

**PARAMJIT SINGH**

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@Talwar, New York

Talwar Gallery, New York is pleased to present an exhibition of new paintings and works on paper by New Delhi artist, Paramjit Singh. The exhibition will open to the public in New York on Saturday, January 7 and will be on view until March 4, 2023.

Growing up in Punjab in Northern India, amidst farmlands and verdant countryside, Singh imbibed the wide-open blue skies, sunshine on expansive mustard fields and moonlight floating off the grasslands and resting on treetops. These early years have continued to nourish and instigate Singh's works for seven decades since he moved in 1953 to post independence metropolis of Delhi. It is not the recalling or the nostalgic that resides in his works, but infinitude of the experience and theater of nature. Intuitive and imagined, these abstracted landscapes refuse to be tied down with any specificity. Here it is just multitude of feverish strokes of paint, layered and crisscrossing the canvas, following the whispers from the brush of this pied piper.

Writing about Singh's work his close friend and artist, A.Ramachandran said, "The historical conventions of landscapes do not apply to Paramjit's work. Like a musician who prefers to sing only a few selected ragas, each time elaborating the unknown possibilities of the same notes, Paramjit occupies himself with a very few basic forms of nature. His landscapes have no specific identity of sites."

In Singh's charcoal drawings the jagged lines rise like tree trunks or plunge like the slopes of a mountain separated by rubbed in plains, here the organic and geometric merge in a drama of light and shadow, imbuing them with a certain mystery. The darkness emanating feels like an elegy, reflecting Singh's dismay with the sustained erosion and destruction of the environment.

Paramjit Singh was born in 1935 in Amritsar, Punjab. After finishing his initial education at Khalsa College in Amritsar, he joined School of Art, Delhi Polytechnic, Delhi in 1953 and completed his Fine art studies in 1958. He was founding member of the group *The Unknown*, a group of young artists in Delhi in 1960. Singh also taught Fine arts for three decades as Professor and then Head of the art department at Jamia Millia University, Delhi. A film directed by Amit Dutta, *The Seventh Walk* based on the art of Paramjit Singh was presented at Film festivals in Toronto, San Francisco, Rotterdam, Rome and as well at MoMA, New York.

Singh had his first solo show in 1967 in New Delhi, India and since then has exhibited worldwide including Germany, Norway, Belgium, Hong Kong, Singapore, London and New York. Singh's works are in the collection of the National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), New Delhi, Chandigarh Museum of Art, Chandigarh and the Kiran Nadar Museum of Art (KNMA), New Delhi.

Paramjit Singh lives and works in New Delhi, India.

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