

## An evening to soak in the pleasures of Indian Art

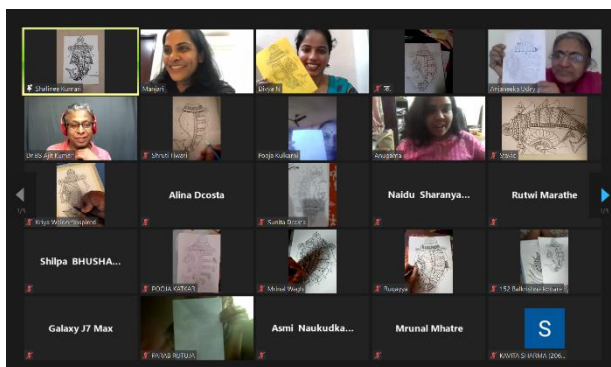
Madhubani Art Workshop by VPM's R Z Shah College of Arts, Science and Commerce in association with Studio Amoli

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**February 18, 2021:** When people around the world have become wary of the computer screens, VPM's RZ Shah College of Arts, Science and Commerce decided to collaborate with Studio Amoli, pioneers in introducing the beautiful and diverse Indian Folk and Traditional Art to a varied audience through curated workshops. Through a workshop that went on for a little over an hour's time from 4 pm onwards by the Cultural Committee in association with the BAMMC department, it catered to an audience in the age group ranging from 6 to over 50.

Madhubani, an art form from Bihar, involves detailed designs and use of colours from naturally occurring pigments. Popular as a wall art, it is only recently that the art form took shape on paper and canvas. The session was moderated by Ms Manjari Naidu, one of the entrepreneurs behind Studio Amoli. She also delved into the history of Madhubani art with a short video. It was followed by a live creation of an art work by Ms Shalinee Mishra, an internationally acclaimed artist in tow with Ms Anupama Ralegaonkar, the co-founder of Studio Amoli.

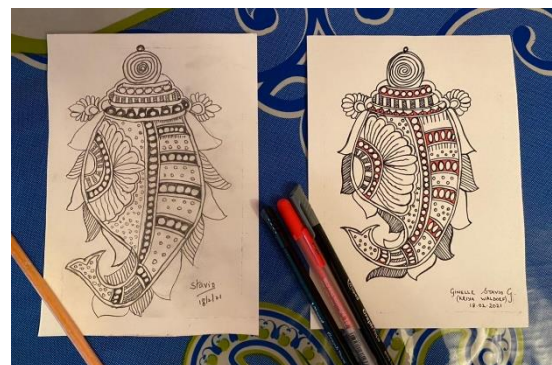


Attended by over 60 participants from across the globe and hosted by Ms Sejal Khandagale, second year student of Multimedia and Mass Communication, the session's success reflected in the completed art works and the messages that poured in post the session. It reflects the interest and love people have for art works that when practiced, can de-stress, improve

concentration thus facilitate improved creativity and interest.

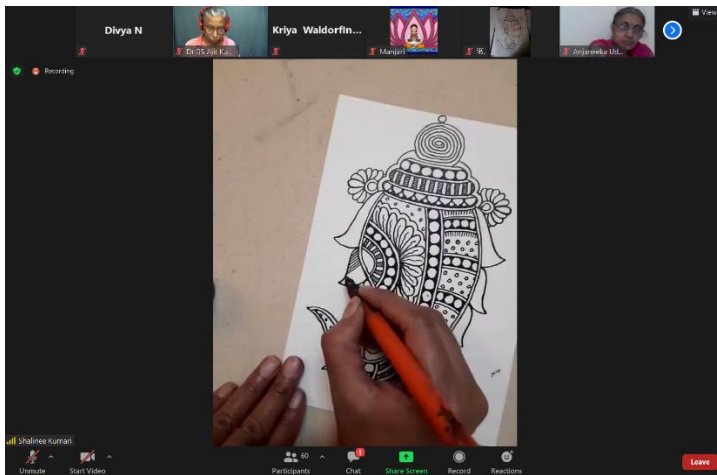
Says Rutwi Marathe, a participant, "I am 10 years old and I cannot sit at one place for long time. But for this session I sat at one place for more than one hour with full concentration Thank you."

"Thank you very much for this lovely workshop. Both of us created the art work together and look forward to some more," chimed Mr Stavio Gonsalvez and Mrs Ginelle Stavio Gonsalves, a couple who joined for the session.



Mr. Mrunal Mhatre, second year student of Multimedia and Mass Communication, summed it up for all with in his words of gratitude, "Art is magic and sometimes, a little magic is all we

need to tune back into the melody of our lives! They say we should be thankful for everything that happens in our life, it's all an experience.” Definitely, a beautiful experience.



*Ms Shalinee Kumari demonstrating*



*Sent by one of the participants, Mrinal Wagh, who took it a step ahead with colours*