

Manish Nai

b. 1980 in Gujarat, India
Lives and works in Mumbai

Education

Diploma in Drawing and Painting, L.S. Raheja School of Art, Mumbai

Solo Exhibitions

- 2019 Manish Nai, A History Of Gestures, Kavi Gupta, Chicago, USA
Meridians Sector, Art Basel Miami Beach, Kavi Gupta
Paper City and Ghost Modernity, Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke, Mumbai
- 2018 Het Noordbrabants Museum, Netherlands
- 2017 Fondation Fernet-Branca, Saint-Louis, France
Expo Chicago, Curated by Florence Derieux, Kavi Gupta, Chicago, USA
- 2016 Galerie Karsten Greve, Paris, France
- 2015 Manish Nai, Kavi Gupta Chicago | Elizabeth St, Chicago, IL
- 2014 Galerie Karsten Greve, Paris, France
- 2013 Art Basel Hong Kong, Hong Kong, Presented by Galerie Michandani + Steinruecke
- 2012 COMPACT, Galerie Gebr. Lehmann, Berlin, Germany
- 2010 Extramural, Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke, Mumbai, Catalogue essay by Girish Shahane
- 2009 Manish Nai - New Works, Galerie Karsten Greve, Cologne, Germany, Curator: Julia Ritterskamp
- 2007 Threading A Coded Path, Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke, Mumbai
- 2005 Minimal Structures, Apparao Galleries, Delhi and Chennai
- 2004 The Museum Gallery, Curated by Pinakin Patel

Group Exhibitions

- 2020 The Written Word, online exhibition, Kavi Gupta, Chicago, IL
- 2019 ALTERATIONS ACTIVATION ABSTRACTION, Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke, New York, Chelsea
- 2018 Turn of the Tide, KHOJ International Artists' Association, New Delhi, India
Trees of Life – Knowledge in Material, NTU Center for Contemporary Art Singapore, Gillman Barracks, Singapore
A beast, a god and a line, curated by Cosmic Costinas, Museum of Modern Art in Warsaw, Dhaka Art Summit, Para Site, Hong Kong
- 2017 The Sculpture Park at Madhavendra Palace curated by Peter Nagy, Nahargrah Fort, Jaipur, India
Asymmetrical Objects, curated by Tasneem Zakaria Mehta, DR. Bhau Daji Lad Museum, Mumbai, India
'DWELLING - 10th Anniversary Show (Part II)', curated by Ranjit Hoskote, Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke, Mumbai, India
- 2016 'Gallerists as Interventionists: Collaboration as Strategy', Lakeeren Gallery, Mumbai, India
'Abstract Chronicles', curated by Girish Shahane, Gallery OED, Kochi, India
- 2015 'Prudential Eye Award Exhibition', Art Science Museum, Singapore
- 2014 Ethereal, Leila Heller Gallery, New York, NY
Kochi Muzirus Biennale, Kochi
Midnight's Grandchildren, Kitab Mahal, Mumbai, Curated by Girish Shahane
- 2013 The Material Point: Reconsidering the Medium on the (Post)modern Moment, Gallery OED, Kochi, Curated by Dr. Kathleen Wyma

- 2012 Asia Art Archive Fundraiser, Hong Kong
The Indian Parallax or the Doubling of Happiness, Birla Academy of Art & Culture, Kolkata, Curated by Shaheen Merali
9th Shanghai Biennale, Mumbai City Pavilion, Shanghai
news, Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke, Mumbai
The Skoda Prize Show, Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi
Art Dubai, Dubai, Presented by Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke
Art HK12, Hong Kong International Art Fair, Hong Kong, Presented by Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke
examples to follow!, Premchand Roychand Gallery, Mumbai, Curated by Adrienne Goehler
- 2011 Abstract Articulations, Gallery Espace, New Delhi
Home Spun, Devi Art Foundation, Gurgaon, Curated by Girish Shahane
5th Anniversary Exhibition, Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke, Mumbai
India Art Summit, New Delhi, Presented by Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke
India Inclusive: Contemporary Art from India, World Economic Forum, Davos, Switzerland, Curated by Tasneem Zakaria Mehta
- 2009 PANORAMA: INDIA, ARCO_Madrid, Madrid, Presented by Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke
Relative Visa, Bodhi Art Gallery, Mumbai, Curated by Bose Krishnamachari
- 2008 Second Edition of Art Summit, New Delhi, Presented by Apparao Galleries
Gallery Weekend at the Baumwollspinnerei, Leipzig, Germany, Presented by Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke, Mumbai
- 2007 1st Anniversary Exhibition, Galerie Mirchandani + Steinruecke, Mumbai
- 2005 Present-Future, National Gallery of Modern Art, Mumbai, Curated by Dr. Saryu Doshi
- 2003 Beppu Asia Contemporary Art Exhibition, Beppu Museum, Japan
- 2002 Singapore Art Fair, presented by Apparao Galleries, Chennai
- 2000 Monsoon Show, Jehangir Art Gallery, Mumbai

Awards

- 2015 Prudential Eye Awards
- 2012 Invited to North Rhine-Westphalia Artist Residency Programm, Düsseldorf, Germany
- 2011 Invited to Socrates Sculpture Park Residency, Long Island City, New York
- 2004 Pollock-Krasner Foundation Award 2004-2005, New York
- 2000 Best Watercolour Painting Award by the Bombay Art Society

Press and Publications

- 2019 'Paper City and Ghost Modernity: In Conversation with Ranjana Steinruecke', Art Fervour, March 6
'Ahmedabad Has a New Museum, and it's Dedicated to a Shade of Blue', Vogue India, February 11
- 2018 'The Art of Sustainability: This Mumbai-Based Artist Makes Art Out of Waste', India Today, August 16
'Indias's First Sculpture Park is Set in an 18th-Century Fortress', Architectural Digest, July 24
'Documenting the Age of Anthropocene', The Hindu, March 16
'Why You Must Catch Asymmetrical Objects At The Dr. Bhau Daji Lad Mumbai City Museum', Verve Magazine, March 13
'Into The Blue: Dhaka Art Summit 2018 (Excerpt)', Ocula, February 23
'Turn of The Tide Celebrates 20 Years of Khoj Support For Artists Across Mediums, Ideas' Indulge Express, February 21
'Dr. Bhau Daji Lad Museum', E-Flux, February 11
'When Reusing Discarded Household Items Becomes Art', The Week, February 9
'10 of India's Top Artists Come Together For Mumbai Exhibition', Vogue India, January 24

- 2017 'Manish Nai Exhibit Opens With Panel On Indian Contemporary Art', News India Times, March 28
 'People: the painter, sculptor and installation artist Manish Nai', Asian Art Newspaper, June 18
 'Manish', Fondation Fernet Branca, My Art Guides, June 18
 'The Special Materiality of Manish Nai', Artinside, May 25
 Serge Harmann "Manish Nai beyond apperances", Dernieres Nouvelles D'Alsace, June 06
- 2016 Gayatri Jayaraman, "Manish Nai - The man in the burlap cloak", News India Times, January 27
- 2015 Lee Ann Norman, "Review: Manish Nai/Kavi Gupta Gallery," Newcity Art, July
 "Manish Nai Opening," Eye On India, June
 Christopher Hudgens, "Episode 511: Manish Nai," Bad At Sports Contemporary Art Talk, June
 Sunthar Visuvalingam, "Seeing Beyond Space and Place Through Indian Contemporary Art," News India Times, June
 Sunthar Visuvalingam, "Manish Nai Opens With Panel on Contemporary Indian Art," News India Times, June
 Lauren M. Heist, "From the community: Eye on India Festival Comes to Lemont." Chicago Tribune, May 2015
 Niranjan Kunwar, "Kochi and Consciousness," The Huffington Post, January
- 2014 Riddhi Doshi, "A ground report from India's biggest art show in Kochi," Hindustan Times, December
 Dhamini Ratnam, "Manish Nai: The Proceduralist," Livemint, August
 Anita Mahadevan and Manoj Nair, Art List, Arts Illustrated, June - July
 Rosalyn D'Mello, "Artwork of the Week: Manish Nai's Newspaper Wall at Art Basel in HK," Blouin Artinfo, May
- 2013 Zehra Jhumabuoy, Vitamin D2: New Perspectives in Drawing, Phaidon Press
 Karuna John, Breaking the Canvas, India Today, February
- 2012 Rosalyn D'Mello, Blouin Artinfo India
- 2010 Amrita Gupta-Singh, "Textures of Silence," Art India, September
 Zehra Jumabhoy, "Critic's Picks," Artforum, August
 "Pixel Power," Timeout India, August