



Chawla Art Gallery  
presents

**“WHISPERING NATURE’S  
ODYSSEY”**

Recent works by

**UMIKA MEDIRATTA SHRIRAM**

October – November 2023



**Umika Mediratta Shriram** was born amidst the verdant landscapes of Raipur, Chhattisgarh, in 1990, and went to Mayo College Girls' School in Ajmer. She gradually discovered and explored her passion for art during this formative period, translating the whispers of her creative spirit into the freewheeling artworks she made.

Her relentless pursuit of artistic engagement eventually led her to the venerable institution of Kala Bhavana in Santiniketan, where, amidst the tranquil embrace of nature's bounty, she delved deeper into the world of fine art, honing her skills and shaping her artistic vision.

Umika's palette of colours, textures, and forms is drawn out through an engaged conversation with Mother Nature herself. Her creations make for an evocative symphony, weaving together the threads of nature and its elemental forces, the intricacies of human nature, and the subtle nuances of human behaviour. Through her artistry, she breathes life into the mundane, infusing it with charm, flavour, and a profound sense of value.

Umika paintings invite the observer to step into her world and wander through the corridors of her imagination. These ethereal forms birthed on her canvas evoke a sense of psychological abstraction, drawing the beholder into a realm where emotions and ideas fuse in a harmonious cadence.

Nearly a decade ago, during the formative years of her undergraduate studies, Umika stumbled upon the enchanting allure of Thangka, embarking on a personal quest to explore the formal realm of religio-magical Thangka painting. This sacred art tradition unfurls its mesmerizing tales upon murals and scrolls alike. In its intricate brushstrokes, she unearthed a mesmerizing conduit through which the very essence of nature itself danced and whispered.

Mastering this endangered art form in the enchanting valleys of Dharamsala and Bhutan, she has taken upon herself the mantle of representing the timeless Thangka tradition for a larger audience, infusing it with a contemporary spirit that resonates with modern sensibilities.

Umika firmly believes that the true essence of art lies in the aspiration for a life-affirming connection between the artist and the natural world. Her creative endeavours span across various mediums, encompassing painting, photography, installations, and public conversations on art.

As a painter, the essence of her artistic project lies in the seamless conversation she seeks between an ancient Oriental form, and modern and contemporary concerns and themes. Nature, human beings, and interiority fuse in her work in a seamless, semi-abstract, inclusive and all-embracing continuum.

The unmistakable interiority of her ethereal and unembodied forms finds its perfect counterpart in the vitality and exuberance of her palette. Her creations are infused with an irresistible amalgamation of measured introspection and boundless fervour for driving transformative action and fostering constructive change.





Umika Mediratta Shriram  
2023

"Midsummer Night's Dream-III"  
Acrylic on Canvas  
60" x 36"





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"Sahasrara"  
60" x 36"  
Acrylic on Canvas





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"An Oasis in All of This"  
48" x 36"  
Acrylic on Canvas





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2023

"Om Mani Padme Hum -V"  
Acrylic on Canvas  
48" x 36"





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2023

"Equanimity"  
48" x 48"  
Acrylic on Canvas

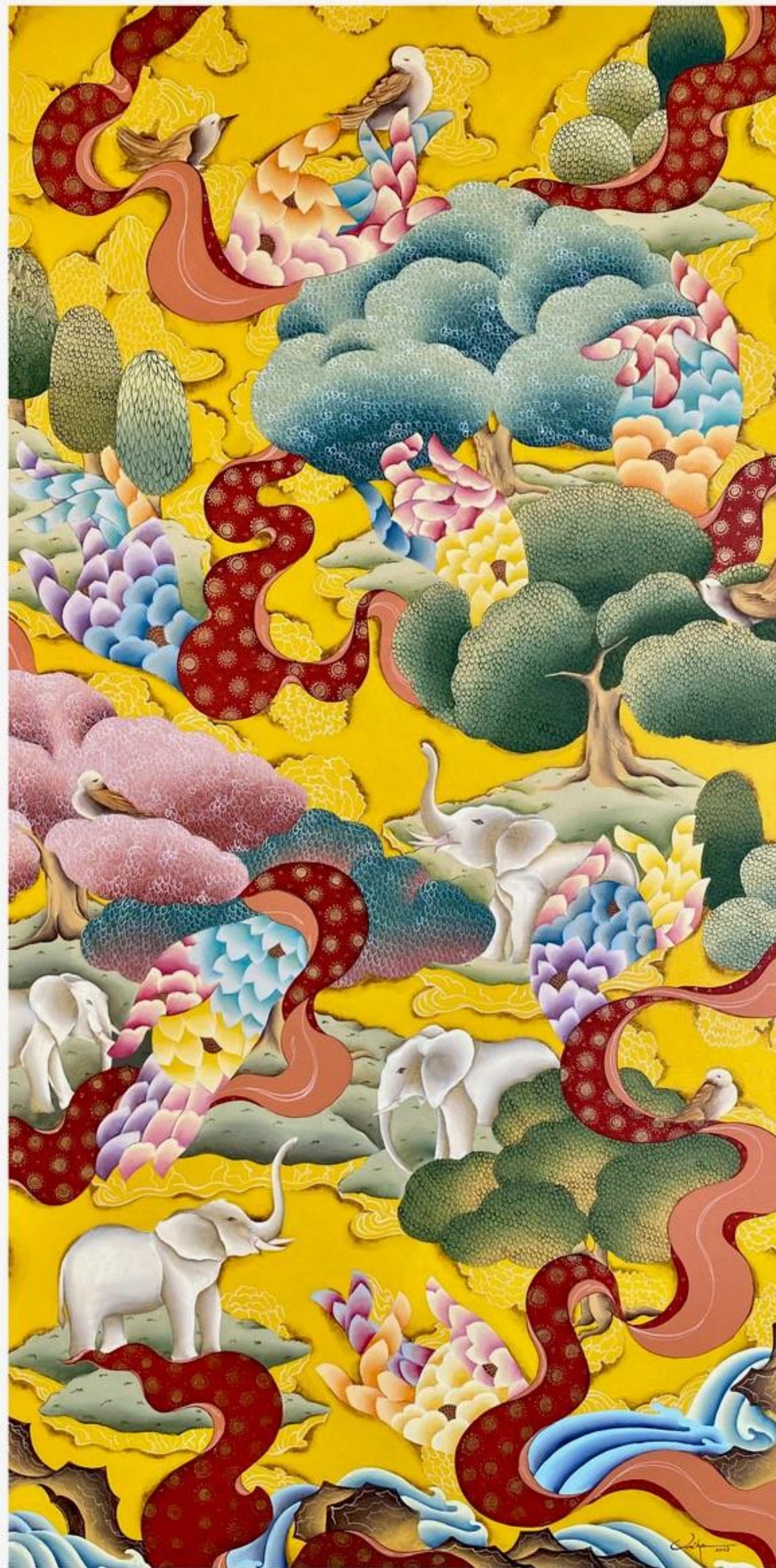




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"Under The Bodhi Tree"  
48" x 48"  
Acrylic on Canvas





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"Karuna"  
Acrylic on Canvas  
24" x 48"





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"Vibhuti"  
Acrylic on Canvas  
42" x 36"

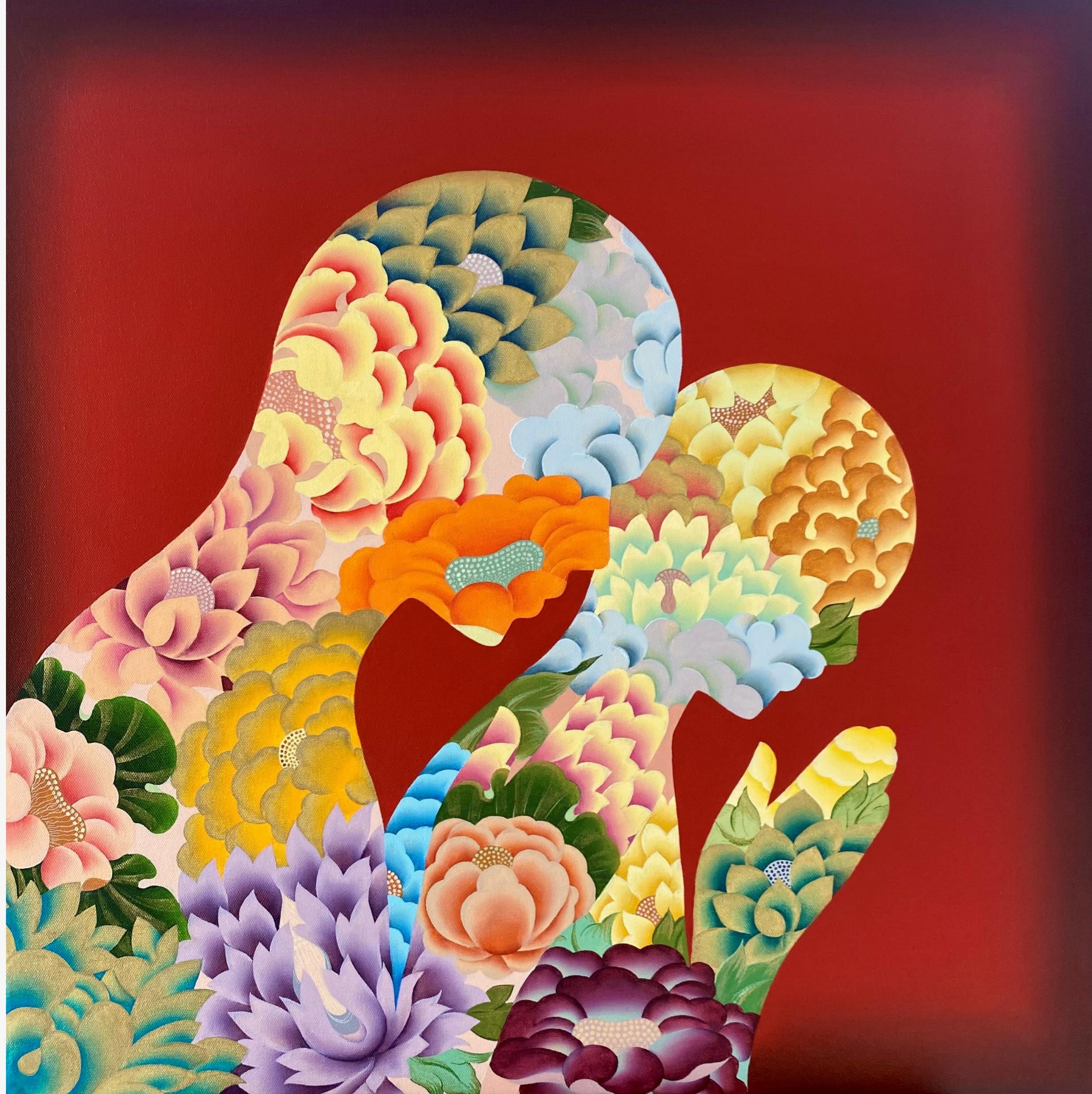




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"Anumodana- Gratitude in Bloom"  
Acrylic on Canvas  
42" x 36"





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"Ananda Hum"  
24" x24"  
Acrylic on canvas





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"The Earth's Whisper"  
24" x24"  
Acrylic on canvas





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"Rumination - VI"  
24" x 24"  
Acrylic on Canvas





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"Rumination - V"  
Acrylic on Canvas  
24" x 24"





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"The Four Friends"  
24" x 24"  
Acrylic on Canvas





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"Cosmos"  
24" x 24"  
Acrylic on Canvas





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"Bhumisparsha"  
12" x 12"  
Acrylic on Canvas





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"Dhyana"  
12" x 12"  
Acrylic on Canvas





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"Dharmachakra"  
12" x 12"  
Acrylic on Canvas





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"Prithvi"  
12" x 12"  
Acrylic on Canvas





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"Vitarka - I"  
12" x 12"  
Acrylic on Canvas





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"Vitarka - II"  
12" x 12"  
Acrylic on Canvas



**Chawla Art Gallery** envisioned as an arena for passionately presenting artworks of quality & lasting in value over the years. One of the pioneers in the art business, the gallery has a history of long association with leading artists. The gallery is one of the reputed art galleries of India & has earned a great amount of good-will from the community of art lovers.

The guiding principle of the organization has been to bring the viewers closer to the works of great masters of Indian art. Art connoisseur and business leader Mr. D.V. Chawla, founder of Chawla Art Gallery, has been actively engaged in art domain since 1967. He has evolved alongside the dynamics of Indian and global art. Shibani Chawla joined the art scene in 1987 & has made significant contribution towards art initiatives. The gallery's advisory service runs in parallel with the artistic venture managed by Nakul Dev Chawla.



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