



Talented artist Kavitha Jeyakumar with a selection of her artwork.



KJ's stellar career grounded in community

Her unique has won the hearts of locals and visitors

KAVITHA Jeyakumar, popularly known as KJ, is a visual artist based in Blacktown region. Kavitha runs a visual art school, KJS Brush & Canvas in Stanhope gardens and The Ponds that runs visual art program for budding and experienced visual artists.

She started her passion for art from a young age and she drew her inspirations while travelling various countries of the subcontinent during the civil war in Sri Lanka. This exposure added fuel to her passion for the visual arts so she started diploma in visual arts and embarked on her career in visual art. Originally, Kavitha was an accountant by profession.

Kavitha pursued her uniqueness and interpretation of her art. With the encouragement and support of her patrons she has been able to establish her own platform as a popular visual artist in this region and has reached unprecedented heights.

Kavitha has won the hearts of the patrons which is reflected in her social media base which now exceeds 10,000.

Kavitha's paintings are characteristically simple in composition and content; shapes are delineated with dark outline and a multi vibrant colour often is used to describe form.

This style highlights her draughtsmanship and skilful pictorial arrangement. Some of the contents of her work always have certain theatricality that relates to her upbringing as well as her personality.

Over the last 10 years, Kavitha's technique and palette has changed a great deal after working with the various Australian and regional artists.

She now spends a great deal of time experimenting with thin layers of colours beneath the surface of the painting.

The under-painting creates a different atmosphere for her works, particularly the choice of colours has created a vibrant tone.

With these experiments, she has created and exhibited over 300 art canvases in her art studio which instantly engage and enlighten its viewers.

Kavitha's confidence in her work has popularised her which invites her to regularly exhibiting her painting on arts shows and galleries such Springwood art festival, NSW parliament, Blacktown library at Stanhope gardens.

As part of the recognition for her artistic skill, she has been an art curator for SAFAL Fest 2019, festival celebrating the art and culture of South Asia in Sydney.

- Kavitha and her business have been continuously recognized in



the Blacktown Business awards as Finalist in 2019 and 2020 which is a success for Kavitha. It's her hard work that has brought this success as the finalist businesswomen of the year in 2019 and 2020.

- Kavitha artistic skill has earned her business recognition from NSW government by awarding KJS Brush n Canvas as the only Creative Kids Provider in Stanhope gardens and The Ponds.
- Kavitha's artistic skill along with people management has earned community organizations use Kavitha for their community-based art programs for the elderly.
- Kavitha works with various age groups ranging from four to 80 years. Kavitha spends time with seniors in their retirement villages helping them regain their confidence and express their feeling in the form of colours while working with them in recreating visual master pieces. Kavitha works with ADHD and Autism clients and help them in improving their attention while relieving their stress levels as an Art Therapist.
- Kavitha works with various councils such Cumberland, Blacktown, Parramatta and Strathfield Council on their community-based events either as conducting visual art workshops during the events



or exhibiting her own paintings through community organizations.

As a result of such commitments in serving the community and her excellent skill in visual art, Kavitha has received various awards such as Volunteer of the Year, Professional of the Year, Outstanding Businessperson of the year in 2019 and 2020.

Her recent addition the list of the awards is the winner of the Gargi award for the year 2020 for her outshined achieved in the field of visual arts.

On April 17 the Hindu Council of Australia held their belated 2020 Gargi Awards for women's contribution to society. Kavitha was awarded the Gargi award in recognition of her outstanding contribution to Art in Australian.