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The Bandwalla bronzes by Krishen Khanna celebrate the timeless spirit of India's street musicians - trumpeters, drummers, and horn players who embody festivity, rhythm, and endurance. Cast in bronze with remarkable sensitivity to movement and expression, these sculptures capture fleeting moments of music, camaraderie, and human connection, transforming them into lasting emblems of collective joy and resilience. Through these figures, Krishen pays tribute to the unsung heroes of Indian wedding processions and public celebrations, elevating everyday performers into symbols of dignity and endurance. In uniting the vitality of these musicians with the enduring quality of bronze - a metal whose strength and luster preserve their spirit for generations - Krishen's Bandwallas become both a celebration of life's rhythms and a meditation on permanence.

SANTOSH KUMAR BEEN WALLA
BRONZE | 49” X 23” X 27”







SHAM SUNDER TRUMPET WALLA
BRONZE | 56” X 32” X 20”







“The function of art is not decorative. True art defeats time, place and people. Art must go beyond a pretty picture. My gaze is independent of my pencil-holding hand. I think I could shut my eyes without ceasing to scribble. People say, ‘A map of an unknown galaxy’, ‘the pencil has become an extension of the nerves of my hand’, and other such nonsense. Sustained scribbling achieves only a small inroad which may dislodge an image. Sounds dramatic, doesn’t it? But it isn’t always so. I would repeat the contours of a subject I have tackled before, which is not to say that I would not go back to the same subject in the hope of discovering another dimension.”

KRISHEN KHANNA



SHIV KUMAR SIPPY TRUMPET WALLA
BRONZE | 52” X 36” X 20”







PATINDER JI HARAN WALLA
BRONZE | 56” X 32” X 18”







REKHY SAAB DRUM WALLA
BRONZE | 46” X 24” X 20”












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BEING CAST IN BRONZE

ABOUT KRISHEN KHANNA ART LLP

Krishen Khanna Art LLP is dedicated to preserving and celebrating the artistic legacy of one of India's most distinguished modern masters. The LLP engages with the presentation of Krishen Khanna's artworks across diverse media, including sculpture and large - scale public art, ensuring his vision continues to resonate with contemporary audiences. Through exhibitions, publications, and cultural collaborations, the LLP works to expand the reach of his enduring themes - humanity, memory, and collective experience - bringing them into dialogue with new generations. It also serves as a platform for institutional partnerships and curatorial projects that honour Khanna's lifelong contribution to Indian modernism and the evolving story of art in the public realm.

“Through a series of happy coincidences, I have received so much from everyone in my life”

KRISHEN KHANNA

