

SUJITH S. N.

Born 1979, Baroda, India

Sujith's works are his reactions to the urban landscape that he encounters every day in life in Mumbai. His visual language brings together a world that is poetic, narrative, abstract and evocative all at the same time, as he paints vast landscapes flushed with light and shadows. His large format works present a plethora of landscapes, forests, and cities, almost magical in its imagining, hinting at the discomfort with the world that he inhabits. His landscapes are sometimes inhabited by a select few figures and some haunting architecture, both of which are devices for Sujith to capture a state of mine rather than to creative a narrative. Much like how spoken or written language works, he approaches the visual not directly but through metaphors and suggestions, using the visible to enter into a abstract world of contradictions, emotions, and relationships that we share with the world. Sujith SN creates artworks that map out how spatial rhythms and territorial boundaries of modern urban landscapes inevitably lead to violence. His work addresses the relationship between politics and architecture and its effect on modern societies, and specifically how modern architecture has come shape the political, social, and cultural behaviors of its inhabitants. Having grown up in various cities in South India during a period of rapid urbanization his practice is informed greatly by these spatial transformations. His work is further is inspired by his training as a draughtsman in the construction industry.

The artist lives and works in Mumbai.

Education

2007	MFA in painting at the SN School of Fine Arts, Performing Arts and Communication,
	University of Hyderabad
2005	BFA from Government College of Fine Arts, University of Calicut, Thrissur

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2020	Seer-Seen, Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi
2019	Seeds of Silence, Aicon Gallery, New York
2017	Archipelago, Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi
2014	Stains of Stimuli, Forum Art Gallery, as part of Art Chennai
2013	Psalms of an Invisible River at Vadehra Art Gallery
2010	Map is not the territory, at Latitude 28, in collaboration with Sakshi Gallery
2010	Earth, curated by Rajan Krishnan at OED Gallery, Kochi
2008	The City and Tower, Sakshi Gallery, Mumbai

Selected Group Exhibitions

2018	Persistence of Memory, Akara Art, Mumbai
2016	Sown Together, Aicon Gallery, New York
2016	Listen to the Lines Look for the Signs, Gallery 27, Kochi
2015	The Lay of the Land, Latitude 28, New Delhi
2015	Reviving the Retinal, Gallery OED, Kochi
2013	Convergence – Contemporary Art from India and the Diaspora, William Benton
	Museum, CT, U.S.
2013	Small is Big, Durbar Hall, Kochi
2013	Embedded Landscape, Religare Art, New Delhi
2010	Indian Subway, Curated by Yashodhara Dalmia at Grosvnor gallery London
2009	Group show, Tangerine Art Gallery Bangalore
2009	Group Show, Sakshi at Triveni Delhi
2007	The RebelGraffiti, curated by Jhony ML at OED, Kochi

2007	Group Show, Tangerine Art Space, Bangalore
2007	Open-eyed Dreams, Durbar hall, Cochin
2006	Auto Hanger, with Indian contemporary artists, Mumbai
2004-05	Kerala Lalit Kala Academy Annual Show

Awards

2011	FICA Emerging Artist Award
2011	Longlisted for the Skoda Prize
2005	Kerala Lalit Kala Academic State Award