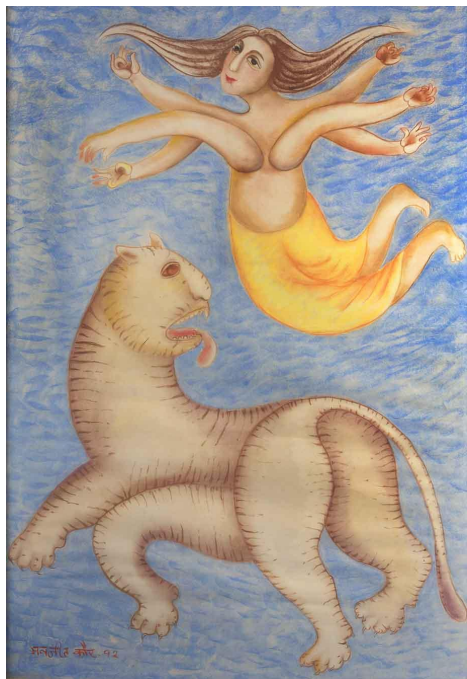


Stories With Art: Old Images, New Tales



Manjit Bawa was an Indian artist who loved myths and legends. He often painted these stories and their characters, but gave them a slightly different look and feel. Each painting has enough clues for you to know who it represents, but Bawa could create new stories about them just by changing a few small things.



Here is a painting by him that represents a famous character from the myths of India.

- Can you guess who it is? How did you know? Do you notice anything different from other images you have seen of this character?
- What new stories can you make about this character now that you noted the difference?

Answer: This is the Hindu goddess Durga. She is commonly shown wearing a red saree and fighting a demon. Here however, she does not look angry at all and looks more like she is having a great time floating around and playing with her pet lion!

Rewrite the Story!

Now inspired by Bawa, let's create new stories with some old characters. Below are some artworks from the MAP collection which feature characters that might seem familiar. One artwork tells us a story from the Ramayana, one captures an important political moment and one is trying to sell us something. Now, can you create new stories for these artworks and the characters in them by changing a few small things here and there?

Draw your vision out in the space provided.



Don't forget to take photographs of your creations and DM it to us on Instagram @mapbangalore. You can also email them to us at education@map-india.org

