

## Artist Brief

Shirley Mathew, graduated in Psychology (Hons), Jesus and Mary College, Delhi and later opted for intensive studies in art at the Corcoran College of Art and Design in the US. Her instructors were Internationally known (late) William Christenberry, Steven Cushner and Jeanne Porter. Further trained in Barcelona, Spain at the Escola Llotja, the institution where Picasso studied in his early years. Later, a short residency at the Garhi Studios of Lalit Kala Akademi, Delhi was enriching as an artist while her studies in Italy led to another dimension in her creativity. She has created a presence in the genre of Abstract Expressionism.

Shirley represented Karnataka at the Art Fusion Show, Mumbai, to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of Statehood of Maharashtra. More than two decades of her creative journey has led to participation in over sixty shows including nineteen solos and works displayed in ten cities of India. She has completed courses in Madhubani Painting and Basic paper making courses conducted by eminent artists.

Shirley has conducted art facilitation for under privileged children and workshops with school children and corporate employees, to discover dimensions of their ability and personality

Her works are in the collection of private homes and Corporate Houses in India and abroad. She is currently the Art Consultant at the M K F Museum of Art, Bengaluru and curates shows for eminent and established artists. She lives and works in Bengaluru, Karnataka.

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