

Aicon Gallery Opens in New York's Lower East Side Gallery District

NEW YORK—Aicon Gallery announces the relocation of Aicon Gallery New York to New York's dynamic Lower East Side gallery district. Previously located in New York's Flatiron district, and with additional galleries in Palo Alto, Calif., and London, Aicon Gallery New York is expanding into the thriving cultural center of the Lower East Side, furthering its goal of placing South Asian contemporary art at the cultural forefront. The gallery opens in September.

As one of the foremost galleries focusing on Indian and Pakistani artists, Aicon Gallery has brought the works of established and emerging contemporary artists from the region, along with those of modern masters, to the center of the international art world. Designed by Nobu Arai, the new location will be two floors and a total of 8,000 square feet.

The new space's inaugural exhibition, "The Ghost of Souza," will be on view through October. Celebrating the career of Francis Newton Souza (1924-2002), one of the first Indian artists to receive widespread international exposure, the show will present midcentury works by Souza from Aicon's collection alongside new works created by contemporary artists in response to the Indian master's paintings.

The show has been organized by Delhi-based curator Alexander Keefe and will include artworks by the contemporary Indian and Pakistani artists Abir Karmakar, Debnath Basu, Adip Dutta, Neeraj Goswami, G. R. Iranna, Sonia Khurana, Riyas Koum, Bose Krishnamachari, Shibu Natesan, Baiju Parthan, Justin Ponmany, Ashim Purkayashta, Tazeeb Qayyum, T.V.Santhosh, Chintan Upadhyay, Vivek Vilasini and Muhammad Zeeshan.

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