

ROARING into **PROSPERITY** EMBRACING THE YEAR OF THE DRAGON **GROUPEXHIBITION**

ANDI PRAYITNO | ANDY MISWANDI | | BURHANUDIN REIHAN AFNAN | CADIO TAROMPO | CAMELIA MITASARI HASIBUAN | DAPHNE ZEPOS | DONA PRAWITA ARISSUTA | HENDRA PURNAMA | LPUTU ADI | MONIKA MAJER | SUITBERTUS SARWOKO | VIKTOR NAZAROV

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ABOUT ART XCHANGE GALLERY

Founded in 2009 in Surabaya, East Java, Art Xchange Gallery is a space dedicated to showcase the diversity of modern and contemporary artists from Indonesia. In 2011, the gallery moved to Singapore with the aim of providing its artists greater exposure to new markets.

This artistic space was built on a mandate that encourages creative exchanges between regional and international artists. Its mission is to bring together artworks from different societies so that parallels and contrasts can be observed; and artists who challenge precedents can have a voice. Through active participation in some of the leading art fairs, Art Xchange is committed in promoting its artists on international platforms. This gallery has been a part of Art Stage Singapore, Art Expo Malaysia Plus, Art Jakarta, Art Moment, Art Busan, Art Taipei, Asia Contemporary Art Show Hong Kong and Art Expo New York.

Now domiciled in Bali, Art Xchange Gallery hopes to push the boundaries of Balinese artists to realise their full potential, while preserving traditional value.

AXG currently represents artists primarily from Indonesia, as well as Malaysia, India, South Korea, France, Macedonia, Germany, and Russia.



AN ARTISTIC CELEBRATION OF THE WOOD DRAGON

2024 is the Year of the Wood Dragon in the Chinese zodiac, combining the dragon's powerful energy with the growth and creativity of the Wood element. This special year began on 10 February 2024, and continues until 28 January 2025.

The Chinese zodiac is a system that assigns an animal and its associated characteristics to each year in a repeating 12-year cycle. These animals are, in order: rat, ox, tiger, rabbit, dragon, snake, horse, sheep, monkey, rooster, dog and pig. Years of the Dragon, for example, include 1916, 1928, 1940, 1952, 1964, 1976, 1988, 2000 and 2012.

Each year also has an element. There are five basic elements in Chinese cosmology: metal, wood, water, fire, and earth. These elements combine with the animal signs to create a larger 60-year cycle. This cycle reflects the belief that the universe is made up of these five elements, which interact with each other in a cyclical way. Understanding these elements is importantin various aspects of Chinese culture, including astrology, cosmology, medicine, and philosophy. For 2024, the Chinese zodiac-designates the wood element to the dragon sign, making it the Year of the Wood Dragon.

Asia Across and beyond, Chinese New Year or Lunar New Year is a lively celebration steeped in rich tradition and profound cultural significance. Families and friends gather for vibrant festivities. sharing traditional foods and honoring deities and ancestors. The iconic lion dance and lit brightly lanterns further the enhance festive atmosphere.

The most cherished aspect of the New Year celebrations is the opportunity to reunite with loved ones, engage in joyful activities, create lasting memories. and While specific customs and differ traditions may across cultures, the spirit of togetherness and welcoming a fresh start remains a universal thread.

To celebrate the Year of the Wood Dragon, Art Xchange Gallery presents a special art exhibition at Pacific Place. Jakarta. The exhibition showcases works from a diverse group of Indonesian and foreign artists. representing various cultural backgrounds including Java, Bali, Sulawesi, France, and Germany. Featured artists include Andi Prayitno, Andy Miswandi. Burhanudin Reihan Afnan, Cadio Tarompo, Camelia Mitasari Hasibuan, Dona Prawita Arissuta, Hendra Purnama, I Putu Adi, Suitbertus Sarwoko, Daphne Zepos, Monika Majer, and Nazarov Viktor. Through their artistic expressions, these artists embody the spirit of togetherness, connection, and shared joy that lies at the heart of the Lunar New Year celebrations.

exhibition features The а diverse array of dragon-themed artwork, including both twodimensional and threedimensional pieces. This theme underscores the profound symbolism of dragons in Chinese and their culture special connection to the Year of the Wood Dragon.

Dragon interpretations vary significantly across cultures. In European folklore, dragons are often depicted as fearsome and destructive creatures, guarding treasures and opposing heroes. This portrayal of dragons as malevolent beings persists even today, seen in pop culture like the popular television series "Game of Thrones".

Unlike their Western often counterparts seen as fearsome beasts. dragons in Chinese culture embody positive attributes like good luck, strength, power, health, and the masculine This Yang energy. positive association stems from the dragon's historical role as а symbol of imperial power and authority. Ancient emperors were revered as "real dragons", and the Chinese people themselves were believed to be descended from dragons. This lineage further solidified the dragon's esteemed position, leading to its inclusion in Chinese zodiac the and ite enduring popularity as the most revered animal sign.

The artists in this exhibition express their unique visions of dragons through diverse artisticstyles and techniques. Their interpretations are wide-ranging. Despite this variety, a common thread emerges: in harmony with the positive perception of dragons in Chinese culture, the artists in this exhibition portray dragons in a predominantly positive light.

The diverse symbolism of across cultures finds dragons expression in the works of Andy Miswandi, Cadio Tarompo, Dona Prawita Arissuta, I Putu Adi, and Suitbertus Sarwoko. Andv Miswandi's "King's Emas Naga" (King's Golden Dragon) places a golden dragon against a vibrant, decorative floral backdrop. hinting at its central role within a rich cultural tapestry. Cadio Tarompo evokes East Kalimantan folklore with "Aji Putri Karang highlighting Melenu". the regional dragon's place in Prawita mythology. Dona Arissuta's "The Guardian of Mother Earth" explores the mythological dragon Javanese Sang Hyang Antaboga. I Putu Adi's "Kang Cing Wie" draws on Balinese folklore representing the ancient cultural ties between Bali and China, showcasingthe Barong, a mythical Balinese creature sharing similarities with the benevolent Chinese dragon. "Fire of Suitbertus Sarwoko's Honor & Spirituality" links the dragon to the Chinese community's tradition of honoring ancestors. These distinct highlight the interpretations fascinating diversity of dragon myths and their profound cultural significance.

Burhanudin Reihan Afnan's "The Journey of the Dragon Warrior" draws parallel а between a dragon and an action hero. This juxtaposition alludes to the characteristics associated with those born in the Year of the Dragon. According to the Chinese zodiac. these individuals are believed to be ambitious. confident, and charismatic. Like the warrior in Burhanudin's they often exhibit painting, abundant energy, natural courage, enthusiasm, intelligence, and exceptional power.

The dragon is the only mythical creature in the Chinese zodiac. Its abstract nature provides fertile ground for artistic exploration. This concept is investigatedby Suitbertus Sarwoko, Daphne Zepos, Monika Majer, and Nazarov Viktor.

Suitbertus Sarwoko plays with language and form. In "The Hidden Dragon", he draws a conceptual link between "dragon" and "dragonfly", highlighting their linguistic similarity. His "The High Spirit #2" abstracts a dragon form from dry leaves, inspired by Carnotaurus.

The foreign artists in the exhibition utilize abstraction to explore their interpretations of the dragon. Daphne Zepos depicts a dragon's transformation into the circular ouroboros. a symbol of infinity. in "Ouroboros". Monika Maier creates а three-dimensional abstract object in "Something with Lightness (Source)" to embody the dragon's characteristics and symbolism. Nazarov Viktor explores the dragon's dynamic and spirit energy in "Rebirth" and "From the Ground Up".

In Chinese mythology, dragons are mighty creatures, commanding the wind and rain, soaring across the heavens, and churning rivers with their and seas immense Camelia Mitasari power. Hasibuan emphasizes the connection of dragons and the elements to the extreme in "The Greatest Soul of Nature" and "Wood Dragon". Her paintings portray dragons as inseparable from nature; their bodies merge with plants and trees, becoming symbolic of natural forces themselves. This vision transcends the mythological, pushing the dragon imagery towards an urgent ecological message about living in harmony with our environment.

Unlike their fire-breathing Western counterparts, Chinese breathe clouds. As dragons masters of weather and water. they are revered for their role in agriculture. Chinese dragons are believed to communicate between heaven and earth, bringing the rains necessary for bountiful harvests and prosperity. Andi Prayitno captures this connection between dragons, fertility of land, abundance in "Grand and harvest".

Chinese dragons are honored as bringers of good fortune, associated with life-giving rain and water. In Chinese mythology, dragons bring prosperity to the world. In the vibrant spirit of the Year of the Wood Dragon, this dragon-themed art exhibition embodies wishes for a powerful, lucky, and prosperous year.

Curated by Arif Bagus Prasetyo

ANDI PRAYITNO

b. 1979 Surabaya, East Java, Indonesia



Andi Prayitno has been passionate about painting since childhood. In 2004, he encountered the painters Hadi Koco, Supar Pakis, Asri Nugroho, and Joni Ramlan. From these senior painters, Andi gained various experiences in artistic techniques and thoughts about art. In 2004, he began participating in various exhibitions in Ancol, Jakarta.

Andi's artworks are characterized by surreal and naive patterns. The symbol visualized in each of his works is denim pants. For Andi, denim fabric is the strongest among other fabrics, and many people appreciate denim.

In addition to being an artist, Andi teaches painting to intellectually disabled children and street children at Liponsos (Social Cottage Environment) in Surabaya. This teaching aims to equip these children with skills. In 2014, Andi furthered his knowledge of fine arts at the Wilwatikta Surabaya School of Arts.

SOLO EXHIBITION

2017 "HIPNAGOCIC", Mbah Cokro, Surabaya Indonesia

2024	"Valentine Koibito", Art Xchange Gallery, Bali, "Fires of Fortuna", Art Xchange Gallery, Bali,
2023	"Art Jakarta", Art Xchange Gallery, JIEXPO Kemayoran,
2022	Jakarta "RESURRECTION" Art Xchange Gallery's 11th Anniversary,
9010	Bali "Asis Culture and Artistic Session" Viewen China
2019	"Asia Culture and Artistic Session", Xiamen, China
2018	"Clue Rock", Prabangkara Gallery, Surabaya, Indonesia "Menyapa Sang Hening" Orasis Gallery Surabaya, Indonesia
2017	"Reborn", Bang Wetan Gallery, Surabaya Indonesia "Gotak Gatuk Petuk", Raos Gallery, Batu Malang Indonesia "Radio Aktif", M-Radio, Surabaya, Indonesia
2015	"Lamngo Mundi", Italy "Ekspansi", Raos Gallery, Batu Malang, Indonesia "Ruang Ungkap", DKS Gallery, Surabaya Indonesia "BELIVE #3", Indonesian Bank Library Bid, Surabaya Indonesia
2014	"EASTIPHORIA", Malang State University, Malang, Indonesia "House of Sampoerna", Surabaya, Indonesia
2012	"ART-PRENEURSHIP" Ciputra, Surabaya, Indonesia "7610", Taman Ismail Marzuki, Jakarta, Indonesia
2011	"Biennale Jatim, "TRANSPOSISI", Orasis Art Gallery, Surabaya Indonesia

2010	"MASA LALU SPIRIT MASA KINI", Orasis Art Gallery, Surabaya, Indonesia "AMAZING GRACE II", Orasisi Art Gallery, Surabaya, Indonesia
2009	"Biennale Jatim, "MENGUARAI AKAR BUDAYA III", Orasis Art Gallery, Surabaya, Indonesia "BLOSSOM", Sozo ArtSpace, Surabaya, Indonesia "SURABAYA INSIGHT", Sozo ArtSpace, Surabaya, Indonesia "EKSEKUTOR", 66 Gallery, Surabaya, Indonesia
2008	"OF NO VALUE", Orasis Art Gallery, Surabaya, Indonesia "100th KEBANGKITAN NASIONAL", Setelah 20 Mei, Jogja Gallery, Yogyakarta, Indonesia "AMAZING GRACE", Orasis Art Gallery, Surabaya, Indonesia
2007	"ELAN VITALE", 66 Gallery, Surabaya, indonesia "BANGWETAN SPIRIT OF INDONESIA", Gallery Cipta II, Taman Ismail, Marzuki, Jakarta, Indonesia
2006	"Pameran Berdua, "ESTETIKA DALAM KACA", Garden Palace, Surabaya, Indonesia



ANDI PRAYITNO

Grand Harvest Acrylic on Canvas 60 cm x 60 cm 2024

In the visual representation of prosperity, a tall rice barn is flanked by a small house adorned with dragon scale motifs, creating a captivating image. The symbolism of the dragon, often considered a symbol of luck and success in Asian culture, imparts a profound sense of prosperity. The image reflects a state of well-being with abundant rice harvests, lush vegetation, and blooming fruits, showcasing the success of agriculture and fertility of the land.

The environment filled with abundant plants and overflowing fruits, along with the presence of clouds in the sky, paints a picture of prosperity as a state full of blessings and beauty. Overall, the visual depicts prosperity closely tied to economic well-being, natural abundance, and harmonious living.



ANDI PRAYITNO Family Harvest Acrylic on Canvas 110 cm x 185 cm

2024

Andi Prayitno created his artwork to convey a visual message about agriculture and harvest through artistic expression. His artwork titled "Family Harvest" is inspired by the thoughts of Aldo Leopold in "Land Ethic," which teaches people to view the Earth with an ethical attitude. In his book, "A Sand County Almanac," Aldo Leopold highlights the moral values of nature. From his perspective, a farming family that not only thinks about themselves but also strives to seek abundant yields without harming the environment serves as an example of a non-anthropocentric approach.

ANDY MISWANDI b. 1974 Ponorogo, East Java, Indonesia



Andy Miswandi's journey in the field of visual arts began with a natural talent that has colored his life since childhood. Andy continued to develop his talent by pursuing secondary education at the Surabaya School of Fine Arts. After completing his formal education, he decided to move to Bali and reside there for several years.

Subsequently, Andy continued his art studies at the higher education level at the Indonesian Institute of the Arts in Yogyakarta. Unfortunately, the intense involvement in artistic activities during his college years prevented him from successfully graduating. Throughout his academic journey, Andy's works were inspired by the captivating pieces of Rembrandt.

Andy discovered his artistic identity by consistently refining his painting skills and actively engaging in exhibition events. His focus lies in the decorative realist pattern, where he concentrates on specific patterns and styles within his artistic pursuit.

<u>AWARDS</u>

2013	Finalis UOB Painting Of the Year
2010	10 karya terbaik penghargaan Pratisara Affandi
2010	Karya lukis terbaik FSR ISI Yogyakarta

2024	"Valentine Koibito", Art Xchange Gallery, Bali, "Fires of Fortuna", Art Xchange Gallery, Bali,
2022	Group Exhibition at "LAF Suryo Diningrat", Yogyakarta
	"Grebeg Suro 2020", Ponorogo
	Group Exhibition at "Pop-Up Gallery Talenta, Plaza Indonesia, Jakarta
	Group Exhibition at "Pitaloca Art House", Yogyakarta "NAF", Tulungagung
2021	Group Exhibition at "Pop-Up Gallery Talenta, Plaza "Local Code" at Indiqo Art Spice Madiun
2019	"Delapan Puluh nan Ampuh" at Nalar Rupa Art Space
2018	"Warisan Liqued Colour" at Rumah Petruk, Yogyakarta
2017	"Liqued Colour" at Bentara Budaya Yogyakarta
	"Penanda" Amaro Artis Space, Kersan Yogyakarta
	"Lingkar Persaudaraan 58 Tahun Sanggar Bambu" Galeri SMSR Yogyakarta.
0016	"Forever Play Full", at Galeri Hadiprana, Jakarta
2016	"May So", at Galeri lorong, Yogyakarta
2015	"Bahtera Anak Pertiwi" at Uma Art Space, Tangerang
	"Kolam Susu" at Taman Budaya Yogyakarta, Yogyakara
	"Attention" di Batang Jawa tengah
2014	"TIRANA" Art Space Yogyakarta
	"15th YB Mangunwijaya", Bentara Budaya Yogyakarta
	Pameran Karya Seni untuk "NAWUNG" Galeri Nawung,
	Magelang, Jawa Tengah



ANDY MISWANDI

King's Emas Naga Acrylic on Canvas 90 cm x 100 cm 2024

The towering golden dragon king is a captivating sight, especially when surrounded by colorful plants symbolizing the vibrancy and diversity of nature. The beauty of the powerful golden dragon, with its shining golden scales, is further enhanced by the bright and cheerful hues of the surrounding diverse plants.

The combination of the majestic elegance of the golden dragon and the vibrant colors of the surrounding plants creates a visual harmony that reflects both beauty and strength. This scene is not just a representation of a powerful kingdom but also a celebration of the rich, colorful, and diverse life that surrounds it.

BURHANUDIN REIHAN AFNAN

b. 1996 Yogyakarta, Central Java, Indonesia



Burhanudin Reihan Afnan is a young artist who is infatuated with Pop Art airbrush techniques. He grew up with street artists who applied their works on walls - called "Mural Art"

Prior to college, Burhan had actively participated in activities in the domain of fine arts. After granduating from the Indonesian Fine Art Institute in Yogyakarta, majoring in Fine Arts Study Program, Burhan is increasingly interested in the works of pop artists, as they always introduced new characters. Several great street artists have strongly inspired him, such as Kaws, Greg Craola Simkins, Nychos, Cote Escriva, Stom 500 and HRV of Europe's legendary The Weird Crew.

With the support of the municipal government, mural art is growing rapidly in the city of Yogyakarta. The rapid development of mural art has resulted in a very intense competition among fellow mural artists. This boosted Burhan's spirit. Apart from strengthening his technique, he started experimenting with new media, to differentiate his work from that of other artists. One of them is by making fabricated walls from fiberglass. Street art has always been associated with walls. However, it is not possible to display original concrete walls or brick walls within the exhibition space. To work around this, Burhan created on artificial wall surface, then responded it like a street wall in general.

AWARDS

2012	"Juara Harapan 2 Lomba Melukis Gerabah" Ulang Tahun SMSR Yogyakarta ke 49
2013	"Juara 2 Lomba Melukis Tingkat SMA / SMK se – DIY"
2014	"PRATITHA ADHI KARYA" Tugas Akhir Seni Lukis Tradisional, Pameran Tugas Akhir SMSR Yogyakarta "Mbalung Sungsum" di Taman BudayaYogyakarta "Juara 2 Lomba Mural Tingkat Kabupaten Bantul" Memperingati Hari Liingkungan Hidup, Bantul, Yogyakarta.
2016	"Juara 1, Lomba Mural di Pasar Seni Gabusan", Bantul.

2024	"Fires of Fortuna", Art Xchange Gallery, Bali
2023	"Enter The Dragon", Unicorn Gallery Jakarta
	"Art Jakarta", Art Xchange Gallery, JIEXPO Kemayoran, Jakarta Exhibition Group Art Xchange Gallery, Pacific Place,
	Jakarta
2022	"RESURRECTION" Art Xchange Gallery's 11th Anniversary, Bali
2020	"Colours of Hope" Art Xchange Gallery, Jakarta. "Fish Out of Water" , Art Xchane Gallery, Jakarta.
2019	"Art Expo Malaysia Plus", Art Xchange Gallery, MATRADE Exhibition and Convention Centre, Kuala Lumpur Malysia. "Art Jakarta", Art Xchange Gallery, The Ritz Carlton, Pacific Place, Jakarta.
2017	"Affordable Art Fair", F1 Pit stop Building Singapore. "Art Expo Malaysia Plus", Art Xchange Gallery, MATRADE Exhibition and Convention Centre, Kuala Lumpur Malysia.
	"Art Jakarta", Art Xchange Gallery, The Ritz Carlton, Pacific Place, Jakarta.



BURHANUDIN REIHAN AFNAN

The Journey of The Dragon Warrior Airbrush on Canvas 50 cm x 70 cm 2024

In life, every person has dreams, desires, and hopes. This is a natural part of every individual. Of course, to achieve these things, we will encounter many obstacles and challenges. The desire and spirit in facing these can be illustrated through the depiction of a cheerful and enthusiastic knight, ready to face the battlefield of life. The idiom "naga hodir" is considered a representation of the spirit of this determined figure. The dragon, as a mythological creature, is often interpreted as a symbol of strength, wisdom, and luck. It is hoped that this dragon can be a representation of our determination as humans in pursuing our dreams.

CADIO TAROMPO

b. 1971 Bone, Sulawesi, Indonesia



Cadio Tarompo's real name is Ariyadi. He has been interested in painting since childhood. After graduating from SMEA in 1990, he began to hone his drawing and painting skills on his own.

His persistence in learning fine arts is evidenced by the important awards he received, such as in the 1995 Model Painting Contest in East Kalimantan. In 2001, he started participating in exhibitions in several regions of Indonesia. He has also participated in various international exhibitions such as at Hu Bei Art College, Wu Han, China, and with Art Xchange Gallery in Singapore, Malaysia and at Ho Chi Minh Fine Art Museum, Vietnam.

For the past 10 years, Cadio has always been working with Acrylic Paints. However lately, he uses Oil Paint. And not too long ago Cadio developed a new painting technique, which is a Negative Effect Painting that can only be seen with a Negative Camera application.

AWARDS

201	.7	Partisipasi Mural 100m rumah warna-warni Manggar, Walikota
		Balikpapan
20	15	Finalis Mandiri Art Award
20	11	Finalis UOB Buana Painting Of The Year 2011
20	10	Finalis Indonesia Art Award
20)8	Finalis Jakarta Art Award
19	95	Juara 1 Lomba Lukis Model se Kalimantan Timur

2024	"Koibito", Art Xchange Gallery, Bali
	"Roaring Into Prosperity", Art Xchange Gallery, Bali Pacific Place, Jakarta
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2023	"Enter The Dragon", Unicorn Gallery Jakarta
2022	"Resurrection" Art Xchange Gallery's 11yh Anniversary, Bali
2021	"Cinta Panorama Indonesia", Yogyakarta
2021	Exhibition AAF KL, Kuala Lumpur Malaysia
	"Representasi #4", Pendhapa Art Space, Yogyakarya
	"Virtual BUA BCGE", Berlin, Jerman
2020	"Pekan Kebudayaan Nasional", Istora Senayan, Jakarta
2019	"Exhibition Cadio Art Studio", Balikpapan
	Pameran Besar Seni Rupa "Kayuh Bambai", Samarinda
2017	Pameran Seni Rupa Nusantara "Rest Arena", Galeri Nasional,
	Jakarta
	"WhArt Now?", Art Xchange Gallery, Singapore
2016	"WhArt Now?", Prima Galeri, Kuala Lumpur Malaysia
	"WhArt Now?", Jogja Galeri Yogyakarta
	Pameran Besar Seni Rupa, Taman Budaya Manado
	Pameran Lukisan LIPAN, Balikpapan
	"Sketsa dan Gambar", SangaArt LIPAN, Balikpapan
2015	"Festival Danau Matano", Sorowako Lutim
	"Trajectory", Biennale Makassar
	"Finalis Mandiri Art Award", Plaza Mandiri, Jakarta Pusat

2014	"CROSS BORDER", Ruang Seni, Makassar
2013	"LINTAS GENERASI", Balikpapan "Art Expo Malaysia at Matrade Exhibition & Convention Centre", Kuala Lumpur Malaysia "Picturing Pictures di HCMC Fine Art Museum", Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam "Multeity in Unity", ION Art Gallery, Singapore
2012	 "Affordable Art Fair (AAF) bersama Art Xchange Gallery" F1 Pit Building, Singapore "Asia Contemporary Art Show bersama Art Xchange Gallery", Grand Hyatt, Hong Kong "UneARTh Asia" at Art Expo Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur "Beauty in Harmony", Bontang Pameran Art Xchange Gallery, Spoon Art Fair HK 12 di Grand Hyatt, Hong Kong "REAL/UNREAL?", Art Xchange Gallery, Singapore "Asia Top Gallery," Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong
2011	"Art Expo Kuala Lumpur", Pameran Art Xchange Gallery, Malaysia "Finalis OUB Buana Painting Of The Year 2011", Jakarta "ART MOTORING I", Galeri Nasional, Jakarta "Cerita Alam dan Perjalanan", Sangatta, Samarinda

concept of Cadio's work The presents a captivating mythology story from Kutai. Aji Putri Karang Melenu, the first wife of Maharaja Kutai Aji Batara Agung Dewa Sakti and the mother of the second king of the Kutai Kingdom, Aji Batara Agung Paduka Nira, has its roots in the mythical adventures of Kampung Melanti Hulu Dusun. The couple, who had long awaited offspring, were eventually granted a blessing in the form of a child, initially appearing as a small larva that grew into a dragon. In the mythological journey, the dragon requested the construction of a ladder to descend from the elevated house. The leaders and their wives followed the dragon's guidance, witnessing a magical event on the River Mahakam involving а hurricane, rain, a gong, and the emergence of a baby girl named Puteri Karang Melenu. Babu Jaruma took the gong, brought the baby home, and unwittingly marked the beginning of the tale of the Kutai Kartanegara royal family.





CADIO TAROMPO

Aji Putri Karang Melenu Acrylic on Canvas 100 cm x 80 cm 2024

CAMELIA MITASARI b. 1993 Gunung Kidul, Yogyakarta, Indonesia



Camelia Mitasari Hasibuan is an artist known for her surrealistic works. She pursued her studies in Fine Arts at the Indonesian Institute of the Arts in Yogyakarta and graduated in 2018.

Camelia is the daughter of the painter Husin Hasibuan, who is renowned for his powerful surrealistic creations. Her father's influence inspired Camelia to delve deeper into the field of visual arts, specifically surrealism.

Despite all that she learned from her father, Camelia has maintained a distinct concept that shapes the hallmark of her work. Camelia's creations exhibit more vibrant colors and contemporary ideas, which are distinct from the monochromatic style influenced by Renaissance art in her father's work.

Several of Camelia's pieces convey messages about pollution and global warming, which have significant impacts on the environment, such as animal extinction. Through her powerful artworks, Camelia aims to raise awareness in each individual not to be too greedy, as what we possess is ultimately shared with all living beings on Earth. Environmental issues are evident all around us, such as deforestation, mining, and water sources polluted by waste.

As a young artist, Camelia has her own advantages in honing her artistic skills. Her artistic talent, which she has pursued since her youth, has earned her several prestigious awards, including the Gold Award in the UOB Painting of the Year 2013 for the emerging artist category and the Best Artwork Trophy in the Basoeki Abdullah Art Award.

AWARDS

 2017 Selected for joint exhibition at the 7 Bening International Art Biennale Special Exhibitions Category
 2013 Basocki Abdullah Art Award Best Artwork Trophy UOB Painting of the Year Gold Award for new upcoming artist category
 2008 Aftandi Pratisara Adhikarya Award-Finalist

2024	"Fires of Fortuna", Art Xchange Gallery, Bali
2023	"Art Jakarta", Art Xchange Gallery, JIEXPO Kemayoran, Jakarta
	Exhibition Group Art Xchange Gallery, Pacific Place, Jakarta "JOURNEY OF FRIENDSHIP", International Women Artists Exhibition, Bale Banjar Sangkring, Yogyakarta "INFIN#8" YAA (Yogya Annual Art), Bale Banjar Sangkring Yogyakarta "MARWAH" Exhibition of 78 Female Indonesian Artists, Pos Bloc Jakarta "DARI SUKMA KE MATA, BERMUARA KE ANGKASA RAYA" Exhibition of TULANG RUSUK Community (Community of Female Fine Artists at the Indonesian Institute
	of the Arts Yogyakarta), Indie Art House , Yogyakarta "NEW Hope", Art Xchange Gallery, Galeri Nasional
	Indonesia, Jakarta
2022	"RESURRECTION" Art Xchange Gallery's 11th Anniversary, Bali
2019	"Fish Out of Water" Exhibition, Art Xchange Gallery, Jakarta
2018	"Fish Out of Water", Art Expo Malaysia Art Xchange Gallery MATRADE Exhibition & Convention Centre Kuala "Art Jakarta", Art Xchange Gallery The Ritz Carlton Pacific Place Jakarta Grand Opening of Art Xchange Gallery, Jakarta "Art Busan", Art Xchange Gallery, BEXCO Exhibition Center Korea

2017	"Art Expo Malaysia" Plus Art Xchange Gallery MATRADE Exhibition & Convention Centre Kais Art Jakarta. Art Xchange Gallery The Ritz Carlton Pacific Place. Jakarta Art Busan, Art Xchange Gallery, BEXCO Exhibition Center Korea
2016	Art Expo Malaysia Plus Art Xchange Gallery, MATRADE Exhibition & Convention Centre, Kuala Lumpur "WhArt Now" Traveling Exhibitions with Art Xchange Gallery Jogja Gallery Yogyakarta Galeri Kuala Lumpur Art Xchange Gallery, Singapore
2015	"Art Expo Malaysia" Plus. Art Xchange Gallery, MATRADE Exhibition & Convention Centre, Kuala Lumpur "Bazaar Art Jakarta", Art Xchange Gallery Pacific Place, Jakarta "Art Expo New York", Art Xchange Gallery, Pier 94. New York "Asia Contemporary Art Show", Art Xchange Gallery. The Conrad. Hong Kong
2014	"Singapore Art Fair", Art Xchange Gallery Suntec Convention & Exhibition Centre Singapore "Art Expo Malaysia", Art Xchange Gallery, MATRADE Exhibition & Convennon Centre Kuala Lumpur
2013	"Basoeki Abdullah Art Award 2013", Abdullah Basoeki Museum, Jakarta "UOB Painting of the Year 2013 UOB Plaza, Jakarta "ISI Greet Universiti Teknologi Mara" Exhibition, Gallery Shah Alam, Selangor Art Foundation, Malaysia "Into the 29° Anniversary of the Faculty of Arts ISI" Exhibition. ISI Gallery Yogyakarta
2012	"Southeast Asia Malaysia Arts Festival Art Exhibition" "Affandi Pratisara Adlukarya ISI Art Exhibition, Affandi Museum "Into The 28" Anniversary Of The Faculty Of Arts ISI" Exhibition. ISI Gallery, Yogyakart
2011	"In Flux", Institut Seni Indonesia, Jogja Gallery East Javanese Biennale Transposimon Go Art Space Surabaya "Imaji Ornament" Galeri Nasional, Jakarta Tugas Akhir SMSR Joga National Museum



CAMELIA MITASARI HASIBUAN

The Greatest Soul of Nature Oil on Canvas 70 cm x 135 cm 2024

Camelia's work concept narrates about one of the mythological creatures considered powerful, mighty, superior, magical, and even beautiful and captivating, namely the "DRAGON." In various discussions, dragons are often attributed with the meaning of "Guardian" or "Protector." They are frequently depicted safeguarding something precious and serving as protectors of nature. Not only is their physical appearance imposing and formidable, but their essence is also inseparable from the elements of nature. They are deeply intertwined and connected with the natural world.



CAMELIA MITASARI HASIBUAN

Wood Dragon Oil on Canvas D. 80 cm 2024

The Dragon, one of the creatures considered powerful, wise, and influential in mythology, becomes a symbol of life, luck, and prosperity. The Dragon also reflects its connection in the natural cycle, where it is not only regarded as a mythological being but also as a guardian of natural harmony and balance (similar to Yin and Yang) in nature.

The wood element symbolizes growth, flexibility, and care for objects in nature, much like a tree growing towards the sky. Wood becomes an element with aspects of flexibility and the ability to adapt to the environment. The Dragon, combined with the wood element, is expected to bring goodness and fortune to many people, maintaining balance and facing any challenges with wisdom.

DAPHNE ZEPOS *b*. 1945 Le Mans, France



Daphne was born in France, specifically in Brittany, a region in France with Celtic roots. She received her formal art education at the School of Fine Arts in Le Mans, France, with subjects including painting using various media, sculpture, live nude drawing with charcoal pencil as a medium, and graphic design.

Daphne's lifelong artistic journey reached its pinnacle in Bali, marking the latest episode. Almost two decades ago, she settled in Bali after a successful career as a painter and portraitist.

Her artworks have been exhibited in various countries, and she was also commissioned as a portrait painter for official and private portraits. Among many portraits commissioned in Brussels, Madrid, Chicago, New York, Athens, New Delhi, and Jakarta. In 1989, she received a private commission from Her Majesty Queen Sophia of Spain and Her Highness Princess Irene of Greece. Then, in 1994, an official commission for The Honourable Edward Derwinsky, or as the Secretary of Veteran Affairs in Washington (USA).

In recent years, Daphne has developed a new style in creating sculptures using different materials such as shards of Ming period Chinese ceramic, corals, and shells.

A few months ago, a new dimension of creativity emerged. In other words, she "stepped out of her conventional box" to convey themes related to her: the passage of time and the ancient Hindu concept of "Maya," which states that our material world is merely an illusion. Recently, this controversial concept has been proven true by quantum physicists.

SOLO EXHIBITION

Saraswati Gallery, Padma Resort, Legian, Bali
El Canna Gallery, Jakarta, Indonesia
"JAKART" World Trade Center, Jakarta, Indonesia
Ganesha Gallery, New Delhi, India
Art Today Gallery, New Delhi, India
Portuguese Cultural Center Brussels, Belgium
Titanium Gallery, Athens, Greece

2023	Exhibition Group Art Xchange Gallery, Pacific Place,
	Jakarta
1989	Desmos Gallery, Athens, Greece
	Glahe International Gallery Moscow, Russia
1986	Pan Hellenic Exhibition Athens, Greece
1985	Greek Cultural Center , Cairo



DAPHNE ZEPOS

Ouroboros Oil on Canvas 85 cm x 65 cm 2024

The inspiration for Daphne's painting, which initially depicted a fire dragon, has been transformed into Ouroboros. This refers to Egyptian and Greek mythology and is a positive symbol expressing the unity between material and spiritual aspects that never vanish but continuously transform in an eternal cycle of destruction and creation.

On her canvas, behind Ouroboros, Daphne portrays the beautiful sunset scenery from the cliffs of Uluwatu. As the background of her painting, she chose a golden orange color symbolizing abundance and prosperity.

DONA PRAWITA ARISSUTA b. 1976 Yogyakarta, Indonesia

Dona Prawita Arissuta is known as a ceramic artist. She is a graduate from the Indonesian Fine Art Institute in Yogyakarta and earned her master degree from Sanata Dharma University, specialising in Religion and Culture discourse

Dona's work is not limited to ceramic alone. She also paints and create art installation. Dona presents human and animal figures with combination of bright colours in her ceramic works or paintings. Issues of social, moral, spiritual and human interaction with their surroundings often became the base of Dona's ideas in creating works,

Lately, Dona is focusing on craft works such as tableware and ceramic jewellery ith the brand Kalani Art Project. Dona first participated in a fine art activity in 2000 with the Exhibition of Woman Indonesia Institute of Visual Art Yogyakarta. In 2001 she became the finalist of the prestigious and coveted Nokia Art Award fine art event.

Besides being an artist. Dona also teaches art at the Faculty of Fine Art and Design, the University of Elventh March, Surakarta

AWARDS

2020	Finalis UOB Painting of the Year (15 besar).
2019	Pemenang ke 3, #2madison_Search_Jawa
2018	Finalis UOB painting of the year
2010	Finalis young sculpture competition ICC Pandaan
2002	Favorite Jury, Kedawung Glassware Print design competition
	Award
2001	Finalis Nokia Award Regional

2024	"Roaring Into Prosperity", Art Xchange Gallery, Pacific Place, Jakarta
2023	"Art Jakarta", Art Xchange Gallery, JIEXPO Kemayoran, Jakarta Exhibition Group Art Xchange Gallery, Pacific Place, Jakarta New Hope Art Exhibition with Art Xchange Gallery, The National Gallery of Indonesia, Jakarta
2022	"Resurrection" Art Xchange Gallery Inaugural Opening Exhibition, Bali Pameran Virtual UOB
2021	 Pameran "Sejangkauan Tangan", Ruang Seni Sayap, Cepit, "The Life of Spices" Art Exhibition International Women's Day Commemoration, Yogyakarta REKA International Virtual Art Exhibition The 4th International Conference on Creative Media, Design & Technology, Embracing Change The 10th Namwon International Ceramic art Exhibition, "Today be Today", Namwon International Ceramic Art Research Exhibitation" South Korea "TEMU, 1x1", 2madison Gallery, Jakarta Selatan International Design Invitational Exhibition in Fall, Korea Society of Design Trend, International design trend Korea Design Centre, Yanghyeon-ro, Bundang-gu, Gyeonggi do, Republik Of

2020	Fight covid 19, international Virtual Digital Art Exhibition,
	ASEDAS (Asean Digital ArtSocciety)
	"Obah Gumerah", Bumbon Project7 Dinas Kebudayaan
	Yogyakarta Korea Society of Design Trend, Internasional design trend
	Korea Design Centre, Yanghyeon-ro, Bundang-gu, Gyeonggi-
	do, Republik Of Korea. "Ten And Under" (10 artists) SAL Project
	"Daring Solidaritas Perupa Indonesia Lawan Corona",
	Kemerntrian Pnedidikan dan Kebudayaan
	"From The Trenches one Day Less one More Design", Design
	On Fire, Association of Catalonia, Barcelona,
	"Pandemic", Manifesto VII, Galeri Nasional Indonesia, Jakarta "Virtue" The 8TH anniversary of Abdurrahmand Wahid Center
	for Peace and Humanities Universitas Indonesia
	The 9Th, Namwon International Ceramic Art Research Exhibitation" Namwon Art Centre, youngjung-gil 1, Namwon- si, jeollabuk-do, South Korea
2019	"Bumbon Project#6, "Nuture" Galari Katamsi ISI Yogyakarta. " Kontraksi", Pasca tradisionalisme,Galeri Nasional Indonesia. "Nguwongke Kembulan #2", Galeri Kali Opak Yogyakarta. "Nandur Srawung #6" Taman Budaya Yogyakarta
2018	"Temperature Affect"Seeing Self, Observing Others", Museum Seni Rupa dan Keramik, Jakarta.



DONA PRAWITA ARISSUTA

The Guardian of Mother Earth Ceramic, Acrilic on Canvas 100 cm x 100 cm 2024

Dona's work revolves around the history of the Dragon, a mythological creature that has become a legend worldwide. Each country has different views on dragons with various versions. In Eastern culture, dragons are often depicted as wingless creatures with four legs, resembling snakes, possessing extraordinary intelligence and powers. In Indonesia, there is also a dragon figure in mythology known as Sang Hyang Antaboga. Belief in dragons has developed to the point of being considered as gods. For the Javanese people, Antaboga is regarded as the earth-supporting deity. In ancient Javanese culture, dragons are often associated with water and fertility, and considered as symbols of blessings from the underworld.

HENDRA PURNAMA b. 1987, Karanganyar, Central Java, Indonesia



Hendra Purnama started his journey by pursuing the world of fine art while studying at High School for Fine Arts (SMSR). He then further his study at the Indonesian Fine Art Institute in Surakarta. To Hendra, art has become part of his life. By joining numerous events, he continues to sharpen his skill in creating artworks.

Besides painting on canvas, Hendra also follows the Cakrawala Community who focuses on mural projects. Behind his wild imaginations presented in his artworks, there is a figure who has become Hendra's inspiration, he is the well known American artist, Jean-Michel Basquiat.

His fondness towards art grew while he was still in Primary School, when he presented humour or satire by deforming images in newspapers. Hendra's artworks creating process has been influenceed by his surrounding which also happened to be where he lived, a workshop. Many workshop tools have triggered his imaginations, especially rusted metals.

2024	"Roaring Into Prosperity", Art Xchange Gallery, Pacific Place, Jakarta
2023	"Art Jakarta", Art Xchange Gallery, JIEXPO Kemayoran, Jakarta
	Exhibition Group Art Xchange Gallery, Pacific Place, Jakarta New Hope Art Exhibition with Art Xchange Gallery, The
	National Gallery of Indonesia, Jakarta
2022	"RESURRECTION" Art Xchange Gallery's 11th Anniversary, Bali
	"Hope from Home", Siva #3 solo international visual Art Galeri
	Prabangkala,Institut Seni Indonesia Surakarta
2021	Solo on 7, Indie Art House Yogyakarta
	"Art Moments Jakarta", finalis UOB Painting of the year 2021, Jakarta Indonesia
2020	"Menyikap Tirai Dunia Baru Dibalik Covid19", Studio Herry
	Dim Bandung
2019	"Legenda Magis", Miracle Print, Yogjakarta
	"Ruang Kedua", Galeri Ruang Atas, Solo
	"Finalis Uob Painting Of The Year 2019", Museum Nasional Indonesia, Jakarta
2018	"Led Project" , Led Plesungan Solo
2017 2014	"Siif 2017", Galeri B9 Unnes, Semarang
2014	"Pancaroba", Galeri Cipta 2 Tim Jakarta
	"Soul Of Solo", Galeri Tuanku Fauziah, Penang Malasia
2013	"Menjadi Cakrawala", Balai Pemuda Surabaya
2012	"La Percu Gaung", Lembaga Indonesia France, Yogyakarta
2011	"La Percu Gaung" Di Galeri Lif Jogjakarta
	"New Or", Taman Budaya Surakarta, Solo
	"Fki" Taman Budaya Jawa Tengah
	"Go Out" Galeri Biasa Jogjakarta
2010	"VERSUS", Taman Budaya Surakarta, Solo
	"Refleksi WS Rendra", Gks Tbj Solo
2009	"Fki Vi", Galeri Cipta Tim Jakarta
	"Citra Nusantara" Galeri Mj9 Solo
2007	"Spirit Of Tradition", Galeri Pemuda, Surabaya



HENDRA PURNAMA

Chasing The Dragon (For Akira Toriyama) Acrilic on Canvas 105 cm x 120 cm 2024

The dragon, a legendary mythological creature worldwide, remains a significant mystery. Each individual holds their own beliefs about dragons. In his childhood, Hendra was already acquainted with two dragons, Sang Hyang Antaboga (a character from traditional Javanese puppetry) and Shenron from Dragon Ball. Antaboga, a manifestation of a dragon in Javanese mythology, possesses the power to revive the dead. Shenron, appearing in Dragon Ball, can grant wishes when the seven dragon crystal balls are gathered. Every Sunday morning, Hendra allocates time to watch cartoons, including Dragon Ball, which is unique and conveys messages about friendship, self-sacrifice, and courage.

The creator of Dragon Ball, Akira Toriyama, passed away in early March. Dragon Ball, as a best-selling and influential comic, stands as a tribute to his dedication and contributions. Thank you, Dragon Ball, for saving and leaving a profound impact on our childhood. RIP Akira Toriyama, and thank you for your dedication and contributions.

I PUTU ADI

b. 1998, Keliki Kawan, Gianyar, Bali, Indonesia



Through strong determination, I Putu Adi brings traditional Keliki painting into the contemporary world. He is the firstborn child of I Made Sutama and Wayan Telaga Wati, both of whom are artists. The simple life provided by his parents has had a positive impact on him. The disciplined upbringing he received from his parents has made Adi a more responsible individual, both in education and in his career in the art field.

Keliki painting is an art form that has grown and evolved through generations, continuously developed to the present day. It is an extension of the painting tradition that emerged in Ubud after the arrival of Pitamaha. Keliki painting began to flourish in Keliki Kawan Village in 1970 and still holds a significant place in the cultural art scene of Keliki Kawan Village, as well as in Keliki Tegallalang and Keliki Kanginan.

Pioneered by I Wayan Sena, this art utilizes natural materials derived from soaking telang flowers and mangosteen fruit peels. In creating contemporarythemed Keliki paintings, Adi employs a wet technique using watercolors on paper, following the traditional Balinese painting process. As a young artist, he is deeply committed to preserving Keliki painting. To him, presenting contemporary-themed Keliki artwork is a positive step to broaden the appreciation of Keliki art among art enthusiasts and to demonstrate that Keliki painting remains vibrant and well-preserved. Adi aims for each of his works to carry profound meaning and significance.

2024	"Koibito", Art Xchange Gallery, Bali "Roaring Into Prosperity", Art Xchange Gallery, Pacific Place, Jakarta
2023	"Art Jakarta", Art Xchange Gallery, JIEXPO Kemayoran, Jakarta Exhibition Group Art Xchange Gallery, Pacific Place, Jakarta New Hope Art Exhibition with Art Xchange Gallery, The National Gallery of Indonesia, Jakarta
2022	"RESURRECTION" Art Xchange Gallery's 11th Anniversary
2020	Exhibition atTitian Art Space
2017	Exhibition at Arma Museum, Bali
2015	Exhibition at Puri Lukisan, Bali
2014	Exhibition at Puri Lukisan, Bali
2010	Exhibition at Puri Lukisan, Bali



I P_{UTU} A_{DI} Kang Ching Wie Chinese Ink on Paper 44 cm x 66 cm 2024

The work of Putu Adi narrates Barong Landung, a traditional art performance and belief in Balinese society featuring sculptures of a husband and wife as symbols of courage and happiness. The story behind Barong Landung originates from the legend of King Jaya Pangus and his queen, Kang Cing Wie, facing family conflicts and intrigues. The tale unfolds with King Sri Jaya Pangus and his queen, Kang Cing Wie, from China. Living childless together, with Kang Cing Wie's permission, King Jaya Pangus undergoes ascetic meditation on Mount Batur. During his journey, he lies to a beautiful princess, Dewi Danu, claiming to be unmarried. They marry, and from this union, a son named Mayadenawa is born. Kang Cing Wie searches for her husband on Mount Batur, finding Jaya Pangus, Dewi Danu, and their child. Dewi Danu is shocked to discover her husband's lie. Kang Cing Wie tries to reclaim her husband, leading to an inevitable quarrel. In anger, Dewi Danu reports to her mother, Betari Batur, who curses and destroys King Jaya Pangus and Kang Cing Wie. The kingdom mourns, and in devotion to the King and Queen, the people create replicas of the husband-wife sculptures (Barong Landung) and conduct worship ceremonies.

MONIKA MAJER b. 1972 Hanau, Germany



Monika Majer is an award-winning sculptor based in South Germany. Her organically shaped sculptures, naturally at rest within themselves, have been exhibited nationally as well as in Spain and Singapore.

Through her work, Majer explores and expresses natural grace, stillness, and movement. She creates especially with local natural stones like Jurassic limestone from Southern Germany and volcanic rocks like diabase. Her works are part of the art collection of the Kreissparkasse Esslingen-Nürtingen and in private collections throughout Europe and the USA. They can also be found in public spaces in Spain, Switzerland and Germany.

AWARDS & PRIZES

2023	Awarded second place in the international art prize Art
	Gemini Prize in Singapore (SGP)
2021	Second prize in the International Sculpture Competition,
	ICRE, Barcelona
1995	German federal winner in stonemasonry

2024	"Roaring Into Prosperity", Art Xchange Gallery, Pacific Place, Jakarta
2023	"Art Jakarta", Art Xchange Gallery, JIEXPO Kemayoran, Jakarta Exhibition Group Art Xchange Gallery, Pacific Place, Jakarta
2022	"From the Secret of The Stones", Ludwigsburg (D), Vorlesescheune
2021	3rd edition, Almacelles, Lleida (ES), ALMA Sculpture Park "Taufrisch#7", Stuttgart, GEDOK - Gallery "SILENCI", Barcelona, Selected Il ICRE Sculpture Contest,
2020	Monestir de Sant Pau del Camp "FLUX: Vita Mutata", New York, Sculptors Alliance Online Exhibition, Curated by Natsuki Takauji "Miniature Art Prize 2020", Messe Münster, ARTLETstudio
2019	"1000 x 1000 around World", Randecker Maar, sculpture path
2018	"Dreiklang", Stuttgart-Vaihingen, culture at Kelterberg
2017	"Awake Winter Sleep", Nürtingen, showroom (E) "MARIA – Ms. Queen. Mother", Hegne Monastery on Lake Constance
2016	"Art Allensbach", sculpture path in the Seegarten Allensbach "Inside Space - Inside Out", Stuttgart, Forum 3 (E) "Vom Wachsen", Hepsisau, Atelier Alte Steige
2015	"On The One Hand - On The Other Hand", Stuttgart/Vaihingen, Culture at Kelterberg "We? Here!", Filderstadt, Städtische Galerie "Ostallgäu Art Exhibition", Marktoberdorf, Künstlerhaus
2014	"Just Life and Death (Life Mountainous)", Holzmaden, Temporary Gallery



MONIKA MAJER

Something with Lightness (Source) Franconian Jurassic Limestone 20 cm x 18 cm x 11 cm 2023

Just as the dragon rises from the water, this stone was born in the water. Just as the dragon unites the physical characteristics of many different creatures, this stone was originally born from components of various living beings. In the legend of the zodiac, the Jade Emperor called on the animals to take part in a race. The twelve that reached the finish line first were to be included in the zodiac calendar. The dragon, whose far-reaching powers and outstanding flying skills would have made it easy for him to reach the finish line first, only arrived in fifth place. This was because the dragon had stopped halfway to come to the aid of the inhabitants of a village who were in distress. The figure and symbolism of the sculpture bear and combine characteristic traits of the dragon: the rising from the water with the power of flight and the generous overflowing of giving.

SUITBERTUS SARWOKO

b. 1969 Magelang, Central Java, Indonesia



In 1989, I embarked on my academic journey at Institut Seni Indonesia Yogyakarta and successfully completed it in 1995. The consistent occurrence of art exhibitions around Yogyakarta has consistently served as a driving force that continually enhances my enthusiasm in creating artworks.

In 1997, I had the opportunity to visit Germany, where I experienced many new things. Particularly in Munich, at the Alte - Neue Pinakothek Museum, I directly saw medieval artworks that I had previously only viewed through slides during art history lectures. This expanded my insight and deepened my understanding of artistic techniques and styles.

The technique that Suitbertus developed flows smoothly, as seen in 1992-1994 when he explored pottery as a subject for paintings with a realistic approach. Then, between 1992-1999, he shifted to expressionist techniques by portraying the profile theme of Kumbo Karno. Subsequently, from 2000-2002, he focused on the subject of fish fossils. Afterward, he returned to a focus on realistic techniques and attempted to combine them with expressionist techniques.

Despite having the theme of parakeets in 2009-2010, I continued to maintain the motif of teak leaves in a painting specifically created for the Solo Exhibition "Puisi Parkit" at Tujuh Bintang Art Space, Yogyakarta, in 2011. In subsequent developments, until now, I have frequently combined many works with dragonflies, employing a combination of expressionist and realistic techniques with a high level of detail.

AWARDS

2008	38 Finalis The 2nd UOB Indonesia Painting of The Year
	Competition 2012
1999	Nominee Phillip Morris Of Companies Indonesian Art Awards.
1994	The Phillip Morris Group Of Companies Indonesian Art Awards
	Pratisara Affandi Adikarya.

2024	"KOIBITO", Art Xchange Gallery, Bali
	"Roaring Into Prosperity", Art Xchange Gallery, Pacific Place,
2020	Jakarta "Sugih Ora Nyimpen" Tribute at Jacob Oetama, Bentara Budaya Yogyakarta
	"Pamor Sang Pangeran" Museum Nasional, Jakarta.
2019	"Pameran Sastra Rupa Gambar Babad Diponegoro", Jogja Gallery, Yogyakarta
2018	"PameranSastra Rupa Diponegoro Magelang 28 Maret 1830 Museum BPK RI Magelang, Jawa Tengah.
	"Batu Bertutur" Bentara Budaya Yogyakarta
	"Imajinesia" Graha Padma Art Project, Semarang.
	"Seninjong #3" Plataran Djokopekik, Yogyakarta.
	Grand Opening Exhibition Art Xchange Gallery, Jakarta
2017	"Inter Character" Indigo Art Space, Madiun, Jawa Timur.
2016	UOB Painting of The Year 2016. Ciputra Artpreneur, Jakarta
2015	"100 % INDONESIA" Pondok Tingal, Borobudur.
	"High Art Never Lies" Banyu Bening The House of
2014	Painting, Borobudur. "RE-CIRCLE 89" Banyu Bening The house of Painting,
	Borobudur. "Reuni Pelukis Muda Borobudur", Banyu Bening The House of
	Painting "INDON ESIA –MALAYSIA ART FUSION" Mutiara Seni
	Gallery, Penang – Malaysia.
2013	"Suka Pari Suka" Bentara Budaya Yogyakarta.



SUITBERTUS SARWOKO

The Hidden Dragon Oil on Canvas 145 cm x 180 cm 2024

The concept of Suitbertus originates from a mischievous idea about highly legendary dragons. Gradually, their physical presence becomes increasingly invisible and seems to fade away, leaving only their stories. Subsequently, stories emerge about small and agile dragonflies freely flying to hunt pests in order to assist farmers. Suitbertus faces unanswered questions in his heart: where do these dragons truly hide? Why are these dragonflies often referred to as flying dragons or dragonflies? Is there a connection between them? For Suitbertus, all of this still holds a mystery.



SUITBERTUS SARWOKO The High Spirit #2 Oil on Canvas 150 cm x 150 cm 2019

The concept of Suitbertus' work is inspired by Carnotaurus, a powerful dinosaur filled with enthusiasm for hunting and respected by other dinosaurs in prehistoric times. Carnotaurus is likened to a dragon due to its strength and spirit, although it differs from the depiction of dark-age dragons that can breathe fire. Instead, Carnotaurus bears more resemblance to an oriental dragon with a serpentine form and a more spiritual nature.



SUITBERTUS SARWOKO

Fire of Honour & Spirituality Acrylic & Watercolor on Canvas 145 cm x 190 cm 2022

The concept of Suitbertus' work is inspired by the generational tradition of the Chinese community in paying respects to their ancestors. They depict symbols such as houses, furniture, and vehicles like motorcycles and cars. All these symbols are then lit up in front of the temple to be sent to the ancestral world, with the aim of enhancing the happiness of their ancestors on the commemoration of the 1000th day since their passing.

NAZAROV VIKTOR

b. 1986 Berlin, Germany



Victor was born in Berlin, Germany, but was raised in Moscow, Russia. After graduating from university in London in 2009 with a Master's degree in International Marketing, he spent 7 years in international advertising agencies, focusing on creating ideas and delivering messages through advertising. During this experience, he observed how creative ideas were often narrowed down into slogans and campaigns to achieve the goals of international brands.

In his 30s, Victor made a decisive shift to fully dedicate himself to art, providing him with the opportunity to create works with diverse interpretations and promote freedom of thought. With a new background in Fine Arts and Contemporary Arts from the School of Art and Design in Moscow, he was mentored by the renowned Russian artist Vladimir Dubosarskiy. This mentorship propelled him to a new level in his career, participating in various exhibitions, including the Moscow Biennale of Young Arts and prominent galleries in Russia.

Victor's choice of painting and graphics is explained by his focus on visual perception, developing a style on the edge of abstract and surrealism, creating a visual playground with open-ended scenarios for the audience. Currently residing in Bali, Indonesia, Victor continues his work on a new series of paintings, exploring his latest research topic on human doubts and the potential they offer.

2024	"KOIBITO", Art Xchange Gallery, Bali
	"Roaring Into Prosperity", Art Xchange Gallery, Pacific Place, Jakarta
2022	"What has been, what will be, what will soothe the heart", InART Gallery
	"Once In a Kingdom", HSE Art Gallery
	"Optimum", Museum of Decorative Art
	"Shadow ban", artist community organized
2021	Myxa gallery, opening
	Takeda Art/Help "Pushing the limits of visible", "Muzeon Art Park"
2020	VII Moscow International Biennale for young art. Special project "Human nature map" - ROSIZO
	Takeda Art/Help "Rule of exception" – Saint-Petersburg
	Academy of Art
	Takeda Art/Help "Rule of exception" – Culture fund "Ekaterina"
2019	Contemporary art fair " ПРОСТО ". Design-factory FLACON
	"Lost in abstraction" – ArtIS Gallery, Winzavod

The art of Viktor Nazarov depicts reality as "shadows" of objects that lost their formal qualities. These objects are in transitional form, constantly chaning and growing. They adjust to our context and embrace various interpretations.



VIKTOR NAZAROV

Rebirth Acrylic on Linen Canvas 139 cm x 193 cm 2024



VIKTOR NAZAROV

From The Ground Up Acrylic on Linen Canvas 72 cm x 91 cm 2024

