

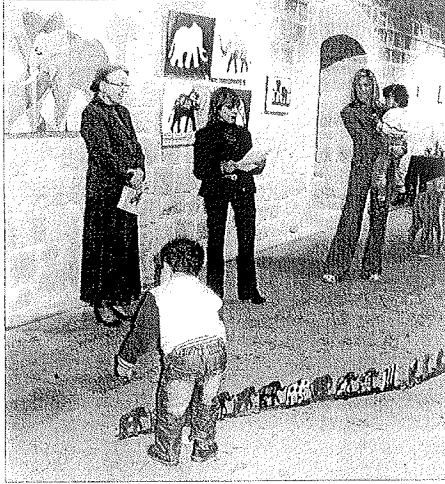
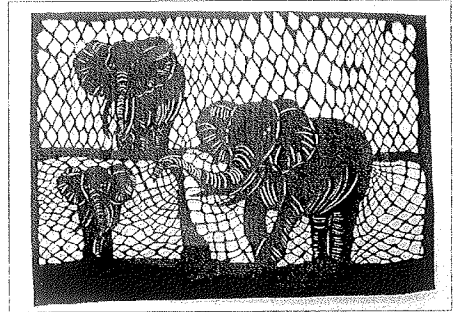
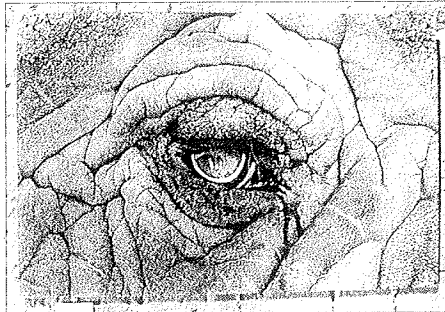
# 'Go Ganesha Go' Has Started to Walk

A fascinating collection of works by elephant-inspired people, children and adults, artists and non-artists but all with the same enthusiasm and love for the cause.

In two rooms of the beautiful Famagusta Gate Cultural Centre many elephants walk. Go Ganesha Go Peace Movement has come to Cyprus for a preview to show us what people around the world already have done and what the initiator,

German artist Rose Marie Gnausch has already collected to be brought here.

The exhibition was opened by Ute Woermann-Stylianou from the Goethe-Zentrum Nicosia which supports the event and by Daphne Trimikliniotis,



President of EKATE, the Cyprus Chamber of Fine Arts, explaining the concept of the new art and peace movement which is finally going to take place in May 2009 on both sides of the Lokmaci Crossing in the heart of the divided Old City of Nicosia.

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**About worldwide art movement "GO Ganesha GO"**

The artist Rose Marie Gnausch has studied fine arts in France and art history in the United States. After completing her studies she worked for three of America's most important museums; the Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), the Guggenheim Museum and the Metropolitan Museum of Art. She has organized

**GoGaneshaGo - Elephants for Peace**

A local art movement to exhibit at Famagusta Gate, Nicosia

14 - 22 January 2009

Opening on

Wednesday, 14 January at 20.00 hrs

by Mrs. Daphne Trimikliniotis

President of EKATE

the Cyprus Chamber of Fine Arts

This new art movement initiated by German artist Rosemarie Gnausch is meant to give a visual expression to the abstract concept and wish for peace.

It is the platform for anyone from anywhere in the world, children and grown-ups, artists and non-artists, to take part in its making. The common symbol of this movement is the elephant, a majestic and kind figure of great size and wisdom who lives harmoniously with all species.

In this project, art is applied as an active medium of a democratic society, harmonious as it works.

This January 2009 first exhibition is a preview and features preliminary sketches and designs of work in progress as well as the first finished art objects for a main event in May 2009, organized on both sides of Ledra Street in Nicosia.

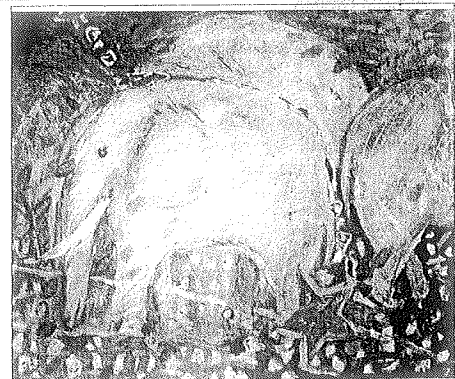
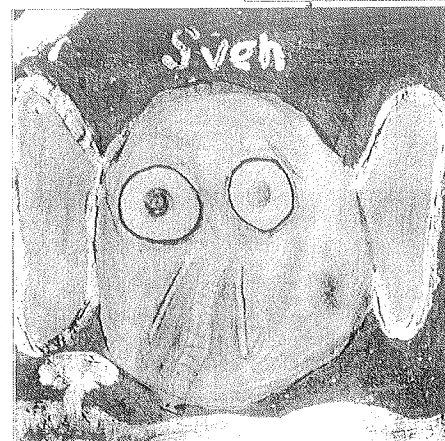
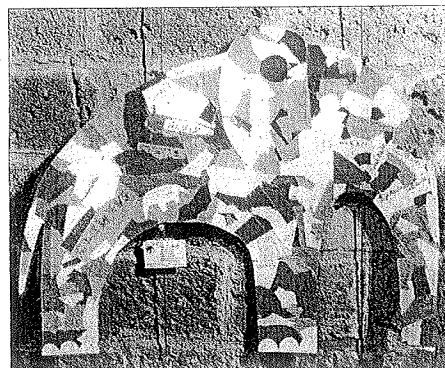
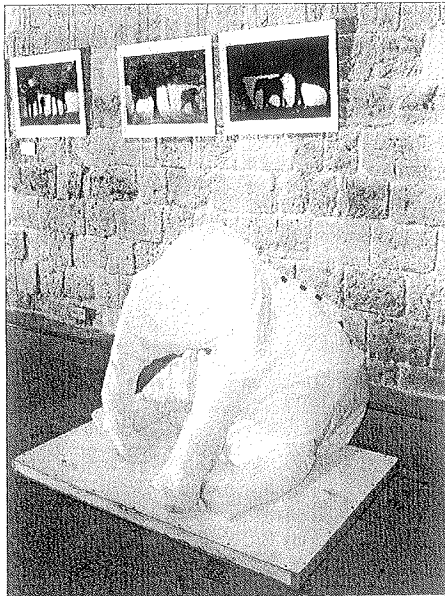
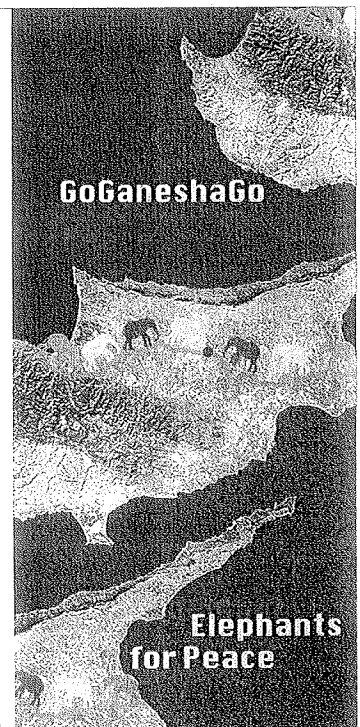
The exhibition will move on to other areas around the globe, such as Israel, Georgia, Kenya

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numerous exhibitions and was an active member of the 11th Documenta in Kassel. Rose Marie Gnausch has lived and worked in North Cyprus some years ago at the Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) in Famagusta as

head lecturer and she thought that the art movement would be the right place to start off with her art movement. Ganesha descends from the Indian mythology; he, a human body with an elephant head, is the direct son of Shiva and

Parvati and is known as remover of obstacles. She chose Ganesha as a symbol of strength, peacefulness and greatness. She travelled around the world to bring this idea to people with the appeal to join the movement and create an elephant of ones own imagination. It may be of any

material as a sculpture, a painting, or even dressed as elephants, compose music or create dance steps; make poems of a song. In some parts of the world people have already started working on the project. Spread the word: Go Ganesha Go [www.go-ganesha-go.com](http://www.go-ganesha-go.com)