

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC RELATIONS
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Press Release

Annual Art Exhibition 2017

Chandigarh, 08th March, 2017: Dr S.B. Deepak Kumar, IAS, Secretary Technical Education U.T. Chandigarh today inaugurated the exhibition which is spread over almost all the studios and the exhibition hall of the college. The exhibition has taken shape under their able guidance of Sh. Rakesh Kumar Popli, PCS, Joint Secretary Technical Education and HOD cum Principal, Govt. college of Art and Mrs. Anita Gupta, Associate Professor, Chief co-ordinator of Annual Art Exhibition 2017.

The Annual Art Exhibition of Government College of Art is a mega art event of the city Beautiful. Approximately 1500 works by around 350 young budding artists form the aura of this prestigious art event. The exhibition is spread over almost all the studios and the exhibition hall of the college. An annual event of the college, the exhibition provides a rare platform to these budding artists to showcase their talent. It also reflects the creative might of the students and faculty.

The students of BFA and MFA courses from the four disciplines that is Applied Art, Painting, Graphics (print-making) and Sculpture contribute their works for this annual show. The students also develop the expertise of exhibiting a work of art in the best possible manner. The content and form of the exhibition truly mirrors their concern to highlight the challenges that society is facing. The crimes against women, empowerment of women and the impact of globalization are few of the themes that have found forms in their creations.

The art resonate the creative spirit of these budding artists who are capable of using their skills and imagination confidently. It is a matter of great pride and honor that this institution is marching ahead with all its splendor and accomplishments. This grand exhibition is visited by large number of senior artists of the country and our students get an opportunity of fruitful interactions with them.

The art lovers buyers in and around Chandigarh are requested to encourage the artists by their benign presence and they should also come forward to purchase their work which is the real effort to promote art.

Dr S.B. Deepak Kumar, chief guest of the occasions admired the creations of the budding artists and lauded their efforts of students and faculty in showcasing the myriad hues of the intuitive power that this institution bestows on them.

Mr. Rakesh Kumar Popli, HOD cum Principal, appreciated the efforts of the students and faculty in putting such a grand exhibition. He was optimistic about the future of the upcoming artist who will be the ambassadors of the golden cultural heritage of this great nation. He was optimistic that the students of the college have acquired the requisite skill in art and they will be an asset to the art fraternity.

Mrs. Anita Gupta chief coordinator of the exhibition thanked the chief guest and expressed gratitude to the administration for encouraging the upcoming artists in every possible way.

The exhibition will be on view till 12th March 2017 between 11.00 am and 6.00 pm.