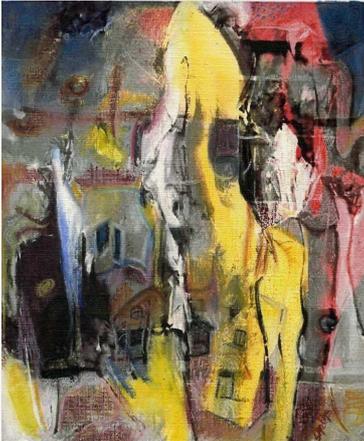




SHOBHA MENON



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Shobha is a Philadelphia based artist, having studios in Philadelphia and San Francisco. She was born in Cochin, India. After receiving her MFA in Art History and Aesthetics from M.S. University Baroda, India, and 3 years of PhD research, she taught Art for 2 years. Later she worked for about 10 years in the IT field as graphics/IT consultant. She is also trained in Animation, Web Design and Development.

Shobha moved to USA in year 2000. Since then she is a full time artist and is affiliated to two art galleries by juried selection. She has won many awards in numerous curated shows in the Mid Atlantic region, as well as participated in many prestigious international shows in USA and Dubai.

Shobha also finds time to work with the artist community in the Philadelphia area. Since 2002 onwards, she is actively involved with MCGOPA (www.mcgopa.org), a co-op art group in Pennsylvania. She was the Director/ Board Member and Chair of the Outreach programs of Philadelphia Tri-state Artist Equity Association Inc. during 2006 to 2009. She has also worked in the capacity of a Juror for Tyme Gallery, USA and few other art galleries. She has written numerous articles on Art and society.

Shobha associated with Lokadharmi Theatre group in India for the last 2 decades as a Graphic Designer and as Art Director for many of their plays. Now she serves on their Director Board.

Shobha says: "I like to capture moods, emotions and internalized memories of myths and narratives and also complexities and subtleties of human experience. The concept of core images that represent psychological dynamics has been influential in shaping my work with mythology."

Shobha works in Oil, Acrylic, Digital and Mixed Media; in Mixed Media, she experiments with Oils, Acrylic, Pastels, Ink, Charcoal and Stucco.

