



Taj Palace, New Delhi

presents

The Divine Grace

An exhibition of
Paintings & Sculptures

by

Renuka Sondhi Gulati

18th–24th Feb. 2013
(9.00 am to 11.00 pm daily)

at

Tea Lounge, Taj Palace
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The Divine Grace

Like a true artist, Renuka Sondhi, believes in experimenting and re-inventing herself. She pursues art with an unusual passion. The new series is more contemporary, youth-oriented, with strong lines and chiaroscuro effect.

Renuka delves on grace and graceful lines come naturally. Technical virtuosity is not what she is trying to impress upon us. The animated suppleness and the unique curves make her works outstanding. She has made concerted effort to understand human elegance, be it male or female form. Two dimensions or three, she moulds them with an emotion that transmits into her figures. The graceful postures of limbs and bodies flow in a natural rhythmic unity in her paintings and sculptures.

The recent works show immense maturity and depth. She has made a strategic shift from the amalgamation of plant and human life in the earlier series to just humans in the recent one. The new element added is the extreme lyricisms. Her grasp of muscle and sinew of human body is amazing, and that is what helps in the graceful movement of the limbs.

The sculptures are strong in line and volume, whereas the paintings have a degree of fragility and poetry in equal measures. She refrains from using a brilliant palette and eloquently expresses with minimum use of color. The contours communicate what remains to be expressed, in paintings and sculptures.

Renuka felt honored at being awarded for her unique sculpture at the 9th International Biennale at Malta Europe. Not only were her works selected by AIFACS since 2007 every year, she also found an honorable mention award at HIFA. Having exhibited at Triveni, with other senior artists this summer, has left her a contented person.

Renuka has traversed miles to reach where her artistic expression need no words. Her work speaks for itself.....lucidly and perceptibly.

Renu Rana
Art Critic

Front Cover : **Togetherness** • Bronze • 23.5" x 10.5" x 9.5"



Feelings • Bronze • 10.5" x 11" x 9" • 2012



The Visionary • Oil and acrylic on canvas • 20" x 30" • 2011



Fantasia • Oil and acrylic on canvas • 20" x 30" • 2011



Graceful Stripes • Oil and acrylic on canvas • 24" x 34" • 2012



Graceful Stripes • Bronze • 15" x 8" x 8" • 2012



Our Song • Bronze • 15" x 8" x 13" • 2012



At Peace • Fiber Glass • 15" x 10" x 6" • 2013



Expansion • Oil and acrylic on canvas • 24" x 30" • 2012



Amazing Grace • Oil and acrylic on canvas • 48" x 60" • 2012



Illusions at Rest-1 • Oil and acrylic on canvas • 36" x 48" • 2011



Illusions at Rest-2 • Oil and acrylic on canvas • 36" x 48" • 2011



Esoteric • Fiber Glass • 20" x 8" x 5" • 2011



RENUKA SONDHI GULATI

SOLO SHOWS

- 2013 **The Divine Grace**, Taj Palace, New Delhi, Feb 2013
- 2013 **The Divine Grace**, ICCR, IP Estate, Feb 2013
- 2011 **The Magic of Gifted Hands**, India International Trade Fair
- 2011 **Life...a Journey**, Taj Palace, New Delhi
- 2010 **Mystical Resonance**, Triveni Kala Sangam, New Delhi
- 2008 **Mural 40'x11'**, OMAXE's Faridabad Project
- 2007 **'Elements in Space'** Triveni Gallery, New Delhi
- 2006 **Poorva Sanskriti Kendra**, New Delhi

GROUP SHOWS

- 2013 HIFA Awardees Group Show at Punjab Kala Bhawan, Chandigarh
- 2012 **All India Art Exhibition**, AIFACS, New Delhi
- 2012 **Twelve Together**, Open Air Gallery, New Delhi
- 2012 **Jism: The Divine Truth**, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi
- 2012 **United Art Fair**, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi
- 2012 **Summer Art Show** at Sridharani Gallery, Triveni Kala Sangam
- 2012 **HIFA Group Show** at Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi
- 2012 **Jism: The Divine Truth**, at AIFACS, New Delhi 110001
- 2011 **9th International Art Biennale** at Malta, Europe
- 2011 **All India Art Exhibition** at AIFACS, Rafi Marg, New Delhi
- 2011 **CENTURION Group Show** The Visual Art Gallery, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi
- 2011 **The Lavanya Art Show**, Studio Vasant, Delhi. Jan 2011
- 2010 **All India Art Exhibition** at AIFACS, Rafi Marg, New Delhi
- 2010 **One World**, at Hotel The Lalit, New Delhi.
(Organized by Smt. Menaka Gandhi)
- 2009 **All India Art Exhibition** at AIFACS, Rafi Marg, New Delhi
- 2009 Summer: Work displayed by **Burland Galleries** in UK
- 2009 **ART SHOW** by Alshine Art Forum, Rajendra Park, New Delhi
- 2008 **'Empyrean Revelations'** at AIFACS, September 2008
- 2008 **Art Mall**, Shivangi Marg, Moti Nagar, New Delhi
- 2008 **India Habitat Centre** by **Aditya's Centre for Art**
- 2008 **3rd India Contemporary Miniature, Paintings & Sculpture Exhibition** at Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi
- 2008 **"Khushii" India on Canvas** show at the French Embassy.
- 2007 **All India Art Exhibition** at AIFACS, Rafi Marg, New Delhi

- 2007 **Women Art Show**, by the Art People. 4/6 Sirifort Industrial Area, New Delhi
- 2007 **Art from Heart Show**, World Wildlife Fund(WWF), New Delhi
- 2006 **Art People Show** Travancore Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2005 **Agnipath**, Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi

AWARDS/RECOGNITION

- 2012 Sculpture selected at All India Fine Arts & Crafts Society, New Delhi
- 2012 March HIFA **"Honourable Mention Award"**
- 2011 **'Sculpture Award'** at 9th International Art Biennale at Malta Europe
- 2011 Painting as well as Sculpture selected by AIFACS, New Delhi
- 2010 Sculpture selected by AIFACS, Rafi Marg, New Delhi
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- 2009 Work selected in Rang Asia Art competition
- 2007 Painting selected at National Level AIFACS, Rafi Marg, New Delhi
- 2006 **Bronze Medal** Agnipath, National Level Competition & Exhibition at Travancore Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2005 **Gold Medal** Agnipath National Level Competition & Exhibition at Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi
- 2000 Awarded as a **Teacher of Great Talent** from Young Envoys International, Hyderabad.
- 2000 **Guru Dronacharya Samman** from Avantika – A Group of Indian Contemporary Artists, Visual, Vocal and Instrumental
- 2000 Won **'Puraskar Award'** from Korasala's Wonder Art World International

WORKSHOP/ ARTIST CAMP

- North Zone Cultural Centre, Chandigarh 16-30 Sep 2011
- Sahitya Kala Akademi, Delhi Painters Workshop 5-15 Feb 2011
- Workshop Conducted By "KHUSHII" (NGO 2008)
- Participated in camp organised by TMZ group Connaught Circus, New Delhi, 2007

COLLECTION

With various Galleries and private collections in India & Abroad. Burland Galleries Scotland, Ati Gallery; Paintings and sculptures in Private collections at Paris, Geneva, Zurich, Bonn, Berlin, Malta, Orlando, San Francisco (USA), Mexico, Cairo, Johannesburg, Beijing, New Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Chandigarh, Bangalore and Hyderabad. North Zone Cultural Centre, Chandigarh and Sahitya Kala Academy, New Delhi

General:

Engaged in Social work with an NGO **AAPSI** co-founded by her husband Sunil Kumar Gulati, IAS, Chief Vigilance Officer, Delhi Development Authority and Prof. S.P.Vij, Professor Emeritus, Punjab University, Chandigarh.

Areas of Activity: Preventing female foeticide (Beti Bachao Andolan), Care of Elderly, Organic farming and carrot grass elimination etc.



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