

Birth: 3 rd April 1933, Halisa, Gujarat, India.

Art Education:

- * D. T. C. (First Class First) diploma in Fine Arts, Sir J. J. School of Art, Mumbai
- * Art Master's Examination, C. N. Fine Arts College, Ahmedabad
- * Bachelor of Arts, L. D. Arts College, Ahmedabad

Work Experience :

- * Principal of School of Drawing and Design, Ahmedabad; 1957 - 1962
- * Cartoonist for leading Gujarati Daily Newspaper 'Gujarat Samachar'; 1962 - 1985
- * Interior Designer; 1985 2002
- * Fulltime Professional Artist; 1995 present

Awards:

- * Gujarat Government Award on Books in 1963-66 and 1971
- * 'Kalavaibhav', Gujarat Government, 1976
- * South Central Zone Culture Center, Nagpur, 1999
- * AIFACS Award for Drawing 2003 Golden Jubilee Exhibition with Gujarat Lalitkala Akadami
- * Kalidas Award, Madhya Pradesh, 2004
- * Gujarat Lalit Kala Award, 2007
- * Artist 'Gaurav Puraskar', Gujarat Government, 2010
- * Award for book Kalam Ane Canvas, Gujarat Government
- * Best Book Award for Kalam Ane Canvas, Central Government of India

Achievements:

- * Painting selected for Parliament House, New Delhi, India, 2001
- * Painting selected for auction at leading auction house, London, 2003
- * Written 26 books on Art and Drawing as a pioneer writer of books on Art in Gujarat
- * Art decorator for 'Congress Adhivation' in 1972 aat Gandhinagar for co-operative section
- * Designed the Main gate for 'Congress Adhivation' in Calcutta in 1973
- * Floor design commissioned in Italy, 1986
- * Several interior design commissions in Ghana (Africa), Mauritius, Atlanta (U. S. A.) and Dubai

Solo Shows:

- * Ravishankar Raval Art Gallery, Ahmedabad, 1997
- * Ravishankar Raval Art Gallery, Ahmedabad, 1999 (Sponsored by Lions Club)
- * Ravindrabhavan, Delhi, 1999
- * Ravishankar Raval Art Gallery, Ahmedabad, 2000
- * Archer Gallery, Ahmedabad, 2001 (Sponsored)
- * Artists Centre, Mumbai, 2002
- * Lagos, Africa, 2001 (Spon.)
- * Jamat Art, Mumbai, 2003
- * Singapore, 2002 (Spon.)
- * Dubai, 2003 (Spon.)
- * Jehangir Art Gallery, Mumbai, 2004 2007
- * Archer Art Gallery, Ahmedabad, 2004 (Spon.)
- * Gandhi Ashram, 2006
- * Ravishankar Raval Art Gallery, Ahmedabad, 2005
- * Sarjan Art Gallery, Vadodara, 2005
- * Amdavad ni Gufa, Ahmedabad, 2008 (Spon.)
- * Catharsis Art Gallery, Ahmedabad (Spon.)
- * Kanchan Art Gallery, Jailpur, 2009, 2010 (Spon.)
- * Amdavad ni Gufa, Ahmedabad, 2010 (Spon.)
- * Drean Art Gallery, Ahmedabad (Spon.)
- * Art O Heart, Ahmedabad, 2011 (Spon.)
- * Mantra Gallery, 2012 (Spon.)
- * Mantra Gallery, 2013 (Spon.)

Group Shows:

- * Nagpur , 2000
- * Tao Gallery, Mumbai, 1999
- * Exhibition arranged by N.S.S., Mumbai, 1996
- * AIFACS, Delhi, 1999
- * AIFACS for Veteran Artists, Delhi, 1999
- * Art Folio, Chandigarh, 1999
- * Visual Artists Association, Ahmedabad, 1999
- * Art Folio, Chandigarh, 2000
- * Vidhyanagar, 2000
- * AIFACS, Gujarat, 2000
- * Lalitkala Akadami, Jaipur, 2001
- * Nehru Centre, Mumbai, 2001
- * Nehru Centre, Mumbai, 2002
- * Bajaj Bhavan, 2001
- * Namrata Dalal Gallery Art Resource Trust, Mumbai, 2002
- * Jewels of India, 2001
- * Satiya Art Gallery, 2002
- * Kumar Gallery, Delhi, 2002 2003
- * Art Today Gallery, Delhi, 2000 2001
- * Art Gallery, Bangalore, 2002
- * Art Gallery, Chennai, 2002
- * New York, 2002
- * London, 2002, 2003, 2004
- * Sarjan Art Gallery, Vadodara, 2004
- * Cymroza Art Gallery, Mumbai, 2004

- * Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation, 2004
- * Jehangir Art Gallery, Mumbai, 2006, 2007
- * Visual Art Association, 2003 to 2007
- * Karma Art Gallery, 2008
- * Anayas Art Gallery, 2009
- * Ahmedabad Mirror, 2010
- * Ahmedabad Income Tax, 2011
- * Herwitz Gallery, 2011
- * Kuwait, 2013
- * Rome, 2013

Participation:

- * Visual Artists Workshop, Ahmedabad, 1997 and 1999
- * Workshop at Sahitya Akadami Bhavan, Ahmedabad
- * Watercolor Landscape Workshop, Ahmedabad, 2001
- * Regular participant at Lalitkala Akadami at Ahmedabad, Jaipur and Delhi

Collections:

- * Painting in many private collections in India and Abroad
- * Parliament House, New Delhi
- * Sam Pitroda, London
- * Bajaj House, Mumbai
- * Raheja College of Architecture, Mumbai
- * Tata Group, Mumbai, Pune, Bangalore
- * Nirma House, Ahmedabad
- * Sintex Group, Ahmedabad
- * Cadila Group, Ahmedabad
- * A. E. C., Ahmedabad

Featured in (T.V. and Film):

- * Gujarat Doordarshan, 2009, 2011, 2012
- * Aaj Tak, 2010
- * Ek Dhun (Documentary based on Artist's life and work by NID student), 2013