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MARIO JUNG

Born in Seoul, South Korea, on September 14, 1949, Myung "Mario" Jung began his promising career as a professional artist in the mid-1980s. Graduating from the Seoul Industrial Junior College in 1971, Mario longed for his artistic talents to take flight, and in 1986 he entered the Exhibition of Fine Art of the Seoul Artists Association, where he was awarded the Grand Prize of Western-style painting. Due to this immediate success, Mario was invited to become a member of the Seoul Artists' Association, of which he has now been a member for over 30 years.

His life changed drastically when he was paralyzed, blinded, and deafened as side effects from a catastrophic, third-story balcony fall. Not even interested in food, Mario was giving up until he had a spiritual dream that renewed his strength and his will to live. Leaving doctors, family, and friends amazed and perplexed, Mario recovered completely and has since meticulously developed his signature artistic style. His multi-faceted talent allows him to create richly colored landscapes, brimming with texture and warmth. Brushstrokes announced by fields of color and thick paint brings viewers to the setting sun across the spanning poppies or nestle them safely under a shaded tree.

In contrast, his photorealistic paintings create subtlety and sensuality as two lilies intertwine or pears reflect across a stark black canvas. Truly a talented artist, Mario's emerging popularity is heightened by his ability to create such a diverse range of work.

Mario Jung is a very shy and private person, he enjoys his time in the studio doing what he loves. His works are collected worldwide.

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CAREER SYNOPSIS

- 1971 Graduated from Seoul Industrial Junior College
- 1986 to Present Mr. Jung has been a member of the Seoul Artist Association
- 1986 Exhibition of Fine Art of the Seoul Artists Association
- 1986 Awarded Grand Prize of Western-style painting at the Exhibition of Fine Artist of the Seoul Artists' Association
- 1987 Korea Art Exhibition
- 1988 Un-Conception Painting / Korea Art Exhibition
- 1990 New York Art Expo
- 1990 Western Style Painting / Korea Art Exhibition
- 1991 Western Style Painting / Korea Art Exhibition
- 1991 Korea Art Exhibition
- 1992 Dino-A Art Festival of Dong-A Press Company
- 1992 Korea Art Exhibition
- 1992 Korea Art Exhibition
- 1993 Korea Art Exhibition; Molwoo Association Art Exhibition; HANKIIK Art and Culture Association
- 1993 Korea Art Exhibition
- 1993 2003 2007 Art Expo New York (annually)