

Meena Kayastha

Indian Contemporary Artist

Born: 1983, Nepal

Lives and works in Nepal

A chronicler of the woes of industrialization, Meena Kayastha's art takes on a lyrical and poetic form of expression. She transforms recycled and discarded objects into works of art through her astute yet creative ideas. She combines musical instruments with junkyard scrap to bring out the emotive quality of human figures. A recent entrant into the art scene, Kayastha's work has been described as 'boldly dada-esque'.

Education

Diploma in Fine Art, Department of Arts and Design, Kathmandu University

Bachelors in Fine Art, Centre for Art and Design, Kathmandu University

Represented by Siddhartha Art Gallery, Nepal

Selected Exhibitions

Solo

2011 "Lyrics from the Junkyard" , Siddhartha Art Gallery, Kathmandu, Nepal	http://artasiapacific.com/Magazine/WebExclusives/LyricsFromTheJunkyardMeenaKayastha
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Group

2013 2nd International Art Festival "Earth Body and Mind" organized by Siddhartha Art Foundation, Kathmandu, Nepal	http://artnepal.net/nepali-artists-selected-for-2nd-KIAF
2011 Group Exhibition, Biennale, Dhaka, Bangladesh	
2010 1st International Art Festival "Separating Myth from Reality" organized by Siddhartha Art Gallery, Kathmandu, Nepal	http://www.siddharthaartgallery.com/cms/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=76&Itemid=
2006 End Year Exhibition , K U Art	

Centre, Singha Art Gallery, Lalitpur, Nepal	
2005 Kathmandu University Project Exhibition (KUPEX), K.U. Dhulikhel, Nepal	

Text

Review Lyrics from the Junkyard-MeenaKayastha's works, KGB blog, August 2011	http://kanchang.wordpress.com/2011/08/27/lyrics-from-the-junkyard-meena-kayasthas-works/
Review Animated junk, MeenaKayastha recycles objects which have outlived their usefulness to society, Nepal Times, August 2011	http://nepalitimes.com/news.php?id=18453
Feature Living, Meena Kayastha's, ECS media, August 2011	http://www.living.com.np/events_detail.php?events_id=414
Feature The art of trash, Katmandupost, August 2011	http://www.ekantipur.com/the-kathmandu-post/2011/08/19/related_articles/the-art-of-trash/225360.html
Work Artist- MeenaKayastha, Switchblade Lullaby, December 2012	http://switchbladelullaby.tumblr.com/post/38352611120/artist-meena-kayastha
Article junk(ed) is in, Kanchan G Burathoki, KU, School of Arts, Center for Art and Design, December 2013	http://kuart.edu.np/junk-ed-is-in/
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