# PLOT-POINTS

Curated by Satyajit Dave

## 12TH AUGUST-1ST SEPTEMBER

#### FEATURING:

Arpana Caur • Damini Parashar • Madhvi Parekh Meghi Ben • Meghna Patpatia • Mrugen Rathod Nina Sabnani • Pratap Modi • Rajat Gajjar Ratilal Kansodaria • Viraj Mithani



## PLOT - POINTS

Everything begins with *pathos*, or affect. It is something that forces one to think. This hook -Plot-Point- the metaphorical narrative tendency is what the show explores through the works of 11 artists. The exhibition undertakes a Barthecian way of exploring the notion of identity and its ever-evolving status through the ecologies of migration, land, and power.

Where the practices on display are diverse in the use of materials and media, the underlying concerns are concurrent, at times even intersecting. This diversity allows for an amplified sensory experience of interacting with the works. The element of sound, and visual tactility enable a certain grace in interacting with the works.

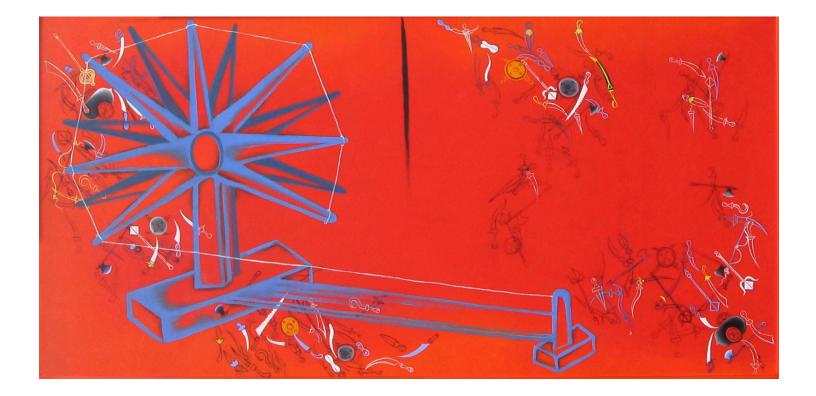
The objects on display are born out of an innate desire. A desire subjected to a number of readings by each practitioner. It is in this process of readings that this said desire opens up a wide range of source material ultimately carrying the work as a *'network of readings'*. It is here that each of the physical works becomes a phantasmagoria of research.

What becomes of utmost relevance are the many parallels each artist draws to 'objects', 'icons', styles, and epochs. The nonchalance with which they begin to affect our reading of each work and the show by consequence is refreshingly engaging.

With this I present to you "Plot-Points".

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<sup>1</sup> Barthes (2005), The Neutral, p. 9



## ARPANA CAUR

#### Charkha, 2018

Oil on canvas 36 x 72 in

Rs 12,50,000 + 12% GST



Happy Units, 2021 Mixed media on canvas 32 x 17 in

Rs 70,000 + 12% GST





**Bling, 202 I** Mixed media on hemp cloth 17 x 15 in (Set of 2)

Rs 70,000 + 12% GST



**Flower in a Pond, 2021** Mixed media on hemp cloth Dia 31 cm each (Set of 2)

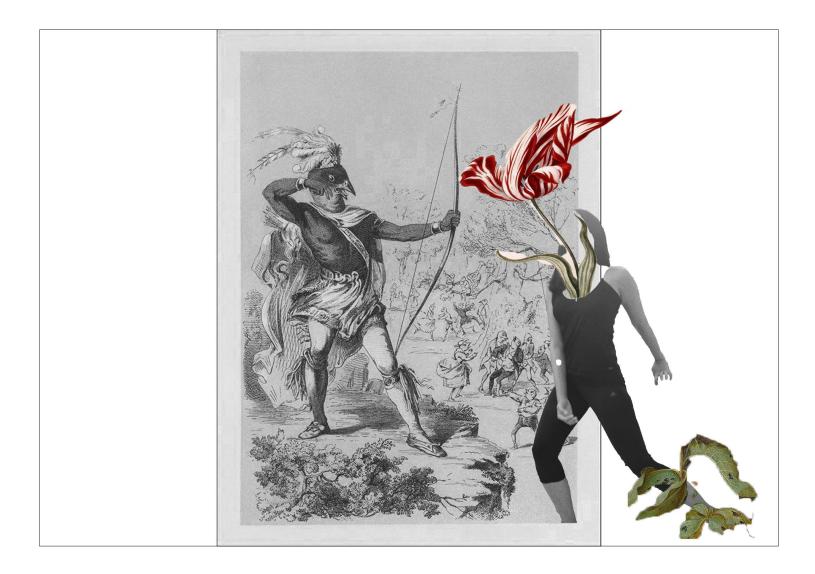
Rs 70,000 + 12% GST



#### Blooms in a Pond, 202 I Mixed media on hemp cloth

Dia 25 cm each (Set of 2)

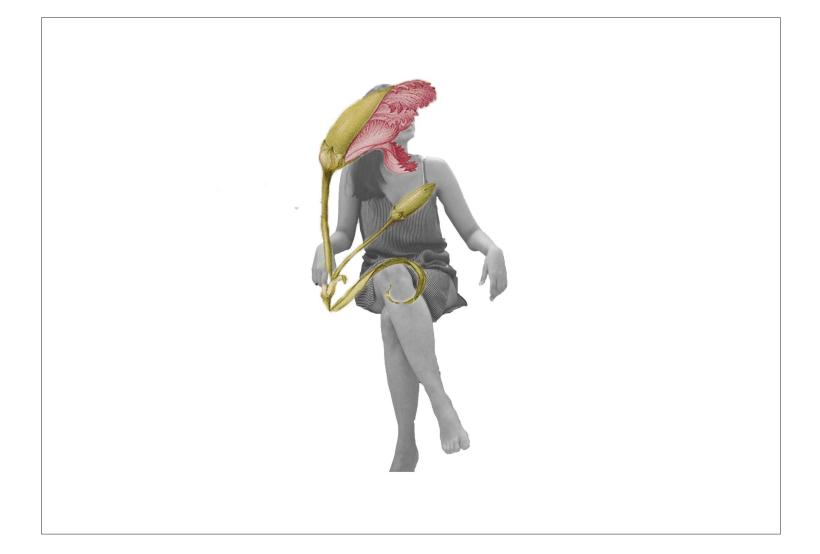
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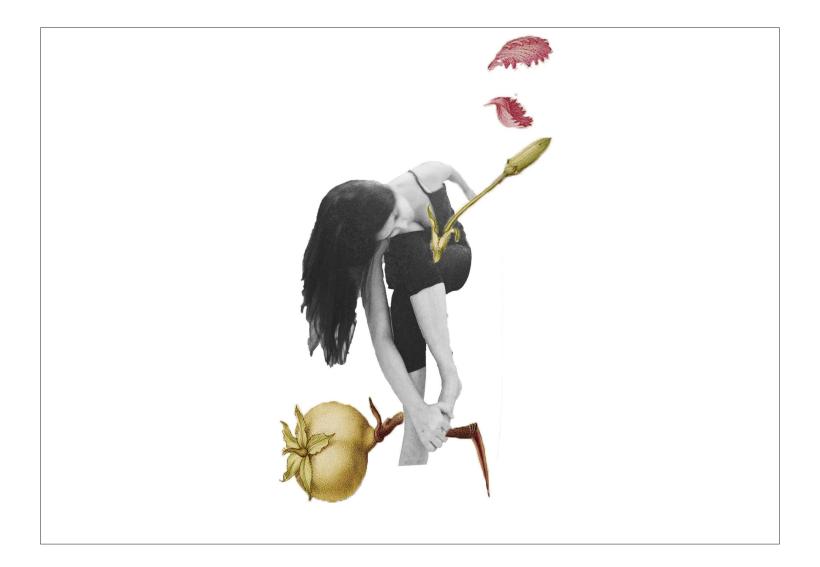
Worm Story, 2018 Mixed media collage on paper 6 x 8 in



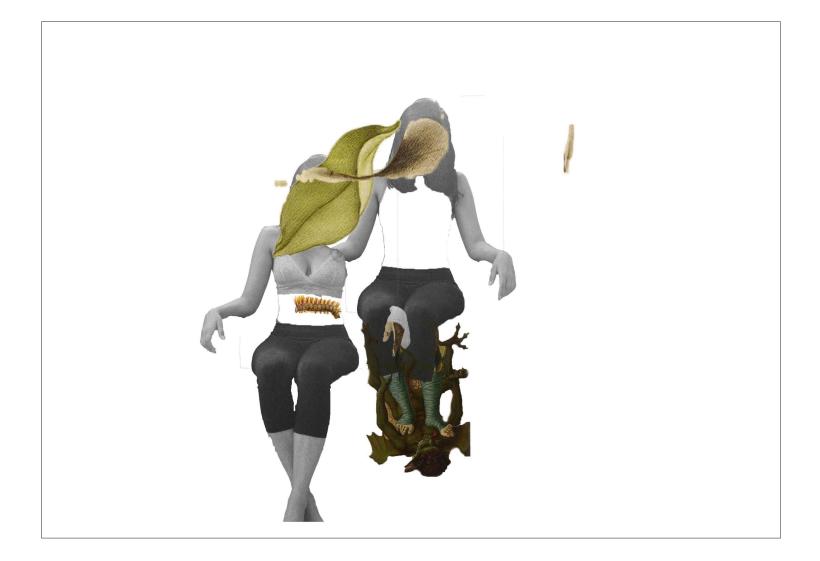
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**Face I, 2008** Reverse painting on acrylic 30 × 30 in



**Face II, 2008** Reverse painting on acrylic 30 × 30 in



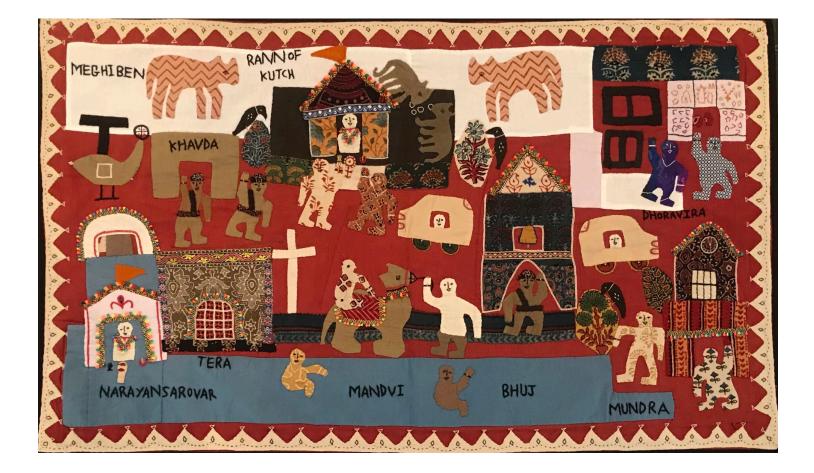
Mother Earth (Cambodia), 2005

Acrylic on canvas 36 x 36 in

Not for sale



**The Animal, 2019** Reverse painting on acrylic 30 × 36 in



Map of Kutch, 2019 Appliqué on cotton with block printing Ajrakh 23 x 37 in

Rs 35,000 + 12% GST



Life on the Farm, 2019 Appliqué on cotton with block printing Ajrakh  $16 \times 23$  in

Rs 25,000 + 12% GST



**Our Household Chores, 2019** Appliqué on cotton with block printing Ajrakh 29 x 15 in

Rs 25,000 + 12% GST



## The Natural World Around Me, 2019

Appliqué on cotton with block printing Ajrakh  $26 \times 18$  in

Rs 25,000 + 12% GST



## MEGHNA PATPATIA

**Analog Terrarium, 202 I** Ink and gold leaf on paper and textile 48 × 54 in (polyptych)



## MEGHNA PATPATIA

**Memory Moraine, 202 I** Ink and gold leaf on paper and textile 48 x 34 in



## MRUGEN RATHOD

Sleepers, 202 I Painted wood 8 × I × I in each (Set of 40)



## MRUGEN RATHOD

## Shifting of Propaganda, 2014

Monoprint 9 x 12 in each (Set of 28)



## 2157 WIETES The stitches Speak

(Tanko Bole Chhe)



This piece is a map of my village Adigaam (in Pakistan).



This is how we came to Kutch.

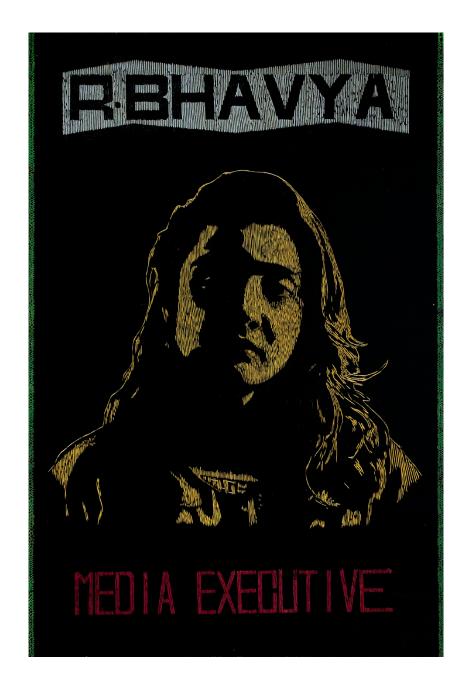




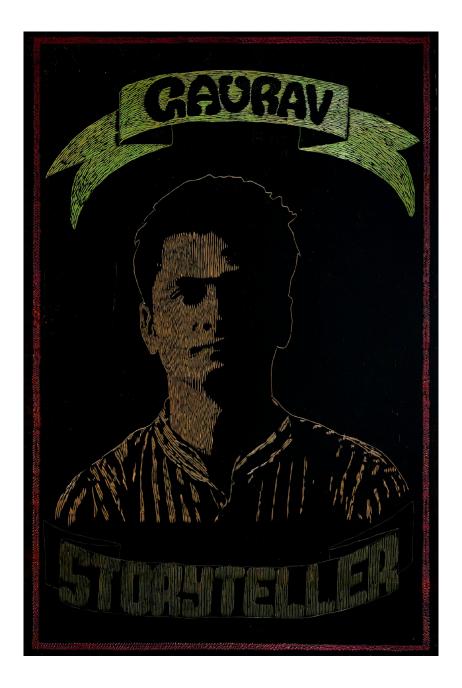
#### NINA SABNANI

#### Tanko, 2009 Animated Video

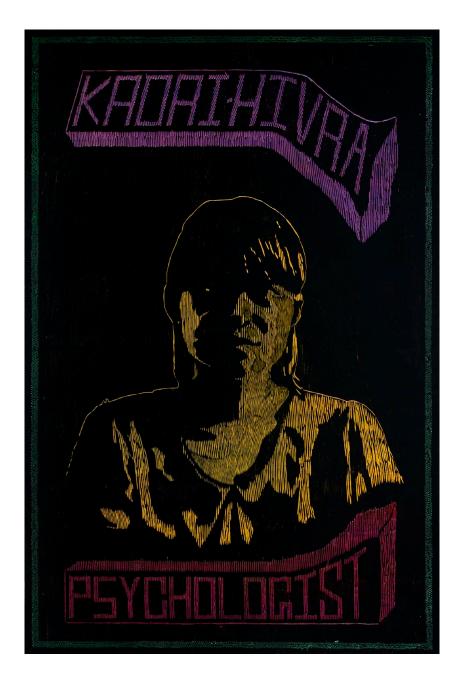
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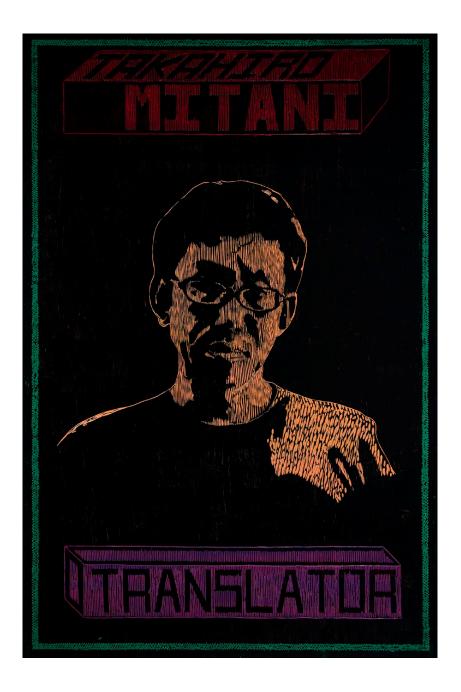
Stories from Life - Story of Media Executive, 2014 Wood carving and oil on wood block 72 x 42 in



Stories from Life - Story of Storyteller, 2014 Wood carving and oil on wood block  $72 \times 42$  in



Stories from Life - Story of Psychologist, 2014 Wood carving and oil on wood block  $72 \times 42$  in



Stories from Life - Story of Translator, 2014 Wood carving and oil on wood block  $72 \times 42$  in



## RAJAT GAJJAR

Specimen, 202 I PLA wood composite 3D prints, brass, stone and vinyl acrylic  $12 \times 6 \times 9.5$  in



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Specimen, 2021 PLA wood composite 3D prints, brass, stone and vinyl acrylic  $14 \times 12 \times 4$  in



## RATILAL KANSODARIA

**Bird's Converter, 2019** Bronze 44 × 28 × 80 in



## RATILAL KANSODARIA

Nature's Endeavour For My People, 2019

Bronze 44 × 28 × 80 in



## RATILAL KANSODARIA

**Ruleless Play, 2018** Bronze 19 x 19 x 33 in



## VIRAJ MITHANI

**No Bows Broken, 202 I** Giclee and vinyl on canvas (Tondo style) 20 × 20 in



## VIRAJ MITHANI

Purple Legged Propaganda, 2021

Giclee and sponge mat on canvas (Tondo style)  $20 \times 20$  in



## VIRAJ MITHANI

Stanchion, 2021 Giclee and vinyl on canvas (Tondo style)  $20 \times 20$  in

## THE CURATOR | SATYAJIT DAVE

Satyajit Dave is an Independent Curator and Art Consultant working in the Visual Arts sector. After pursuing a Bachelor's and a Master's Degree in Art History and Aesthetics from the Faculty of Fine Arts, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Vadodara, he was selected as the CriticIn-Residence for the PEERS 2016 residency at KHOJ in New Delhi. His work as a Research Director for the CONA Foundation enabled him to work towards its prestigious textile project Escape in a Diorama for the Whitworth Museum in Manchester in 2017.

His background in Art History and research pushes his work in the capacity of a guest faculty at various Universities like Mumbai University, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, National Institute of Fashion Technology (under the purview of Ministry of Culture), Amity University Mumbai on subjects such as Indian Art and Architecture History, Western Art and Architecture History, Visual Culture Analysis, Curating Art, Design and Architecture, amongst the many diverse subjects.

He regularly contributes to various magazines and journals in the capacity of a writer and subject expert. His recent curatorial project is a Mega exhibition titled 'The Print: Matter in Matrix' which opened at the Shridharani Gallery at the Triveni Kala Sangam in New Delhi. The exhibition explored printmaking in India across five sections, Academic Practice, The Book, Digital and Alternative Printing, Reproductions, and 3-D Printing through the works of over 60 artists across these sections.



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