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Exhibition Opening

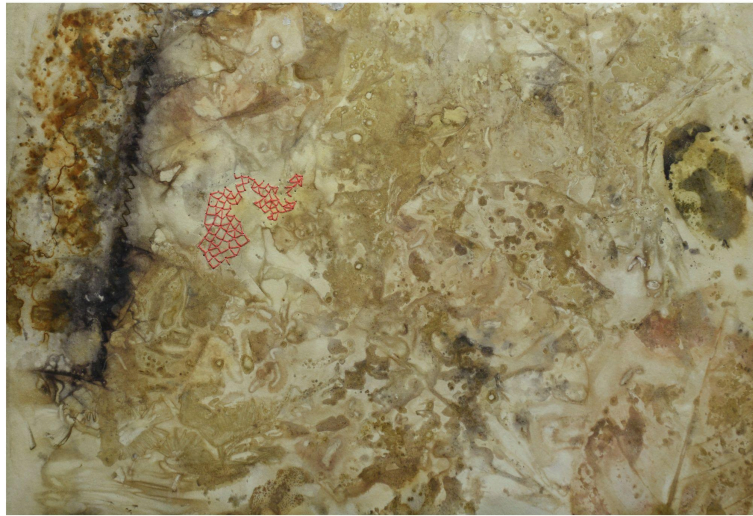
VHC
VIDA HEYDARI
CONTEMPORARY

પ્રકૃત / સમકૃત - Prakrut / Samakrut

Solo Exhibition

21 December 2024 – 15 February 2025

Opening: Saturday, 21 December 2024, 5:30 – 8:30 PM



Leftover Beauty 3.4

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Cotton Tread, Botanical Print, Paper

28 x 19.5 cm (11 x 7.5 in)

VHC is thrilled to announce the opening of our latest exhibition, પ્રકૃત / સમકૃત - Prakrut / Samakrut, a solo exhibition by Kanan Koteshwar whose artistic practice navigates the intricate interplay between humans, materials, and nature, reflecting on the cyclical essence of life. Through her exploration of transformation and impermanence, Koteshwar examines themes of attachment and detachment, decay and renewal. Much like the metamorphosis of a caterpillar, her art practice encapsulates the duality of change—its power to dismantle and create anew.

The exhibition will preview on **Saturday, 21 December 2024**, from **5:30 to 8:30 PM** at **VHC | Vida Heydari Contemporary**. It will run through 15 February 2025. The artist will be present at the exhibition preview.

ABOUT THE ARTIST

Kanan Koteswar, born in 1985 in Dabhoi, India, holds a diverse academic background that informs her artistic practice. She earned a Bachelor's degree in Home Science from the Maharaja Sayajirao University (MSU) of Baroda in 2005, followed by a degree in Early Childhood and Education from the same institution in 2007. In 2010, she completed her Master's in Museology from the Faculty of Fine Arts, MSU, and also holds a Postgraduate Diploma in Guidance and Counselling. Her varied academic training profoundly shapes her artistic vision, where she finds poetic irony in the act of preserving what has seemingly lost its significance. She likens her work to finding life in the dead—reforming the broken and forgotten.

In 2018, Kanan made her solo debut with the exhibition “Pracyuta” at Knots Experimental Art Space in Vadodara. She has since participated in several group exhibitions, including “He/Hem” at Vida Heydari Contemporary, in 2024, “From Where All That Sweat” at Amuseum Art Gallery of Modern Art, Thiruvananthapuram, in 2022, and “Interlude 2” by Knots Collective at the Faculty of Fine Arts, Vadodara, in 2019, among many others.

Kanan Koteswar lives and works in Vadodara, India.



The Magic Palette by Kanan Koteswar

Artist and educator Kanan Koteswar will also lead **The Magic Palette**, a workshop at VHC designed for children aged 3–10 years. This hands-on session introduces participants to the art of watercolor resist painting. The workshop is structured in two engaging steps, and will take place on 21st December, from 3:30 to 5:00 PM, at VHC. The participation fee is INR 300, which includes all the required materials. Attendees will have the opportunity to bring home their completed artwork created during this workshop.

To register, please use the link below:

[Registration Form](#)

ABOUT VHC | VIDA HEYDARI CONTEMPORARY

VHC | Vida Heydari Contemporary is an international art gallery in Pune specialising in contemporary art and representing established and emerging artists with diverse backgrounds, across a variety of mediums and genres.

Founded in 2020 with an emphasis on authenticity, quality and innovation, VHC aims to contribute to the cultural fabric of the city. The gallery is committed to fostering the careers of its artists and sharing their work with a global audience, providing a platform for under-represented artists, presenting pioneering museum-quality exhibitions, positive collaborations, price transparency and offering a very hands-on and tailored high-quality experience.

In less than four years from its inception, VHC has mounted significant exhibitions featuring local and international artists. It has also participated in some of the most prestigious art fairs, such as Art Basel Hong Kong, India Art Fair and India Design ID.

In addition to the gallery program, VHC hosts talks, performances, workshops and educational programs to create engaging and enriching artistic experiences that capture the essence of life.

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Press Kit:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1E1qPM9o7btz8yv3eMC02PM948q5boUkc?usp=sharing>

Interviews can be arranged with the artist and the gallery director Vida Heydari.