

AJIT SEAL

Artist Statement



In my artistic journey, I've delved deeply into the archetype of Lord Vishnu in his Kurma form. Through every meticulous stroke in my portrayal of Kurma, I sought to go beyond surface aesthetics, aiming to explore the profound presence of the Divine. My art, for me, is not just a composition of shapes and spaces; it's a visual language, a means to convey the essence of one's 'Self'.

The recurring motif of the tortoise, a symbol revered across diverse cultures for its attributes of patience, wisdom, and steadfastness, permeates my work. These creatures, with their enduring lifespans, unhurried movements, and weathered appearance, carry universal connotations of stability and longevity. In my hands, the tortoise emerges as a potent emblem, echoing its significance across the tapestry of global mythologies, often interwoven with tales of creation and the genesis of our world. Yet, my use of the tortoise goes beyond a mere nod to traditional symbolism. I intricately weave it with the symbolic presence of water, forging a profound connection between these elements. This deliberate juxtaposition not only serves to highlight my command over visual storytelling but also establishes a bridge between the tangible and the transcendent. Furthermore, I employ the tortoise as a vehicle, deftly guiding the viewer's focus towards specific facets of my art. This deliberate choice is an invitation for contemplation, urging individuals to delve deeper into the subtle intricacies and layers of my creations.