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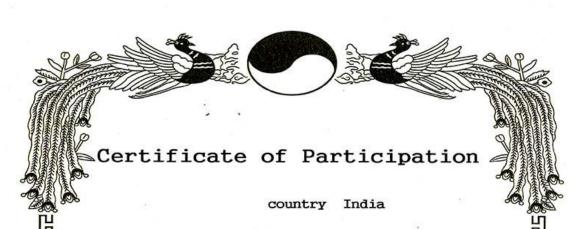
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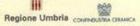
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# Artists and people who influenced you in your artistic career

Madhur Sen (India)

Life to me is all about interaction and introspection.

I love working with human and animal forms. I believe my personal artistic growth happened, when I could combine my free flowing organic sculptural forms with the shapes made on the potter's wheel. My sculptural background combined with the wheel gives me enough flexibility to alter shape and give it a new dimension. Sometimes it is conflict; other times it is harmony.

It is a challenge but I love it.

In my college days, I was inspired by the 20th century artists Henry Moore and Augustus Rodin's work amongst many other classical artists. Though their work is very different from each other, yet their creations display the same power and boldness.

And in the ceramic world Hans Cooper and Bernard Leach inspire me the most. Two different disciplines yet so much in common. It takes a lifelong commitment and the journey that is full of ups and downs combined with heart aches and boundless joy.

The person who was first to spot any creative bent in me, was my elder sister Indrani who took it upon herself as a mission to get me through art school. Without her support and belief in me, my life would have certainly taken a very different turn.

Then came the two most important people in my life at a very early age and helped me immensely to shape my artistic Journey.

Firstly Mr. Gullu Sen, a graphic designer who then was a senior in my art school (currently a creative person who is widely respected in the field of advertising in India) came into my life.

He became my mentor, guide, later on my life partner and (now-mainly) a critic of my work!

He helped me to explore my ideas in clay and also in other mediums. He always pushes me to explore the world of art beyond ceramics to music, cinema, painting and literature. He introduced me to the meaning and importance of line drawing. He believes the stroke or the line reflects am artist's passion, conviction in self, his/her personal philosophy and most importantly spontaneity. I am immensely inspired by his drawings and constantly try to make my clay figures like them even till date.

The second person is the late Mr. Pratap Sen a philosopher, teacher, director, actor, painter and my father—in—law. He taught me the meaning of basic design, the importance of line, shape, space, mass and light, the value of Positive and Negative Space. A great believer in abstract and progressive form of art his teaching and guidance helped me cope in the Fine Arts College, where I specialized in Sculpture as my main subject.

After my completion of 4 years of Bachelor of Fine of Arts, (1982-1986) I was fortunate to get admission (1986) at Lalit Kala Academy's Garhi 'Artist Studio' (Delhi). My ceramic journey kind of started here. Interaction with all these artists enriched me, as I worked here for sixteen years, till I had my own studio.

Here at the ceramic department I could learn, work and grow along with all the stalwarts of the Indian ceramic world. I had the opportunity to learn and watch some great artists at work. Among them whom I admire the most, are Ms. Ira Chaudhary whose pottery forms, with delicate scraffito and inlay work gives her a very distinct identity and an unique signature. On the other hand,

artist PR Daroz has a very bold, powerful and an expansive sculptural quality. His scale contaneity is very impressive. He is constantly exploring, experimenting and expanding his contant ability.

wrid and awareness towards the ceramic medium broadened as I ventured into new horizon and travelling for clay symposiums, Residency program, and workshops within India and abroad, the Spain, Japan and China...where I worked and interacted with some distinguished the world. The interaction with these artists enriched my outlook towards ceramic this beautiful exchange of culture, clay tradition and thoughts cannot be substituted and thoughts. It's too valuable.

Cobal exchange and mixture of Clay and Culture gives me the biggest joy of learning and wanting to keep on turning the wheel of good fortune on and on, till we are fused like

The man there can be no other way of life than discovering and nurturing clay, and of course being

Gullu Sen's work:

To work images:

a would like to say that each one of the above ceramists has contributed immensely

Though the journey ahead is very long and difficult, I feel we have come a long way. We make generation will carry the banner into the future.

### Some work images of the above mentioned artists







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# ACKNOWLEGMENT, APPRICIATION CREATION

By Madur Sen (India)

recordably is the most important gift given to the human by mother earth. Sensitive, malleable recyclable clay had been with us forever. No civilization can be judged or understood without the history of its clay work.

bown origin of Indian pottery dates back to more than 5,000 years. Wheel-made fragments ressels have been found in the historical of Indus valley civilization. Some argue that the lest forms of pottery were mostly utilitarian therefore, purely created for practical use. Include vessels for food storage and religious purpose. Some ceremonial sculptures have also uncovered at the Harappa and Mohenjo-Daro sites dating back to 3300 B.C.

my childhood I had been fascinated by the earthenware flower pots (Gamlas) they are there in India. In our gardens, balconies of our neighbor's, lined up on the roadside and places they always beautify our daily mundane life. No religious ceremony is complete that earthenware utensils, not to forget some idols of worship are made of clay too. One of our festivals Diwali is incomplete without the oil lamps of earthenware. Another fond memory of childhood is going to railway stations and drinking tea from terracotta clay mugs called (Khullar) and made by Indian traditional potters. Ask any Indian they will tell you the tea in these impart a unique flavor unlike any other.

wisits to these traditional potters, who live in a cluster right in the center of our city whi, have been a great learning experience. The way they handled the earthenware clay and in a simple clay brick kiln, fascinated me. I would sit with them for hours and they would indulge me with clay for modeling and would also fire the pieces for me. Over time, this expection grew deeper and eventually influenced my decision to choose clay (sculpture) as my affun to pursue at Art College. Later when I started to work and teach this family of traditional exters would support me with the supply of materials and pit firings till we acquired a gas clinder. I loved the organic materials they would use to fire the clay. Be it cow dung, dry leaves saw dust, the ease and spontaneity with which traditional potters carry out their activities is a lesson to learn.

most part of India, the traditional potter's family women do not sit on the potter's wheel to make clay ware. They prepare the clay and do most of the decorations. Except in Manipur where ween play active role in all the stages of clayware making.

Another great influence on my work is from my childhood holiday travels to my home town Calcutta in West Bengal. West Bengal is famed for the terracotta objects produced in the Bankura District.

The Bankura horse is very famous. For centuries the craftsmen of this district have been making figurines of religious idols and objects of ritualistic connotations. The Terracotta Temple of Wishnupur (West Bengal) is world famous. As this region did not have much supply of stone for building, but had a very good soil, the craftsmen worked out the solution by using clay brick. These terracotta temples flourished under the patronage of Malla king which can be dated back to 694 AD.

I also had the advantage of living close to Khurja the pottery center. In local language the Thurja means the waste land. A two hour's drive from New Delhi, the history of Khurja pottery goes back to about 600 years ago when some of traditional potter families moved from Delhi to

Khurja during the reign of Sultan Mohammed Bin Tughlak. Having started with red pottery they introduced blue glaze on red clay articles. An obvious Turkish influence as Sultan Tughlak was of Turkish lineage.

A great contributory factor towards the setting up of the concentration of small scale ceramic industries in Khurja is the positive attitude of the government of Uttar Pradesh. In 1942, the U.P Government decided to set up a ceramic factory at Khurja. At that time the factory was equipped with three small kilns, two chimneys, and three ball mills. In 1949, Govt. made thoughtful consideration of the utilization of the machinery and other capital goods and converted it into a Government Pottery Development Centre, which has promoted the development of the industry.

Development of Khurja pottery brought a great change in the clay industry and in common people's household. They were produced in large quantity and were decorated with bright colours and made affordable.

Because of India's diverse geography and topography the clay varies from region to region here and manifests in different styles of terracotta sculptures and forms unique to the regions with their culture and tradition. Even the colour of the clay varies from place to place.

Tamilnadu (a southern state in India) is famous for the huge terracotta figures of the Aiyanar Deity. They are found standing guard at the entrances of villages protecting the insiders from evil spirits.

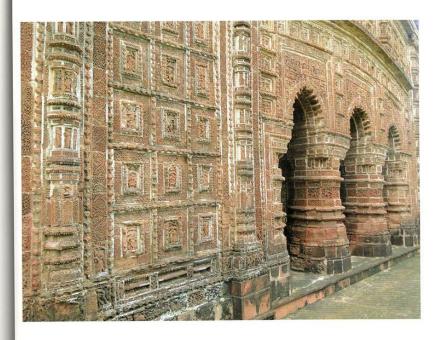
Orissa (East of India) and Madhya Pradesh (central India) too have charming traditions of decorative roof top tiles, made partly by hand modeling and partly on the wheel. These tiles, shaped like half tubes are perched on roof tops of the houses are adorned with the figures of elephants, monkeys, bears, reptiles, gods and goddesses etc. They are symbolic of one's status among the rural people of these regions.

Terracotta panels and storage jars painted white and decorated with tiny mirrors are very common in states of Gujarat and Rajasthan.

The Earthen ware has evolved over time and space in India and its unique nature makes it so mystical yet so flexible.

Earthenware, pottery that has not been fired to the point of vitrification is thus slightly porous and coarser than stoneware and porcelain. The body can be covered completely or decorated with slip (a liquid clay mixture applied before firing), or it can be glazed. For both practical and decorative reasons, earthenware is usually glazed. To overcome its porosity (which makes it impracticable for storing liquids in its unglazed state, for example), the fired object is covered with finely ground glass powder suspended in water and is then fired a second time. During the firing, the fine particles covering the surface fuse into an amorphous, glasslike layer, sealing the pores of the clay body. There are two main types of glazed earthenware. One is covered with a transparent lead glaze; when the earthenware body to which this glaze is applied has a cream colour, the product is called greenware... Crude, soft earthenware, excavated at a Neolithic settlement on the Anatolian Plateau of Turkey, and thought to be about 9,000 years old, is the earliest known pottery. Earthenware is still widely used in the 21st century, much of the commercially produced ware being heatproof and cold proof and thus practicable for cooking and freezing as well as for serving.

To conclude I would say I am just a speck in this vast universe and consider myself lucky to be part of mother earth and touch clay every day of my life. This has become my religion.



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# Origins and the journey of contemporary ceramic movement of India

Madhur Sen(India)

I was introduced to the world of ceramics when I joined the department of sculpture in Delhi College of Art [1982–1986]. It was in my third term in college when pottery as a subsidiary subject was added to the curriculum for the first time. I was already in love with clay, and the potter's wheel made the relationship even stronger! Thus began a long journey.

I would like to share all that I have witnessed and experienced as the contemporary movement was taking shape in India and the names of a few ceramic artists whose contributions deserve a special mention.

Contemporary studio pottery is a very recent phenomenon in India though, like all ancient civilizations. India has had a very long tradition of pottery.

According to Indian mythology "Brahma, the supreme creator of the universe", is said to have fashioned the earth on a potter's wheel. From storing water in earthen pots to keep it cool in such hot climates to making offerings to the gods while performing a ritual, the traditional potter's work integrated into the society both in terms of utility as well as being part of all the rituals of religion in India across villages, towns and cities up to now.

Over centuries these potters, rooted in their strong family traditions, developed immense skill in crafting their wares but did not make the natural transitions to glazed pottery as in countries like China, Japan and Korea. One possible explanation could be that, because of the easily-recyclable nature of the unglazed pots, people preferred to have a fresh clay pot for eating or drinking for hygiene reasons. For common people it was quite affordable and functional.

With the advent of Islamic rule in India came the influence of Persian and Turkish glazed pottery. Today, in certain regions of north India, one can still witness glazed tiles, blue and white Egyptian paste and other low-fired lead-borax glazed pottery being made in that tradition.

Subsequently with the succession of the British Empire's colonial rule in India, British commercial pottery and westernized Japanese pottery gained much popularity. Some commercial pottery—manufacturing units were also set up around the turn of the 20th century. This further led to the decline of the traditional Indian pottery. Traditional potters could not meet the challenges and the demands of a fast—changing society and thus were restricted to producing some specific types in a market that was rapidly shrinking.

Attempts were made both in the pre-independence Mahatma Gandhi's freedom movement as well as post-independence to revive and reinstate the traditional Indian pottery. Though these efforts have resulted in the growth of a small-scale ceramic industry, they have made very little difference to the overall situation so far.

One of the oldest pottery centers is located at a place called Khurja situated about 100 kilometers from the national capital Delhi. This center is still struggling to cater to the demand for utilitarian and functional wares like decorative tiles, etc. Due to the lack of support Khurja has shut down many of its kilns. Bengal Potteries, one of the oldest and very successful small—scale ceramic industry units, has shut down. Hitkari Potteries, another very important small—scale ceramic industry unit, also met its fate the same way as many others for lack of patronage.

Around the same time a few individuals, who had western exposure to studio pottery, started the movement. They were scattered and fought their own battles against all odds in spite of a shortage

of equipment and resources. Their contribution has brought contemporary Indian studio pottery to where it is today.

### Sardar Gurcharan Singh

Sardar Gurcharan Singh is considered the pioneer and the father of Indian pottery. In 1922 he had a solo show in Tokyo, where he also attained a diploma in ceramics. Here he came in contact with legends like Bernard Leach, Shoji Hamada, K Tominoto.

Upon his return to India he worked in a pottery factory in Delhi but continued doing his own personal work. In 1925–1926, he was commissioned to make hand-painted Persian-style tiles for the then Central Legislative Assembly, currently the parliament of India.

In 1951 he started Delhi Blue Pottery (north of India). Here he made utilitarian pottery as well as decorative tiles and grills. Many buildings in Delhi and elsewhere are embellished with his work.

However, it was not until 1954 that he had his first solo show in Mumbai. His son, Mansimran Singh, popularly known as Mini Singh, joined Delhi Blue in 1961. He trained in England and worked with Bernard Leach and Geoffery Whiting. His students include professional potters, hobbyists and children in India. Both the father and the son have made immense contributions to the movement and have spread awareness about studio pottery. They also have a studio at the idyllic Kangra Valley in the northern Himalayas of India. Delhi Blue organizes and gives a platform to aspiring studio potters from around the country. They hold some of the biggest ceramic shows and workshops in India.

### Ira Chaudhuri

In western India, around the same time, Ira Chaudhuri was encouraged to join the newly opened pottery department at the MS University of Baroda. Earlier she obtained a diploma in painting from Rabindranath Tagore's famous university at Shantinikaten in West Bengal, India. Against all odds, armed with only determination and hard work, the immensely talented Ira Chaudhuri took her plunge into the world of ceramics. She sought help from industrial chemistry books, where she discovered oxides and colorants. The breakthrough came when Mr. Bashab Kumar Barua, freshly trained in England, joined the university faculty. Apart from methods and techniques, he opened the door to the aesthetics of pottery. It is from him that students became aware of Bernard Leach, Shoji Hamada, Lucie Rie and many other big names. Under him the pottery department saw many developments. These were followed by contributions from other teachers such as Mr. Kumud Patel, Mr. Nari Gandhi and Mrs. Jyotsna Bhatt.

### Jyotsna Bhatt

Bhatt was a student of MS University of Baroda. She became a trained sculptor turned potter after she took a course in pottery from the Brooklyn Museum Art School, New York, USA. She joined the MS University of Baroda as a lecturer in the ceramic department where she continues to teach even today. She is one of the most respected and beloved teachers. She has executed two large ceramic murals for the computer building of the Indian Petrochemical Corporation.

### LALIT KALA ACADEMY'S ARTISTS STUDIO [Garhi]

In the early seventies, Ira Chaudhuri, together with her renowned sculptor husband Shri Sankho Chaudhuri, moved to New Delhi. In 1976 they helped establish The Lalit Kala Academy's Artists Studio [Garhi], a community studio where painters, sculptors, graphic designers, and ceramic artists gathered to work together and share common resources such as material and equipment. The studio acquired a high—temperature kiln and a pug mill. This was the turning point in Indian ceramic in the north of India. This community studio helped realize the ambitions of many renowned ceramic artists of today.

In 1986, I was extremely lucky to have attained admission to this studio right after my

graduation in sculpture. I had the opportunity to share space with all the stalwarts of the Indian ceramic world such as Ira Chaudhuri, PR Daroz, Gauri Khosla, Bani DeRoy, Kristine Michael, Rachna Parasher, Leha Bhagat, Manisha Bhattacharya and Gina Gupta to name a few.

By now (2010), each one of the above artists had found his or her individual style and place in the ceramic field nationally and internationally. It was the making of a new-age ceramic movement in India. Each one of us had a distinct style and the freedom to develop and experiment in our own way.

By this time, awareness was spreading all over India, and ceramic shows started gaining popularity. Large galleries started to approach individual ceramic artists, hosting solo and group shows. In Delhi the enthusiasm for studio pottery started gaining momentum as the Indian economy was on the rise. People were interested in investing in art. Commission work started to pour in to individual artists. Corporate houses wanted ceramic as their corporate gifts. Studio pottery became the fashion statement for many affluent households.

Schools and colleges started introducing ceramic courses as part of their regular curriculum. Workshops and demonstrations of pottery and glazes were in great demand. All this could not have been possible if some of the senior artists from all corners of India had not paved the way with their sheer hard work and tenacity.

Thanks to the internet, the world, including ours, was becoming a global village. Information and knowledge of the ceramic world outside of India became easily accessible to all of us.

In the true spirit of the place, many senior artists moved out of this community work place into their own studios in order to provide opportunity to the younger generation.

### Ray Mekar

In 1970 Ray Meeker and Deborah Smith started The Golden Bridge Pottery in Pondicherry, south India. As a ceramic production center and as a teaching institute, its name became synonymous with the city of Pondicherry.

This is a very important center because it has given India some of the finest ceramists of our time. The Golden Bridge caters to those who desire functional ware at an affordable cost, and it has earned quite a name for itself. The students of Ray Meeker are encouraged to develop their own individual styles.

### K.V. Jena

In 1976 K.V. Jena joined the Banaras Hindu University located in the ancient city of Varanasi in the east of India. It is the only university in the country that offers a full-degree course in ceramic Mr. Jena, a devout follower of Mahatma Gandhi, has dedicated himself to the cause of pottery. He engaged himself in assuring the welfare and uplifting of traditional rural potters. He worked with the Handicraft Board of India and other government agencies on various pottery projects. He was also responsible for and successful in channeling the skills of traditional potters into contemporary usage while keeping the essence intact.

### Nirmala Patwardhan

As one of our most senior artists Nirmala Patwardhan had the good fortune to work with some of the world's best potters such as Bernard Leach and Henry Hammond.

Her biggest contribution to Indian studio pottery is her design of the kick wheel (a modified version of the European kick wheel) suited for Indian conditions.

After years of intensive testing and experimenting, she authored a book on glazes. Even today, it is considered a bible for glazes for many Indian potters.

### Devi Prasad

A true artist, philosopher, writer, innovator and a Gandhian, Devi Prasad's name deserves a

special mention. He had extensive western exposure. In 1985 he opened his studio in Delhi, and so far he has trained many successful ceramic artists.

### P.R. Daroz

Probably one of India's finest contemporary ceramists, Daroz is most active in this field. He attained a diploma in Applied Arts and in Sculpture from Hyderabad College of Arts.

In the late seventies he was awarded a fellowship to study ceramics at Baroda University. In 1981 he was awarded a fellowship by the National Academy to work in Lalit Kala Artists Studio [Garhi]. He has held many workshops and exhibitions, both nationally and internationally. He works on the wheel and then transforms the works into sculptural form.

He loves to work in large scale. From his state-of-the-art studio in New Delhi, he undertakes large projects across India.

### Rachna Parasher and Leha Bhagat

Besides continuing their own artistic journeys in studio pottery, these two senior potters from Delhi also run their own production units.

### Conclusion

In conclusion, I would like to say that each one of the above ceramists has contributed immensely to the growth and awareness of contemporary ceramic in India.

Their individual and collective efforts have paved the way for the boom in the market for studio pottery. Though the journey ahead is very long and difficult, I feel we have come a long way. We hope the younger generation will carry the banner into the future.

### Some work images of the above mentioned artists



Artist: Gurcharan Singh

Artist: Iraudhuri

Artist: Manisha Bhattacharva







Artist: Jyotsna Bhatt



Artist:Kristine Michael



Artist: Nirmala Patwardhan



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Stand alone.. | H16in, W6in, D6in | Stoneware clay, high temperature glazed fired, Gas kiln | 2017



마두르센 Madhur Sen



Indian(인도)

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- -Madhur Sen, Graduated in Sculpture from, Delhi Collage of Arts in 1986.[India]
- -She has participated in many Exhibitions and workshops across the world.
- -Her work is in collection in many galleries and Museums.
- -She likes to work in high temperature stoneware clay, using, Gas, electric and wood kilns.
- -Her main theme of work is animal and human forms.
- -Enjoys teaching. Taught Ceramic in a design institute for several years.
- -Currently, Madhur is working and teaching from her own studio in Delhi[India]

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Namwon International Ceramic Art Invited Exhibition 2018

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### Madhur Sen 마두르 센

India(인도)



Giraff 1 Ceramic Sculptures | 2005



Namwon International Ceramic Art

Invited Exhibition 2018

Madhur Sen은 1986 년 델리 미술 대학 (Delhi College of Arts)을 조각전공 졸업

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### LIVING CLAY

Earth, water, fire, air, space — these are the primal elements that make up our universe and all life in it. No ceramic or clay work can be completed without them. Clay captures, contains and expresses all and, therefore, all of life, the whole universe.

The magical, eternal nature of clay enthralls me. Clay is born of Mother Earth and goes back to her. Working with clay awakens me to contemplate the mystical, ceaseless cycle of life and death; to give form and expression to that wondrous cycle.

As the renowned ceramic artist Martine Vermeulen vividly put it:

"Clay. It is rain, dead leaves, dust, all my dead ancestors. Stones that have been ground to sand. Mud. The whole cycle of life and death."

Clay is everywhere; it is

forever changing, breaking and forming. No fistful of clay is similar to any other. When it is soft, clay is malleable, expressive, impressionable — one can mould it and give it any shape and texture or pattern. Clay can be pounded, beaten, scored, scratched, stretched, pulled, pushed... and also recycled.

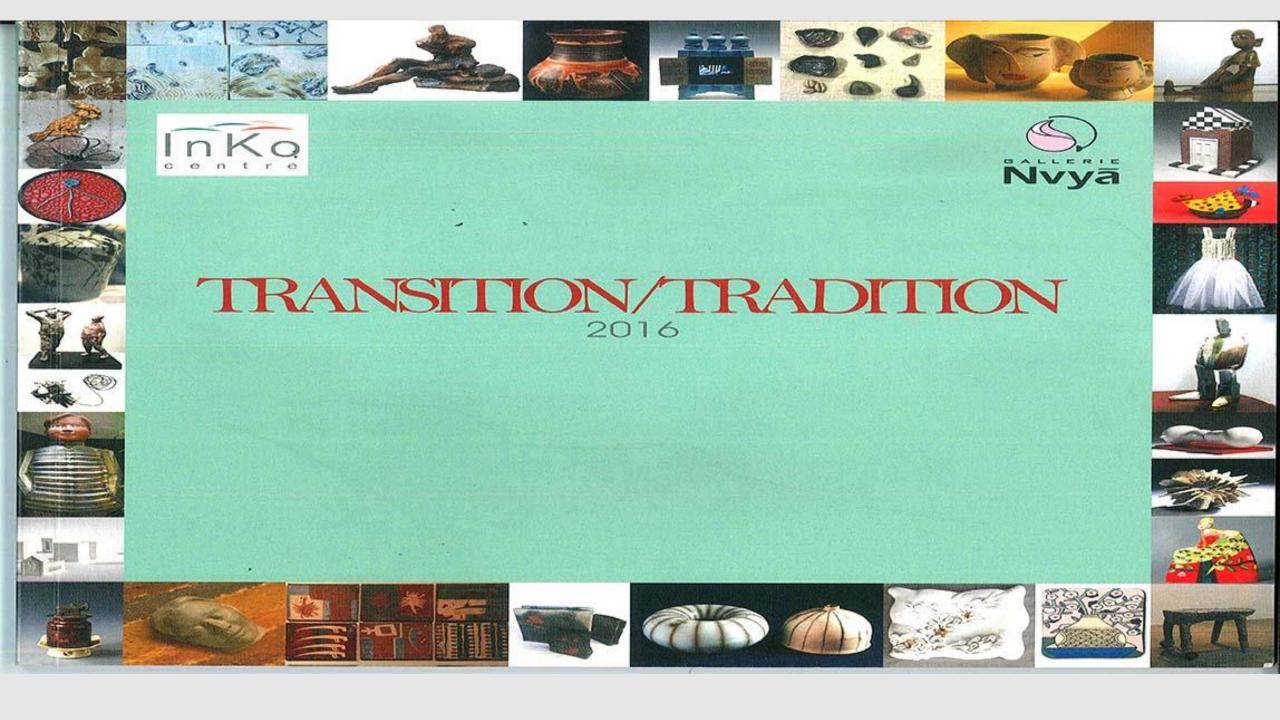
To work with clay is wondrous; it is therapeutic. It keeps me grounded and sensitive and alert, because clay demands utmost respect and careful handling. By letting me mould my passion, Mother Earth gives me the opportunity to be one with her.

My work mainly represents the living form. I like working on human and animal theme-based compositions. I enjoy combining different pottery techniques: for instance, having created wheel-thrown shapes, I then add or alter them with the modelling technique to give my sculptures their final shape. I like working with stoneware clay fired to 1280°C using safe, lead-free glazes.

At the beautiful 'Lily Pond' I am trying to portray the synergy between the animal world and nature, how living creatures can co-existon this planet if only we respect and care for *Bhu* or Mother Earth, which is the theme of



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### Companions

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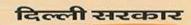
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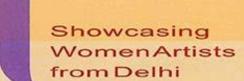


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Monkeys Stoneware clay 12 x 10 inches