## **Artist Biodata**

Name: Varun N Rao

## **About the Artist:**

I am a Bengaluru-based, self-taught artist proficient in the art of portraiture, still-life, contemporary and abstract paintings using various mediums such as, oil-based pencils, acrylic and oil paint mediums. I also create caricatures and pop arts using the digital medium.

I have been creating art for the past 10 years and have also participated in various solo and group art exhibitions across prominent art galleries and art cafes in Bengaluru and Mumbai. Some of these art galleries include Karnataka Chitra Kala Parishath Venkatappa Art Gallery, Art Houz, DYU Art Café, (all in Bengaluru) and World Trade Center (Mumbai).

My art journey has been featured in prominent newspaper publications such as New Indian Express, The Hindu, Prajavani, The Mint, Sakshi Telugu, in magazines such as Creative Gaga, Inspiro India, and online portals such as YourStory, Abstract Oval, and Banani Vista.

Apart from creating art, I love to mentor budding artists and guide them to pursue and grow in their art journey.