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Colouring Sheets:

Kalam Patua

A woman styling her hair, Kalam Patua, 2007, PTG.00226

Kalam Patua is an artist from West Bengal who is inspired by the traditional Kalighat painters. Characteristic features in his work are bold brushstrokes and the quick application of watercolours – can you see them in this painting?

Patua also has a step-by-step process of making his paintings that involves making a pencil layout first, followed by black outlining and finally colouring.

Below are some of Kalam Patua's drawings. Try your hand at colouring them with watercolours and quick strokes like Patua, or invent your own style using a colouring medium you prefer!

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