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Devia Sundar Meghana Gavireddygari Namrata Arjun Nihaal Faizal Sarasija Subramanian Visakh Venon **Devika Sundar's** interdisciplinary and research based practice, shifts across different media, threading elements of collage, painting, and printmaking with photography and installation. Exploring art as a restor-ative medium of human connection, she expresses collective themes of invisibility, illness, memory and impermanence within personal and shared human experience.

In her recent projects, Devika traces and negotiates a sense of belonging within a body that is often in transit or dissonance with oneself. As an artist who copes with chronic illness and disability, she specifically seeks to understand and negotiate inclusivity within the structures and systems we live in. Mediating spaces between art, identity, and the ethics of medicine and healthcare, Devika explores the dictated, conditioned notions of normality in the ways we categorise, identify and perceive our own bodies.

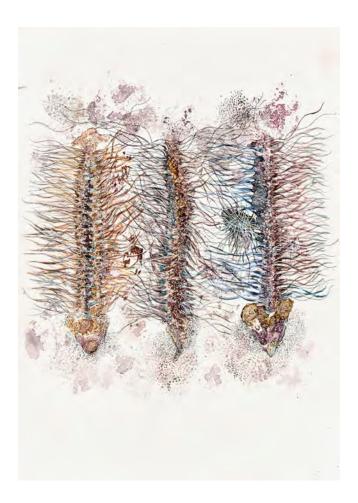
Devika has shown her work in solo exhibitions at Gallery Sumukha (2018) and Alliance Francaise (2012), Bangalore. She presented her exhibition "Essentially Normal Studies" around invisible illnesses, as a keynote speaker at MYOPAIN 2018, an international medical conference organised by the Indian MYOPAIN Society – a chapter of the International Myopain Society. In 2020 she shared the project as an interdisciplinary guest lecture at Ashoka University. Devika is an Inlaks Fine Art Awardee 2020, awarded by the Inlaks Shivdasani foundation. She exhibited her work at the Inlaks booth, India Art Fair (2020).

Parallel to her practice, Devika founded and facilitates Hanno Terrace studio – A therapeutic, collective art studio, intended to facilitate art as an inclusive, restorative, meditative medium of release and therapeutic outlet for children and adults from diverse backgrounds.

Devika studied Anthropology, Art History and Visual Arts in Sarah Lawrence College, New York and graduated with a Commendation in Contemporary Art Practice from the Srishti Institute of Art, Design and Technology.



Forms in Flux and Fragmentation 2.1 Water Colour & Pen 30 cm x 20 cm 2020



Forms in Flux and Fragmentation 3.1 Water Colour & Pen 41.4 cm x 30 cm 2020



Forms in Flux and Fragmentation 3.2 Water Colour & Pen 41.4 cm x 30 cm 2020



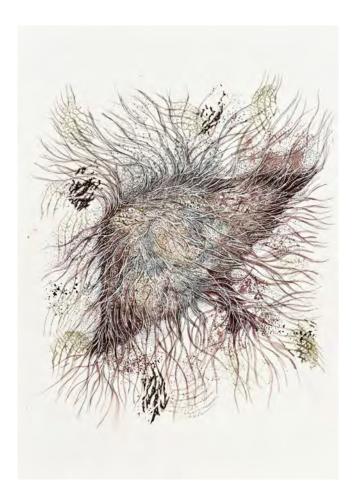
Bodies at Sea 1.1 Water Colour & Pen 41.4 cm x 30 cm 2020



Bodies at Sea 1.2 Water Colour & Pen 41.4 cm x 30 cm 2020



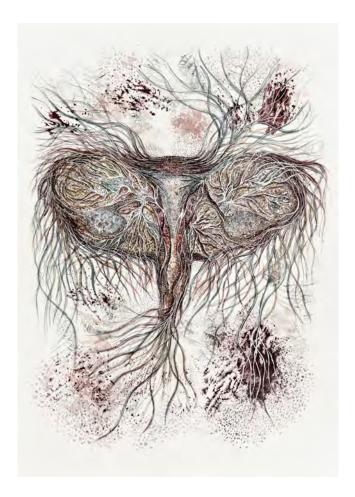
Bodies at Sea 1.3 Water Colour & Pen 41.4 cm x 30 cm 2020



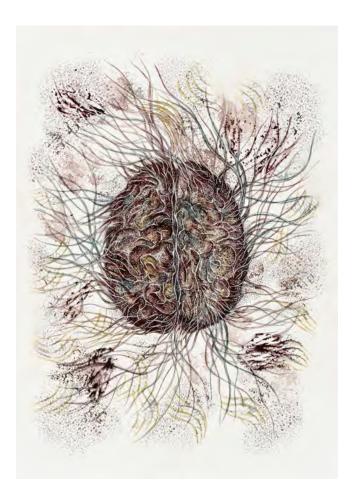
Bodies at Sea 1.4 Water Colour & Pen 41.4 cm x 30 cm 2020



Bodies at Sea 1.5 Water Colour & Pen 41.4 cm x 30 cm 2020



Bodies at Sea 1.6 Water Colour & Pen 41.4 cm x 30 cm 2020



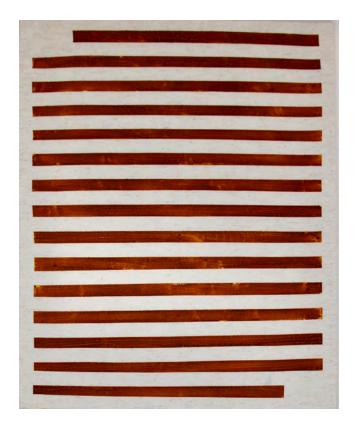
Bodies at Sea 1.7 Water Colour & Pen 41.4 cm x 30 cm 2020 **Meghana Gavireddygari** (b. Anantapur, India) is a multidisciplinary artist whose practice includes materials like metal, wood, cement, and clay. She received her MFA in interdisciplinary fine arts from the Mount Royal School of Art at the Maryland Institute College of Art (USA) in May 2020. Her practice is informed by her undergraduate education at Boston Uni-versity, where she received her Bachelor's degrees in Economics and International Relations. She explores the subject matter of territory, cen-sorship, and colonization, amongst other themes in the larger spectrum of Indian politics and sociology. Most recently, she is exploring the po-litical implications and connotations of Indian materials such as textiles, spices, and tea.

Meghana's selected exhibitions include MICA Grad Show IV, Baltimore, USA, 2020; Badideas@yahoo.com at Sheila & Richard Riggs Gallery, Baltimore, USA, 2019; Timonium (None of Us Like Each Other) at Sheila & Richard Riggs Gallery, Baltimore, USA, 2018 and Emerging Artist Exhibition at Telangana Tourism Corporation, Hyderabad, 2018. She has also participated in the 11th and 12th Sketchbook Annual in Baltimore, USA, 2018 & 2019.

Gavireddygari is the recipient of the Mount Royal Emerging Artist Award, 2020 and lives in Hyderabad, India.



Inquilab Zindabad Khadi, turmeric, ink 60 cm x 30 cm 2020



Swadeshi Khadi, turmeric 50 cm x 40 cm 2020



De Facto I 75 cm x 55 cm Ink, graphite and tea on paper 2021



De Facto II 75 cm x 55 cm Ink, graphite and tea on paper 2021





De Facto III 75 cm x 55 cm Ink, graphite and tea on paper 2021



Presently Sunshine will Break Turmeric & Banaras Silk on canvas 45 cm x 35 cm 2021



Amrita Bazar Patrika Turmeric, string & acrylic on canvas 40 cm x 30 cm 2021



295A, 75 cm x 55 cm Turmeric, kumkuma and graphite on paper 2021 **Namrata Arjun's** practice blurs the boundary between performance and painting. She is inspired by feminist art practices of Joan Semmel and Luchita Hurtado, where her paintings engage the viewer as a participant.

In Possessed (2020), the interior scenes are drawn from photograph-ic sources of the Sudanese Zar ritual, which is framed as an idiom of feminist resistance. Protesting bodies crowd outside the window, with little regard for the overdetermined structure of perspectival space, or the figure/ground dichotomy. The equally disobedient geometric, mosa-ic flooring further fractures this dichotomy, opening up multiple spac-es within the picture plane. The expressively handled figures, icons, and bodies exist on the threshold between gesture and illusionism, past and present, across time and culture.

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Namrata Arjun (b. 1995) lives and works in Chennai, India and is an MFA candidate at Bard College, New York. She was a Young India Fellow at Ashoka University (2016–17), worked with the collection and program-ming at the Devi Art Foundation (2017–19), and is currently a Research Associate at the Museum of Art and Photography, Bangalore. She was awarded a residential scholarship at Adishakti Laboratory for The-atre Arts & Research (December 2019 – March 2020) by the Viennese art factory baseCollective (Böhler/Granzer), for artistic research and arts-based-philosophy, mentored by Arno



Playing God V Oil on Panel 40 cm x 50 cm 2021



Playing God IV Oil on Panel 50 cm x 40 cm 2021



Playing God III Oil on Panel 50 cm x 40 cm 2021



Playing God VI Oil on Panel 40 cm x 50 cm 2021



Playing God I Oil on Panel 40 cm x 50 cm 2021



Playing God II Oil on Panel 50 cm x 40 cm 2021



Possessed I Oil on Panel 30 cm x 30 cm 2021



Possessed II Oil on Panel 30 cm x 30 cm 2021



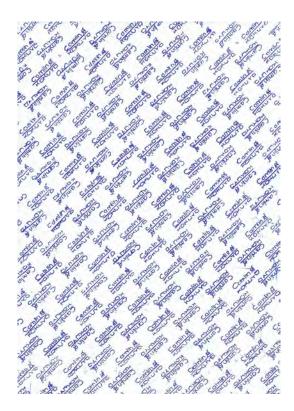
Possessed III Oil on Panel 30 cm x 30 cm 2021



Possessed IV Oil on Panel 30 cm x 30 cm 2021 **Nihaal Faizal** is an artist based in Bangalore, India. His works respond to the copy, the replica, the remake, the gadget, and the gimmick, through a reflection upon media documents from popular and cultural memory. Recent projects have invoked the semi-fictional histories of Flubber, Windows XP desktop backgrounds, special effects from TV shows, Al generated drawings from science fiction films, photographs from family archives, and pirated copies of video art. Between 2013 – 16, he organised G.159, a project space in Yelahanka New Town, and in 2018, he founded Reliable Copy, a publishing house for works, projects, and writing by artists.

This series of drawings, collectively titled 'Carbon Copy', brings together replicas of the various embellishments and designs found on commercially available carbon paper sheets.

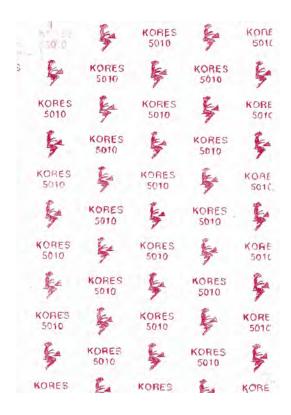
In an act of copying, located between those of drawing and printing, these design patterns are carefully transferred through pressure on a blank sheet of paper. Composed entirely of the residual carbon imprinted, the drawings function as material records of this almost obsolete technology of copying, as well as of the commercial brands that manufactured and marketed it.



Camlin Impress carbon imprint on paper 29 cm × 20.5 cm, 1/3 + 2 AP 2020

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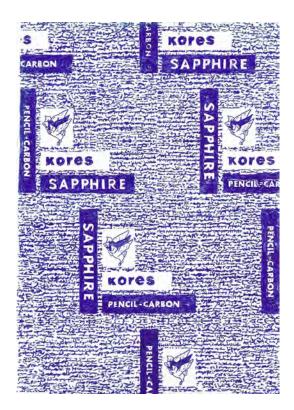
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Kores Carboplane Super 503 carbon imprint on paper 29 cm × 20.5 cm, 1/3 + 2 A 2020



Kores SAPPHIRE carbon imprint on paper 29 cm × 20.5 cm, 1/3 + 2 A 2020



MUNIX Blu carbon imprint on paper 29 cm × 20.5 cm, 1/3 + 2 A 2020

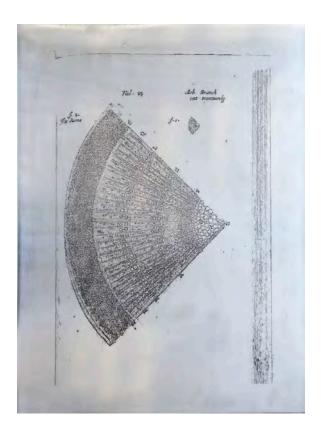


Pelikan Interplastic carbon imprint on paper 29 cm × 20.5 cm, 1/3 + 2 A 2020 **Sarasija Subramanian's** research-based practice stems from analogies derived from the organic world, in relation to its cultural and political implications. Through interaction and documentation, she continues to work with a growing archive of images and objects that incorporate mul-tiple histories and their relevance in present times.

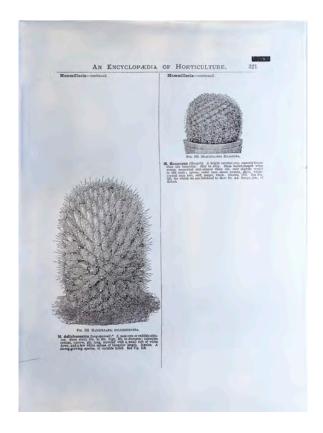
In this series of works, pages from 'The Dictionary of Gardening (The Encyclopaedia of Horticulture, published in London in 1887)', are extract-ed and reproduced onto etching plates as drawings and transfers. In reproducing specific pages of the book – ones that were originally pro-duced using metal plate engravings and a letterpress – the information is brought back, tracing parallel processes and materials, and allowing what is being said to be re-contextualized.

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Sarasija has previously participated in studio residencies at 1Shanthi-road Studio/Gallery, Bangalore, 2018; Interface at the Inagh Valley Trust, Ireland, 2017 and the Inlaks-UNIDEE Residency at the Cittadellarte, Italy, 2016, amongst others. She is currently the editor of Reliable Copy – an independent publishing house for works, projects, and writing by artists. She lives and works in Bangalore, India.



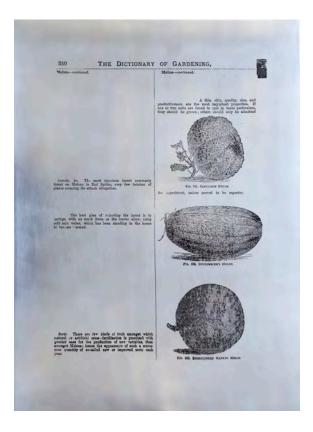
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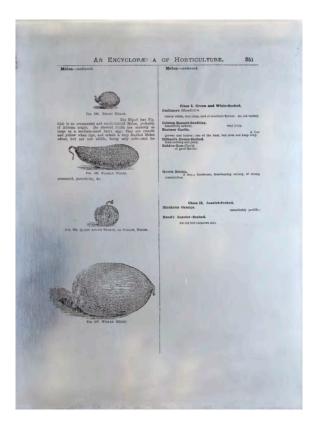
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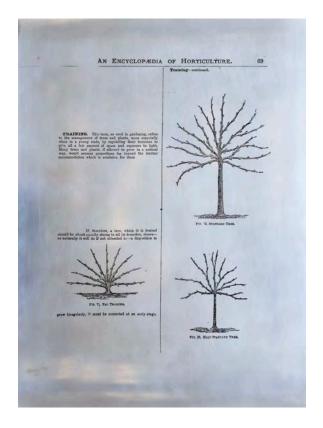
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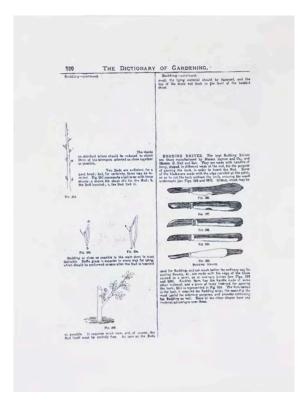
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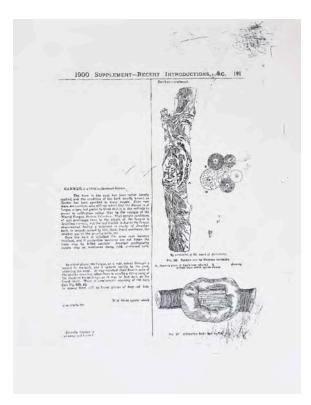
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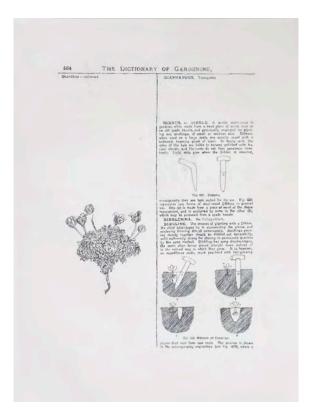
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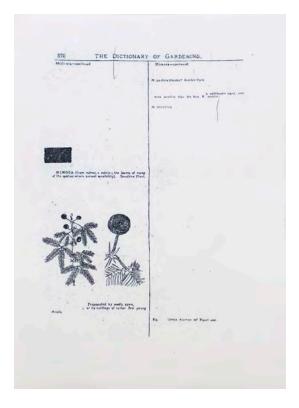
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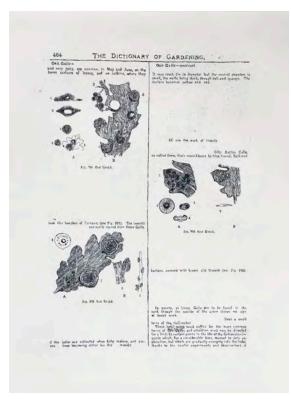
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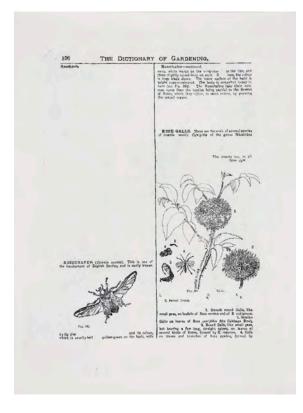
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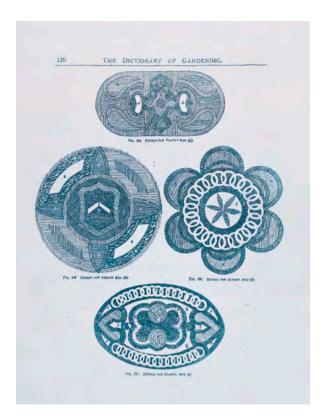
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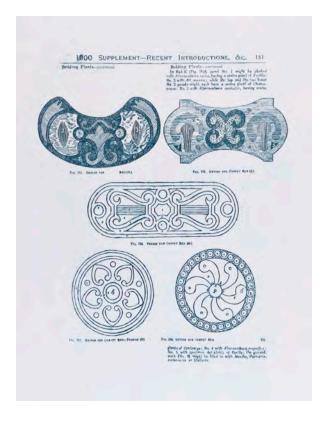
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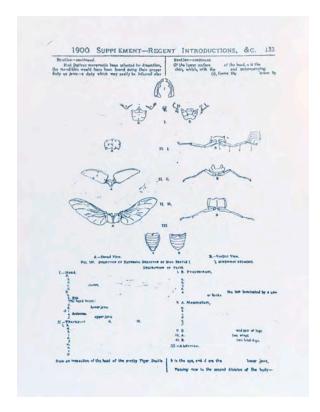
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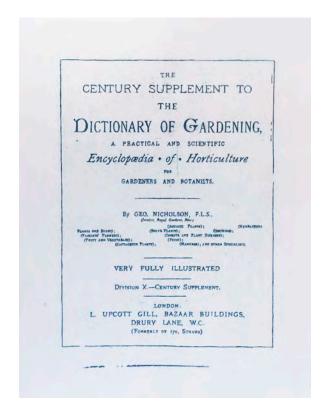
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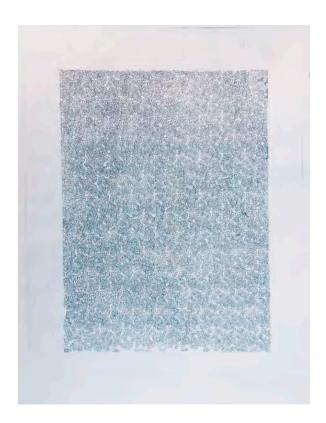
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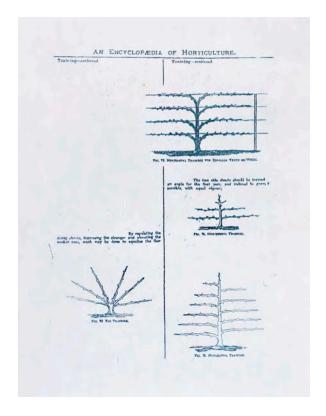
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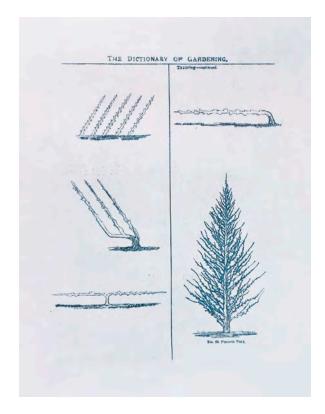
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Inner Cover, Iteration 2 – Dictionary of Gardening Series Etching prints on Tracing Paper 42.5 cm x 35 cm, Edition 2/4 2020



Training 2, Iteration 2 – Dictionary of Gardening Series Etching prints on Tracing Paper 42.5 cm x 35 cm, Edition 2/4 2020



Training 3, Iteration 2 – Dictionary of Gardening Series Etching prints on Tracing Paper 42.5 cm x 35 cm, Edition 2/4 2020 Visakh Menon has been exploring the impact of human-machine inter-action over one's perception. His meditative and repetitive practice fo-cuses on the visual language of digital artifacts and the aesthetics of glitch, error and noise. Compositionally these works are inspired by geo-metric abstraction and color field paintings, the process transitioning from digital to traditional mediums of drawing and painting. The algo-rithmic aesthetics of these works pushes into focus both the functional (generative) and dysfunctional (glitch) nature of code as a tool for ex-pression. As efficient flow of information has become essential for the exchange of ideas, social interactions and political discourse in our net-worked society, his signal series of drawings explore concepts of struc-ture and hierarchy as informed by the diagrammatic representation of command and control modules often seen in electronic systems, social networks, botnets, neural circuits, genome maps etc. These works are also influenced by his interest in non-traditional graphic musical scores & representation of sound visually.

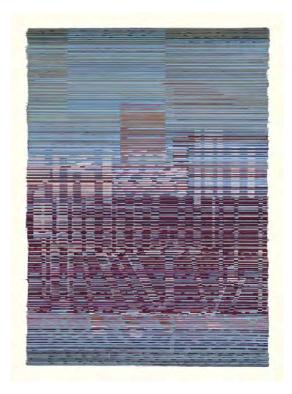
Visakh's interdisciplinary practice spans drawing, video, installations, & media art. He received his M.F.A from the Maryland Institute College of Art in 2007 and a Bachelors in Visual Communication from Bharathiyar University in India. His selected solo shows include 'Interference' at SL Gallery, New York (2020); 'Signal to Noise' at Fairleigh Dickinson Univer-sity Art Gallery, New Jersey (2016); Fountain Art Fair, New York (2014); 'Levels' at Reene Weiler Gallery-Greenwich house, New York, (2013) and 'Memorial for Lost Connections' at Chashama Windows space grant, New York (2012). His selected group shows include 'The Hypostatic Transfor-mation', at Nature Morte, New Delhi, (2019); 'The New Non: New Narratives in Non-Representational Art and Abstraction' at the Flux Factory (2018); 'How you use it' at Grady Alexis Gallery, El Taller Latino Americano (2018) ; 'The Space Between', Paul Kolker Gallery, New York (2014) amongst oth-ers. Menon currently also works as an independent art director & in-teractive designer and is an adjunct faculty with the Communications Design Department at NY City College of Technology (CUNY). He lives and works in New York.



Interference- 11J Acrylic and paint markers on Fabriano 140lb watercolour paper, 61 cm x 45.7 cm 2020



Interference- 11H Acrylic and paint markers on Fabriano 140lb watercolour paper 61 cm x 45.7 cm 2020



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