

Artworks of imagination

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Imagination adds uniqueness to arts and gives it the power to arrest everyone's eyes. An ongoing exhibition here has the same charm as the artist believes in letting the imagination take over.

Artist Shombit Sengupta's works are based on his concept and technique of "Gesturism", in which he focuses on gestures. It is also his artistic revolt against digital virtual art done through computer software.

"Overcoming our indispensable slavery to digital technology's virtual unreality in art, 'Gesturism' is about irregular, deliberate strokes signifying unprompted, vibrant breathing, dynamic, unique ideology, endless purity, psychedelic waves, and shock of difference, fearless," the artist said.

The exhibition, based on this entirely new concept, is on here till November 22 at Institute of Contemporary Indian Art Gallery, Kala Ghoda.

"A human being's birth is the most valuable instant happening in the universe, but the exact time and date of conception is mysterious," Sengupta said.

"It's not thought that starts life, nor can anybody predict life's end. So life's start and termination is within a boundary that is beyond control and thought," he added.

"Instant actions in everyday living may result in some corporal substance that people call thinking, so the more actions we perform, we create stimuli for others. Our gestures, and not hazy intangible vapour, forms the basis of this art movement," he explained.

"Gesturism" is Sengupta's spontaneity of imagination which took birth and expression from living in Paris in 1994. He challenged the idea that thinking exists.

"To me, the stimulus for action is gesticulation," he said.

His painting philosophy in "Gesturism" is "don't think, push the act and let imagination take over."

Sengupta's exhibition here will be followed by another solo in Barbizon, France from December 10 to 27 with more than just his paintings and installations, with an art car as well.

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