



Indian Contemporary Art

The role of the Gallery

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Before we start...

Key differences between Modern
and Contemporary
Indian art.

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Modern Indian Art

M.F. Husain (1915 -2011)



M.F. HUSAIN
WOMEN FROM YEMEN
2006
WATERCOLOR ON PAPER
58 X 46 INCHES

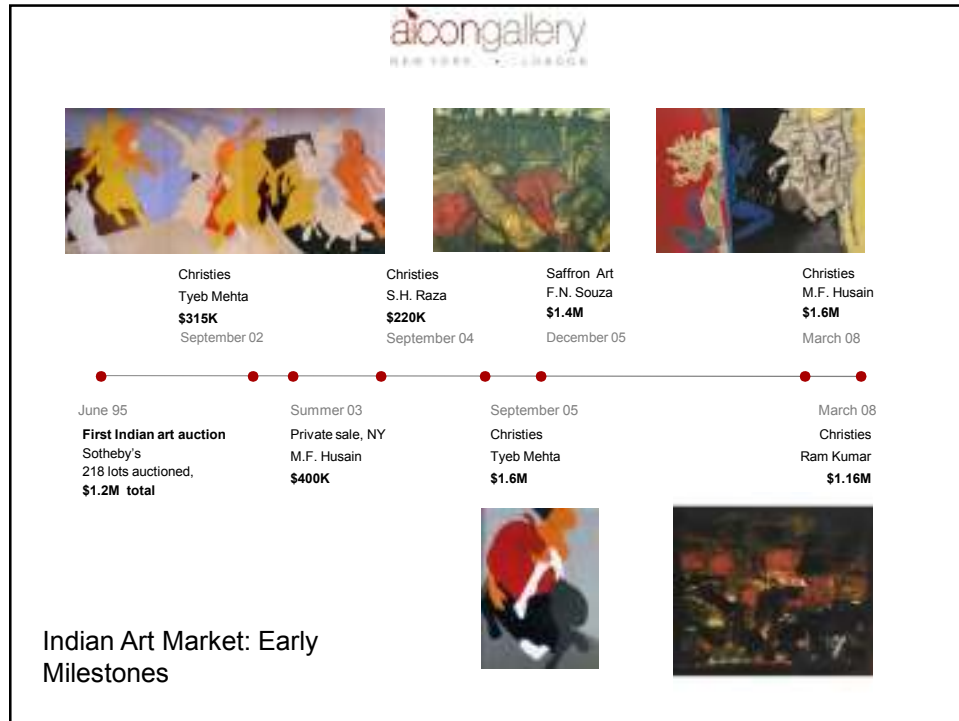
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Contemporary Indian Art

Debanjan Roy




DEBANJAN ROY
INDIA SHINING I (GANDHI AND THE LAPTOP)
EDITION OF 5
2007
Fiberglass with acrylic paint
27 x 46 x 30 in.




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Indian Art: The 07/08 Press Boom

<p>THE WALL STREET JOURNAL <i>"India's Art Market Grows Up - Fast"</i> <i>Jacob Hale Russel</i> Wall Street Journal December 2, 2006</p> <p>TIMES <i>"The Bombay Boys"</i> <i>James Collard</i> The Times April 7, 2007</p> <p>FORTUNE <i>"How to Get a Foothold in India's Hot Art Market"</i> <i>Rupali Arora</i> Fortune July 18, 2007</p> <p>Forbes <i>"Art That's Hotter than Curry"</i> <i>Susan Adams</i> Forbes.com August 13, 2007</p>	<p>Telegraph <i>"Moving with The Times: Art for the International India Class"</i> <i>Soumitra Das</i> March 12, 2007</p> <p>FINANCIAL TIMES <i>"A Market for the 'Bombay Boys'"</i> <i>Afsun Qureshi</i> Financial Times May 25, 2008</p> <p>TIME <i>"Buyer's Market"</i> <i>Jyoti Thottam</i> Time Magazine June 22, 2009</p> <p>The New York Times <i>"After a Slow Beginning, Interest in Indian Art Grows"</i> <i>Hillary Brenhouse</i> New York Times Sept. 4, 2009</p>
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What was the divide pre 2007 compared to post 2007. How has this effected the role of the gallery ? Adapt or die...



Indian collectors are not shy of letting you know what they have bought from auctions. A few famous examples are...



S.H. Raza, Saurashtra, \$3,500,000
Sold to: Kiran Nadar (Museum of Art)
From Christie's

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F.N. Souza, The Birth, \$2,500,000
Sold to: Tina Ambani (Harmon Foundation)
From Christie's

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What are the advantages from buying at a gallery ? What are the key differences between the gallery and the auction house ?



Famous acquisitions from
Aicon Gallery are....



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What have they just done ?!

They have just reset the prices for all contemporary works. Obliterated the market...

Who will rise up and become the new stars ?

Saffronart

What have they just done ?!





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Adeela Suleman



Asian Art Triennial, Manchester



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Abir Karmakar "The Morning After"

current show



Abir Karmakar, *Scent II*, 2011, Oil on canvas, 48 x 72 in.

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Abir Karmakar, *In The Old Fashioned Way 5*, 2007, oil on canvas, 72 x 107 in.



The relationship between the gallery and the artist.
The role of the 'artists liaison' is crucial to the success
of the gallery



How is Aicon
Gallery a green
self sustainable
environment ?



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