## Art and apartheid

Artist Sanna Naidoo has been involved in organizing women artists in South Africa to support each other and share ideas.

Many of the women are self-taught artists: mothers, grandmothers, ex-students and working women. "We paint and drawfor different reasons. There are women painting for the sheer pleasure of having a hobby, some

use art as therapy to get over depression and personal problems, to survive the trauma of detention."

Our works are a reflection of life under apartheid South Africa. Our artists use their art as a way to express the enormity of the struggles in South Africa. Our work tells of our life of equalities and abnormalities - above all, it tells of our life of

hopes, of a vision for a better tomorrow."

These artists have taken the responsibility of showing through art forms the country's struggle against apartheid. Art and apartheid are interwoven in their work.

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