"Dialogue" by

Sudhakar Chippa & Ram Bahadur

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Recent works by Sudhakar Chippa featuring 14 Year old Ram Bahadur

Dialogue presents Sudhakar Chippa's new body of works made in collaboration with a 14-year-old boy from Nepal. Over the last three decades, Sudhakar has created artworks entirely by himself, from conception and ideation to execution using different techniques with wood and pigments in the isolated space of a studio. It is not surprising that such a practice reaches a point of saturation which limited the creative process for Sudhakar. A change in this status quo cannot take place only in the creative cerebral processes of imagination and expression but, it needs to involve the deeper subjective transformation of the practicing artist.

Sudhakar discovered the possibility of such a subjective transformation in the context of his art when he met by chance Ram Bahadur. Ram's parents came to Hyderabad in search of work and they happened to settle at a place near Sudhakar's studio. Ram started visiting Sudhakar's studio and eventually started painting some details in his works. One day while observing Ram painting some details in his work, Sudhakar was marveled by the freedom and playfulness of his strokes. With each stroke his imagination unveiled innocence, tenderness and richness that origin from his village in Nepal. The spontaneity of Ram's brush challenged the rigour of Sudhakar's established ways of painting. This challenge offered him a new perspective on the possibilities of interactivity in making art and provided a conceptual edge to his present thematic engagement about nature-culture dialectic.

For several years now Sudhakar has been making artworks responding to the changing urbanscape of expanding Hyderabad and the loss of nature he is witnessing in his surroundings. Sudhakar's studio is located on the periphery of Hyderabad, which is undergoing a drastic transformation due to the extensive real estate building activity. These disturbing changes have been represented through his works for quite a while. Ram's hand added a sharper voice to it from a position outside the urban circumstances, but a position that is subjected to transformation and

dislocation in the processes of progress and development. This is the paradoxical inevitability of modernization that transforms the landscapes into skylines.

Dialogue presents a point of meeting of two views, two voices and realities experienced differently. The architectural and geometric patterns Sudhakar made in the space of these paintings are dialectically complemented by the fluidity of Ram's hand. The green fields of different hues made by Ram inspired Sudhakar to create map-like patterns by cutting out the surface of the wood. This combination of bright paint and the raw, textured, beige surface of wood produce a close connection with our experiences of seeing nature. Different from the mimetic images of landscape, or its transformation into an urban scene, these paintings are the perceptual negotiations between two ways of seeing the nature around. Thus, nature is presented here as a search for reality beyond the form of the landscape as a genre of representation.

This collaboration between Sudhakar and Ram is different in its kind because while Sudhakar is a trained and practicing artist, Ram did not have any training in art. This makes it challenging a venture into an unknown zone of making art, to discover oneself newly in the process of collaboration. Perhaps, this exhibition titled Dialogue is an expression of that discovery, and a step towards a shared artistic journey, for both Ram and Sudhakar.

Chippa Sudhakar

B. Hyderabad, 1967

Education

1990 - Post Diploma in
Printmaking,
M S University, Baroda.

1987 - Diploma in Fine Arts
JNT University, Hyderabad

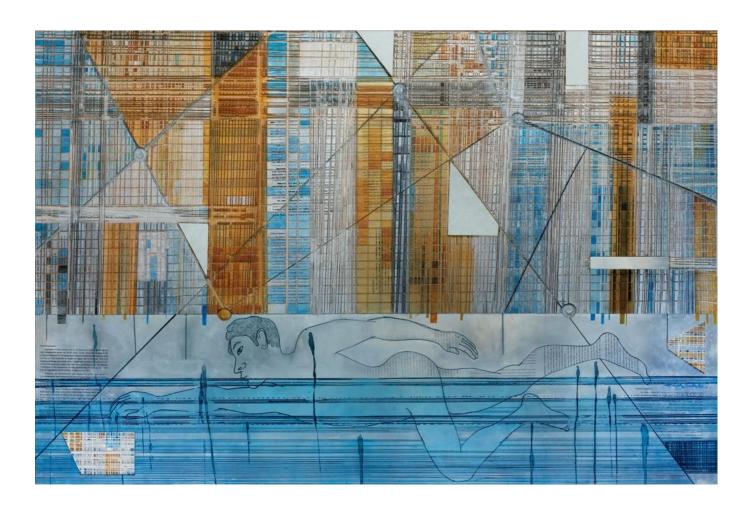
Ram Bahadur B. Nepal, 2005

Education 6TH Class





Chippa Sudhakar Mixed media on wood 72" x 48" 2018 INR 555 000



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Chippa Sudhakar Mixed media on wood 36" X 24" 2018 INR 555 000

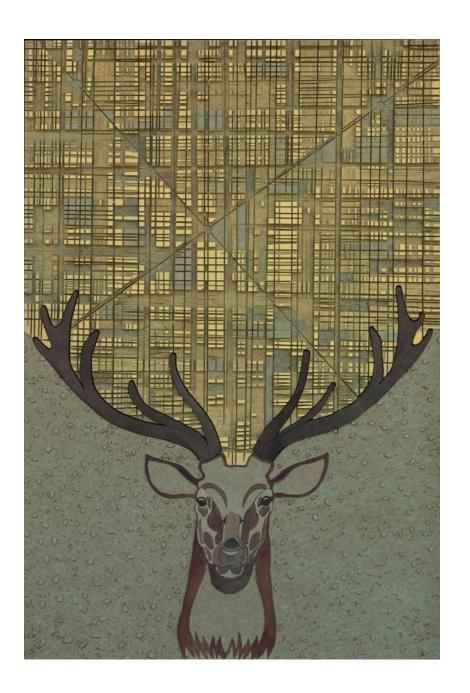


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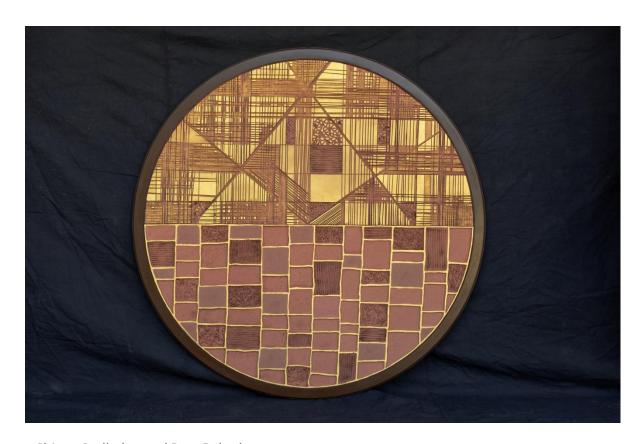
Mixed media on wood 24" X 36" 2018 INR 180 000



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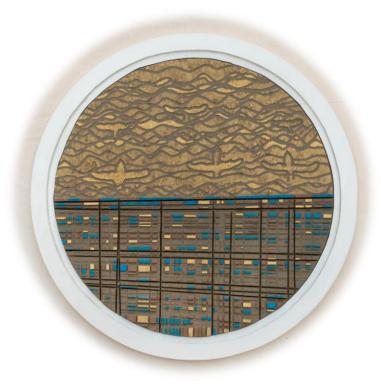


Chippa Sudhakar and Ram Bahadur Mixed media on wood 36"X 24" INR 180 000



Chippa Sudhakar and Ram Bahadur Mixed media on wood 48" Diameter INR 400 000





Chippa Sudhakar Mixed media on wood 15" Diameter each INR 45 000 (Each)



Chippa Sudhakar & Ram Bahadur Mixed media on wood 12" Diameter neach INR 30 000 each



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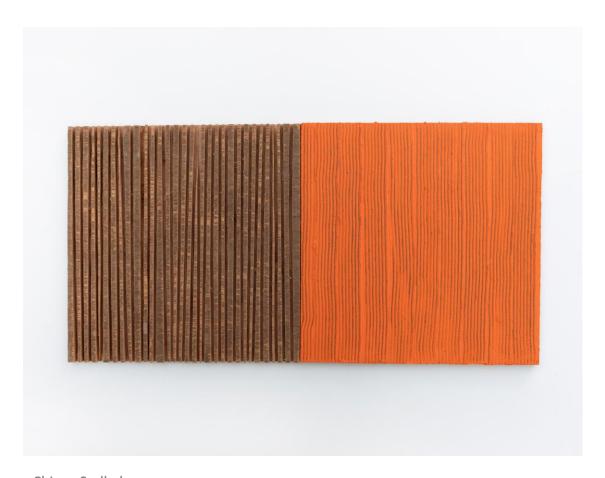


Chippa Sudhakar and Ram Bahadur Mixed media on wood 4" x 4" each INR 10 000 each





Chippa Sudhakar Mixed media on wood 4" x 4" each INR 10 000 each



Chippa Sudhakar Mixed media on wood 8" x 15.5" INR 36 000



Chippa Sudhakar and Ram Bahadur Mixed media on wood 13.5" x 13 INR 40 000

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