

Gaurav Babu Ghimire

Charcoal Hyperrealism · Pokhara, Nepal

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BIOGRAPHY

Gaurav Babu Ghimire is a self-taught hyperrealism charcoal artist based in Pokhara, Nepal. Working exclusively in charcoal on paper, he creates large-format drawings that render human skin, hands, and faces at near-photographic detail — each piece requiring 100 to 250 hours of meticulous work.

His ongoing series, *Putali Ra Parijat* (Butterfly and Night-flowering Jasmine), serves as a deep exploration of life's later stages. In these artworks, the detailed portraits and weathered hands represent the older generation, while the butterfly symbolizes transformation and the fleeting, delicate nature of later life. The core philosophy explores how both exist in a phase where beauty and significance are often overlooked — not by society, but by themselves. Just as a butterfly cannot see the vibrant patterns on its own wings, older individuals may sometimes fail to recognize their own profound worth, even though it is deeply felt and admired by those around them. The series' second chapter, the *Manaslu Edition*, extends this thematic focus into the remote mountain villages of Nepal.

Ghimire's work won Best Drawing at the PleinAir Salon Art Competition (USA), received an Honourable Mention at the 11th PORTRAIT Competition (Teravarna Gallery), and has been featured in *Realism Today*, *The Classical Realist*, and *The Rising Nepal*. His original drawings are held in private collections across the United States and Nepal.

STORY ANGLES

Suggested story angles and narrative hooks for media coverage and features.

› The 200-Hour Drawing

In an age of AI-generated images and instant content, Ghimire spends up to 250 hours on a single charcoal drawing — rendering every pore, wrinkle, and fingernail by hand. A story about patience, craft, and the irreplaceable value of the human hand in art.

› A Grandson's Tribute in Charcoal

The *Putali Ra Parijat* series began as a tribute to his grandmother's hands. What started as a personal project became an international body of work exploring aging, memory, and the unseen beauty written into human skin. Art as love letter.

› Self-Taught in Pokhara

With no formal art education, no local hyperrealism community, and limited access to materials, Ghimire taught himself to draw at a level that wins international awards — competing against classically trained artists from the US and Europe. A story about talent that transcends geography.

› Nepal's Invisible Art Scene

Nepal is known for mountains and temples, not contemporary art. Ghimire is part of a new generation of Nepali artists using social media and international competitions to put Nepal on the global art map.

FAST FACTS

Medium	Charcoal on paper (exclusively)	Exhibitions	7 (national & international)
Based	Pokhara, Nepal	Awards	4 international recognitions
Training	Self-taught	Press	4 publications
Active	Since 2019 (6+ years)	Collections	USA, Nepal
Works	18+ completed	Time/work	100–250 hours

PAST COVERAGE & PRESS LINKS

2025	<i>Realism Today</i>	"Hyperrealism Art: Meticulous & Rewarding"
2025	<i>The Classical Realist</i>	"Charcoal Hyperrealism — Artist Feature"
2025	<i>The Rising Nepal</i>	"Joint Art Exhibition Bridges Cultures and Art in Pokhara"
2025	<i>Dada Ghare Khabar</i>	Coverage of "From the Rockies to the Himalayas"

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

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- 2025 Best Drawing, **PleinAir Salon Art Competition**, Streamline Publishing, USA
 - 2025 Finalist, **PleinAir Salon Art Competition**, Streamline Publishing, USA
 - 2025 Honourable Mention, **11th PORTRAIT Art Competition**, Teravarna Gallery
 - 2025 Participant, **Luxembourg Art Prize 2025**, Luxembourg

PRESS ASSETS & HIGH-RESOLUTION IMAGES

Print-ready images (300 dpi, TIFF/JPEG) and a detailed Artist CV are available for download here:

[📁 Google Drive Vault: Artwork Images & CV](#)

Alternatively, view images at gauravghimire.com or request via email: gauravbabughimire@gmail.com

Image Caption Format (for editors):

Gaurav Babu Ghimire, *[Title]*, [Year]. Charcoal on paper, [dimensions]. Courtesy of the artist.

Available images inside the folder:

<i>I Wonder</i>	Charcoal on paper, 22 × 28 in, 2025	Original Sold
<i>Michelangelo Effect I</i>	Charcoal on paper, 22 × 28 in, 2026	Available Soon
<i>The Quiet Bloom</i>	Charcoal on paper, 28 × 22 in, 2025	Original Sold
<i>Wings of Wisdom</i>	Charcoal on paper, 28 × 22 in 2024	Original Sold
<i>Studio / process photos</i>	2–3 behind-the-scenes images	Available

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