



Raghavendra Hedge

Raghavendra Hedge is an artist hailing from Sirsi, Karnataka. He has performed in and around the world. Who is specialized in Sand art, which is performed in front of a large audience, in a short span of time for any given concept. During this pandemic he started exploring the sand art and found new possibilities as sand painting.

Biography

Raghavendra Hegde was born in 1980 at Kadnamane, Sirsi taluk of Uttara kannada District, Karnataka. He began sketching with his academics at his early age. And always he had an inclination towards art. After completing the basic education, he joined Chamarajendra Academy of Visual Arts, Mysore in 1996. From 2003-2005- joined Chitrakala Parishad, Bangalore, for MVA (master of visual art) in Sculpture. He got married to Archana Hegde on 30thDecember 2010.

Career

2005-2010- worked as an art consultant for Garuda Mall, Bangalore.
- worked as a visiting faculty for art and design at R.V.College, Bangalore for Architecture department, Garden city college,
2010-2023 have been performing sand art live shows globally.

Sand art shows

2010- 06.06.2010 the first show of sand art in **KALARNAVA**, in front of 2500 audience. In the same year he has also performed for 10th anniversary celebration of ASIFA on the international animation day.

2011 - Performance in Bangalore ganesh utsava with **Kareena Kapoor, Govinda** and **Shan** in front of 80,000 audiences. And he also launched Ape Mini by Piagio in sand art.

2012- Performance with **Hariharan** for his Gazals in Bangalore. And he performed in 23rd international conference on C.V.Raman's spectroscopy by **IISC Bangalore** in front of large number of scientists. Also he performed in Alvas Deepavali in front of 20,000 audiences.

He performed live Sand art for all IPL team anthems at the **IPL workshop-2013** for team owners at Jodhpur.

2013- The major hotel launches in sand art in this year was **Marriot Bangalore** and the Gate way hotel and resort at Hubli. Also he performed for **International Food Fest** at Park Square mall ITPL Bangalore. He performed live, sand art as the background in the play Mullah Nasrudin, in **International theatre festival** for children at Rangashankara.

2014- He performed with **Sonu Nigam** in the live concert at Nagpur. Also he performed in the 5th addition, award ceremony for Namma Bengaluru foundation.

With all these performances he has also performed for many corporate companies like Wipro, Seimens, Emids, Accenture, Sony, Sap labs, EY, Herman, Hindustan Uniliver, Benz, Audi, General Motors and many more.

2015- **Govt of Uttarakhand** Power Corporation invited for the special performance.

ISRO satellite centre Bangalore ARMS- 2015

IMTEX -2015 at Bangalore international exhibitions centre, with these he has also performed for **Airtel, Volvo, GE, PESIT, Wipro, 3M, Terex, value point,**

Cargil, Bostik, Dr.reddy's, Sabre, Elloit, Lisha switches, SKC Footwear, Lufthansa, Sony, BOSCH, PMC and many more corporate and public shows.

2016- Took part in a very special project for **UNESCO, "SHANTI SAMSARA"** conducted by **Grammy winner Ricky Kaje**, in which 6 more Grammy winners took part with more than 100 renowned musicians from all over the world. Performing in front of a crowd of about 5 lakh in AJJANA JATRE Koppala was unforgettable where **Bharata Ratna Dr. CNR Rao** was also present. With all these performed for **Vijaya bank, rashi seeds, nova nordisk, INCIDENT-16, sap labs, BOSCH, manipal university, tagma India, big basket, Asian paints, the grand Mercury hotel launch, 115 years celebration of shatayu Ayurveda, ABB, Akshaya Patra, Microsoft, sleep well, Johnson tiles, oppo mobiles, TVS, ultratech cement, BANGALORE International Airport, husky, shaw India, Scania, Global water meet** at Dharwad.

2017- Vidhana Soudha 60 years celebration was one of the major events for this year. SOMA festival, GST south Indian seminar, Anjani Putra movie audio launch were also the marking events. With these performed for Air bus, shell, Asian paints, HDFC Bank, VOLVO, **Cypress, BOSCH, Swiggy 3rd year celebration, SAKRA hospital % year celebration, Cap Gemini family day, microfocus 2017, TCS, EY, ACC Cement, GKVK Bangalore, Manipal Hospital and many more.**

2018- Ajjana Jatire Koppala, performing in front of a huge **crowd of about 5 lakhs** was mesmerising. And sharing the stage in 50 years celebration of Chinmaya mission with many **gammy award winners** was great show. Performing in Atirudra Mahayaga Assam with well-known musicians of India was a memorable experience. With these performed for **SBI life, Sony Samagama, Dhaanya Seeds, Madanotsava, Sprinkler annual meet, Philips annual day, NAL, Titan new building launch, Ultratech cement, Sathya sai tours 50 years celebration, HDFC south region meet, Cerner and many more.**

2019 - Kotra - India Korea joint venture at Ahmadabad was one of the major event of 2019, with this Oracle e-tech hub launch, **National Aeronautic Limited (NAL)** CSIR meet 2019, **5th World Kannada convention 2019 (NAVIKA)** Cincinnati, USA, TK Gas annual meet, Sony Samagama 2019 were also made 2019 an art full year.

With these performed for Ametek 10 years celebration, Snack Down -19, Bharth Petroleum, Birla White, Manipal Hospital, Merk India day, Cargill Green day-2019, Accenture Excellent award, **Society general Asian Paints Canara Bank, Nasdaq** and for many more.

2020 - 2nd World harmonium Summit, Gastro Enterology world conference was two big events to start the year. "MEET THE WALL" a special story about Legend **Rahul Dravid** for Manipal Hospital was a memorable event.

With these performed for Abbott meet 2020, Thinker's meet "Prajna Pravaha", NEWS technology,

HP FY-19, MARALU NERLU for kalarnava 2020, Inflow Box, Honda Utsav and more to go.

Did virtual shows and some videos for, Sand Shadow and Sorcery, Doctors day special for Manipal Hospital, PWC, **ILA- the Earth Symphony** in this more than hundred artists around the globe were involved. A video for hundred years of **Loins club international**, a virtual show for Havyaka Balaga United Kingdom, Thirty years of Publicis Sapient,

2021 - Live show at Forum Mall koramangala and at Vega city mall Bangalore.

Lilly India five years celebration, The Tamara coorg, Signature estate garden Guwahati live show with Padmabhooshana Awardee Sivamani.

Dentsu world Services, Hi Labs, **IIT Trichy**, Bangalore Traffic police, Disha Bharat, GIZ India, Biostad India, 20 years of Sundaram Motors, **Mercedes Benz, DHL Bangalore** Gateway Launch, HP Global Customer Care Centre, Alliance University and more 10 Recorded Video projects for Corporates.

Sri Rama Vaibhava Complete Ramayana Story in Sand Art and shadow play along with Music Team.

Tata Steel 100 Years, INDO – RUSSION IT Association, Story of Karnataka,

Karnataka Samskrutika Utsava Organised by Kannada Culture Department
Govt of Karnataka.

2022 - Marvell FAMJAM, Giriti Software 10Year Celebration,
Inaugural sand art Act for **13 Bengaluru International Film Festival**,
Sony Samagama 2022, Purunai Nellai Book Fair 2022 Tirunelveli Tamilnadu,
KHELO INDIA University Games Launch in Kanteerava Stadium Bangalore,
Altair 25 Years celebration, 45 Years celebrations of Savitri group of industries.
Ashirvad pipes Artistry product Launch Jaipur and Chennai. **CIM Tools Pvt Ltd**
25 years Celebration **BI Worldwide** 10 years Calibrations, **Merapashu 360** App
launch Pullman New Delhi Aerocity,
India Global Innovation Connect hosted by **Mr.Claude Smadja** Ex Managing
Director of **World Economic Forum**.
7 wonders of the world china winter Olympics
80th Annual Conference of **All India Ophthalmological Society** at Jio World
Convention Centre, Mumbai. **Axis Bank** Managers meet in **Hyderabad**,
World Konkani Convention 2022 San Jose California USA
Havyaka Associations of America convention - 2022 in San Ramon California
USA. **Sanatana Dharma Kendra** Milpitas CA **USA**, **NASDAQ** 75th Indian
Independence Day Celebration, Bread Financial **Hall of Fame Awards**, **TATA**
Steel SHE Excellence Award – 2022 in Tata Nagar Jamshedpur. **Siemens**
Award program, **Google** House party, SKF Bearing Company, **London Stock**
Exchange Group, **Google** Developers, Fortis Hospital, BSS Micro finance, **TUV**
Rheinland, Karnataka Employers Association 60 year celebration, Leuze India,
Quest Global 25 years celebration, **Honda** HMSI 20 years celebration, **GE**
healthcare, **Emmes India**, 14th **Global Convention** of NITK Suratkal.

2023 - **Bosch** Global Software Technologies, **Shell**, **Bechtel** 125th year
celebration in India Delhi, **Aris Global** Annual Day, **HCL Tech** Henkel, Tanishq
Factory outlet launch in Hosur TN, **7Eleven** GSC, **JK Fenner**,

International shows-

Sand art performance at **Kuwait** Kannada Koota.

Sultan Qaboos University, **Oman,Hong Kong** kannada Kota,
5th World Kannada convention 2019 (NAVIKA) **Cincinnati, Boston, Washington
DC, New York, USA.**

World Konkani Convention 2022 San Jose California USA

Havyaka Associations of America convention - 2022 in San Ramon **California
USA**

Brand Promotion video in Sand Art

- **Shatayu Ayurveda**
- **Kanti Sweets**
- **Ashirvad Pipes**
- **Eye Donation**
- **Manipal Hospital**

Documentaries in Sand Art-

- **Father of the Nation - Mahatma Gandhi**
- **Karnataka University Dharwad**
- **Padmabhushan Dr.BKS Iyenger**
- **Dr.Rajakumar and his films**
- **Story of Panchamasali Gurupeetha**
- **Lions club International**
- **Story of Karnataka**
- **75th Year of Indian Independence**
- **Freedom Fighters of Karnataka (Amrtha Bharatige Kannadadaarati) On
the Occasion of 75th Indian Independence.**

Sand Art in Films and Tele serials –

- **“The House Next Door” – Featured in three languages, Starred Siddharth
and Andrea Jeremiah.**
- **The statement - Kannada movie**
- **Thank you Appa directed by Vinayak Joshi**
- **Namma Uru Bengaluru – serial title track**
- **Chintu TV 10 Year Celebration**

Exhibitions

- 2001- 15th All India Art Exhibition at Nagpur.
- 2001- Karnataka Shilpakala Academy Exhibition.
- 2002- A.I.F.A.C.S. State Level Exhibition, Bangalore.
- 2003- Installation Workshop Exhibition at Chitrakala Parishath Curated by Prof. Dr. Joseph A Hanselmann.
- 2005- Solo show in Garuda mall Bangalore.
- 2003, 2004, 2005- Group show in Chitra Kala Parishat Bangalore.
- 2007- Group show in Ramashrama Bangalore.
- 2008- Select show in Bangalore.
- 2020- "The Box art gallery" Florida, USA.
- 2020- Google Books Art and Culture globally.
- 2021 – Indian Institute of World Culture Art gallery Inaugural group show.
- 2021 – 60 Years of CKP 'DRAWING THE LINES' drawing Exhibition Curated by Rama Sharma
- 2021 - Amrutha Drushyakala Utsava -21, Calibrations of 75years of Independence. Group show conducted by Samskara Bharati Bangalore.
- 2021 – 'Sands of Time' Solo Sand Painting Exhibition. In this More than 50 Sand Paintings sold by Private persons
- 2022 – International poster competition from Gandhi research foundation Jalgaon Maharashtra
- 2022 - International Art Festival "Art Portrait" in Moscow, Russia.
- 2022 - Alumni Exhibition in Chitrakala Parishath Bangalore

AWARDS

Indian Iconic Artist of the Year- 2023 – Pride India

'Prakruti Award 2022' from prakruti Foundation

3rd prize in the international portrait contest. At International Art Festival "Art Portrait" in Moscow, Russia.2022

2021 – Gandhi Research Foundation International Poster Competition Merit. Special recognition from Our School Bangalore. 2019

'Kalavatamsa' award from Gokulam School of music. 2016.

Special recognition from Bangalore International Airport. 2016.

Special recognition from Karnataka craft council. 2015.

Special recognition from Hong Kong kannada Kota. 2015.

- **'Nandi Kannada Siri'** award from Nandi garden's Bangalore. 2014.
- **'Havyaka vidvath sammana'** award from havyaka mahasabha, Bangalore. 2013.
- **'Young achiever'** award from **ISRO**, Bangalore. 2013.
- **Mayura'** award from Surve culture academy Bangalore. 2008.
- 2nd, Prize in 20th Century Icon Contest, Conducted by Prof Josef A. Hensalman from Germany. 2004.
- Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath Award. 2003.
- Agni Seva Trust Puraskar for Sculpture Work. 2003.
- **Havyaka Rastriya Prathibha Purasakara** award for Sculpture. 2001.
- 15th All India Art Contest Award and Exhibition at Nagpur. 2001.
- Second Prize in Mysore Dasara Exhibition. 2000.
- First Prize in Mysore Dasara Exhibition. 1998.

My Arts have been part of the following collections.

- Rashtrapathi Bhavan, New Delhi.
- Garuda mall, Bangalore.
- Bharathiya Vidya Bhavan, Bangalore
- Ramachandrapur mutt, Hosanagara Shimoga.
- Rang sons Mysore
- South Central Zone Cultural Centre –Nagpur (M.P.)
- Venkatappa Art Gallery, Bangalore
- Mysore Association, Mumbai

Many more personal collections in India and abroad.

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