Untitled VII

an online exhibition

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Founded in 2004, Priyasri Art Gallery has been extremely responsive to the evolving language of art and nurturing a gamut of artistic practices and expression. The gallery is dedicated to its role of exhibiting modern, contemporary and experimental artworks; besides focusing on showcasing young artists, we also represent more established artists like Akbar Padamsee and masters like Jogen Chaudhury. Priyasri Art Gallery also provide artists with a studio facility in the art hub of India – Baroda. Called AQ@Priyasri, the artist studio in Baroda has been providing studio space and housing for young artists since 2003 and has recently launched a separate printmaking practice.

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In concurrence with the current scenario, Untitled VII explores the interaction of artists with their everyday surroundings. The visual documentation by the artists as they experience isolation reflects upon the varied effects it has had on different communities- both physical and psychological. The inner dialogue of the artists as they act as witnesses of the 'mundane' provides an analysis of the morphologies of social structures that exist in society. The exhibition represents spaces where different identities converge and unravel the narratives that are now overlooked as the 'new normal'. In an attempt to create a dialogue regarding different artistic oeuvres, Untitled VII raises questions regarding the normalised sights of social, political and economic uncertainties as well as the position of an individual which is affected by the radical shift in the worldviews due to the pandemic.

Oorja Garg

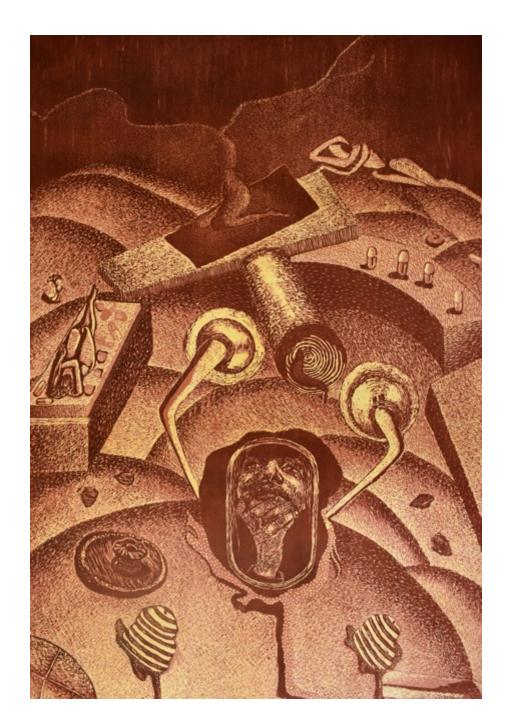




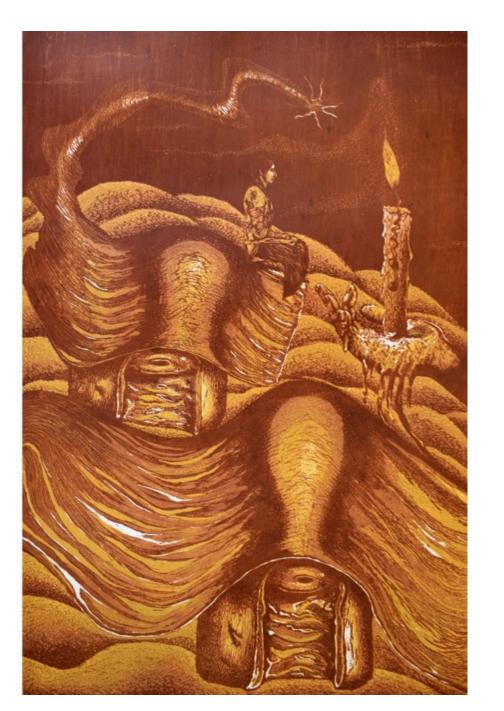


The perception of human functionality surrounds around the idea of constantly active organs. The biophysical structure of human body inspires me to invite playfulness in such pumped organs, which go hidden under the mortal drapery, for me which is the human skin. My conscious attempts have been in regard to generate a pictorial composition submerging both what is hidden under skin and thoughts penetrating through the unconscious beings. My prints revolve around the notion of activeness of these organs and their involvement with our lives. My attempts have been to represent these thoughts in as a landscape of pictorial representation especially of feminine organs and character of it. I have been innately close to feminine forces, a power which has been an inseparable part of my journey. Some incidents move our lives to an extreme that it alters our unconscious minds forever. The notion behind this representational work is an expression of such incidents; I intimately associate with my life .My works are also reflections on the dual nature of feminine forms; it is the duality of it that I have tried to address through merging two modes of expression. My attempt has been to speak for those issues through very delicate visual expressions. The feminine forms are soft yet firm, representing vulnerability yet giving a strong inner strength. A woman's body is surely a mother and motherhood is always connected to nature, just as the nature is and I found a way to weave them together and unfold the narration of the intimate connection between the two divine forces of femininity and nature.



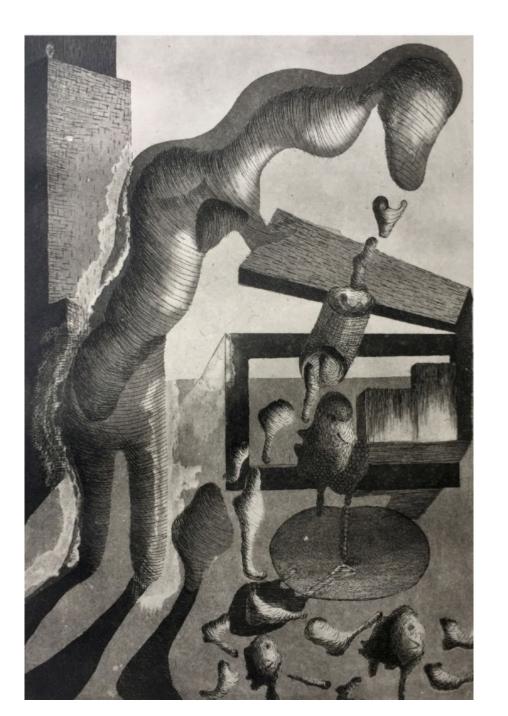


RUNNING OUT OF TIME Woodcut 2 x 3 ft 2019

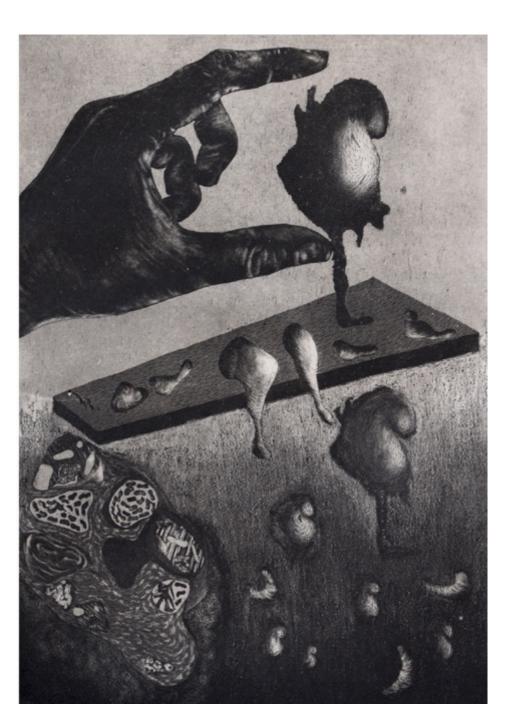




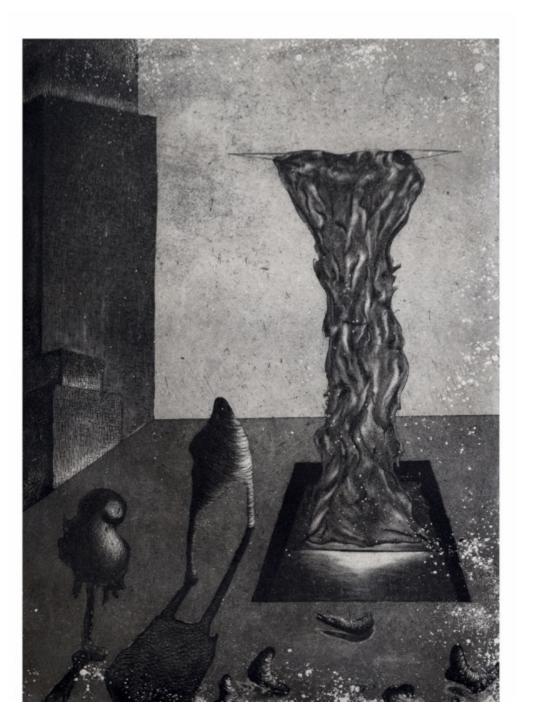
ILLOGICALBEINGS- I Etching 6 x 10.2 inches 2018



ILLOGICAL BEINGS- II Etching 6 x 10.2 inches 2019



ILLOGICAL BEINGS- III Etching 6 x 10.2 inches 2019















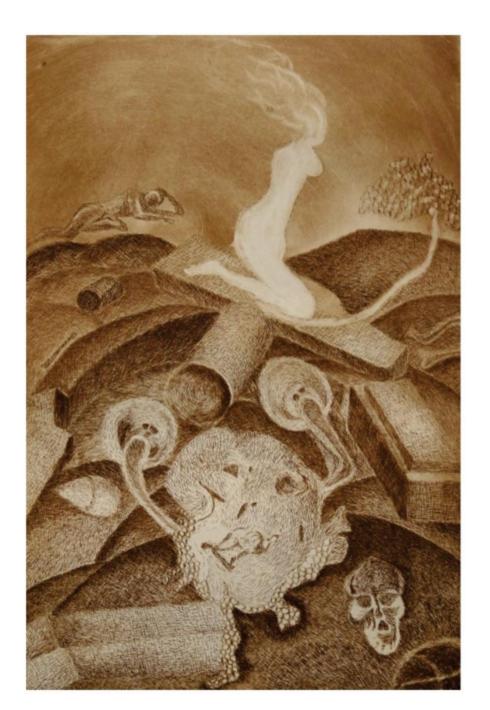




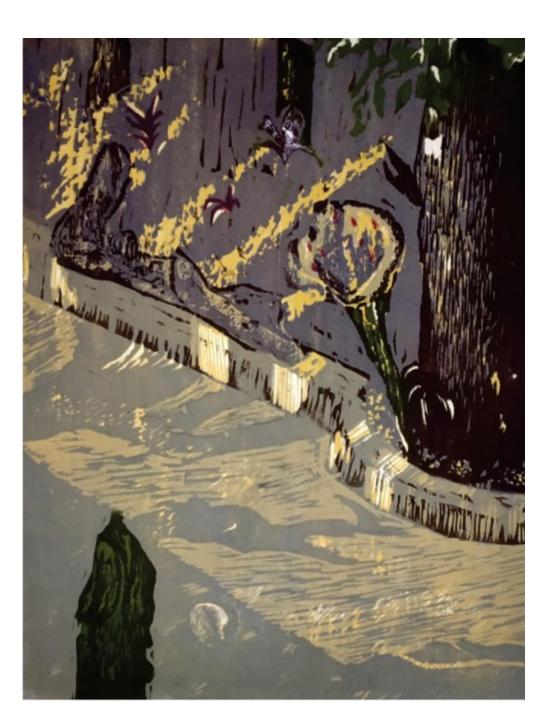






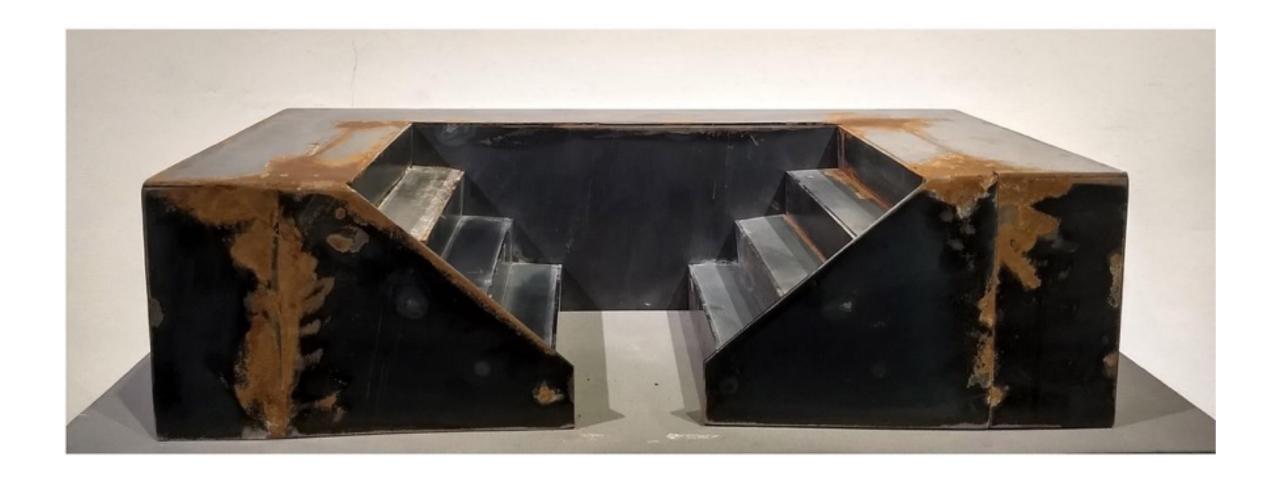


AN AFTERNOON-III Woodcut 11.5 x 9.3 inches 2019





In my work, I want to show the human emotions and feelings in the reference of ancient architectural forms. In which I've tried to express the paradox of emotions and situations in which two opposites exist at the same time but both are the realities we live in. My individual sculptural forms talk about different aspects and situations we face in our daily lives. According to me, architecture plays a very important role in our life. Architecture is a space where a memory or an experience is created. When we enter a specific space we get connected to the memory and the essence we had there. I look at architecture from a different perspective rather than a living or a utility space. Each element in architecture has a different connection with each individual. I want to establish that connection in my work by making the viewer connect himself with the work without knowing about what the work exactly means. In this way the viewer gets more involved with the work and gets personally connected.









2018























DILAPIDATION-II Wood 7 x 9 x 9 inches 2020







right profile



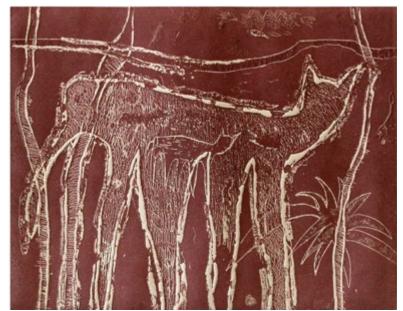




Trapped in the exhausting, dizzying spiral of living in a sleepless city, initially my art reflected the ceaseless chaos, confusion and fragmentation associated with the noisy, crowded, metropolis. Forms, details, colours and texture fought with each other, each seeking domination on the canvas. It was only when I moved out of Mumbai, escaped its disorienting chaos, and its brilliant and often, blinding neon lights, that I slowly began to understand what was missing in my artworks. My frazzled brain and restless soul found no peace amidst the stifling environs of Mumbai's concrete jungle. I was part of a mindless milieu of tense, stressed-out citizens who barely have time to look at each other and communicate with each other leave alone commune with themselves.

Strolling amidst the emerald green, palm fringed paddy fields of Kerala, drifting along shifting sands of Pondicherry, shell-strewn beaches with the tidal water tickling my feet, interacting with tribal folk in the villages of Gujarat and discovering the intricacies of their rustic art changed my practice entirely. I noticed the way leaves fluttered and the branches of trees sway wildly when the wind flows though them. I lay on the grass and gazed up at the vast sky wheeling above me. Listened to the birds twittering and chirping, the leaves rustling, watched squirrels, and monkeys scampering and bounding amongst the trees. The more I communed with nature, the further my imagination soared. Through my art I endeavour to highlight the cruelties of man that has resulted in the destruction of nature and its beautiful creatures.















UNTITLED 3 Ink on paper 12 x 8 inches 2020



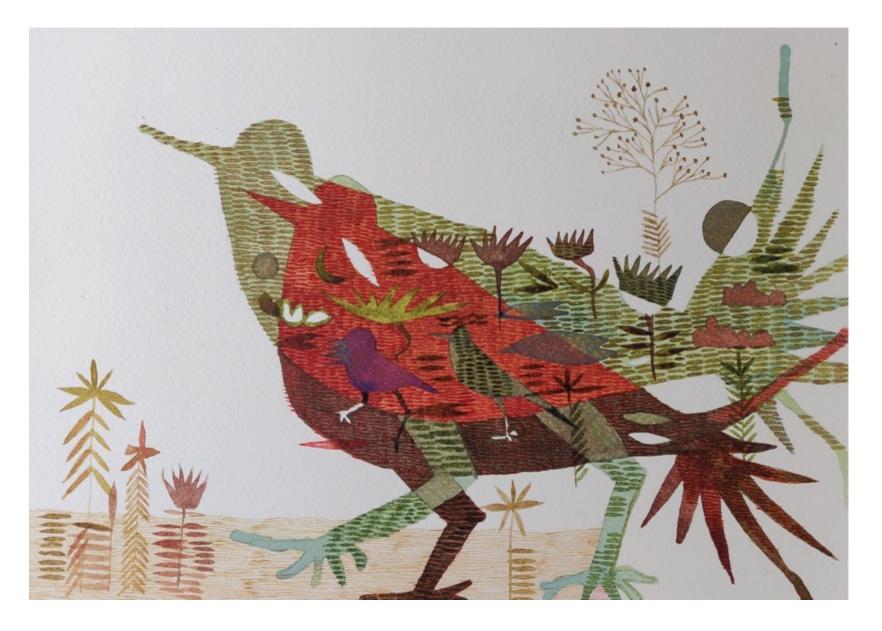


















UNTITLED 17 Ink on paper 14 x 9 inches 2020









While in Baroda, I liked to go around the city, marketplaces, parks and other public spaces alone and witness different characters, living their individuality and presenting themselves in a particular way. While living in a city-the village life, the struggle of the working class, their relationships and their beliefs became focal points of my works which stemmed from a feeling of nostalgia. I began associating them with the color, weather and even the objects that I found familiarity with. I became more interested in how the working classes go about their daily struggles and routines, how they think, perceive and preserve their cultural traditions even after they are surrounded by so many worries. I try to find that meaning, taste and the colorful spirit of existence in their life rather and expand my own vision through these explorations.

EILIYASH BHAI PILUDIYA
Drawing and collage on paper
24 x 30 inches
2017



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Drawing and watercolour on paper

18 x 24 inches 2018



MY FATHER
Watercolour and collage on paper
18 x 22 inches
2018



RUDAALI

Tempera on handmade paper 24 x 17 inches (each) 2018



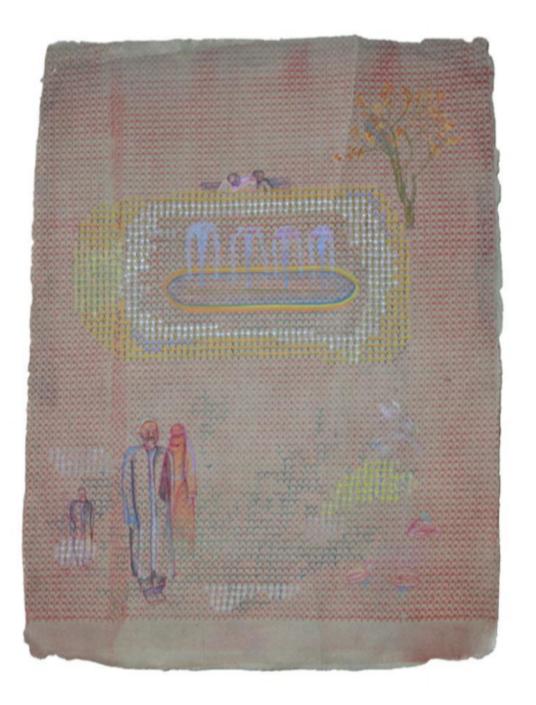








KAMATI IN SPRING. Tempera on wasli paper 30 x 22 inches 2019



DADIYAA

Tempera and pencil on paper 45 x 45 inches 2018



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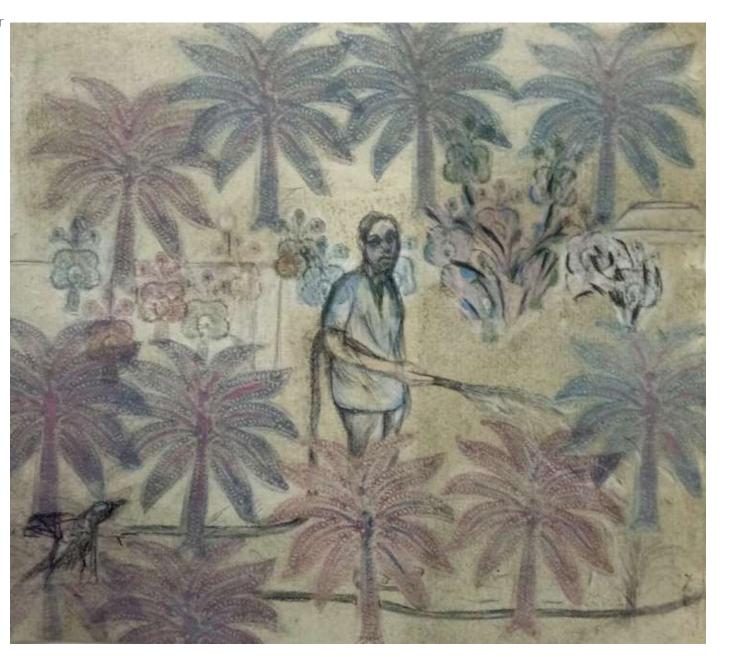
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UNTITLED Tempera on paper 22 x 18 inches 2020



GARDEN

Colograph with Tempera on Wasli paper 18 x 22 inches 2019







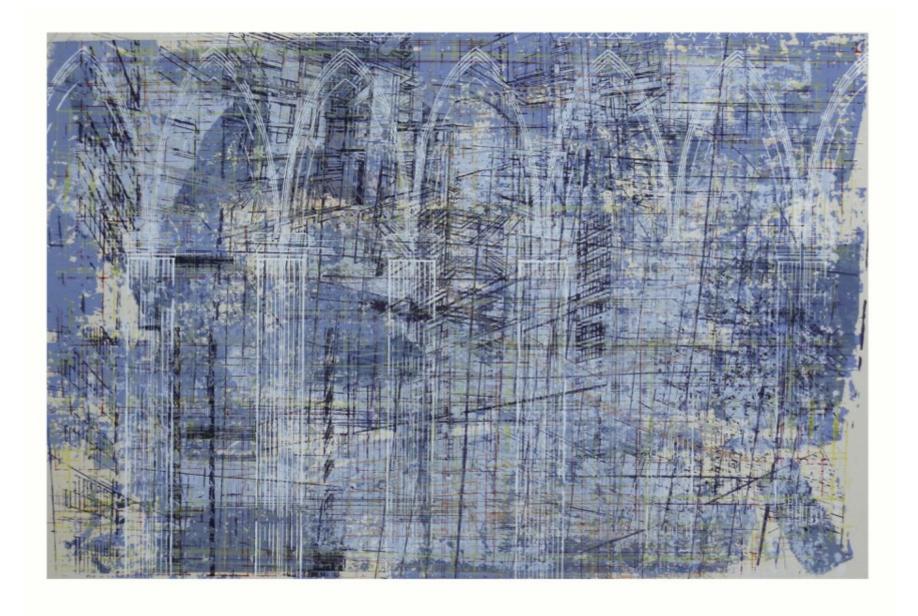






Overlaid with different visual tools like lines, colours and form, my work conveys a belonging, compression of time, space and place in a wider perspective of references, embedded from my surrounding with the critical view of social, political and cultural encounters, often expressed through metaphorical representation of forms and elements. Through my work, I investigate how personal history and memory are tied to place, how time informs memory, and how visual representation can be used to communicate experience. I often use overlapping in my work to suggest the layering of information we compile within our experiences and our memories. As personal meaning and influences evolve, the residue of the past lingers and with that are attempts to reconcile new information and knowledge with what is known, or imagined, of the past. By merging aspects of live experience, observations of daily life and imagined scenarios, I make non-objective work that reflects broad experiences of life and memory. I emphasis on widening up the visual elements submerged with new meanings and symbols referred from abstract spaces, images of cities, flora-fauna, geography, history and architectural elements such as columns, façades, porticos, etc. with geographical schema like graphs, plans and renderings. The whole idea of my works flows through the veins of contemporary culture with dramatic impact, as they are approachable, aesthetically enchanting, filled with the crux of emotional truth and timeless universal lessons producing an uncanny ambience on the canvas.









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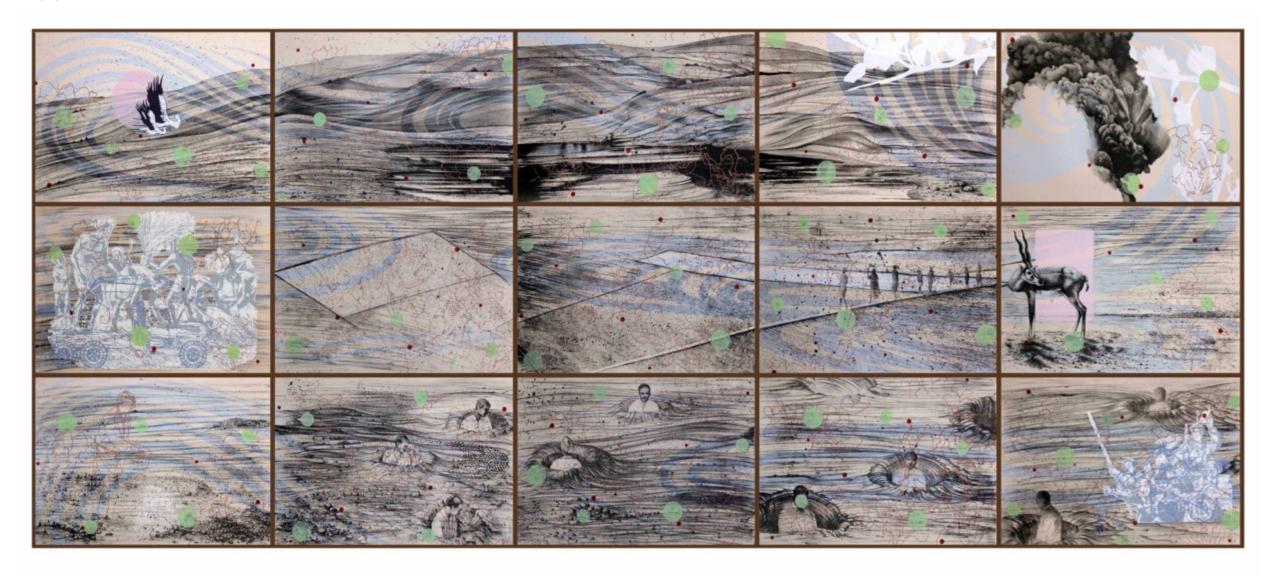




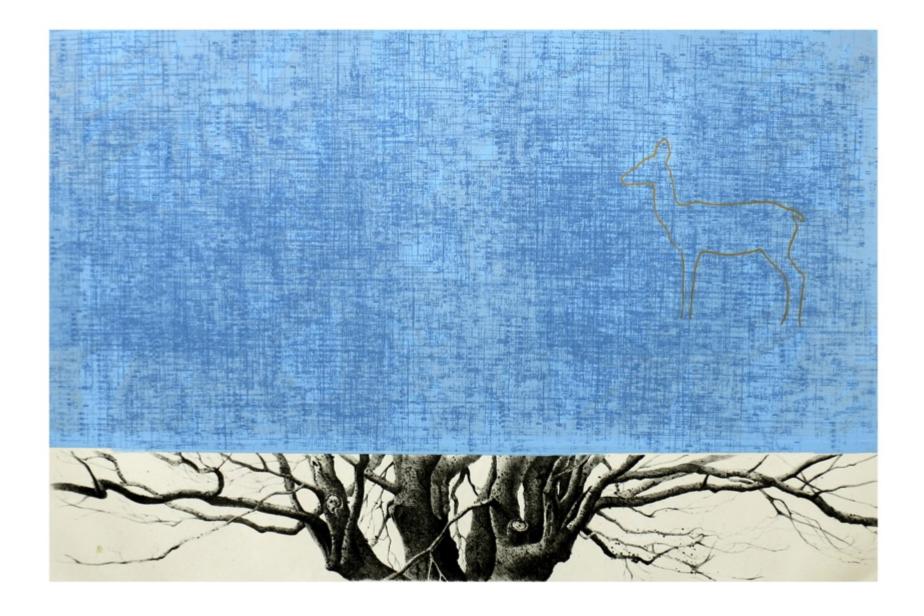


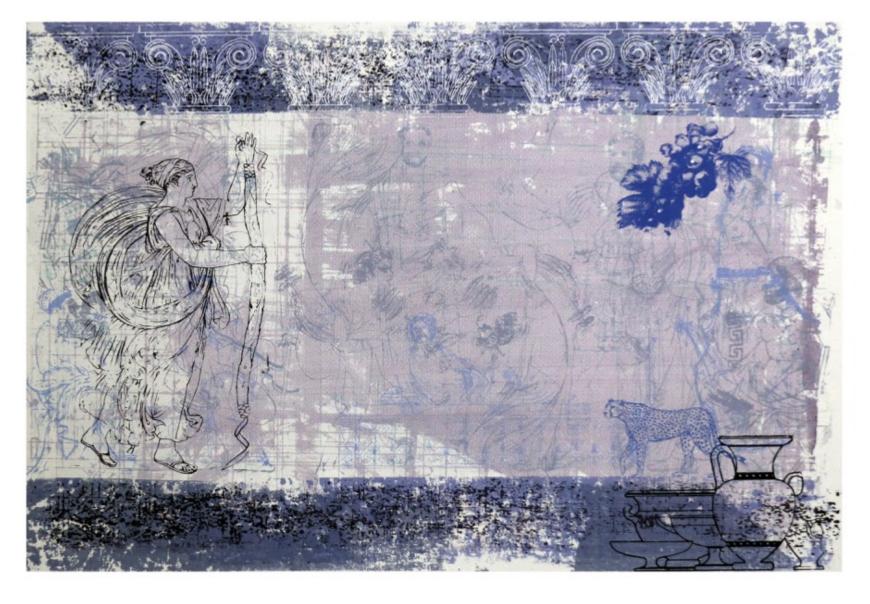














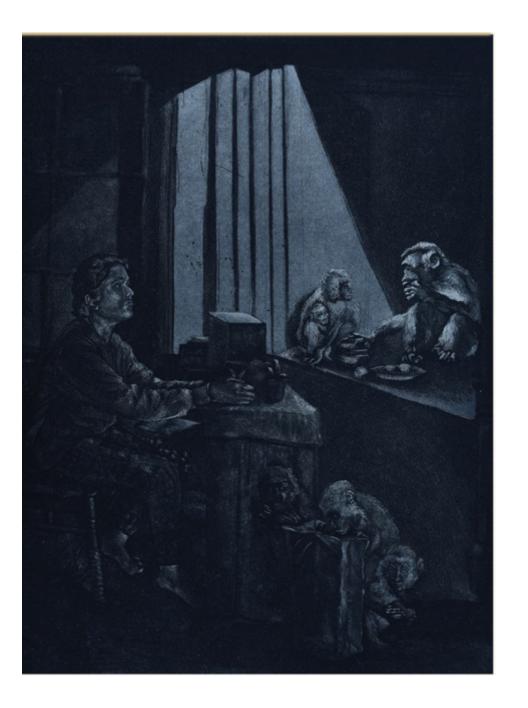




By understanding the intimate relationship between the idea of light and space, in my works I try to read through my experience in daily life and convert the same into the visual medium. Interpretation of the self corresponding to the immediate surrounding is what I have built my work on. According to me, space is conditioned with a specific context and thus, acts as a site of identity formation. The interpretation and extension of the interior space evolved through my lived experience in both urban and rural spaces. My works or the surface on which I work upon acts as my log where I freely express myself. While remembering memories of the past, the most important aspect has been my changing surroundings all the time. Since my childhood, my family kept on migrating from one place to the other where my consent did not matter. These rapid changes resulted in a play of both positive and negative aspects in my behavior at different points of time in life that kept on varying according to the change in my surroundings which I try to manifest in my works by creating an illusionary space.



COMPANION Etching/Aquatint]10 /13 inches 2019



MONOLOGUE Etching/Aquatint 10 x 13 inches Edition- 1/5 2020



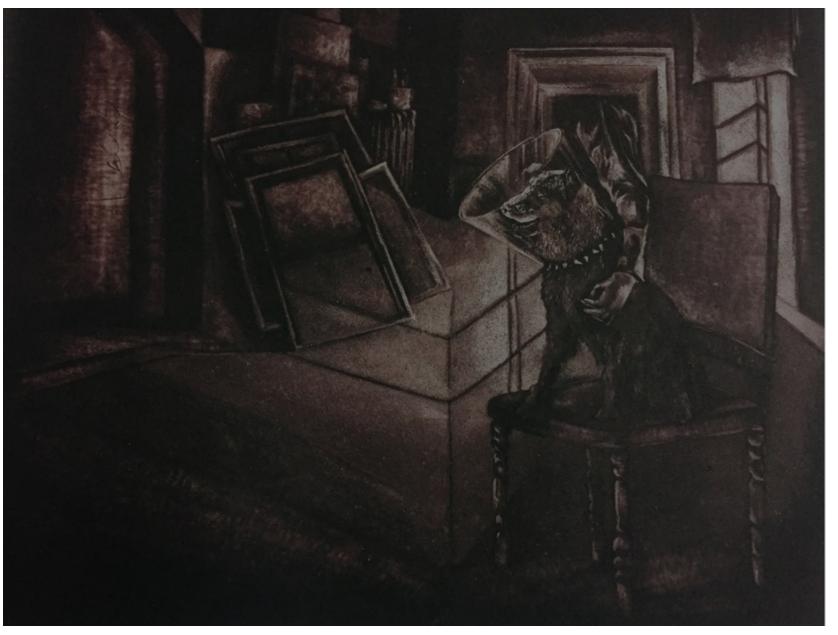




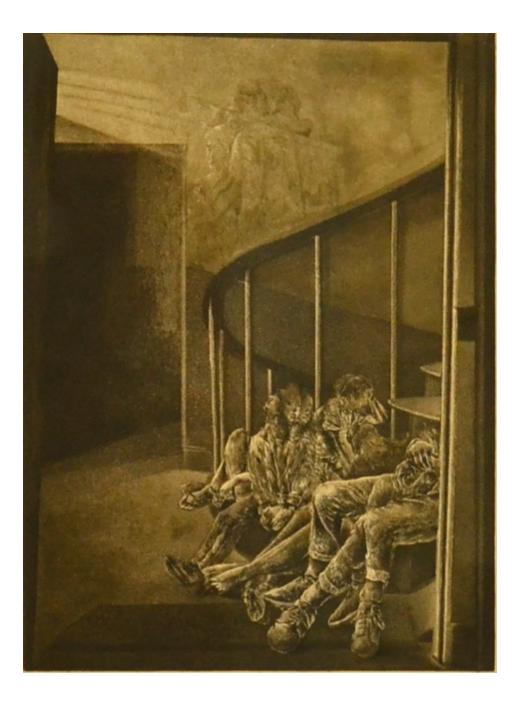
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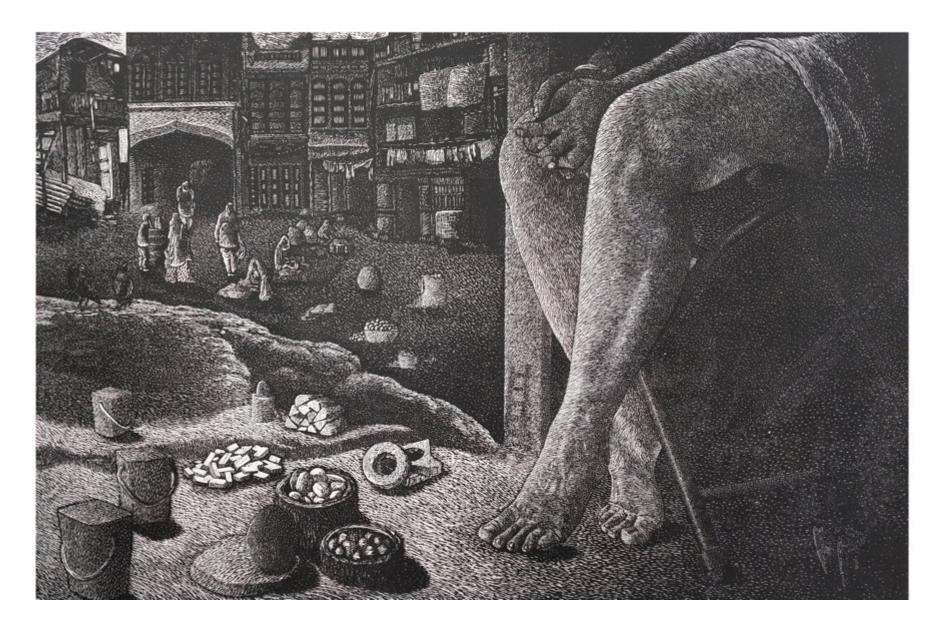
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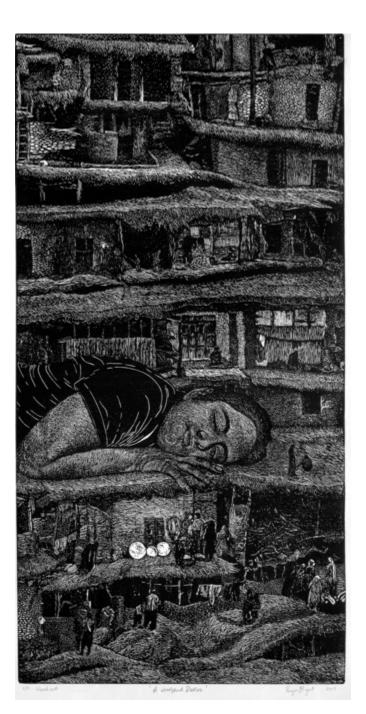


I started my journey with Print Making primarily with the medium of Dry Point which propelled me to employ visual metaphors and personal symbolization. The visual ambience of my works amplify imagery rendered with preposterous outlook. Peculiar juxtaposition, alteration in the actual scale of objects, and decontextualizing of real objects are visual tropes for telling a symbolic narrative to the viewers in my work. The grandeur of self portrait is to centralize the existence of self within the imagery allied with the nostalgia as well as current mindscapes. I believe that a multitude of life experiences go on to make what our emotional state of mind is and each individual responds differently to situations and circumstances which impact one's emotional behaviour at different times. Accordingly, I have been depicting the multiple dimensions of my emotional states through my works. The pictorial essence of my works has been changing from time to time according to the variations of my emotional states which I simulate with 'Ocean Waves'.



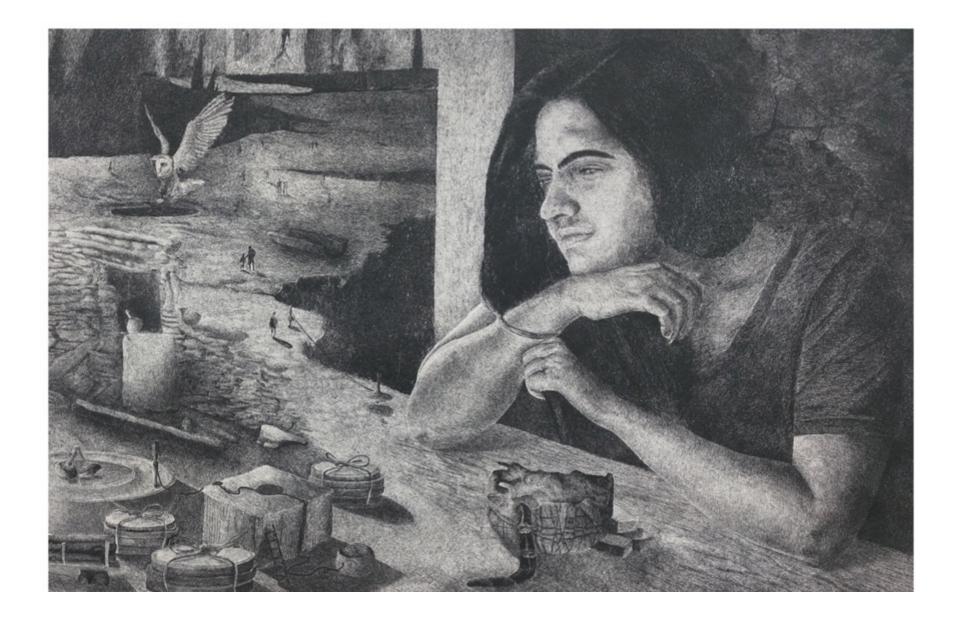


A CHERISHED DESIRE Woodcut 122 x 60 cm 2017

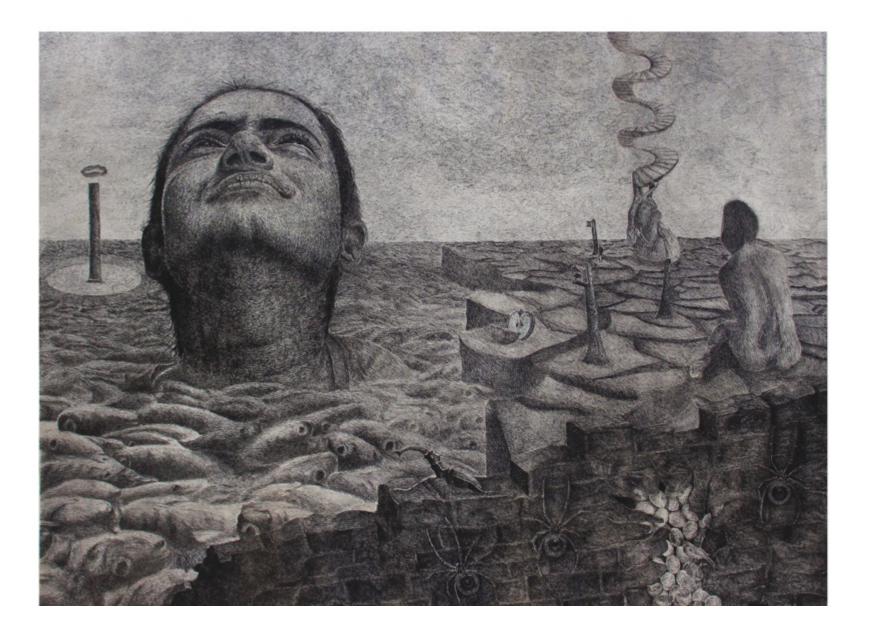












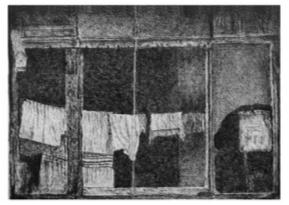


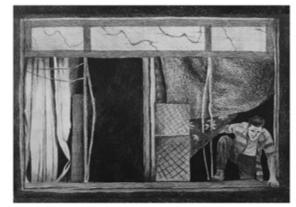


PREYA BHAGAT TITLE - THE INVISIBLE POISON MEDIUM - WOOD CUT SIZE - 92CM X 122CM YEAR - 2017

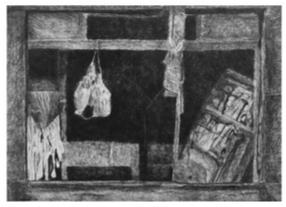














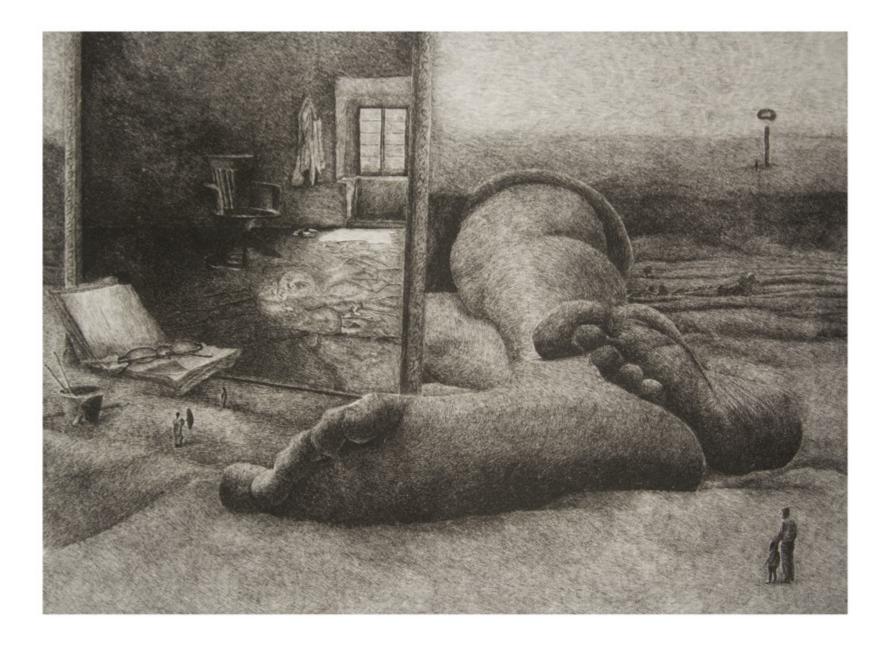










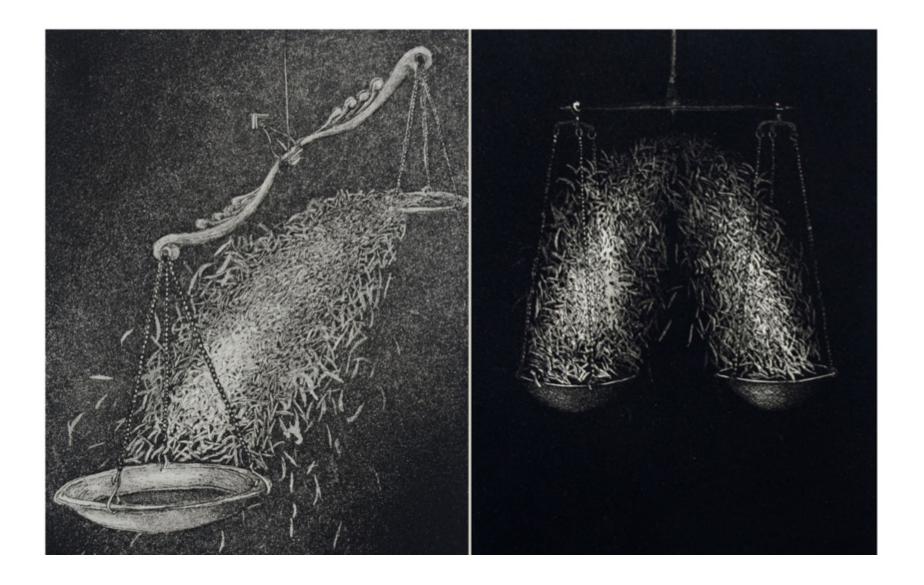




Hailing from the ancestry of rice farmers, my works depict food as a socialized element in the day to day life. Food is essential to our survival. It is also one of the great pleasures in life. But, food also preserves traditions and cultural identity. For me food has many forms from hunger to hope, the struggle for life is a dominant element in my work. I try to create food over and over again in countless compositional interpretations that highlight how food becomes a socialised element of the mundane life and defines cultural identity. My works also stem out of an introspection where the intricate rendering of small rice grains is almost like a meditative process for me and becomes a space of self awareness that revolves around questions of my existence which extend to the realisation of the physical and mental importance of food in one's life.

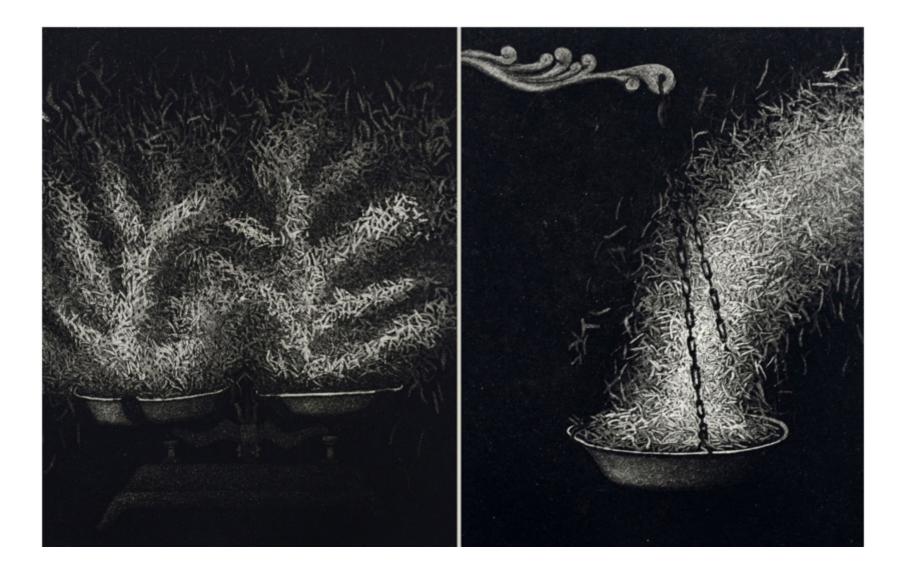
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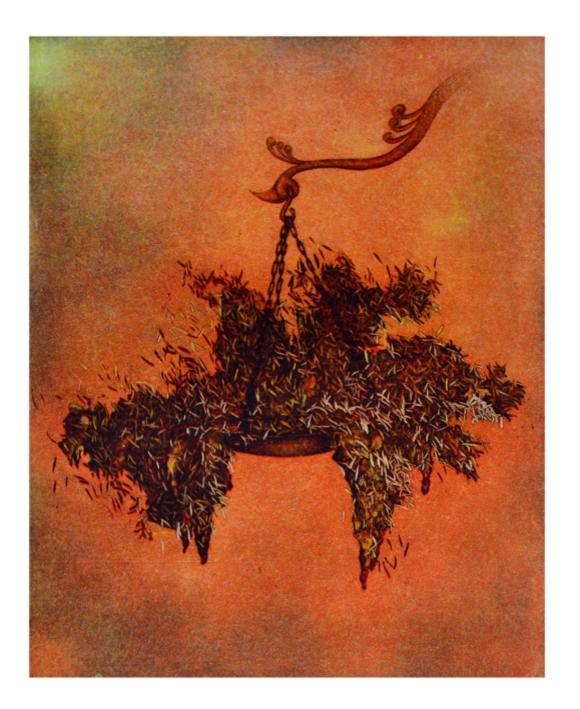


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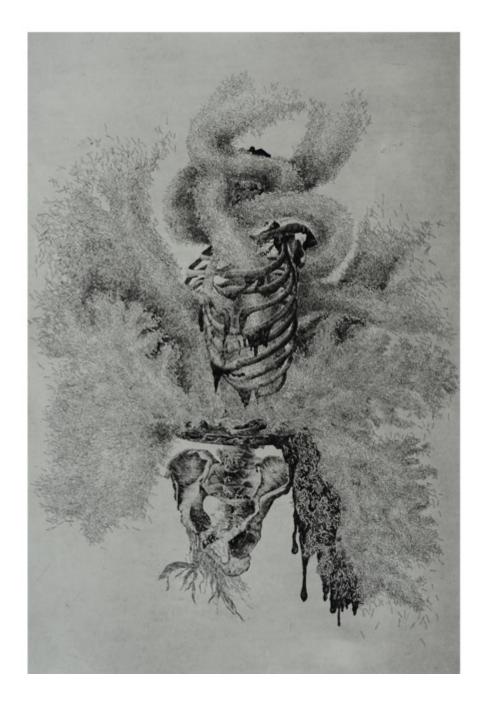
SELF REALISATION Lithograph 16 x 12 inches 2019



SELF REALISATION- IV Etching Edition 1/5 50 x 33 cm 2020



SELF REALISATION- III Etching Edition 1/5 50 x 33 cm 2020



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