

Artists and Social Commentary

Several artists in this exhibition have made work that comments on politics, history, and/or society. Some works comment on societal behaviour or human nature while others refer to a specific situation or trend in a particular area of the world at a specific point in time.

What do you think the following artists have to say about their societies? Go and look at the work again in detail.

1. Khadim Ali

2. Shilpa Gupta

3. Norberto Roldan

4. Vincent Leong

Have you ever encountered a work that changed your views on something? Maybe it was a book, a song, a video, a film, a design, or even an advertisement that made you think about an issue differently? Describe that experience.

What are some issues that are currently facing your school/community/nation/world?

What issue are you passionate about? In the space below, sketch or write ideas on how you might raise awareness about that issue. What art form will you use? Don't worry too much about how your drawing or notes look—the main thing to consider is your original idea.

In what ways do you think art could help to highlight this issue?
