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*Inspired by the Renaissance, a nurse-turned-artist's paintings reflect the chaos of our times.*

**Dec 10, 2021**

**Imrin Sidhu**

*Renaissance*

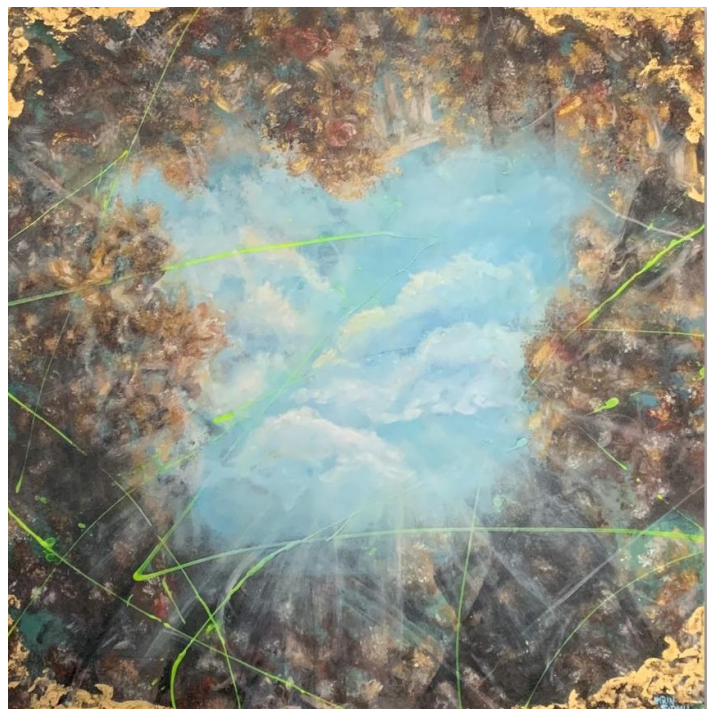
**Exhibition Date:** Dec 10, 2021

**Venue:** 2nd Floor, 4715– 50 Ave,  
Calmar, Alberta, T0C 0V0

**Website:** [zypgallery.ca](http://zypgallery.ca)

CALMAR, Alberta - **Zyp Art Gallery is pleased to present *Renaissance*, a series of five paintings by Imrin Sidhu.**

**A registered nurse from Edmonton, Imrin turned to her paintbrush and colours to overcome the imminent sadness and anxiety caused by the pandemic.**



The exhibition will be open in person and online beginning today, Dec 10 and will be on view through February 2022.

In her series, Imrin depicts the existing time being at the cusp of a renaissance. "History has shown us that after a devastating period, the aftermath often gives way for innovation, social change and personal growth." Imrin believes the pandemic presents us with a chance to pause and reflect on ourselves and the chaos taking place. She intends to instil hope in people and provide a chance for rediscovery.

A self-taught artist, Imrin prefers to work in the abstract as it carries "hidden meanings," enticing viewers to explore the depths. In her paintings she uses acrylic on canvas, usually

bold colours and intuitive gestures and marks. The creator in Imrin draws inspiration from history and recreates it with a unique twist.

In the art world, Imrin finds herself a minority being a woman of colour. She aspires to inspire many others to take risks as she does.

**About the Gallery:** Zyp Art Gallery is a passion project of Dr. Nhung Tran-Davies, a Vietnamese refugee whose family was sponsored to Canada. In 2018, she opened the gallery to honour one of her five sponsor families - the Zyps. Hank and Tillie Zyp played a significant role in Dr. Tran-Davies' inspiring journey.

The gallery creates exhibitions that educate and engage schools and local communities. Since Zyp Art Gallery's inception, it has held 15 exhibitions with artworks from local artists, community groups, and school children.

Visit the Zyp Art Gallery this winter, where we are bustling with great art and invite you to reconnect in a safe environment.

For more information about how to plan your visit and our health and safety measures, visit <https://zypgallery.ca/visit>

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