

The name Kine Tibeb means 'Fine Art'. We are inspired by *Kine Tibeb Addis Ababa School of Fine Arts*, the only fine arts college in Ethiopia that has now merged with *Addis Ababa University*.

Kine Tibeb Addis Ababa School of Fine Arts have produced several distinguished artists since 1946. However, Ethiopian art did not grow as much as it could have, mainly because Ethiopian people were not well exposed to fine arts and fine arts education was limited to very few schools. Also, The importance of fine arts to the country's growth was neglected; The profession 'Artist' itself was rather looked down upon and hated by many. Thanks to the old-great artists who endured the worst and deliver us a new era where artists are now celebrated and respected.

That been said, we all know that Ethiopian art, from painting to music to literature, has been getting progressively worse. We are not here to talk about problems, but solutions. Criticisms are good, but solutions are better. That is what inspired Kine Tibeb Studios. We strongly believe that with selfless collaboration, consistent hard work, and unyielding determination we can reverse the down-sliding course of Ethiopian art back to its highpoint and better.

Kine Tibeb started about 4 years ago, when few of the Kine Tibeb crew were in college (Savannah College of Art and Design), with an idea to collaborate Ethiopian artists and creating a bridge between the artist and the people.

Kine Tibeb Studios are a group of studios that collaborate artists from all over the world and present unique and original artworks (paintings, sculptures, designs, prints, books, videos, music...etc) to you. We devote all our time and energy to present you quality works.

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