p>2007 “Emblems and Urban Regeneration”, Garnier Contemporary Arts, Air Gallery, London</p>	<p>http://www.undo.net/it/mostra/61720</p>
<p>2007 “Pulsating Rhythms on Paper”, Alliance Francaise de Bangalore, Bangalore</p>	<p>http://www.aaa.org.hk/WorldEvents/Details/8797</p>
<p>2007 “Does Size Matter II ?”, Jehangir K S Nicholsan Gallery of Modern Art at National Centre for Performing Arts (NCPA), Mumbai</p>	<p>http://www.aaa.org.hk/Collection/Details/21278</p>
<p>2007 “I fear I believe I desire”, Gallery Espace, New Delhi</p>	<p>http://www.galleryespace.com/newsite/new_artworks_past2007_1.php?collection=34</p>

2006 "Aqua Aubergine Slate" , Gallery Espace, New Delhi	http://www.galleryespace.com/newsite/new_artworks_past2006_1.php?collection=22
2006 "Back to the Future" , Gallery Espace, New Delhi	http://www.galleryespace.com/newsite/new_artworks_past2006_1.php?collection=48
2006 "Hybrid Trends" , Hangaram Museum, Korea	
2006 "Paper Flute" , Gallery Espace, New Delhi	http://www.galleryespace.com/newsite/new_artworks_past2006_1.php?collection=29
2004 "Dots and Pixels" , Sumukha Art Gallery, Bangalore; Gallery Espace, New Delhi	
2003 "Sheesha" , Indo-French Art show, Sanskriti Kendra, New Delhi	
2003 "Photo Print" , Nature Morte, New Delhi	
2002 "Four Cities" , Tao Art Gallery, Mumbai	
2001 "Art on the Move" , project organized by SAHMAT, New Delhi	http://www.aaa.org.hk/Collection/CollectionOnline/SpecialCollectionItem/3312
2000 "Buddha Laugh Again" , Academy of Fine Arts, New Delhi	
1999 "Young Contemporaries" , French Embassy, New Delhi	
1999 "Edge of the Century" , New Delhi	
1997 "Four Young Artists" , Gallery Espace, New Delhi	

Text

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Article Master Takes, Nabilah Ibrahim, tehelka.com, December 2010	http://www.tehelka.com/master-takes-82/
Feature Curious Incidents, Nisha Susan, tehelka.com, October	http://www.tehelka.com/curious-incidents/

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Article Manjunath Kamath: A proponent of free arts, Pankaj Molekhi, The Economics Times, August 2010	http://articles.economictimes.indiatimes.com/2010-08-29/news/27574705_1_walls-medium-solo-show

Videos

Presentation: Manjunath Kamath: Slide & Video Presentation - Chandigarh Lalit Kala Akademi , May 2013	http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-vcKHDOv7Cc
Interview: Manjunath Kamath Interview by Vandana Shukla : Chandigarh Lalit Kala Akademi, Chandigarh	http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cjwYNSrArgM
Artist Talk: Manjunath Kamath at Gallery Espace Day 1_mpeg4.avi, August 2010	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WxiMEyMHc14
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Artist talk: Artists Row 2 - Indian Artists at THiNK 2011. Second Session, November 2011	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AX24S4tPGms

Selected Artworks

1. **Manjunath Kamath, *Arranged Situation I*, 2010**, digital print, 24 x 36", 61 x 91.4 cm, Gallery Espace.
2. **Manjunath Kamath, *As I know, As you know, As we know*, 2013**, acrylic on canvas, 60 x 72".
3. **Manjunath Kamath, *Collective Nouns (Dptych)*, 2010**, acrylic, cement and oil on canvas, 72 x 144".
4. **Manjunath Kamath, *Cupid on Stupid*, 2009**, digital print on archival paper, 24 x 87", 60.96 x 220.98.
5. **Manjunath Kamath, *Eye Detail*, 2008**, water color on paper mounted on acrylic, installation with video, dimensions variable.
6. **Manjunath Kamath, *Elephants in Silent Nightscape*, 2007**, acrylic on canvas, 48 x 48".
7. **Manjunath Kamath, *Siesta at Houz Khas Pond*, 2010**, digital print on archival paper, 37 x 60".
8. **Manjunath Kamath, *Eye*, 2008**, water color on paper mounted on acrylic, installation with video, dimensions variable.
9. **Manjunath Kamath, *Glocal Play***, water color on paper, 7 x 12".
10. **Manjunath Kamath, *How Come He is Here?*, 2009**, digital print on archival paper, 52 x 80".
11. **Manjunath Kamath, *I Forgot what you said Last Night*, 2010**, Fiber glass, 64 x 60 x 6"
12. **Manjunath Kamath, *Man with Plastic Gun and Other Stories*, 2008**, acrylic on canvas, 182 x 243 cm.

13. **Manjunath Kamath, *Mosquito Bite (Dptych)*, 2008**, water color and acrylic on paper, 122 x 152 cm (4 x 5 ft)
14. **Manjunath Kamath, *Second Hand Car Goes to Heaven*, 2009**, automotive paint on fiberglass, variable size.
15. **Manjunath Kamath, *Overdose*, 2009**, installation on The Purple Wall Project, digital work on archival paper, 96 x 144".
16. **Manjunath Kamath, *Pink elephant in bath tub and other stories*, 2010**, digital print, 40 x 65"
17. **Manjunath Kamath, *Pregnant bed*, 2010-11**, fibreglass, 72 x 38 x 8".
18. **Manjunath Kamath, *Pumpkin and Varaha in my Backyard (Dptych)*, 2010**, acrylic and oil on canvas, 48 x 96".
19. **Manjunath Kamath, *Select City*, 2012**, digital print on archival sheet, 72 x 31.5".
20. **Manjunath Kamath, *Short Stories Painting***, water color and Gouache on paper, 4 x 5".
21. **Manjunath Kamath, *(Short Stories)***, water color and Gouache on paper, 4 x 5"
22. **Manjunath Kamath, *Some Who Quoted More than 100 Books in His Talk***, acrylic on canvas, 72 x 96".
23. **Manjunath Kamath, *Still Life with My Deer*, 2013**, oil on canvas, 24 x 24".
24. **Manjunath Kamath, *Still Life with Unknown Prophet*, 2010**, acrylic, cement and oil on canvas, 72 x 72".
25. **Manjunath Kamath, *Conversation piece Talk*, 2007**, clay motion video
26. **Manjunath Kamath, *Underworld Theatre*, 2010**, digital print, 36 x 96"
27. **Manjunath Kamath, *Vishnu Villas*, 2008**, fiberglass, wood, TV monitor and video (on loop), 180 x 60 x 72"
28. **Manjunath Kamath, *Vomiting Philosopher*, 2009**, fiberglass, fake diamonds and woods, 20 x 70".
29. **Manjunath Kamath, *When I said God is Dead (Triptych)*, 2010**, acrylic and oil on canvas, 60 x 108".
30. **Manjunath Kamath, *Within the context*, 2013**, digital light box, 48 x 60".

31. Manjunath Kamath, *Yes it's all mine*, 2011, digital print on paper, 96 x 34".