

About the Exhibitions

Painted Encounters: Parsi Traders and the Community, curated by Pheroza J. Godrej and Firoza Punthakey Mistree, traces through the medium of paintings, engravings and photographs, the extraordinary evolution of Parsi traders who built ships and facilitated trade with Canton in the 19th century. Parsi merchants hailing from hamlets in Gujarat and rich from the China Trade, commissioned Indian and European artists to paint portraits and were noteworthy patrons of these art forms. This exhibition examines the changing styles and influence of the genre loosely termed as 'Parsi portraiture' and explores the interesting historiography and times of the leading Parsi traders whose activities boosted capital accumulation and helped shape 19th century Bombay into an international, financial metropolis.

No Parsi is an Island, curated by Ranjit Hoskote and Nancy Adajania with Pheroza J. Godrej, is a curatorial re-reading of the work of 14 Parsi artists across 150 years, from Pestonji Bomanji (1851-1938) to Gieve Patel (b. 1940). This exhibition not only showcases the works of these artists, but also displays for the first time their rich and varied contributions to the domains of film, poetry, theatre, classical dance, crafts activism and children's literature.

Curated by:

Dr. Pheroza J. Godrej, Firoza Punthakey Mistree, Ranjit Hoskote and Nancy Adajania

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Exhibition open from 20 March to 29 May 2016, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Closed on Mondays and National Holidays

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Ministry of Culture, Government of India
and
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Cordially invite you to the Inauguration of the Exhibitions

**Painted Encounters
Parsi Traders and the Community
&
No Parsi is an Island**

by

Shri Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi

Hon'ble Minister of State for Minority Affairs and
Parliamentary Affairs

In the presence of

Shri Narendra Kumar Sinha
Secretary, Ministry of Culture
and

Shri Rakesh Garg
Secretary, Ministry of Minority Affairs

on Sunday, 20 March 2016, 5:30 pm
At NGMA Lawns
Jaipur House, New Delhi-110003



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