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cordially invite you for

SHADES OF GREEN

recent works by

ABHIJIT SAIKIA

preview

Friday, 10th November 2017

6 pm - 8 pm

exhibition dates : 10th Nov - 10th Dec, 2017

10.30 am - 6.30 pm

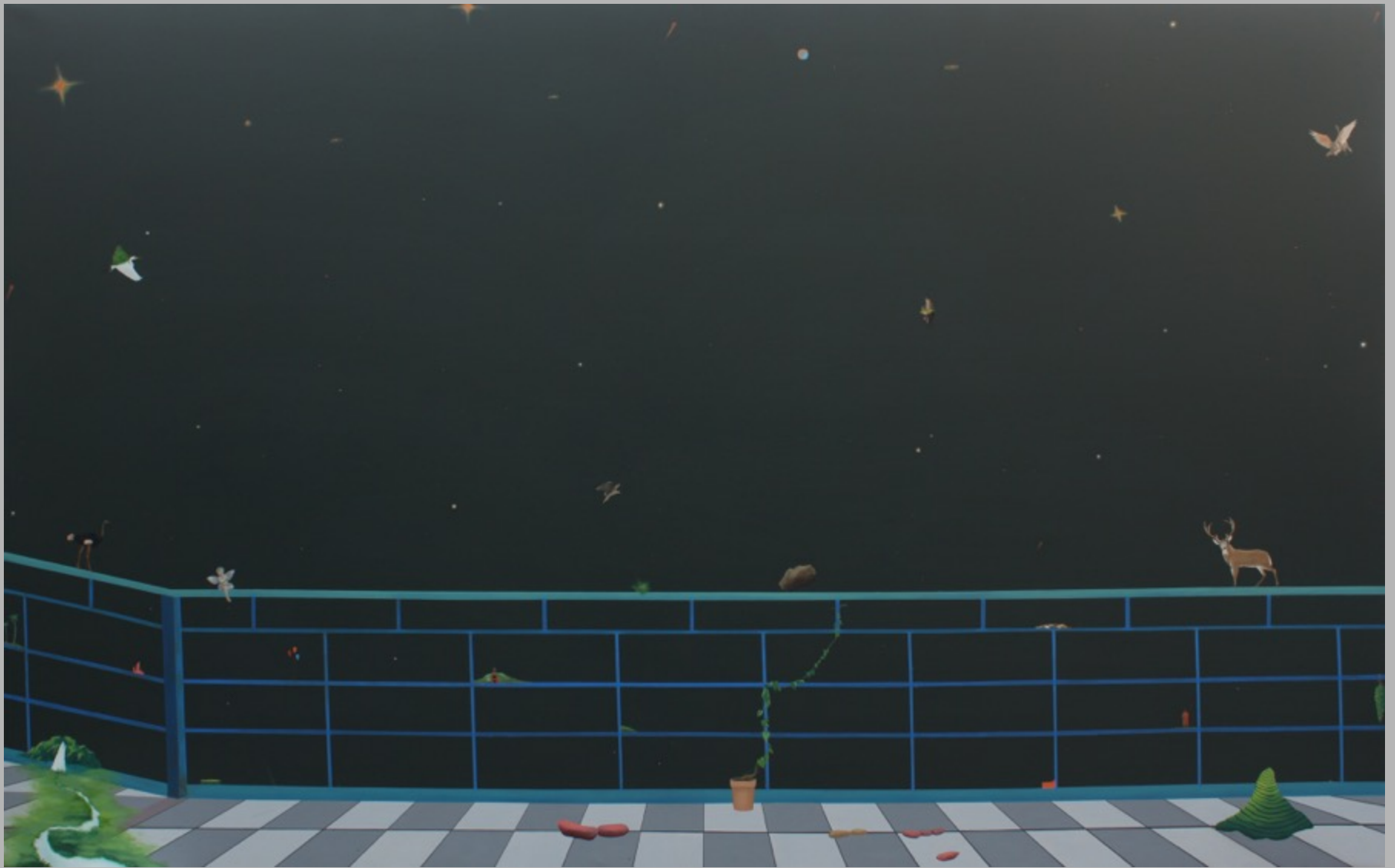
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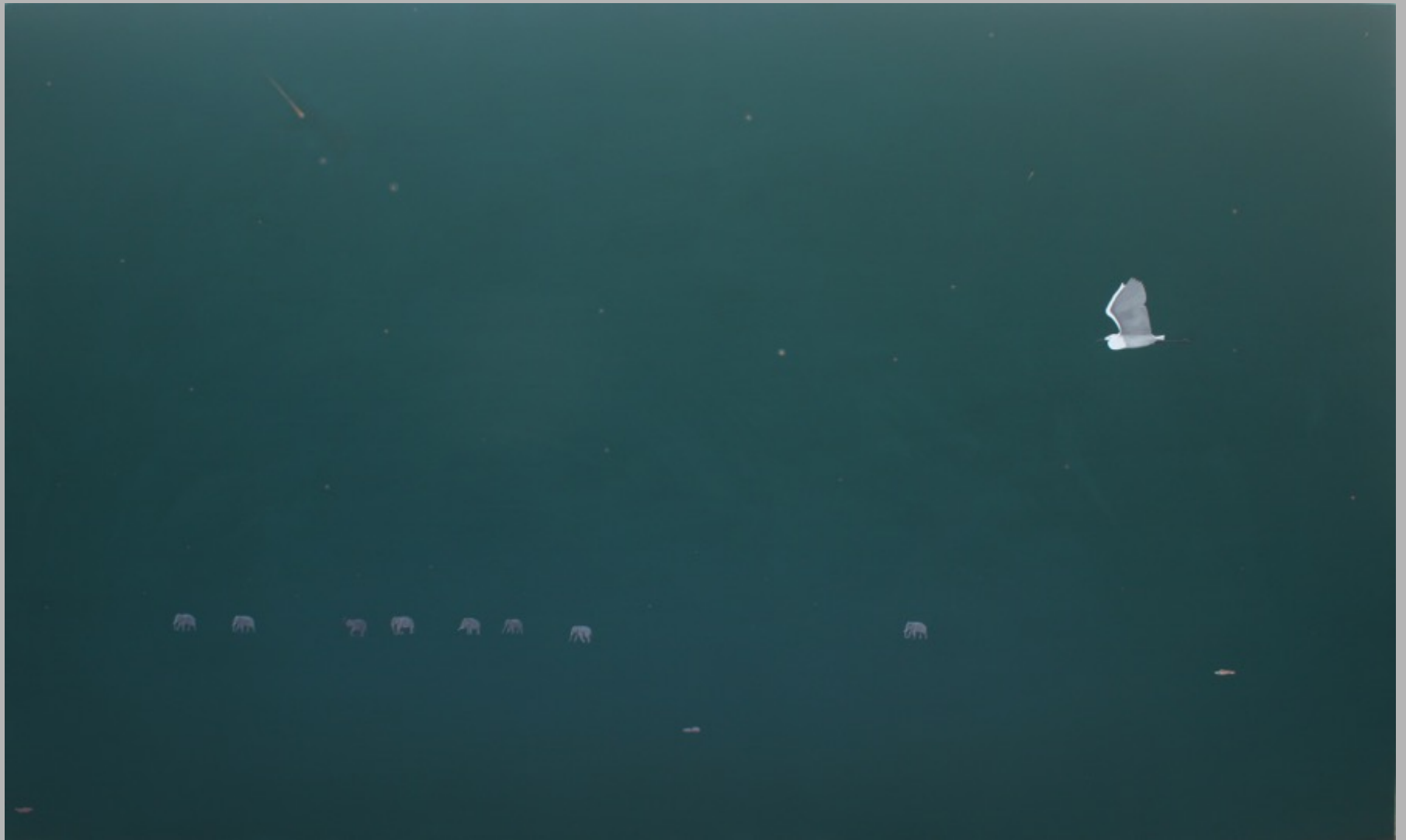




Title: And while I was sleeping...
Medium: Acrylic and Oil on canvas
Size: 8ft x 5ft



Title: Aquarium
Medium: Acrylic, Crackle medium and Oil on canvas
Size: 6ft x 4ft



Title: Traveller
Medium: Acrylic and Oil on canvas
Size: 10ft x 6ft



Title: Island
Medium: Acrylic and Oil on canvas
Size: 6ft x 4ft



Title: Flying Stone
Medium: Acrylic and Oil on canvas
Size: 6ft x 4ft



Title: The Dark River
Medium: Acrylic and Oil on canvas
Size: 6ft x 4ft



Title: Journey to the new green land
Medium: Acrylic and Oil on canvas
Size: 4ft x 3ft



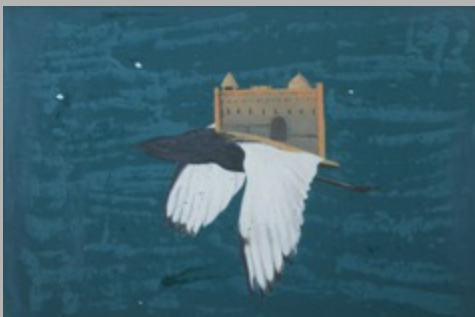
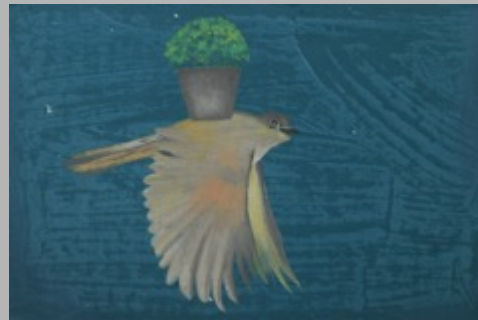
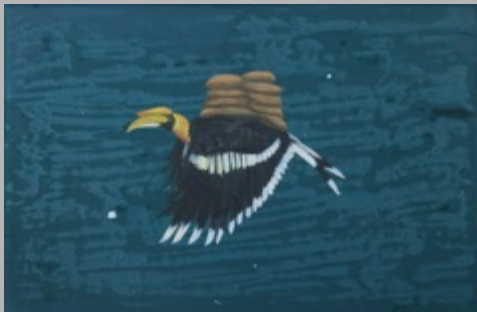
Title: Waiting for Death
Medium: Acrylic and Oil on canvas
Size: 6ft x 4ft



Title: Black star (series of 8)
Medium: Acrylic on canvas
Size: 8 x 6 inches each



Title: Black star (series of 8)
Medium: Acrylic on canvas
Size: 8 x 6 inches



Title: Kidnappers (series of 9)
Medium: Acrylic on Canvas
Size: 6 x 4 inches each



Title: Last Gate
Medium: Acrylic and Oil on canvas
Size: 6ft x 4ft



Title: Intellectual Speaker
Medium: Acrylic and Oil on canvas
Size: 12 x12 inches



Title: Intellectual Speaker
Medium: Fiber Glass and Duco paint
Size: 40 x 6 x 22 inches



Title: Thinker
Medium: Fiber Glass and Duco paint
Size: 11 x 8 x 6 inches

Artist's Statement:

SHADES OF GREEN

The mystic philosopher of China, Lao Tzu said, "A good traveller has no fixed plans and is not intent upon arriving. A good artist lets his intuition lead him wherever it wants."

The words reinforce my belief in philosophies of Taoism which has influenced my artworks. These represent my thoughts and experiences that are pertaining to time. Each element in my work is influenced by a particular period, surroundings, and situation and tend to become an individual character in its own.

I also explore the idea of nature as a utopian world in contrast to today's scenario. The concept of space intrigues me the most. Different aspects of my work represent my identity, dreams, relationships, and memories. Through my minimalistic work, I wish to give the viewer, space to create their own story. It is my conscious effort to leave empty spaces in my work, which becomes an element in itself in the composition. It reflects to the experiences and journey from my hometown Guwahati, land of natural landscapes, and also gives me a temporary escape from the urban cluster that I am living in. Each of my work is an amalgamation of various ideas that come along in my journey of life.



About the Artist:

Abhijit Saikia, born in 1989, completed his Bachelors from Government College of Art and Craft, Guwahati (Assam) and his Masters in Painting from College of Art, New Delhi. He was granted a scholarship in Fine Art in 2014 and secured a prize for two consecutive years during his educational period as well. Abhijit has participated in many exhibitions including the Bishnu Prasad Rabha Art Exhibition at State Art Gallery, Assam in 2009, the 7th North East Exhibition of Srimanta Sankardev Kalakhetra, 2011 etc. In addition to that, he has also been a part of various workshops such as the Unexplored Spaces National Artists Camp in Haryana. His works are in collections of various national and international art enthusiasts. He lives and works from his studio in Delhi.

Abhijit's works delve into nature, time, and space. The title 'Shades of Green' signifies the relationship between his state of mind and ubiquitous time responding to the environment and current issues. The alternative approach in his works is a sub-conscious effort to address the ongoing concerns in today's scenario. His imagination finds a way through imagery to portray various elements in a minimalistic and simple rendition. With reminiscent of his roots in Assam, he combines his belief in the cosmological notion of Yin & Yang of unity and opposites, light and dark, co-existence of the negative along with the positive space. He wants to provide his audience with the freedom to interpret according to their own understanding of his works.

Abhijit Saikia

Date of birth: 25th January 1989

Qualifications:

M.F.A. Painting College of Art, New Delhi, 2014

B.F.A. Government College of art and craft, Guwahati, Assam, 2012

Group Exhibitions:

2010: Akhoj Exhibition of State art gallery, Assam

2011: Govt. College of art & craft,(Assam) Annual exhibition at State Art Gallery, Assam.

2013: 60th Annual art exhibition, College of Art, New Delhi 2013

2013: Erato- A group exhibition, at Stainless Art Gallery, New Delhi 2013

2013: The CSSG summit 2013, FOOD + ART Edition

2013: '40+1' A Collaborative exhibition of Book Art Installations' at New Delhi World Book Fair (Pragati Maidan), 2013

2014: New Delhi Palate Fest, Nehru Park, New Delhi

2014:Indoor Affairs at NIV Art Centre, New Delhi

2014: 61st Annual art exhibition, College of Art, New Delhi

2015: New Delhi Palate Fest, Nehru Park, New Delhi, 2015.

2015: Ten Heads Festival, Gurgaon, 2015.

2016: A4a Baithak, The Create Studio, New Delhi.

2016: A4a annual-in focus 'Sancha Art Studio'-2, Artspeaks India Gallery, New Delhi.

2016: A4a annual-in focus 'Sancha Art Studio'-1, Sanskriti Kendra , New Delhi, 2016

2017: 'Unexplored Spaces', Arpana Caur Art Gallery, New Delhi.

Participation:

2009: Bishnu Prasad Rabha Art Exhibition at State Art Gallery, Assam, 2009.

2011: 7th North East Exhibition of Srimanta Sankardev Kalakhetra, 2011

Residencies/workshops:

2017: Unexplored Spaces National Artists Camp, Haryana.

2011: SAMHITA, College Of Art, New Delhi.

2011: Mask making workshop at Srimanta Sankardev Kalakhetra.

2011: Workshop cum seminar on preparation, preservation & conservation of Saushi manuscript organized by Srimanta Sankardev Kalakhetra, Assam.

Awards/ Scholarships:

2014-16: HRD Scholarship for fine art.

2014: 2nd Prize (merit award MFA Final year), 61th Annual Art Exhibition, College of Art, New Delhi.

2013: 1st Prize (merit award MFA 1st year), 60th Annual Art Exhibition, College of Art, New Delhi.