Palettes Pioneer India

Portrait Artist of the Year · Season 2

The Finalists

Portrait Artist of the Year, Season 2 · Dated: 31st October 2026

Palettes Pioneer India is pleased to announce the finalists of Portrait Artist of the Year, Season 2, a national portrait painting competition that received entries from artists across India. After careful evaluation of every entry, and of additional works submitted by the shortlisted artists, the jury has selected the following ten artists to compete in the Grand Finale:

S. No.	Name of the Artist	State
1.	**Ankur Bansal**	Haryana
2.	**Chinmay Vaidya**	Maharashtra
3.	**Farhan Beg**	Maharashtra
4.	**Gaurav Wathodkar**	Maharashtra
5.	**Nameirakpam Rishikanta Singh**	Manipur
6.	**Pranaya Keerthi Avuthu**	Andhra Pradesh
7.	**Ritesh Kumar Sahu**	Chhattisgarh
8.	**Sagnik Sen**	West Bengal
9.	**Sia Kashyap**	Maharashtra
10.	**Sumanta Das**	West Bengal

Names are listed in alphabetical order and do not indicate any ranking.

The Grand Finale will be held on **Sunday, 13th December 2026**, in **Hyderabad**, where the finalists will paint live and the winner of Portrait Artist of the Year, Season 2 will be announced. Each finalist will be contacted individually with further details.

We congratulate all the finalists and sincerely thank every artist who participated in this edition.

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