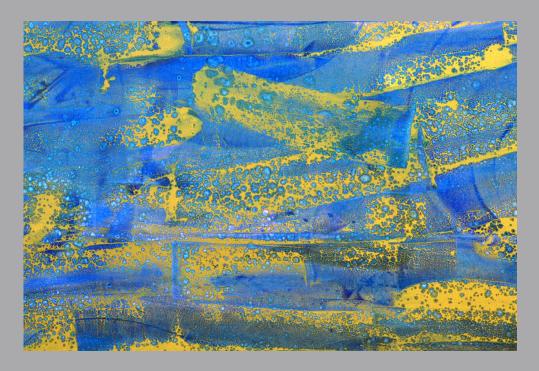
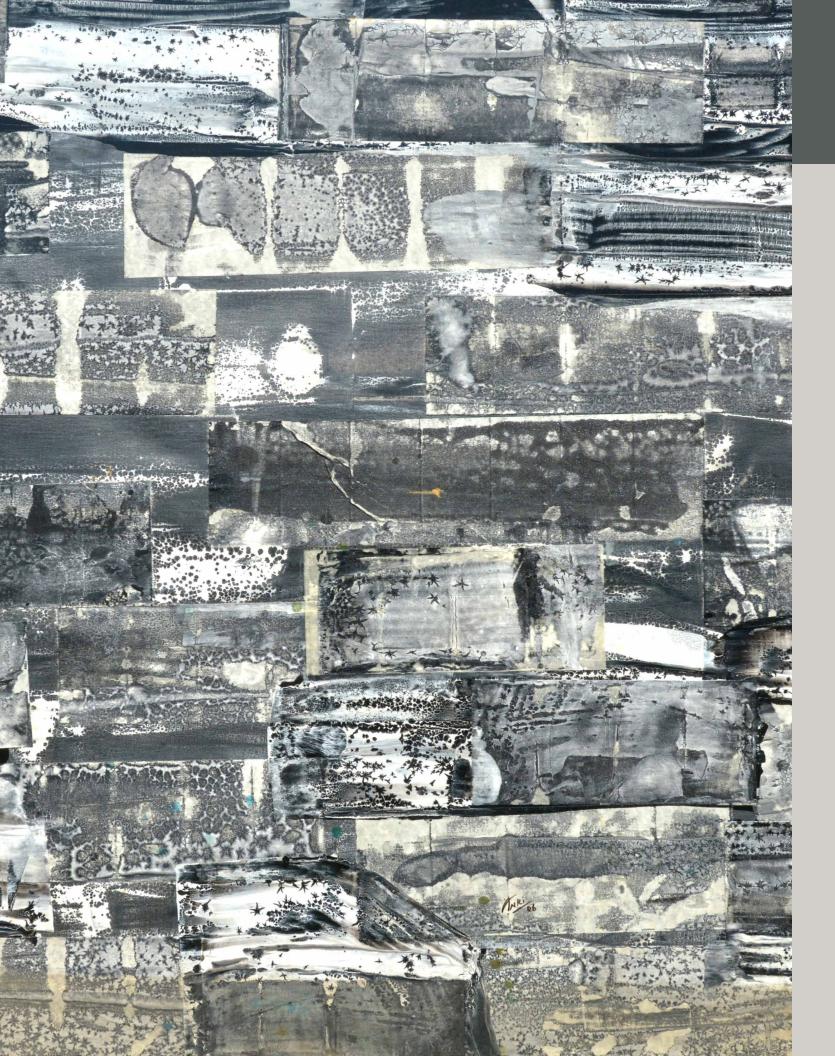


## EARTHY HUES







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Earthy Hues is an exhibition that shall showcase the artworks of 2 of eminent artists - G Reghu and Anki Bhutia. While G Reghu is a prolific sculptor, Anki Bhutia is known for her nature inspired paintings.

Sculpture for G. Reghu is the embodiment of an idea, a metaphor beyond the physicality of the form itself. Not limited by scale or material, his generic 'heads series' in bronze and ceramic are seemingly simple, sublime and sensitive and are monumental in their expressive contours. They, nevertheless, hold deep cultural connections and memories and speak to the human spirit.

The earthly charm and innocence in his depiction are like a soothing balm to us today. The everydayness of his figures, specially heads, appeal to the viewers and make them feel and introspect. The earthly feel, smile on our lips, kindling charm in our eyes and contemplation lead us to our rural rustic roots where the smell of clay and purity of life are predominant. Often discussed as having deep resonances with Brancusi and Himmat Shah, Reghu's 'Heads' are ultimately steeped in the contours of the Indian landscape. Majestic in their bearing, classical in line and form, they reflect the glowing skin and radiant expression of 'sentient beings' becoming creations of the pure, undiluted human spirit.

His figures immediately recall the simplicity of central India's powerful terracotta votive figures. Without using textures or glaze, Reghu allows the clay to narrate an entire story of a life and its emotional memories that are summed up in his sparse compositions of human figures and objects that reveal a gamut of human energy and emotion. Reghu shows process through traces of the artist's hand, fired into permanence through the medium of his kiln. He treats the body between space and time – as the intermediary between the immaterial and material world. The vitality of Reghu's work lies in how perception creates space and meaning and formulates reality.

Anki Bhutia's Sikkimese roots have imparted all her work with a distinctive meditative quality. Radiating her characteristic childlike innocence Anki says that through her journey across the nation, she remains the girl from the farm back in Sikkim. Well, this talented girl from Sikkim is also the Director of Karma Lakelands, a company developing responsible communities, and just concluded a very successful exhibition of her paintings at Delhi's Triveni Kala Sangam.

The abstract works of artist Anki Bhutia speak in a vocabulary of the inner being within all of us. Visually, they suggest vast expanses and spiritual dimensions expressed through a frenzied riot of colours. We bring to you an exclusive look at the collection of works by Anki Bhutia, titled The Alchemy of Transformation.

The exhibition shall display unseen works of both artist and aims to be a visual treat for art collectors and art enthusiasts alike.



**One O Eight Art Projects** has been founded as a new avenue for art ecosystem with a vision to be more open & inclusive towards the approach on bringing art and experiences together across timelines, practices and regions. The project aims to nurture the exchange of ideas and experiences through impactful projects and curations working with artists / groups / collectives / art professionals / galleries and institutions.

**One O Eight Art Projects** has been founded by Tarun Khanna who has adorned various hats as a collector, art advisor, Information and environment design expert and an art dealer. With over 20 years of experience in collecting and advising and contributed towards building various important art collections across the world the birth of **One O Eight Art Projects** seemed an appropriate next step to bridge the gaps in the art ecosystem towards being more transparent and inclusive for all.

Moving forward the project will focus on commercial and non-commercial aspects of art like research, publications, grants, fellowships and residency projects for South Asian and International art. The project is already in process to set up a collective ownershipfunding model for South Asian Art based on deep research and data that has been collected over years of operating in the market. With this unique concept for the Indian art market, project will also be exploring the growing trends of digital and AI art space which is making a great buzz internationally.



**Art Magnum** was founded with a vision to provide South Asian Art a platform to showcase its true ability and magnificence and to support upcoming and established artist and craftsmen. Since its inception in 1986, it has been nurturing emerging artist to further the cause of South Asian Art. It's founder Late Shri Prakash Chand Singhvi was a visionary figure whose passion and enthusiasm was the driving force behind the gallery.

Art Magnum's current director, Saurabh Singhvi, is taking his legacy forward. The gallery has prided itself to present different medium of artistic expression ranging from the traditional to the modern to the contemporary to the experimental. A contemporary space with a modern tone located in the heart of South Delhi, the gallery attempts to give voice to the emerging talent of the day balanced with a roster of shows that presents the Masters of India Art through the pre and post-independence era.

Always innovative and always striving towards new paradigms, Art Magnum has, in its journey, reached many milestones and many goals. The firm has held shows in countries such as Dubai and Singapore for which it has won critical and popular acclaim both within India and internationally. The collection of the gallery includes works of M F Husain, S H Raza, F N Souza, Somnath Hore, Suhas Roy, K G Subramanyan, Paresh Maity, T Vaikuntam amongst others. Going forward, Art Magnum shall act as a catalyst for talented young artist striving for creative excellence.









Praised by the likes of legendary E. Alkazi, her works have consciously digressed from the idea of making a perfect picture frame. They evolve from a monastic discipline as practised in Buddhism. Imagination intensifies her perception of the nature transforming every object of her painting into a living being.

Originally from Sikkim, Anki grew up in the pristine lap of nature. It was when she moved to Delhi for higher studies that she really realised the richness and wisdom of her inheritance, something she had so far taken for granted. It is this realisation that is often reflected in her work.

Her brush strokes have a gripping appeal and the canvas spaces are delegated into slots of colour, much like a prism held up to a light within. That she was born surrounded by the scintillating landscape of Rumtek in the Himalayas is no simple coincidence.

The textures arising from her tonal applications trace the journey of a pilgrim on the path to self-discovery, where every landmark by the wayside is ticked off with a hue of light and life, making the painting an interesting tracery, actualising one's personal journey through life.



#### ANKI BHUTIA Quiet hours turning to years Acrylic on canvas 84" x 48" 2006



#### ANKI BHUTIA

Aparition of deja vu Acrylic on canvas 120 x 72 inches 2006



Colliding secret world Acrylic on canvas 120 x 54 inches 2007



#### ANKI BHUTIA

The face behind the face Acrylic on canvas 120 x 54 inches 2008



Symphony of nature Acrylic on canvas 72 x 48 inches 2004



#### ANKI BHUTIA Scape above the blue surface Acrylic on canvas 120 x 51 inches 2003



The rigorous test Acrylic on canvas 120 x 54 inches 2007





ANKI BHUTIA Many skies Acrylic on canvas 96 x 60 inches 2010

#### ANKI BHUTIA

Near the purple world Acrylic on canvas 120 x 54 inches 2008





Gallactric matrix Acrylic on canvas 96 x 60 inches 2010

#### ANKI BHUTIA

Deja Vu Acrylic on canvas 120 x 51 inches 2007



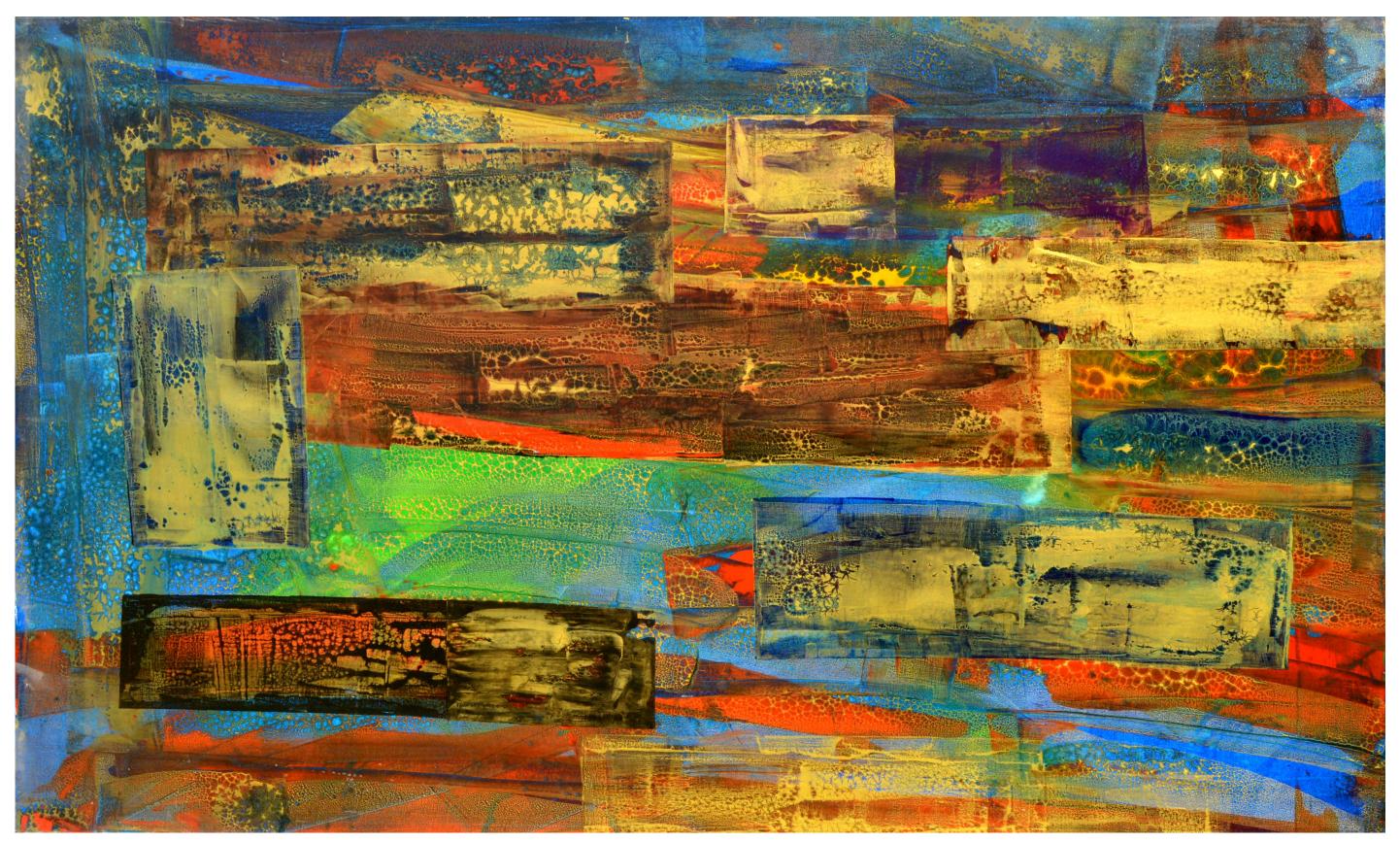


The broken wave of thoughts Acrylic on canvas 96 x 66 inches 2007





#### ANKI BHUTIA Controlled accident Acrylic on canvas 96 x 69 inches 2007



ANKI BHUTIA Evidence of emergent behaviour Acrylic on canvas 120 x 72 inches 2006



ANKI BHUTIA My black and white inscape Acrylic on canvas 96 x 72 inches 2007



### ANKI BHUTIA

Dark is shining afar Acrylic on canvas 96 x 72 inches 2007

Untitled Acrylic on canvas 84 x 48 inches 2006



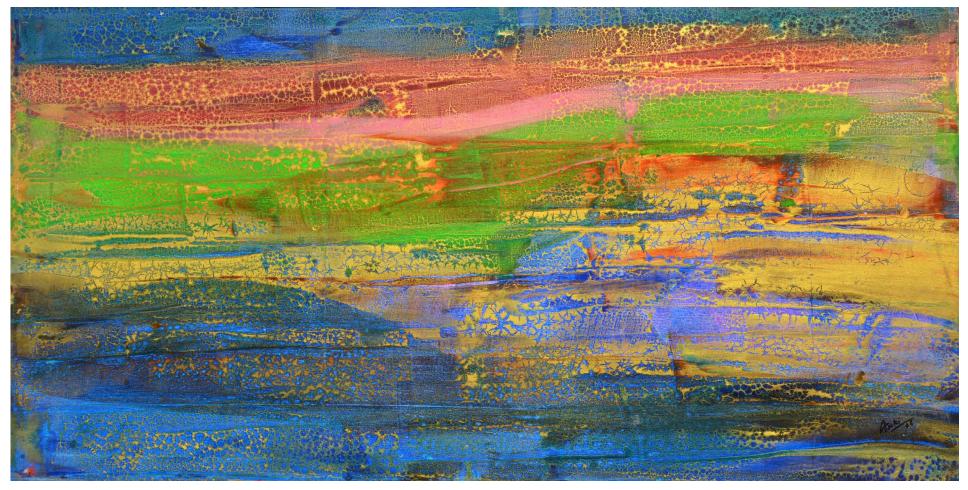


#### ANKI BHUTIA Untitled Acrylic on canvas 48 x 36 inches 2004



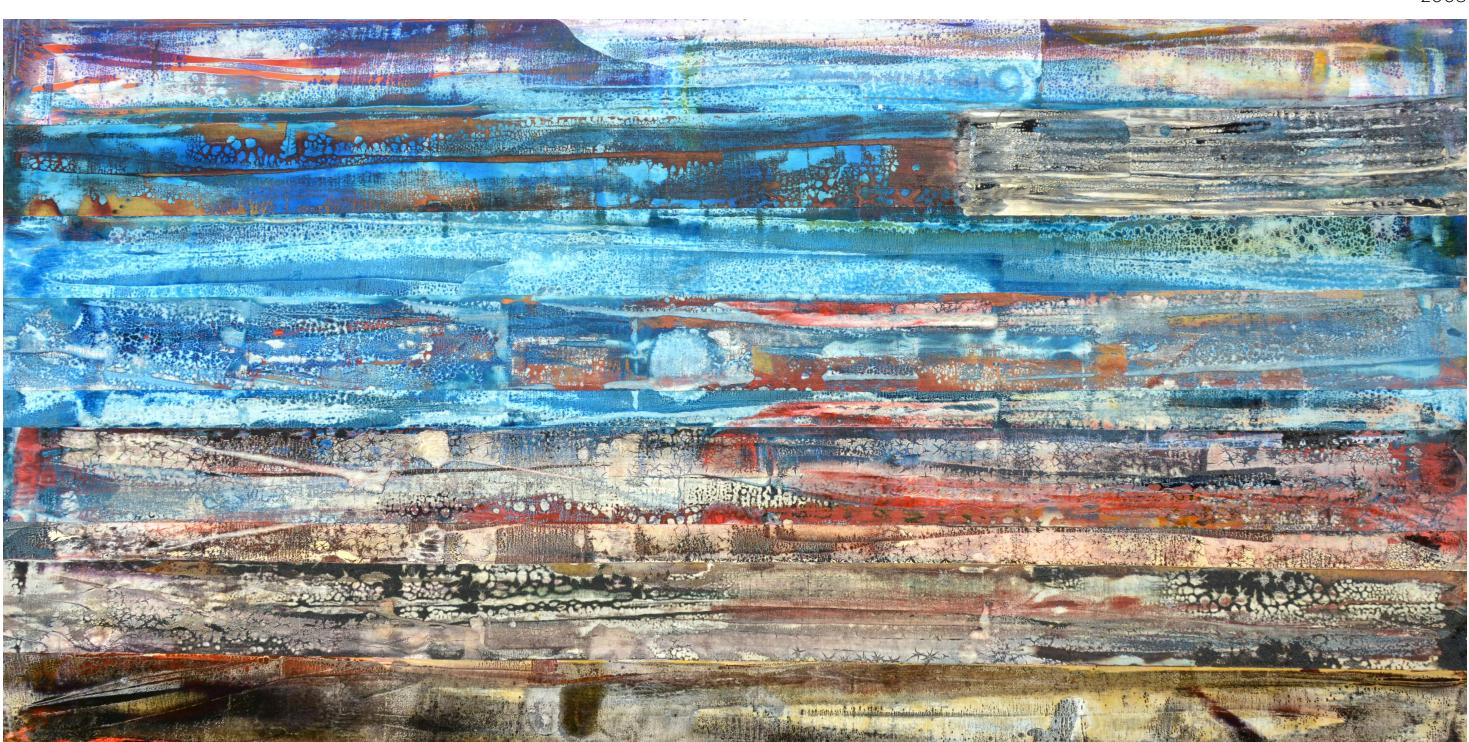


#### ANKI BHUTIA Between light and darkness Acrylic on canvas 40 x 30 inches 2008



## ANKI BHUTIA

Harmony in discord Acrylic on canvas 72 x 36 inches 2006



Sphere beneath the water Acrylic on canvas 120 x 60 inches 2008



Trust Acrylic on canvas 120 x 60 inches 2007



#### ANKI BHUTIA

Like the earth in the arms of sun Acrylic on canvas 120 x 72 inches 2004

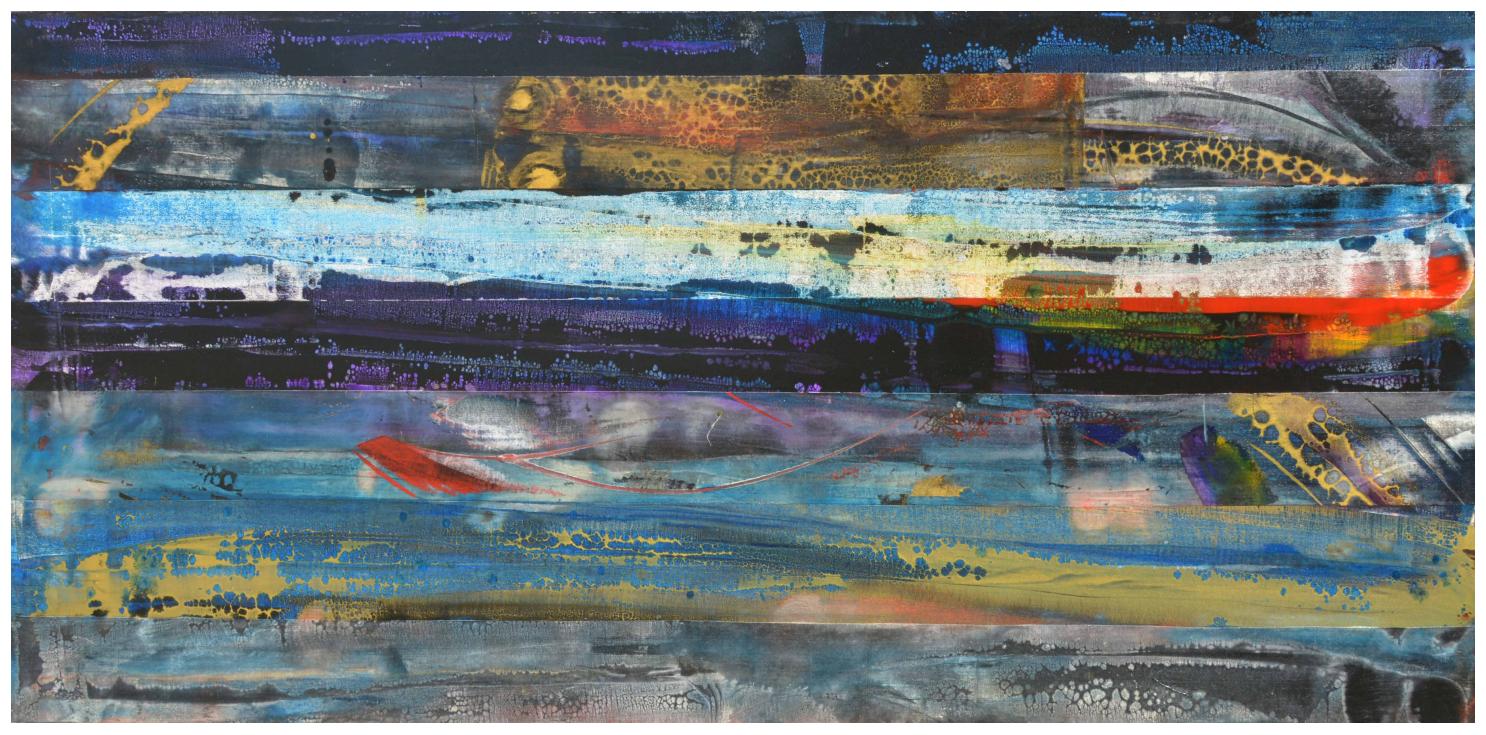


Energy forms Acrylic on canvas 40 x 30 inches 2008



## ANKI BHUTIA

Redscape Acrylic on canvas 60 x 48 inches 2006



ANKI BHUTIA Contract with nature Acrylic on canvas 120 x 51 inches 2007

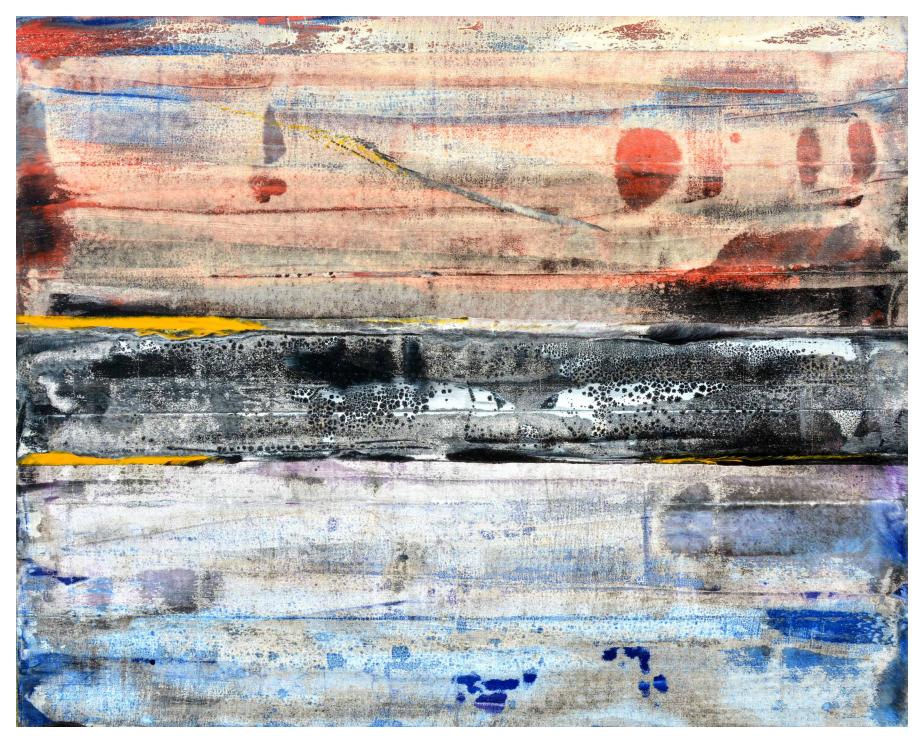


ANKI BHUTIA Polarities of coexistences Acrylic on canvas 60 x 48 inches 2006



#### ANKI BHUTIA

Flowing ground Acrylic on canvas 60 x 48 inches 2005



#### ANKI BHUTIA Imprint of time Acrylic on canvas 60 x 48 inches

2006



#### ANKI BHUTIA Amorphous form Acrylic on canvas 60 x 48 inches 2007







G REGHU

Reghu was born in 1959 in Kilimanoor, Kerala. He studied sculpture at the College of Fine Arts, Thiruvananthapuram. Though he began with stone as a medium, his sensibility gained direction after interacting with Elizabeth and Laurie Baker. Their Gandhian philosophy of working with indigenous materials influenced him greatly. He shunned expensive materials like marble or bronze in favour of humble terracotta. Another huge influence in his life was J. Swaminathan. As a final year student, Reghu participated in an All India Students' Camp organized by the Roopankar Museum of Fine Arts at Bharat Bhavan, Bhopal. Swaminathan who was the Director at that time spotted Reghu's talent and awarded him a scholarship for two years to work there.

Reghu remained at Bharat Bhavan for 15 years, where he shifted to ceramic and terracotta art. Swaminathan in his persona of a 'tribal' artist, voiced the cause of the dispossessed, and this further inspired Reghu's works. Although Reghu was traditionally a potter, he abandoned pottery and turned to ceramic sculpture. This journey in form from "the pot to the head" is marked by a certain fluidity. The convex curves of the pot now assume the contours of the head and the inanimate and utilitarian object is fused with spirit of a living image. He showed an intimacy using the tactile processes of modeling with clay and using the potter's wheel. The medium and method reflected his familiarity with a rural lifestyle. Using the processes of hollow-modeling, slabbing, folding, coiling and pinching, Reghu began to evolve a racial type that mingled Dravidian and African facial features - bulging eyes, thick lips, and cabbage ears mingle both Dravidian and African facial features, evocative of an ancient civilization. Thereby transcending his well-defined local images to convey a world of magic, myth, and bucolic innocence. From here, he moved to his present preoccupation, an exploration of the human form.





# **G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 20 x 14 x 38 inches



**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 22 x 12 x 52 inches 2012



## G REGHU

Untitled Ceramic 16 x 12 x 44 inches 2019









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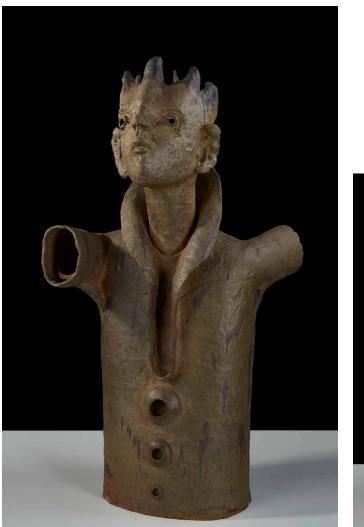


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Untitled Ceramic 24 x 20 x 40 inches 2017



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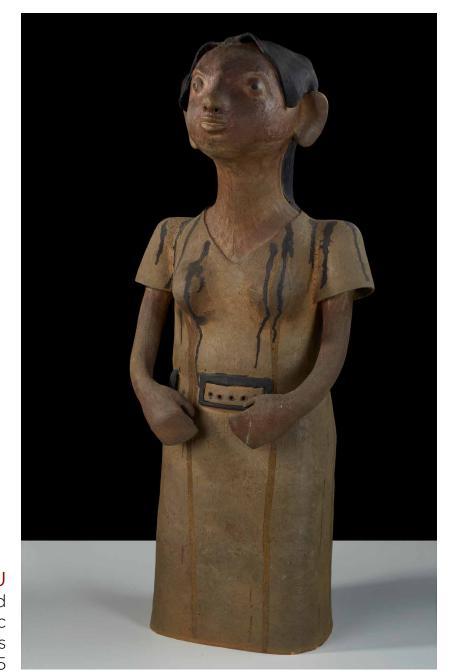


**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 24 x 20 x 40 inches 2017





**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 20 x 16 x 42 inches



**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 18 x 14 x 44 inches 2015





## G REGHU

Untitled Ceramic 20 x 18 x 26 inches 2015



## G REGHU

Untitled Ceramic 22 x 18 x 24 inches 2019





Untitled Ceramic 22 x 18 x 28 inches 2019







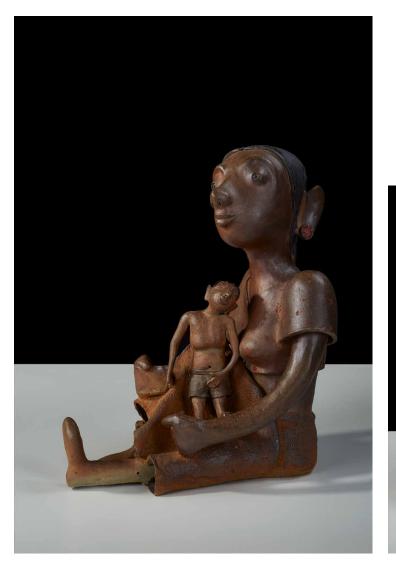


**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 16 x 8 x 18 inches 2021



**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 28 x 10 x 24 inches 2021







Untitled Ceramic 14 x 16 x 20 inches 2021



**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 14 x 12 x 24 inches 2021



Untitled Ceramic 14 x 16 x 20 inches 2021









**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 8 x 18 x 16 inches 2021





**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 14 x 16 x 24 inches 2021



**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 14 x 16 x 26 inches 2021







**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 14 x 16 x 24 inches 2021



**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 18 x 16 x 28 inches 2017









**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 18 x 16 x 30 inches 2017





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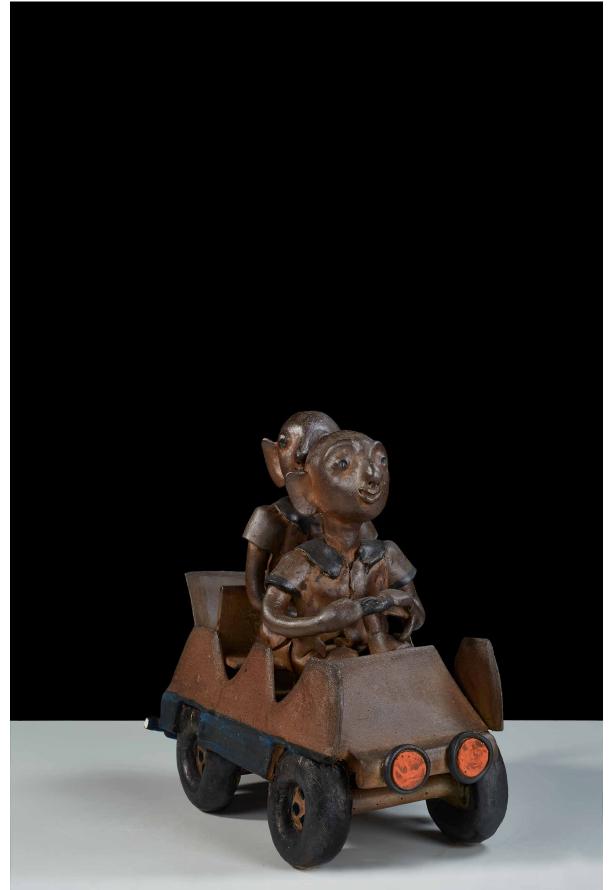


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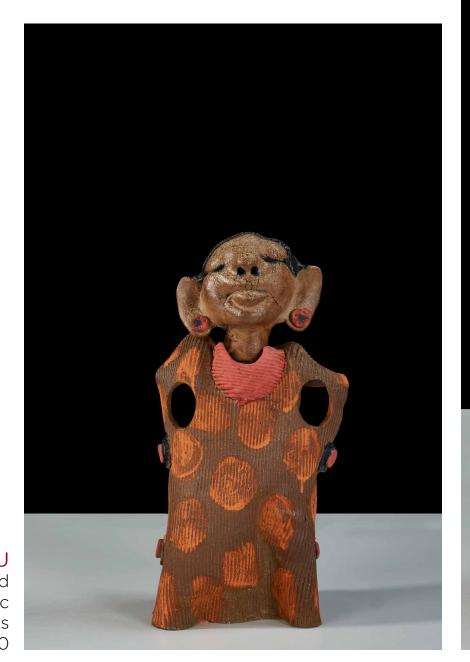








**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 8 x 16 x 6 inches



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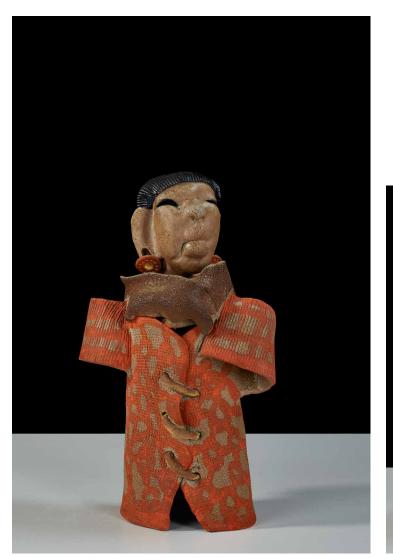






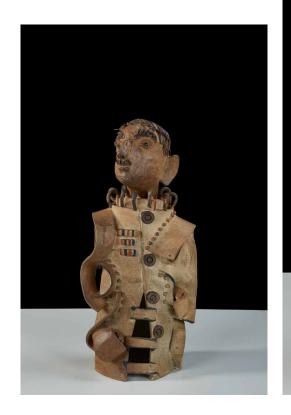


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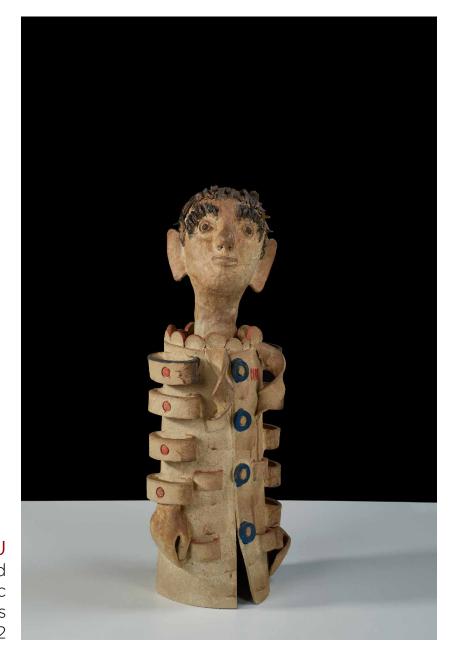


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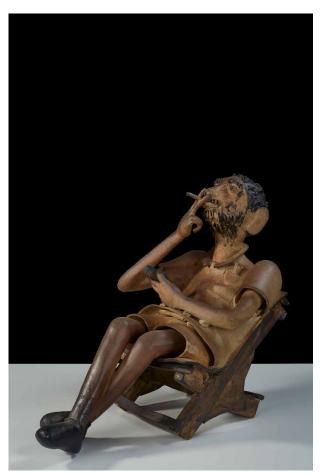
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Untitled Ceramic 14 x 14 x 26 inches 2022







**G REGHU** Untitled Ceramic 14 x 14 x 26 inches 2022

G REGHU Untitled Ceramic 18 x 8 x 6 inches 2019







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