



Featured Artist Amar Singha

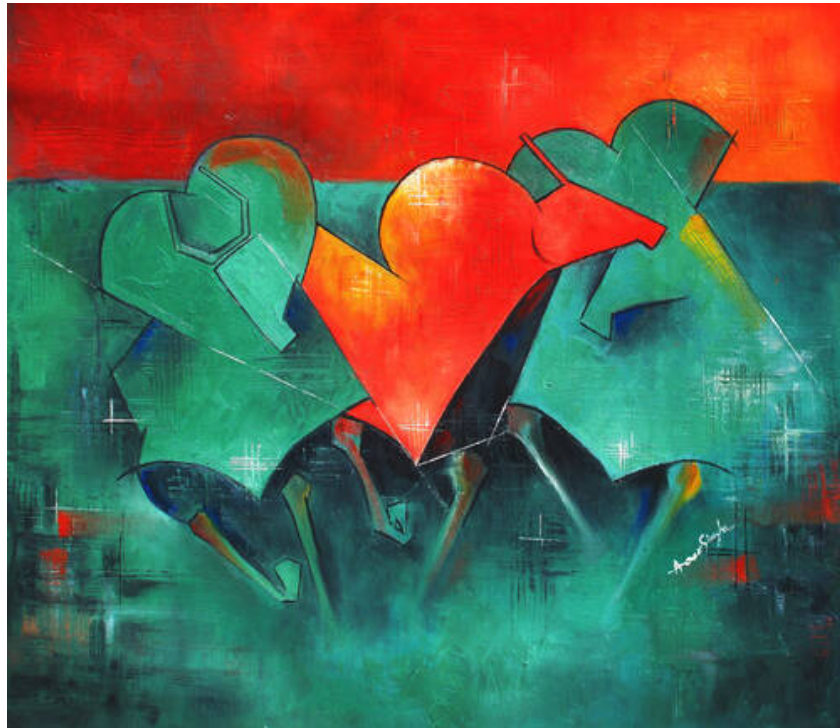
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Artist Amar Singha presents a portfolio of contemporary abstract art influenced by Cubism and his Indian heritage. View more by visiting his [website](#).



"Exhilaration" acrylic on canvas, 34.5" x 23.5"

My life didn't follow the normal path. As part of a baronial family in North Bengal, I was brought up in royal flamboyance that deeply affected my childhood in several ways. It was a very monotonous childhood. I was alone most of the time and had no companion to play with. Perhaps for that reason, I was given some paper, colored pencils and colored pastels, and told that I had to express something on those papers that I found interesting. I guess this was the beginning of my journey as an artist.



"Anger" oil on canvas, 28" x 25"

I was admitted to an art college in Calcutta. Before I graduated, my father passed away. This threw me into a search deep within myself as to the question of impermanence—life and death. I removed myself from public life to pursue those questions.



"Gabble" oil on canvas, 30.1" x 25"



"The Sensation of Music" acrylic on canvas, 33" x 24"

After many years, I emerged, developing a new relationship with the world around me. I learned a lot while on my journey, eventually discovering the reality behind human life. Later on, this new perspective began to be reflected on my canvases. I faced some adversity, but eventually I became a professional artist in 2013. I am inspired by the "melody" or feelings and emotions of human beings—such as blossoming aspirations, torment, exhilaration, anxiety, sorrowfulness, and so on.



"When Nature Whispers" acrylic on canvas, 34" x 23"



"Concert" oil on canvas, 29" x 22"

Nature surrounds me in all its beauty, and whispers to me her stories, which I rephrase with the language of form, color and shape. Based on my emotional approach to my art, I pick up those unimportant things in our daily lives and work to depict them meaningfully on canvas. As a resident of a rural community, I portray the peaceful existence of its inhabitants; they appear on my canvas with a lyrical quality, inspired by the beautiful works of Indian ancestral artists which have always prompted me to keep going.



"Ardhanarishvara" watercolor on paper, 30.5" x 22.5"



"The Savior" oil on canvas, 27" x 19"

When I approach a canvas, my style is to create a geometric pattern inspired by cubism and imbue it with Indian concepts, ancient Indian grammar and patterns. I bring characteristics of both Indian and western ideas together to help me construct the composition.

Because I use an emotional approach, I sometimes feel that my paintings are getting closer to the concept of expressionism in an abstract way. Perhaps my work will be considered a new form of expressionism with an Indian approach.

For me, my work is a devotion to the freedom to express myself. My collectors tell me that my contemporary abstract pieces bring them a hard to describe quietude and a sense of union with all things.

This is the ultimate goal for my artwork. Is there any lofty thing beyond tranquility?

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