

# SOMNATH HORE (b. 1921, Chittagong, Bangladesh, d. 2006, Santiniketan, West Bengal)

### **EDUCATION**

1957 Diploma in Fine Arts, Government College of Art and Craft, Kolkata, India

#### **SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

Transcending Pain, Akar Prakar, New Delhi, India 2023 2022 100 Years of Somnath Hore, Akar Prakar, Kolkata, India Birth of a White Rose, Kiran Nadar Museum of Art, New Delhi, India A Centenary Exhibition, Emami Art, Kolkata, India 2020 HoreScope, Akara Contemporary, Mumbai, India An Exhibition of Prints, Galerie 88, Kolkata, India 2012 Crossings: Time Unfolded, Part 2, Kiran Nadar Museum of Art (KNMA), New Delhi, India 2011 Manifestations VI, Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi, India Bodies That Matter.... Art Heritage, New Delhi, India Somnath Hore: Prints, Drawings, Posters, The Seagull Arts and Media Resource Centre, Kolkata, India 2010 A Retrospective of Prints by Somnath Hore, Project 88, Mumbai, India Vahana, Bombay Art Gallery, Mumbai, India Modern Continuous, Galerie 88, Kolkata, India 2009 Wound, Aicon Gallery, London, UK 2008 Moderns, Royal Cultural Centre, organized by Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi in collaboration with Embassy of India, Amman, Jordan The Seagull Arts and Media Resource Centre, Kolkata, India Freedom 2008 - Sixty Years of Indian Independence, Centre for International Modern Art (CIMA), Kolkata, India 2007 Agony & Ecstasy: Bronzes by Somnath Hore, Gallery Espace, New Delhi, India Life and Art of Somnath Hore, Project 88, Mumbai, India

### SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2022 Tangled Hierarchy 2, John Hansard Gallery, Southampton, UK
  *Kolkata: Run in the Alley,* Marres, Houses for Contemporary Culture, Maastricht, The Netherlands
  2021 *Red,* Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke, Mumbai, India
- 2020 The Sixties Show, DAG Modern, Mumbai, India
- 2019 *Over The Edge, Crossing the Line Five Artists from Bengal,* Kiran Nadar Museum of Art, New Delhi, India

Kolkata and Santiniketan, Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke, Mumbai, India

2018 *New Configurations: Vignettes from the Collection in Recent Years,* Kiran Nadar Museum of Art, Noida, India



	Retelling Stories, Art Pilgrim, Gurgaon, India
2017	Seed For History and Form - Tebhaga, Aicon, New York, USA
	Divine Intervention, Akara Contemporary, Mumbai, India
	Masterpieces of Indian Modern Art Ed. II, DAG Modern, New Delhi, India
2016-17	<i>Kama Chameleon,</i> Akara Contemporary, Mumbai, India
2016	<i>Tantric,</i> Aicon, New York, USA
	Between Structure and Matter: Other Minimal Futures, Aicon, New York, USA
2013-14	Manifestations X: 75 Artists 20 <sup>th</sup> Century Indian Art, DAG Modern, New Delhi, India
2015	India Modern: Narratives from 20 <sup>th</sup> Century Indian Art, DAG Modern, Mumbai, India
	Impulses in Drawing, Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi, India
	<i>The Work of Art: Iteration in Multiples, Fragments, and Reflection,</i> The Guild Art Gallery, Mumbai, India
2012	Figuration in the Bengal School: Part II, Aicon, New York, USA
	Figuration in the Bengal School: Part I, Aicon, New York, USA
2009	<i>Wound,</i> Aicon, New York, USA
2004	<i>Manifestations II</i> , organized by Delhi Art Gallery at Jehangir Art Gallery, Mumbai; Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi, India
2003	<i>Manifestations</i> , organized by Delhi Art Gallery at World Trade Centre, Mumbai; Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi, India
1996	Contemporary Indian Paintings from the Chester and Davida Hertwitz Collection Part II, USA
1993	<i>Wounds</i> , Centre for International Modern Art (CIMA) Gallery, Kolkata and National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), New Delhi, India
1991	National Exposition of Contemporary Art, National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), New Delhi, India
1986	Visions, Birla Academy of Art and Culture, Kolkata, India

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Rahul Kimar, "A Student's Heartfelt Tribute to His Teacher, Somnath Hore," Mint Lounge, 2022.

Holland Cotter, "Between Structure and Matter: Other Minimal Futures," The New York Times, 2016.

Fawz Kabra, "Between Structure and Matter: Other Minimal Futures At Aicon Gallery, New York," *Abraaz,* 2016.

Mostaf Heddaya, "Between Structure and Matter: Other Minimal Futures," *Blouin Artinfo*, 2016.

Alexandra Guglieminett,"Between Structure and Matter: Other Minimal Futures," Artforum, 2016.

## **SELECTED ARTIST TALKS, LECTURES & CONFERENCES**

- 1984 Professor Emeritus, Kala Bhavan, Shantiniketan, India
- 1969 Head of Graphic Arts Department, Kala Bhavan, Santiniketan, India
- 1968-69 Visiting Professor, Kala Bhavan, Shantiniketan, India
- 1966 Visiting Professor in Graphic Arts Faculty, Faculty of Fine Art, Maharaja Sayajirao University, Baroda, India



- 1958-67 Senior Lecturer and Head of Graphic Arts Faculty, Delhi Polytechnic of Art, New Delhi, India
- 1958-67 Visiting Professor, Faculty of Fine Art, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda and Kala Bhavan, Santiniketan, India
- 1954-58 Lecturer, Indian College of Art and Draftsmanship, Kolkata, India

### **AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2007 Padma Bhushana by Government of India
- 1979 Member, Society of Contemporary Artists, Kolkata, India Elected Member of the General Council, Lalit Kala Akademi, as an eminent artist, New Delhi, India
- 1977 L.N. Gupta Memorial Award
- 1960, 62, 63 National Award, Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi, India

# **PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

Bahai Museum, Bahai

Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi

Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi

Ministry of Education, Government of India

National Gallery of Modern Art, New Delhi