



**SUMA ORIENTALIS**

**WE NEED NO  
SUPERHEROES**

**Syukur Rani**

10 - 24 April 2021

By Appointment Only

“To find a form that accommodates the mess, that is the task of the artist now.”

- Samuel Beckett (1906-1989), Irish novelist, playwright and poet.

Amidst the post-pandemic new norm and startling political saga in this country, Syukur Rani relates the audience to the circumstances by depicting the scenario in action-packed comic-like visual parlance. Rendering his protagonists in a pastel-coloured chaotic environment, Syukur Rani interjected his free-spirited works with an assuring assertion, which at first glance could be read as his monologue, and later seeps in to the viewer’s mind for deeper resonance.

Juxtaposed with typography and dialogue balloons with an attempt to accentuate the friskiness, Syukur Rani’s works are a light-hearted commentary with political innuendoes camouflaged in his idea of daily survival — that most people fight the battle of life as a superhero to themselves. Recognising that the labels of heroes and villains are subjective, his works also question the flimsiness of the mass’s hope in waiting for a political saviour as he derides the act of endowing one’s own destiny upon others who may eventually fail them

## EXHIBITION HIGHLIGHTS

**THE BREADWINNER**

2021  
203x190cm  
Oil on canvas





**THE LONE WALKER**

2021  
183x183cm  
Oil on canvas

**THE  
DISGUISER**

2021  
220x152cm  
Oil on canvas





**THE TRUTH PREACHER**

2021  
183x183cm  
Oil on canvas

**THE SURVIVOR**

2021  
152x122cm  
Oil on canvas







## THE FROG WARRIOR

2021

152x122cm

Oil on canvas

**THE RESCUER**

2021  
152x122cm  
Oil on canvas



## **SYUKUR RANI**

B. 1994  
Kuala Lumpur  
Malaysia

### **Education**

2017 Bachelor of Fine Art (Hons.), UiTM, Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia.

### **Awards**

2017 **Jury Selection Works**, MIDF Art Awards, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2017 **3rd Place**, Doodle Competition, Mission of Art, Brainspot Space, Setia Alam, Selangor, Malaysia.

2017 **Anugerah Pencapaian Akademik Cemerlang**, Department of Fine Art, UiTM, Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia.

2017 **Consolation Prize**, Orchid Painting Competition, Galeri Shah Alam, Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia.

2017 **Dean List 03, 05 Degree** UiTM Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia.

2017 **Dean List 05 Diploma** UiTM Sri Iskandar, Malaysia.

### **Selected Group Exhibitions**

2021 **Positive**, Segaris Art Centre, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2020 **Furiends**, G13 Gallery, Kelana Jaya, Malaysia.

**Journey ii (Young and Bold)**, Artas Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2020 **Prana**, KL City Art Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2020 **NO(W) Showing**, Segaris Art Centre, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2020 **Possibilia**, Rumah Seni Selangor (RUSSEL), Selangor, Malaysia.

2020 **Oeuvre**, Galeri Prima NSTP, Bangsar, Malaysia.

2019 **Transit 2x2**, HOM Art Trans, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2019 **Sama Sama**, Whitebox, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2019 **The Mellinials**, Artemis Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2019 **Set In Motion**, G13 Gallery, Selangor, Malaysia

2019 **Yang bukan bukan**, HOM Art Trans, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2019 **Tikiboo**, Suma Orientalis, Petaling Jaya, Selangor, Malaysia.

2019 **Revival U12**, Galeri Prima, Bangsar, Malaysia.

2018 **Progride**, Artcube Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2018 **U12**, Galeri Prima Nstp, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2018 **Charity Show: Young Help Young**, Galeri Prima Nstp, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2018 **Art Show Publika**, Publika, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2018 **Morphosis**, Galeri Prima, Bangsar, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2018 **NANDOS Intiative**, Publika, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2018 **Merah Putih Biru Kuning**, G13 Gallery, Kelana Jaya, Selangor, Malaysia.

2017 **Bintang 5: Vol 1**, Segaris Art Centre, Publika, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

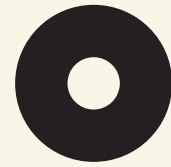
2017 **ALTRUISM**, Galeri Prima, NSTP, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2017 **TWELVE**, Galeri Alam Impian, Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia.

2017 **Anugerah Seni MIDF 2017**, Menara MIDF, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2017 **Inception**, HOM Art Trans, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

2017 **Sensation**, Whitebox Publika, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.



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