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From The Editor's Desk



Dr. Dnyaneshwar Mulay
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Dear Readers,

It is with great pride and enthusiasm that we introduce Swadeshi Connect, a magazine dedicated to bridging the gap between Indians across the globe. This platform is more than just a publication; it is a vibrant confluence of ideas, achievements, and cultural heritage that binds us as a global community.

In an era where distances have been reduced to mere seconds through technology, Swadeshi Connect aims to create a meaningful exchange between Indians in the homeland and the vast Indian diaspora. Whether it is business collaborations, the celebration of our rich traditions, or individual success stories that inspire, this magazine serves as a conduit for connection and growth.

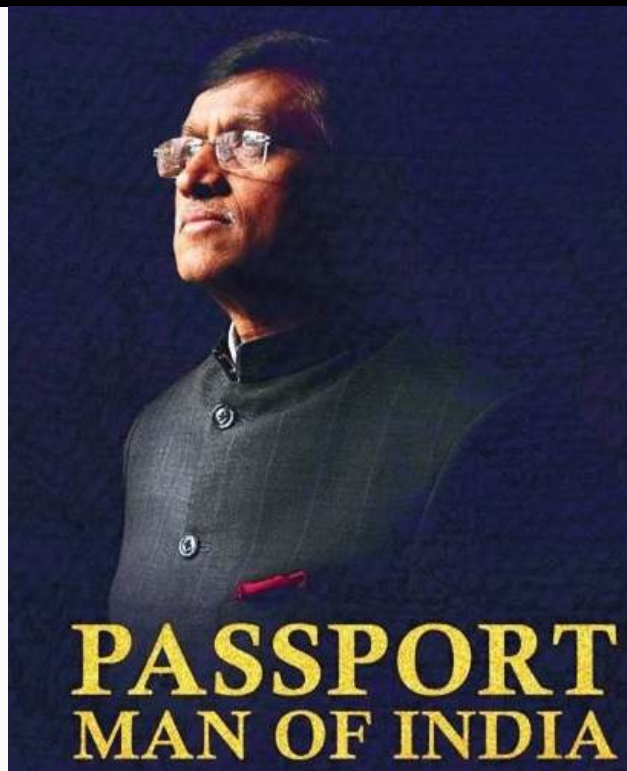
Through Swadeshi Connect, we bring to you compelling narratives of innovation, perseverance, and cultural pride. We spotlight entrepreneurs forging new paths, artists preserving our heritage, and individuals making a mark on the world stage. Each issue is a testament to the indomitable spirit of India and its people, no matter where they reside.

We invite you to be a part of this journey—share your stories, insights, and achievements. Let Swadeshi Connect be the voice that strengthens our global bond and showcases the brilliance of our community to the world

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dnyaneshwar Mulay'.

DR DNYANESHWAR M MULAY

**FORMER AMBASSADOR, SECRETARY TO GOI &
CURRENTLY ADVISOR TO NATIONAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**



Dnyaneshwar Mulay an Indian Career Diplomat who superannuated after 35 years of service, was appointed by the President of India as the Member, National Human Rights Commission in April 2019. He joined the Indian Foreign Service in 1983 and has since served in several capacities, including the Consul general of India, New York. and the High Commissioner of India, Male Maldives. He is a successful writer and has written over 15 books, which have been translated in Arabic, Dhivehi, Urdu, Kannada and Hindi. His magnum-opus - Maati, Pankh ani Akash, written in Marathi, has received immense popularity and has also been prescribed in the Arts curriculum at the north Maharashtra university, Jalgaon. He has inspired a number of socio-educational projects including Balodyan, an orphanage in his native village, and the Dnyaneshwar Mulay Education Society in Pune which seeks to introduce innovative concepts like Global Education.

From The Editor's Desk



Dr. Amitabh Shrivastav
Editor-in-Chief

Our Vision

To be the definitive global platform that unites Indians across the world, fostering a strong connection between the homeland and the Indian diaspora. Swadeshi Connect envisions a vibrant community where heritage, art, culture, fashion, tourism, business, and individual achievements are celebrated and exchanged, creating a bridge between tradition and modernity.

Our Mission

To showcase and preserve the rich Indian heritage, art, and culture by providing a platform for meaningful dialogue and collaboration. To highlight success stories of Indian entrepreneurs, professionals, and changemakers across the world, inspiring global connections and opportunities. To promote Indian fashion, tourism, and traditional crafts, strengthening their presence on the global stage. To facilitate knowledge-sharing and networking among Indian businesses and professionals, fostering economic and cultural ties. To celebrate the diverse accomplishments of the Indian diaspora, ensuring their contributions to society and culture are recognized and appreciated. Swadeshi Connect is more than a magazine; it is a movement to strengthen the bond between India and its people worldwide, preserving our legacy while embracing the future.

DR. AMITABH SHRIVASTAV

*Innovative
Visual*

Designer & bionic artist

Dr. Amitabh Shrivastav, born on July 2, 1977, in Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh, and raised in Maharashtra, has built a distinguished career at the intersection of art, technology, and innovation. After completing his schooling in Maharashtra, he pursued his undergraduate studies at Banaras Hindu University, graduating with a degree in Fine Arts. His early career saw him move to Delhi, where he worked across various domains within the art and design space. Through extensive international travel, Dr. Shrivastav immersed himself in diverse cultures, gaining invaluable insights into the nuances of global artistic practices.

Driven by a passion for continuous learning and intellectual growth, Dr. Shrivastav returned to academia after 15 years in the art industry to further hone his skills. He earned a Master's degree in Fine Arts from Swami Vivekananda University, graduating with distinction. His pursuit of excellence and his commitment to societal impact through art led him to dedicate his work toward public art projects that address environmental and social concerns. Throughout this period, he received numerous accolades for his contributions to the art world.

Dr. Shrivastav's academic journey culminated in a PhD in Art & Design, conferred by the prestigious École Sorbonne University in France. Over time, he has evolved into a pioneering figure in the realm of Bionic Visual Art, renowned for his groundbreaking integration of art and advanced technology. With a solid foundation in fine arts and deep exposure to the technological world, Dr. Shrivastav has positioned himself at the forefront of a movement that merges human creativity with cutting-edge scientific advancements.



His creations, which once incorporate advanced technologies such as augmented reality (AR) and artificial intelligence (AI), invite audiences to engage with art in entirely new and immersive ways. Dr. Shrivastav's bionic art challenges traditional notions of perception and reality, creating innovative visual experiences that redefine how people interact with visual media.

In addition to his artistic practice, Dr. Shrivastav has made significant contributions to academia. He was invited to serve as a visiting professor at the School of Planning and Architecture in Delhi, where he developed and taught a unique curriculum on Art Appreciation and Design Thinking. His teaching approach is deeply rooted in philosophical inquiries into the nature of consciousness and perception, encouraging students to critically examine the role of bionic enhancements in shaping human identity and their implications on the future of humanity.

His public art installations are prominently featured in several high-profile locations, including IGI Airport Metro, IT Delhi Metro, Agartala Airport, Dubai Airport, and Petrapol Landport, among others. Each of these installations reflects his commitment to creating meaningful and transformative experiences in public spaces.

As a thought leader in the field of bionic art, Dr. Amitabh Shrivastav continues to push the boundaries of creative expression. His visionary work is not only advancing the field of contemporary art but also making profound contributions to the study and practice of human-computer interaction, influencing the next generation of artists and technologists alike.

LORD RAJ LOOMBA, CBE



HOUSE OF LORDS

Lord Raj Loomba, CBE, is a distinguished entrepreneur, philanthropist, and member of the House of Lords in the United Kingdom. His journey from humble beginnings in Punjab, India, to becoming a global advocate for widows' rights is a testament to his dedication and vision. After moving to the UK in 1962, he built a successful career in the fashion industry, founding Rinku Group Ltd., which grew into a leading retail supplier with operations in the UK, India, and China.

Beyond business, Lord Loomba's lifelong commitment to social causes was deeply influenced by personal experience. Having witnessed the hardships his widowed mother faced, he recognized the widespread discrimination against widows in many parts of the world. In 1997, he established The Loomba Foundation, a charitable organization dedicated to empowering widows and their children through education and skills training. His advocacy efforts led to the recognition of June 23 as International Widows Day, officially adopted by the United Nations in 2010—a landmark achievement in global human rights.



In recognition of his contributions to society, he was appointed Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) in 2008 and was later ennobled as Baron Loomba of Moor Park in 2011. As a member of the House of Lords, he actively engages in legislative matters related to human rights, gender equality, education, and sustainable development. His efforts align with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, reinforcing his commitment to creating systemic change at both policy and grassroots levels.

Lord Loomba continues to champion causes that promote dignity, education, and economic independence for marginalized communities worldwide. His leadership in both business and philanthropy has positioned him as a key figure in global advocacy, driving meaningful change through strategic partnerships and legislative influence.

Itinerary De Festival

*Day - 1: Feb 14th
Bharat Gaurav
Samman at House of
Lords
12.30 - 2.30 PM (Grand
Luncheon &
Felicitations)*

*Day - 2 & 3: Feb 15th & 16th
Fashion Days London at St.
James Court
Buckingham palace gate
9.30 - 5.30 PM Fashion
shows, Product
presentations Speaking
Sessions & Awards)*

*Day - 4: Feb 17th
Eduucon at University of
Oxford
9.30 - 5.30 PM Oxford
Visit, Lunch Speaking
Sessions, Book
Promotions*

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BHARAT MAHOTSAV

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**GRAND CELEBRATION THAT
ENCAPSULATES THE RICH
DIVERSITY OF INDIA, SHOWCASING
ITS VIBRANT CULTURE, ART, AND
BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES.**

India is a land of festivals and fairs. Virtually celebrating each day of the year, there are more festivals celebrated in India than anywhere else in the world. Each festival pertains to different occasions, some welcome the seasons of the year, the harvest, the rains, or the full moon. Others celebrate religious occasions, the birthdays of divine beings and saints, or the advent of the New Year. A number of these festivals are common to most parts of India. However, they may be called by different names in various parts of the country or maybe celebrated in a different fashion. Some of the festivals celebrated all over India but this festival is of New India a land of opportunities, land of biggest consumer base and a land of intellectual brains today we want to celebrate the diversity in fashion, art, culture and business we intend to create this as a bridging festival of 2 nations. Bharat Mahotsav is not just a celebration; it is a manifestation of India's spirit of unity in diversity. By bringing together people from different backgrounds, cultures, and nations, the festival aims to create a sense of belonging and mutual respect. It is a celebration of the past, present, and future of India, highlighting its role as a land of opportunities and a hub of creativity and innovation.





FEATURING

MADHYA PRADESH

incredible India



In the heart of India lies a realm where history whispers through ancient corridors, where nature's beauty reigns supreme, and where vibrant cultures flourish in harmony with the land. Madhya Pradesh, a state steeped in captivating narratives, stands as a testament to the richness of India's heritage and the magnificence of its diverse landscapes. The state boasts of three UNESCO World Heritage sites that serve as living testimonies to its historical significance. The mystical temples of Khajuraho, the sacred aura of Sanchi Stupa, and the ancient artistry preserved in Bhimbetka Rock Shelters all converge to tell the stories of a bygone era, each engraving its unique mark on the canvas of time.

Madhya Pradesh is also called the 'Tiger State of India,' a title well-deserved as its national parks and wildlife reserves provide a sanctuary for these majestic creatures. Within its sprawling forests and lush landscapes, the elusive tigers roam freely, embodying the untamed spirit of the wild and adding to the state's allure as a biodiversity hotspot.



THE LOOMBA *Foundation*



THE LOOMBA FOUNDATION
Caring for widows around the world

**THE LOOMBA FOUNDATION
EXTENDED ITS REACH BEYOND
INDIA, WITH EDUCATION AND
EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMS IN
OTHER COUNTRIES ACROSS ASIA,
AFRICA AND SOUTH AMERICA.**

The Loomba Foundation is named after a remarkable lady, Shrimati Pushpa Wati Loomba, who had become a widow at the early age of 37 and who, in the face of many obstacles, made sure all seven of the family's children, boys and girls, completed their education and got the best opportunities to succeed in life.

When Mrs Loomba passed away, her son Raj and his wife Veena, set up a charity in her memory with the express aim to make sure that the children of poor widows, who were in a less fortunate position, could also complete their education and over the decade that followed at least a hundred children in each state of India, and in many cases more, had their education paid for at least five years each, transforming not only their own lives but those of their families.

Raj in his mission to bring the plight of widows all over the world to the attention of the international community, the Loomba Foundation, in 2005, on Raj's initiative, launched International Widows Day, at the House of Lords in London, and Raj had picked 23 June, the date his mother had been widowed fifty-one years earlier, as the date on which every year there would be a global day of action. After a tireless campaign by the Loomba Foundation, the United Nations adopted 23rd June as an UN International Widows Day in 2010.

Building on the success of its work to educate poor widows' children, the Loomba Foundation started its focus on economic empowerment – helping widows to become independent through skills training and supporting them in setting themselves up in a trade or a business, working with partners including Youth Business International, a charity that had been set up by King Charles III when he was Prince of Wales, Oxfam GB, Virgin Unite, to deliver skills training and equipment to thousands of widows across three continents, including in Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Syria, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, South Africa, Malawi, Guatemala and Chile.

The Loomba Foundation wants to support the 46 million widows in India, particularly those who live in dire poverty and in rural areas. There can be no more valuable or important work than empowering widows who have been cast aside by society and left unable to look after themselves and their children, to give them the skills and the means to help themselves in a wide range of trades from hospitality to tourism, sewing and tailoring to beauty and healthcare, and food processing. These women have so much to give, if only we can give them the respect and the power to make their own contribution to society. They can educate their children and lead a life of dignity.





FASHION DESIGNER ASSOCIATION

Madhya Pradesh

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MADHYA PRADESH

THE FASHION DESIGNER ASSOCIATION OF MADHYA PRADESH (FDAMP) ESTABLISHED TO SUPPORT AND PROMOTE FASHION DESIGNERS, THE ASSOCIATION PROVIDES A PLATFORM FOR THEM TO CONNECT, COLLABORATE, AND SHOWCASE THEIR WORK.

The association aims to nurture and promote the work of local designers, helping them gain recognition in the competitive fashion world. It organizes fashion events, including shows and exhibitions, where members can showcase their creations. FDAMP encourages collaboration among fashion designers, artisans, and other professionals in the industry. It fosters networking opportunities, allowing designers to connect with suppliers, retailers, and potential clients. The association organizes workshops, seminars, and training sessions to enhance the technical and creative skills of its members. These events often cover emerging trends, sustainable fashion, business management, and other aspects of the fashion industry.

By organizing events like fashion weeks, FDAMP not only highlights contemporary fashion but also works to incorporate traditional and indigenous textile practices into modern designs. This helps preserve and promote the cultural heritage of Madhya Pradesh.

FDAMP facilitates its members' participation in national and international fashion events, opening avenues for wider exposure and business opportunities. Through these platforms, designers can showcase their work on a broader scale. The association also advocates for the interests of the fashion design community within the state and beyond. It works to improve the business environment for designers, offering guidance on regulations, marketing, and access to government schemes or initiatives that may benefit the industry.



REDIO

*Rescuing Every Distressed
indian Overseas*



This is an initiative of Movement Of Positivity under the leadership and guidance of Hon Dr Dnyaneshwar Mulay Former Ambassador, Member National Human Rights Commission. Radio aims to help overseas Indians who get into distressed situations due to various factors.

Dr. Dnyaneshwar Mulay Founder of REDIO said "REDIO is the need of our time. It's an effort to show to the world that India cares for its citizens, wherever they might be. Its aim is to create global solidarity and present Indian people as responsible global citizens. It strengthens our motto of सर्वे भवन्तु सुखिनः (Let Everyone Be Happy). Let's all join in this noble mission of helping each other to ensure well-being and welfare of our fellow brothers and sisters."

CEO of REDIO Dhanashree Patil mentioned It is commonly misunderstood that people who are staying abroad are very happy. They earn a lot of money and have fun all the time. But there is another side to this story which is not even known to the Indian people staying abroad. There are a number of problems faced by our fellow community members who are working in a foreign country, especially workers. Sometimes they lose their jobs, there are cases of harassment, exploitation, they don't get salaries on time, they want to return home but the employer doesn't provide required documents and so on. Many students staying abroad for higher education they may face problems. And to address these very issues of our citizens, the worldwide movement started, who are thousands of kilometers away from our country. And that is Radio. The Motto of radio is caretaker for distressed Indians.



Government of India is helping distressed Indians through ICWF in a proactive manner . However awareness among overseas Indians about govt assistance , relief available and how to contact Indian Missions is poor . Besides there are things that embassies or consulates cannot do due to rules and regulations. In such cases Redio is trying to help by building collaborative network of people who are already known for their track record for helping others . At present Redio's advisors in 30 countries are helping distressed Indians in various ways.

Since three year REDIO helped many distressed indians from China ,UAE, Saudi Arabia , USA , hongkong , Singapore, Maldives and other countries .

REDIO is a global organisation spread across all continents with 31 active advisors. It has emerged as an umbrella organisation to counsel the overseas distressed indians that cordinate with Missions as also with local Government , GOI and respective state in India.

So far REDIO has helped to free detained Indian workers from Saudi Arabia, UAE. arranged food , medical help, and logistical support to return to India . REDIO also helped several labours to return from Saudi Arabia, Maldives .assisting them to get passport, emergency certificate from indian mission .

REDIO offered support and co-operation for safe return of stranded Indian Students from Ukraine during the difficult times by coordinating with relatives of students, various Government agencies and Indian Embassies in Poland and Ukraine. REDIO team assisted 4,830 Indian students during this crisis by providing authentic information that came from MEA and Missions, counselling, keeping contact with the Indian missions (including giving inputs that came from various cities in Ukraine) and keeping the students' morale high during those critical times.

REDIO helped many families to repatriate mortal remains from China, Maldives, Saudi Arabia and UAE , USA .

REDIO has a special Seafarer Wing dedicated to assisting distressed Indian Seafarers. Our most prominent Seafarer Wing advisors, Captain Sanjay Parashar and Captain Gajanan Karanjikar, are guiding and supporting in resolving various Seafarers' issues in coordination with the Directorate General of Shipping and the Ministry of External Affairs. Redio is herald a much awaited Civil Society effort to help distressed Indians abroad to complement GoI efforts. There are many states where fake agents network is active. Redio is planing to conduct awareness camps, so such incidents do not occur. REDIO's role is very important When a person in distress calls, that time he /she is morally and even financially down and understanding of his situation is needed while extending a helping hand. Our team radio is available 24*7 for our fellow Indians to help them and to solve their problems.



EDUCON

At Merton College, University Of Oxford



EDUCON is a premier conference dedicated to educational excellence, bringing together scholars, educators, and thought leaders to explore the evolving landscape of learning. Hosted at the historic Merton College, University of Oxford, EDUCON serves as a platform for innovation, collaboration, and the advancement of academic discourse.

Under the esteemed umbrella of EDUCON, the Wordsmith Guild stands as a distinguished celebration of literary brilliance, honoring authors across all genres. This vibrant gathering recognizes the power of words and the influence of literature in shaping perspectives, fostering creativity, and inspiring generations. From fiction to philosophy, poetry to prose, the Wordsmith Guild is a tribute to the art of storytelling and intellectual exploration.

Merton College is one of the constituent colleges of the University of Oxford in England. Its foundation can be traced back to the 1260s when Walter de Merton, chancellor to Henry III and later to Edward I, first drew up statutes for an independent academic community and established endowments to support it. An important feature of de Merton's foundation was that this "college" was to be self-governing and the endowments were directly vested in the Warden and Fellows.

Since the introduction of an official Norrington Table published by the university in 2004, Merton occupied one of the top three positions every year (often coming in 1st), until 2012 when it dropped to 14th. In 2014, it regained the first position, preserving its status as one of the most academically successful colleges of the last twenty years.



ICMEI & AAFT

Entertainment and film



International Chamber of Media & Entertainment Industry has been established for the promotion and growth of media and entertainment industry across the world; lend support to the industry professionals in all possible manners; to give media and entertainment industry the place of pride it deserves; and to try and unite the people of world through art and culture. The Chamber has routinely been organizing national and international events such as seminars, symposia, debates, conferences; screening of films and television programmers; dance and music recitals; fashion shows; exhibition of painting art etc. to support the media and entertainment, fashion, tourism and hospitality industries. Large numbers of individuals and organizations across the world are the members of this chamber. Dr. Sandeep Marwah is currently the President of International chamber of Media & Entertainment Industry.

The Asian Academy of Film and Television (better known as AAFT) is an Indian media and arts college located in Uttar Pradesh, North India. It was founded in 1993. and has an affiliated ed-tech platform named AAFT Online. Filmmaker Sandeep Marwah serves as the institution's founder and president. AAFT was founded in 1993 by Sandeep Marwah. The institution is housed in Noida Film City, Uttar Pradesh, alongside the film studio Marwah Studios. In 2018, Sandeep Marwah's sons, Akshay Marwah and Mohit Marwah co-founded the affiliated educational institution AAFT University in Raipur, Central India. AAFT is primarily a film and performing arts school. In addition to cinema, AAFT offers courses in media-related subjects such as music, photography, journalism and mass communication, and fashion design.



THE VENUE

ST. JAMES COURT

Buckingham palace gate

St James Court has a historical provenance dating back to Tudor England and the court of Queen Elizabeth I. It is during this tumultuous period that a prestigious landowner and treasurer to the Queen, Lord Dacre, drew up a scheme to build almshouses on the “Tothill Fields” of Westminster.

The small cottages known as the Emmanuel Almshouses were built on the current site of the hotel, to house and educate 20 underprivileged children. This charitable endeavour prospered over the years, culminating in five schools, identifiable by their distinct blazers as Bluecoat, Greencoat, Greycoat and Browncoat schools. In 1701 the cottages were replaced by ‘the most picturesque Almshouses in London’.

Then in 1897, a retired military man, Major Pawley, who learned his architectural trade in the Royal Engineers, acquired the site. The proposed construction of eight redbrick prestigious townhouses was drawn up, at great cost, and to the highest of architectural standards. These are the buildings that make up the two Taj hotels today, Taj 51 Buckingham Gate Suites and Residences, and St. James’ Court, A Taj Hotel. Due to its outstanding location right in the heart of London’s royal, cultural, political and social elite, Major Pawley’s vision was to create an oasis of calm and sophistication for the aristocratic and political establishment, who would not only pay to stay but who would also relish in its exclusivity. Thus began the most sought after and fashionable London address for prominent guests to enjoy a home away from home experience, in walking distance of all the most significant locations: Buckingham Palace, the Houses of Parliament, Downing Street, St James Palace, Westminster Abbey and Westminster Cathedral.

This was to become the Taj Mahal Palace Hotel in Bombay – better known today simply as the Taj, the brainchild of one of independent India’s founding fathers, J.N. Tata. The Taj Mahal Palace opened in 1903, as a property of the Indian Hotels Company Limited. Four years later, in 1907, Tata sets up its first office overseas, Tata Limited in London.

In 1982, the Indian Hotels Company Ltd. (Taj Hotels Resorts and Palaces) acquired St. James' Court, which was partially operated from 1999 under a franchise agreement for fifteen years and was formally restored in 2014 to its original identity as St. James' Court, A Taj Hotel, comprising the Almoners, Dukes, Regents, Queens and Priors townhouses and Taj 51 Buckingham Gate Suites and Residences, comprising the Kings, Minsters and Falconers townhouses.

DR. SMITA SHRIVASTAV

Activist Make in India



Taking Inspiration from "Make in India", Smita Shrivastav evolved the idea of "Confluence" initiative with the simple thought of bridging the gap between art, artisans and the commoner the quest was to create something meaningful and eccentric, streaming art for common people and simplifying art. Following the bugle of Make in India motto, Confluence initiative is also aiming to preserve and cherish the rich heritage of India in art and culture known since ancient times by our local folks.

This helps industries to establish their manufacturing bases in India, create employment in India. Industries tend to develop a support ecosystem around them, thus empowering small business. Our quest is to take art to a common man's lobby and bringing more light to its beautification, give India art its be able to earn their livelihood. Keeping in mind, a wider spectrum we are eyeing Confluence gift gets the elevation and takes the corporate gifting option to a newer level. As a social entrepreneur, Smita is possessed by her idea and is swivelled around for realizing the dream. A similar obsession took over my thoughts, on realising that how much my idea of creating a bridge can make ethnic handicraft change lives too.

Refusing to give away even the smallest opportunity that could change an artisan's life, Smita fervently plunged into the journey of making life better with their one

POONAM VOHRA

The Women of Fashion

Poonam Vohra, a fashion designer based in Indore, is renowned for her expertise in heritage weaves and traditional Indian crafts. With a deep commitment to preserving the rich textile traditions of India, she specializes in revitalizing age-old weaving techniques and handcrafts, integrating them into modern fashion. Her designs reflect a fusion of timeless artistry with contemporary aesthetics, making her a leading figure in sustainable and artisanal fashion. Poonam's work is celebrated for promoting crafts like Chanderi, Maheshwari, and other regional textiles, helping to empower local artisans while keeping India's cultural heritage alive through her creative vision.



Poonam Vohra is a multifaceted entrepreneur with a diverse portfolio spanning education, hospitality, and real estate. Alongside her prominent career in fashion design, she has successfully ventured into the restaurant industry, bringing a unique blend of creativity and business acumen to the culinary world. Her ventures in real estate further showcase her versatility, as she leverages her keen sense of aesthetics and strategic thinking to develop distinctive properties. In education, Poonam is committed to empowering the next generation, sharing her knowledge and experience to foster innovation and entrepreneurship. Her dynamic approach to business makes her a trailblazer across industries.

SMITA BHARADWAJ

The Women of

Administration

The state government has posted Smita Bhardwaj (1992), Additional Chief Secretary Sports and Youth Welfare, as Chairman, Board of Secondary Education. She has also been given additional charge of the Sports and Youth Welfare Department. Smita is a 1992 batch IAS officer of Madhya Pradesh cadre. Smita was born on 16 March 1966 in Pune. After completing her schooling from Central School, she took a degree in Microbiology from Naoroji Wadia College for further studies. After that, Smita studied Sociology from Garware College of Science and Arts. Smita Bharadwaj currently posted in Bhopal as the Additional Chief Secretary.



DR. SADHNA SHANKER

The Women of Finance & author of science fiction

This was theme for 2023 for the international Women's Day is 'DigitAll: Innovation and technology for gender equality'. It is an important theme, because it brings focus on the digital gender divide. Simply put, the digital divide, or technology gap, is the difference between groups with access to technology and the internet and those without. Around the world, women and girls have lesser access to digital technology than men. The physical inequality of access and ownership of resources is replicated and mirrored in the digital world. According to International Telecom Union's latest data, the proportion of women using the internet globally amounts to 57%, compared to 62% of men. In relative terms, the global internet use gender gap stands at 8%. Women remain 7% less likely than men to own a mobile phone, and are 16% less likely to use the mobile internet. In absolute numbers, nearly 264 million fewer women than men access mobile internet. These gaps not only impact access to the power of technology in the present, but overtime, they grow into a gender gap in digital skills and use of digital tools, gaps in participation in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields, and a gap in tech sector leadership and entrepreneurship. As per a MIT report in 2023, the gender gap in STEM remains significant, with women making up only 28% of the STEM workforce. The figure stands at 24% in the United States, 17% in the European Union, 16% in Japan, and 14% in India. As per a 2022 Deloitte report, only 25% of board seats in the technology, media, and telecommunications (TMT) industries are held by women. Why is it important to bridge these gaps? The world cannot move forward if it leaves behind nearly half of its population in the new technological revolution. The advancement of women is key to alleviating poverty, and the digital revolution provides new avenues for the economic empowerment of women. Mobile phones, internet, digital platforms, and digital financial services open up opportunities for women including the possibility to earn income, increase employment opportunities, and access knowledge and information. What keeps women behind? The issues are across the life cycle of a woman, starting with access to education, and lack of economic resources to afford up-skilling and data services, and inherent socio-cultural biases that shackle women in their lives. In India too, this divide is fairly stark.

As per the National Family Health Survey data (2019-21), only 33.3% of the female population had ever used the internet, as compared to 57.1% men. This gender gap was present across all states. In rural India, men are about twice as likely as women to have used the internet (49% VS 25%). Women's mobile phone ownership did increase during the Covid-19 pandemic, being concentrated in smartphones, so expanding internet access.



There are many flagship programs of the government like National Digital Literacy Mission and the Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan that are trying to address this problem, but the road ahead is long. The companion issue with the digital gender divide is online abuse and trolling of women. Data indicates an increase in cyberstalking and other forms of cyber-sexual harassment, mirroring the harassment that women face in the physical world. Many women leave the online world because of this harassment. As per the report "Only 1 in 4 reported it to the relevant authorities and nearly 9 in 10 opted to limit their online activity, thereby increasing the gender digital divide". Along with bridging the gender divide, structural changes are imperative to ensure that entrenched patriarchy and misogyny in society does not intimidate women online. Being part of the digital transformation taking place can empower women, increase their resources and also benefit the entire society. As per research, greater inclusion of women in the digital economy brings value, both social and economic. For example, innovations coming from mixed teams are more economically valuable and have higher impact than those that only men work on. All of us, where ever we are placed, need to work consciously in our respective spheres towards digital inclusion of women and girls, because technologies provide new opportunities to make progress, but they cannot address the underlying structural problems that create the gaps in access and use of avenues that technology opens up.

REETA SARKAR

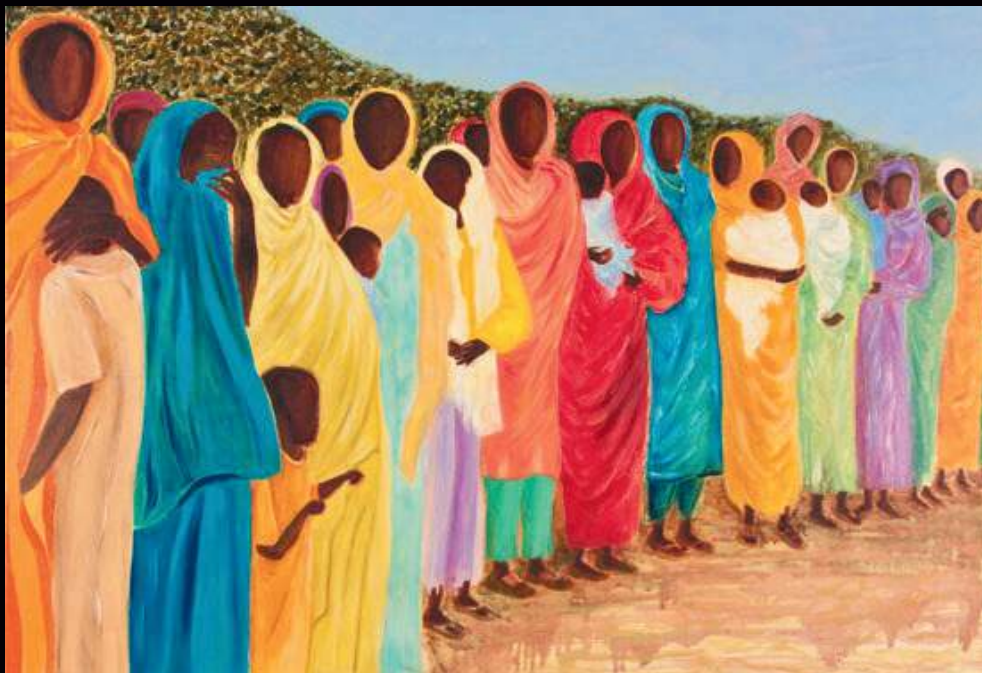
The essence of expression



The work of London-based Reeta Sarkar captures the condition and vulnerability of her subjects. As an artist, she is motivated by her extensive involvement in campaigns against poverty and discrimination, and informed by her experience as a single mother and Amatsu practitioner. Educated at Haberdashers' Aske, Harrow College of Art and the London School of Fashion – now part of the University of the Arts London – Reeta combines an eye for detail with empathy for her subjects.

This evocative collection of paintings reminds us of the plight of widows depicted in the faces, and the circumstances shown in these paintings. This collection was first shown at the United Nations in New York, 2011.

It formed part of an exhibition, also featuring works by Yoko Ono, to mark the first UN-recognised International Widows Day.



DR KANWARJEET SINGH KOCHHAR

Hospitality

Owner of Taurus Hotel



Mr. Kanwarjeet Singh Kochhar was born in Delhi, India on 04 th May' 1958 in a Sikh family. He was one among five children to his parents. His father served in the Intelligence Bureau during the British raj India and mother was a homemak-er. He completed his graduation from Delhi. He has been blissfully married to Ms Navjeet Kaur since 1984. The couple is blessed with two children, a daughter and a son. Mr. Pavneet Kochhar, his son, is a Commercial Pilot and now fully immersed in operations for the development & expansion of the group.

While pursuing his graduation from Delhi University he turned into first generation entrepreneur by setting up his first venture in automobile industry. His passion, commitment and experience of close to 4 decades helped him pioneer in various industries such as Aviation, Manpower Consultants, Pharmaceuticals, Import-Export, Warehousing, Agro Industry & Land Bank. His latest passion and interest for travel, style, luxury and sociable nature lead him to foray in the Hospitality Industry. His first step in the sector was by setting up his first Hotel as Taurus Sarovar Portico at Aero city, Mahipalpur, New Delhi.



DR. NAND KISHOR PUROHIT

Zodiac Interpreter & Spiritual Leader

Ex.Minister Uttarakhand Govt.2016-17 and Ex. Vice Chairman Uttarakhand Sanskrit Academy(Uttarakhand Govt.) I have worked as a Vice Chairman (India) for International Astrology Faderation INC (Florida,USA) I have also worked as a Governor & Chapter Chairman for All India Federation of Astrologers Society (New Delhi) I am also the Petron & National Advisor fir Himalaya or Hindustan Foundation Rishikesh I got LIFE MEMBERSHIP, GOLD MEDALS & AWARDS for my work.

Dr. Mohd Amin

LEADER OF Public affairs

Dr. Mohd Amin is a distinguished public servant with a wealth of experience in protocol affairs, public relations, media relations, and international cooperation. He served as the Joint Director and Chief of Protocol for the Election Commission of India from 2010 to 2014, where he managed protocol activities during national and state elections, liaised with high-level officials, and ensured compliance with electoral guidelines. His role involved overseeing key election events, conducting checks on Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs), and preparing detailed reports on election processes.

Following his tenure at the Election Commission, Dr. Amin held the position of General Manager of Corporate Affairs at Nayati Healthcare & Research Pvt. Ltd. from 2018 to 2019. In this role, he developed corporate strategies to enhance the organization's public image, managed external communications, and represented the company in negotiations and industry forums. He also led corporate social responsibility initiatives and ensured regulatory compliance.

From 2014 to 2017, Dr. Amin served as the Deputy General Manager of Public Relations at the Airports Authority of India, where he led communication strategies to improve the organization's public image, managed media relations, and coordinated crisis communication efforts. His extensive experience also includes working as an Assistant Private Secretary (APS) and Officer on Special Duty (OSD) to several Union Ministers across various ministries from 1986 to 2014. Dr. Amin holds an Honorary Doctor of Philosophy in Mass Communication, a Master's in Mass Communication, a Post-Graduate Diploma in Public Relations, and a Bachelor's of Science. He has received numerous awards and honors, including the President's Gold Award by the Rotary Club of Delhi and the Pride of India Award 2024 by Educacio World. He is a life member of several prestigious institutions and clubs, reflecting his commitment to public service and community engagement. In addition to his professional achievements, Dr. Amin is dedicated to empowering youth and minority groups, advocating for community involvement in government programs, and promoting efficient and transparent governance. His goal is to leverage his experience and skills to contribute to a more equitable and prosperous India, ensuring that every citizen has the opportunity to thrive.



DR. VIJAY MEHTA

Corporate Governance Consultant



Investment banker, diplomat & a corporate adviser besides being an articulate socio-political activist, public speaker and a philanthropist, Dr. Vijay Mehta is a multi-dimensional personality acknowledged for his networking, organizational and management skills. Based at New Delhi, he is the founder & chairman of **Mefcom Capital Markets Ltd.**, a private Investment bank and has been the National President of ANMI, the largest association of capital market intermediaries in India.

Dr. Mehta is '**The Consul General of The Republic of Romania**' for Tamilnadu & Kerala and has been the chief convener of '**Overseas Friends of BJP**' for UK & Europe. Dr. Vijay Mehta is the current President of the India chapter of '**The Indo-Polish Chamber of Commerce and Industry**' with headquarters at Warsaw, Poland.

Acknowledging his contribution in the areas of his expertise, Dr. Vijay Mehta has been conferred with 2 honorary doctorates in management & international affairs by world's first 'International Internship University (IIU)' and in finance & economic affairs by 'Commonwealth Vocational University'.

As a member and leader of many business & state delegations, Dr. Vijay Mehta has visited about 73 countries so far and has interacted across the world on one-to-one basis with many heads of state, ministers, members of parliament, ambassadors, art, media & film personalities, authors, opinion makers etc.

Mr. Mehta has twice had the honour of accompanying our Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi for his trips to Munich in June, 2022 and USA in September, 2019. He earlier also had the privilege of accompanying Shri Modion his trip to Stockholm & London in April, 2018. Mr. Mehta, in coordination with The Government of India and an NGO Sewa International, was instrumental in safely evacuating about 3000 Indian Students from Ukraine warzone which was highly appreciated and acknowledged.

Mr. Mehta has spoken at more than 500 seminars & conferences on national & international forums, including the famous 'Horasis India', conclaves in europe & south-east asia. He has so far appeared in more than 200 TV interviews and debates. Earlier, Vijay Mehta regularly contributed a weekly column in the leading Indian daily FINANCIAL EXPRESS. The story of his life was recently covered by the leading YouTube channel 'The Indian Story'.

SANDEEP MARWAH

President Of AAFT



Dr. Sandeep Marwah with nine world records in his kitty, stands distinct as the founder of Noida Film City, and Marwah Studios. He is the founder President of AAFT, which is one of the ten best film schools in the world. As the producer of the largest number of short films in the world, he has been associated with innumerable feature films, television programs, and amateur training films.

Felicitated with over 1000 national and international awards for his contribution to the world of Creative Arts, he has trained over 30,000 media students from 145 countries. As a Cultural Ambassador, he heads over 100 national, and international media and social organizations besides being president of the International Chamber of Media & Entertainment industry. At present, he is also the Chancellor of AAFT University of Media and Arts.

He is on the board of Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Skill development, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, and Ministry of Youth affairs & sports, Government of India. He is on The National Board for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, BJP. Dr. Marwah is also nominated as cultural ambassador by 80 governments of different countries from Asia, Africa, America & Europe.

SHABANA KHANDEWAL

The Women Of Social Work

Miss Shabana Khandelwal, a dedicated social activist and leader from Agra, India, has been a driving force for women's empowerment and social change since 1996. Through her organization, SANRACHNA, she has revolutionized the lives of underprivileged children by providing education without government support. Thousands of students have benefited from her initiative. Additionally, she has arranged marriages for countless poor girls, ensuring their dignity and security.

Shabana's vision extends to empowering women politically and socially. She founded SASHAKT PEELI SENA (Empowered Yellow Army), a movement of 8,000 women aimed at fostering self-respect, independence, and active participation in leadership roles. Recognizing contributions to society, she established the Agra Ratna Award, honoring 21 individuals annually.

Her leadership spans multiple organizations, including the Muslim Ulema Board Women Wing and Nayi Soch Naya Kadam, reflecting her commitment to inclusive progress. Her efforts have been recognized with prestigious awards like the Women Achiever Award and the Iron Lady Award, celebrating her unyielding dedication to social justice.

Shabana Khandelwal's work exemplifies the transformative power of leadership, inspiring change and empowering communities, particularly women and children, to lead better lives.



**VISIONARY LEADER
TRANSFORMING LIVES**

DR. GAURAV GROVER

Corporate Governance Consultant

He is a businessman with a cause. He is a social worker, a philanthropist, an advocate of nature and environmental sustainability, holistic wellness, and ecofriendly luxury consciousness. He holds a Doctorate of Philosophy (PhD) in "Promotion on Initiatives of Social & Corporate Governance" from Sorbon University, Paris, France.

He has been working for the social welfare of the community since years — carrying forward the legacy of his late grandfather's 75 - year old NGO called the New Delhi Social Workers Association (NDSWA), where he is Chairman.

NDSWA - The People to People Connect. NDSWA regularly organises various events and promotes initiatives of Government of India and the United Nations and works in tandem with them. He is also the Founder and Chairman of the India Luxury Foundation (ILF), which promotes sustainability and sustainable fabrics across the globe. He has also been supporting underprivileged members of society through various hospitals in Delhi.

He serves as a consultant to many American and European corporate giants investing in and around Asia and he has played host at a series of diplomatic events on a cultural and business-to-business (B2B) level for governments, chambers, and patrons, all of who are support systems for many global communities. He is well-connected with the who's who among several influential networks (Government and business chambers) and industries, all of where one can seek his support and help.



He has been part of the award-winning team at JRG Hospitality Pvt Ltd (Japanese Restaurant- Guppy) at Lodhi Colony in Delhi.

In April 2022, he received the "Bharat Gaurav Samman" for his social initiatives from the House of Lords, Parliament of the United Kingdom. The Lord Loomba, Member of House of Lords (United Kingdom) and Commander of the British Empire (CBE), hosted the evening while celebrating "Azaadi ka Amrit Mahotsav" and 75 years of Indian independence.

He had also received the "Times Hospitality Icons Hospitality Entrepreneur of the Year 2021" award from Times of India Group and has been a recipient of many other awards and accolades from the world over.

GENERAL RICHARD RAVALOMANANA

The Man Of Services

General Richard RAVALOMANANA was born on December 14, 1959 in Ankadifotsy Antananarivo. He studied at the Public Primary School (EPP) of Ambohitrandriamanjaka, in his ancestral village Ambohimanga Rova and graduated from high school in Ampefiloha, Antananarivo.

He is married to Mrs. RABARISON Sahondraniaina Lydie. They have 2 children and 6 grandchildren.

He wanted to become a soldier from a very young age because he saw the great responsibility held by the Malagasy Armed Forces in resolving the political crisis of 1972 in Antananarivo.

After obtaining his high school degree, he carried out his national service outside the Armed Forces in the Help and Support Regiment (RAS) Ampahibe from December 27th, 1979.

He was afterwards admitted at the Military Academy Antsirabe and joined the Gendarmerie on April 1st, 1984 (13th direct promotion).

From 1993 to 1994, he followed a training at the National Gendarmerie Officers School (EOGN) in Melun France and graduated as "Foreign Officers Promotion Major". He thus obtained the "Higher course diploma from the EOGN of Melun" and the "1st degree French language military certificate from the EOGN of Melun".

From 1998 to 1999, he studied at the Maisons-Alfort France Staff School, and also graduated there as "Foreign Officers Promotion Major" by obtaining the "Staff Diploma of the School of the French National Gendarmerie of Maisons-Alfort" and the "1st degree English language military certificate from the Staff School of the French National Gendarmerie of MAISONS ALFORT".



In 2000, he followed a training course on "Crisis Management, at the level of senior officials including the fight against Terrorism" in Washington DC, United States of America, with senior officials at the Ministry of Justice, the National Police and the Malagasy National Gendarmerie. At the end of this training, he obtained a "senior crisis management" certificate.

In April 2004, he attended the "Seminar on Maritime Security", taught by American experts in Antananarivo. From 2006 to 2007, he joined the Paris War School where he obtained the "Paris Higher Defense Studies Diploma" and the "Paris Higher Military Studies Brevet". In 2012, he followed a training course at the "Institut des Hautes Etudes de la Défense nationale in Paris", among the 13th promotion of the "IHEDN Forum on the African Continent".

During his career of 40 years, he received 5 congratulations letters including one from the President of the special provincial delegation, two by the Command of the National Gendarmerie, one by the Prime Minister and one by the President of the Republic.

He faced and coped with several dangerous situations during his career. He always commanded defense and security forces since 1985 during violent public order disturbances, which were often accompanied by attempted vandalism in the capital, military mutinies and other terrorist attacks during the political Transition in. In addition, He always committed himself to restore security in the districts under his jurisdiction, especially in rural areas. Dozens of dahalo (cattle thieves) were neutralized during operational fights against insecurity he led in Madagascar districts classified as red zones such as Ankazobe, Ambohidratrimo, Manjakadriana and Anjozorobe.

HORST OTTO ZANGL

The Man of Sports

Mr. Horst Otto Zangl, born in Austria on 9th of November 1974, has a long-time experience in the football world and sport industry. He is a former professional football player who played in 5 countries Austria, Switzerland, Germany, USA, Brazil. He got grave injured with a still quite young age of 26 years in Brazil, close to signing a contract in the Series A of the best country of football Brazil over World. After this unlucky event in his career, he required and found 2004 his first agency of football sports management the Horst Scouting & Consultancy, where he made more than 120 transfers and achieved great success having players in the Champions League, European League and several players won titles in their countries. After and during that he became International Director of several clubs and developer of Sports Concepts and new ways in the Sport World. He founded 2017 a new enterprise, the PHOENIX FOOTBALL STARS in Dubai. The Phoenix Group has his main fields in int. Sport & Club Management – Business Consultancy – Developing/Design of Stadiums and Sports Centers and Administration. Additionally, he is engaged in various endeavors outside of sports, such as green energy, artificial intelligence control, climate protection, social projects, real estate projects, and serving as an ambassador for organizations such as Controlrooms and SkyForce.



MARKUS FICZKO

DYNAMIC Administrative Strategist

Markus Ficzko is an experienced professional with a diverse background in retail management, administration, and leadership roles. He began his career after completing a dual system apprenticeship in retail management at the Vocational School Hartberg from 1986 to 1989. His early career included positions as a Retail Manager at Eisen Jaklin and Baumaxx, where he focused on various departments including tools, gardening, sanitation, heating, and tiles.

From 1995 until the end of 2022, Ficzko served as an Administrative Officer at the Steiermärkische Gebietskrankenkasse, the Austrian health insurance, where he gained extensive experience in customer interaction and held partial leadership responsibilities. In addition to his administrative role, he owned and operated a fully automated DVD rental business, Cinemathek, from 2010 to 2012. He has also been actively involved in the banking and housing sectors, serving as a board member at Raiffeisenbank Mürztal and the Gemeinnützige Bau- Wohn- und Siedlungsgenossenschaft Mürztal, where he later became Chairman.

Currently, Ficzko is the Co-Founder and COO of SIA, a startup where he leads daily operations and manages teams to drive strategic execution and growth. His extensive experience across various sectors highlights his strong leadership skills and commitment to operational efficiency.



Versatile entrepreneur and operations leader, currently serving as Co-Founder and COO of SIA, with a rich background in retail management and community banking.

SIR GARY SZE KONG

Philanthropist & Pioneer

Sir Gary Sze Kong, J.D., is a self-made real estate mogul and philanthropist whose inspiring journey from poverty to success embodies the American Dream. Born in Fujian, China, and raised in Hong Kong, he immigrated to the United States at the age of 16, determined to escape a life of hardship. His arrival in America was marked by significant challenges, including a daring swim to reach Mexico before finally arriving in the U.S. with little more than hope and ambition. Starting as a dishwasher, he faced homelessness and financial struggles but was resolute in his desire for a better life. By saving diligently, he purchased his first property at just 18 years old, marking the beginning of his successful real estate career. In addition to his business achievements, Sir Gary is deeply committed to giving back to the community. He has employed hundreds of individuals from similar backgrounds, providing opportunities to those who are hardworking and trustworthy. His philanthropic efforts extend beyond the U.S., as he actively supports initiatives in Mongolia aimed at promoting women's rights through the Vajra Dharma King Peace Foundation. Sir Gary's dedication to community service reflects his appreciation for the opportunities he has received in America.



Beyond real estate, Sir Gary has made significant strides in the beverage industry. He founded his own vineyard, producing "The 1 Wine," which has garnered accolades for its quality. He also launched a unique line of flavored beers called "Classic New York Beer" and established a water bottling business, Wausau Water, in Wisconsin. His entrepreneurial spirit and innovative approach have allowed him to diversify his business ventures successfully.

Sir Gary's contributions have been recognized with numerous awards, including the "Outstanding Community Service Award" from former President Barack Obama and the "Ellis Island Medals Honors Award" for his efforts in diversifying communities. His accolades reflect his dedication to entrepreneurship, community service, and cultural exchange. Through his journey, Sir Gary Sze Kong exemplifies perseverance and the belief that anyone can achieve greatness through hard work and determination, serving as an inspiration to many who aspire to realize their own American Dream.

KHUSHVINDER SINGH

Visionary Entrepreneur

Mr. Khushwinder Singh is a distinguished Indian national with a dynamic personality and a strong reputation in the business world. After completing his master's degree in philosophy, he began his journey as a research trainee for a doctorate in the same field. However, his entrepreneurial spirit and business acumen quickly became evident, leading him to accumulate over 20 years of rich experience in various business ventures. Recognizing the potential of Madagascar, he settled there 17 years ago, where he has since developed a deep understanding of both the local and international markets.

Throughout his career, Mr. Singh has held several prestigious positions that highlight his leadership and commitment to community development. In April 2012, he was appointed as the Ambassador of the House of Madagascar for Poland by the Ministry of Tourism of Madagascar. His influence continued to grow, and in February 2014, he became a member of the Chamber de Commerce et d'Industrie de Nosy-be Region Diana. By August 2015, he was named the chairman of the Indian Association in Madagascar, further solidifying his role as a key figure in the local Indian community.



Mr. Singh's contributions to environmental awareness and youth leadership were recognized when he was designated as a "Green Champion" in December 2015 by the U.S. Government's Young African Leaders Initiative. He also received titles for his work in management strategies and workforce collaboration through the same initiative. In 2018, he took on leadership roles in sports, being appointed as the President of both the Madagascar Cricket Association and the Madagascar Kabaddi Association. His influence in commerce was further acknowledged in 2019 when he became the Vice-President for International Affairs at the Chamber of Commerce et d'Industrie de Nosy-be Region Diana.

His achievements culminated in December 2019 when he was awarded the "Lifetime Business Achievement Award" at the 11th National Business Summit & Awards in New Delhi, India. In addition to these roles, Mr. Singh serves as the Chairman and President Director General of various companies worldwide, showcasing his extensive reach and impact in the global business landscape.

H.E Wael El Monofy

EXPERT IN International Trade

H.E. Wael El Monofy is an accomplished professional with a diverse background in business and sports. He is currently the Honorary Ambassador of the American Diplomatic Mission of International Relations (ADMIR) in Dubai, UAE. With over 23 years of experience, Wael has a proven track record in understanding the economic landscape of the MENA region and identifying new business opportunities. He founded Direct Trading over 13 years ago, aiming to establish it as a strategic distribution center for sporting goods in the UAE. His educational background includes a bachelor's degree in accounting, and he has successfully launched sports retail ventures in Cairo, Egypt. Wael is recognized for his strong negotiation skills and has built a robust network within the sports industry, including relationships with key figures in retail, sports clubs, and government bodies.



Wael possesses a wide range of skills, including exceptional management expertise, strong organizational and interpersonal communication abilities, and a solid foundation in sales, marketing, and finance. He is known for his innovative leadership style, having effectively coached teams to enhance growth and productivity. His strategic planning and time management skills contribute to generating revenue and promoting business. Additionally, he has a comprehensive understanding of modern business strategies, particularly those leveraging social media and the internet.

Wael has held several significant positions throughout his career. He is currently the Managing Director and Partner at Direct Trading LLC, where he has been instrumental in developing strategic plans, supervising marketing efforts, and managing financial operations. Prior to this, he served as Group Executive Manager at Misr El Hegaz Group, overseeing international trade, and as Duty Manager at Cairo Sheraton Hotel, where he managed hotel operations and staff satisfaction. His early career included various roles at Richmond Hill Hotel, where he gained extensive experience in hotel management.



Mahendrasinh C. Jadeja, also known as Dada, is a prominent figure in various sectors, holding significant leadership roles in both corporate and community organizations. He serves as the Executive Vice Chairman of AAMEVOL Care Ltd and is the Director of India Operations for FlyPOP International Airline (UK). Additionally, he is involved in overseas development for the H3O Group, showcasing his commitment to international business and development.

Jadeja has been recognized for his contributions to society and business, receiving the Bharat Gaurav Award at the British Parliament on April 13, 2018. He is the Vice President (International) of the Global Indian Organisation (GIO) and has a rich history of leadership in the retail sector, having served as the former founder Director and Vice Chairman of NFRN Mutual (Insurance) and as the National President and first Asian President of the National Federation of Retail Newsagents (NFRN) in the UK during 2004-2005.

In addition to his corporate achievements, Jadeja is deeply committed to social causes. He is a trustee of "Pass it On," an organization dedicated to helping the homeless, and serves as an ambassador for the Loomba Foundation, which supports widows globally.

MAHENDRASINH C. JADEJA

*Visionary
leader*

Of Social change

His accolades include the NRI Award in Delhi, India, and the GOPIO Award for Outstanding Entrepreneur with Social Responsibility in Bahrain. He has also held various leadership positions within the Gujarati community in the UK, including Immediate Past President of the Rajput Samaj of UK and Secretary General of the National Congress of Gujarati Organisation (NCGO) from 2010 to 2014. Furthermore, he is an honorary member of the Leicestershire Asian Business Association (LABA), reflecting his active engagement in promoting business and community welfare.

JAI SHARMA

The Man of Law



Jai Sharma appears to have a solid educational background and diverse legal experience, particularly in banking, corporate law, and property transactions. His proactive approach to internships and practical learning showcases his commitment to the legal profession.

He was trainee at Harold Benjamin Solicitors, London, focused on secured lending deals, drafting documents, and post-completion registrations, with notable transactions including £5.5m purchase and £13.5m complex offshore corporate finance deal. Also worked as a Paralegal at Axiom Ince in London, specializing in corporate law, mergers, and acquisitions.

Legal intern at Konoike Group, Karanjawala & Co., and Luthra & Luthra Law Offices, Engaged in legal and business departments, drafting sales contracts, and attending legal team meetings.

Assisting the arbitration team, providing insight into case settlements and various legal sectors including Real Estate and Criminal Law. If we talk about his IT skills, Proficient in MS Office, various legal software (LEAP, Partner, NetDocs), and external databases (Practical Law Company, Butterworth's Lexis Nexis).

He is a Active investor in the US stock market and cryptocurrencies with experience in the NFT ecosystem since Q1 2021, working with various blockchains including Ethereum and Solana.

THE STRONG

Female Lead



Nina Naustdal

Fashion Day London

DAME DR MUNNI IRONE

THE ROYAL QUEEN OF BEVERLY HILLS

We have created a beautiful platform to allow youth to do commerce.

Personally, I have over 6000 businesses and entrepreneurs around the world. This organization is created by art4peaceawards.org, to create jobs, smart business, tourism and healing. Our business covers a whole range from Airplanes, Jet Fuel, Gold, Diamonds, Medical Supplies, Food Items, Agriculture, Technology, the list is unlimited. I took care of our most of my charities, now worldwideyouthcongress.net has taken over the youth orphans in Ghana. We are a Real Smart, Honest, Organization with Integrity and Honor. Don't look nowhere STOP here, this is the Final Answer. to make a positive change. Help save as many youth as possible. I'm self-sufficient but this Big Project needs your attention. You want to see a miracle then work with me! Adults we need you all as well. Let's Run Together. I am an Executive Producer of a true Historical movie called Freedom? This movie has Oscar Winning Content. We have several Publications and Support. It is not even done, We have colleges who will include this movie in their curriculum. We have some funding other we want the Investor or Donors who can also have benefit in Real Estate as well, no one loses with Dame Munni! from heart to your heart love and peace. WE ARE ONE!





Dhanashree Patil is a dedicated social entrepreneur and humanitarian, currently serving as the Director of Celebration Events, CEO of REDIO (Rescuing Every Distressed Indian Overseas), and Founder and President of the Swadesh Seva Foundation. With a strong commitment to aiding distressed Indians abroad, she has made significant contributions during crises, particularly during the Ukraine war, where she assisted over 4,820 students in returning safely to India. Her efforts included providing authentic information, counseling, and maintaining communication with Indian missions to support students during this challenging time.

In addition to her work with students, Dhanashree has been instrumental in helping stranded Indians during the COVID-19 pandemic. She extended her support to those stuck in Dubai, facilitating their return home by securing sponsors for air travel, conducting free COVID-19 tests, and distributing food packets to those in need. She coordinated the first two evacuation charter flights from Pune and Mumbai, successfully organizing the travel of over 3,000 individuals, including jobless workers, pregnant women, children, and students.

DHANASHREE PATIL

The Women of

Social Work

Dhanashree's humanitarian efforts also include rescuing Indian women stranded in Dubai due to false promises made by unauthorized agents, as well as assisting laborers from Oman who were abandoned by their recruiters. She has provided vital support to stranded Indians worldwide, helping them return home with the assistance of consulates and embassies from 26 countries. Furthermore, she has facilitated the repatriation of mortal remains for Indian families from various regions, including the Maldives, Hong Kong, the Gulf region, the USA, and Canada, showcasing her unwavering commitment to the welfare of her fellow citizens.

SEEMA KUSHWAHA

Women Welfare Advocate



I am Seema Kushwaha, an advocate at the Supreme Court of India and Founder of Samridhi Bharat Trust. With a steadfast commitment to women's empowerment and justice, I have been instrumental in advocating for the rights of victimized women and children. Notably, I played a pivotal role in the landmark Nirbhaya rape and murder case (2012), fighting tirelessly for justice and ensuring the conviction of four accused and capital punishment. My unwavering dedication to seeking justice has also led me to take on other high-profile cases, including the Shraddha Walkar murder case (2022), in which the accused killed his live-in partner and cut her body into pieces, disposing of them in the outskirts of Delhi. While these cases have garnered significant media attention, my work extends far beyond these high-profile instances. I am currently fighting dozens of similar cases, seeking justice for numerous victimized girls who deserve equal access to justice.

As a passionate advocate for women's rights, I provide pro bono services to those in need, serving the underprivileged in meeting the ends of justice. My life's mission is to empower women, enabling them to fight for their rights and contribute equally to India's progress.

MYRA GROVER

The budding Talent

Nineteen-year-old Myra Grover, Student of 2nd year at University of Manchester, belongs to a generation of proactive change-makers for whom the personal is the political and the political is the personal. As one of the youngest members of the New Delhi Social Workers Association as well as the India Luxury Foundation, Myra has actively campaigned for the eradication of single-use plastic as well as the furthering of several sustainable practices in fashion and the environment. Yet, what defines her is the way she puts her heart and soul and emotion into every cause that she works towards implementing — be it civic welfare or our mental health or our holistic wellbeing. This blend between the personal and the professional is what is the real essence of today's youth.

Her book also provides the much-needed bird's eye view into the world of the young generation, one that Myra Grover represents and is the future of our development as a nation as well as the coming generation. How will this generation be the change that they wish to see, and what is it that they can carry forward with them and learn from — be it from their parents, their teachers, or their peers?



Like most young women her age, Myra's emotional activism defines the future of the way political leadership will transform in the decades to come, and her book provides a zoomed-in view of that collective psyche that young India represents but is still struggling to understand.

Reema Virdee

THE WOMEN Of Empowerment & innovation

REEMA VIRDEE HAS PROVEN HERSELF AS A DYNAMIC AND COMPASSIONATE LEADER WITH HER ABILITY TO COMBINE BUSINESS ACUMEN WITH SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Ms. Reema Virdee is a multifaceted leader known for her dynamic roles across various fields. As the President of Highway Hero Trust, Reema has been at the forefront of championing the rights and welfare of drivers for nearly a decade. Her leadership is marked by a deep commitment to improving the lives of drivers and their families through innovative programs and unwavering support.

Reema's vision for the Highway Hero Trust revolves around key principles such as health and safety, driver empowerment, community building, family support, and women empowerment. Her initiatives have uplifted drivers and fostered a sense of community and solidarity among them. Under her guidance, the Trust has become a beacon of hope and support for drivers facing exploitation and challenging circumstances.

Reema is the Founder and Director of Rvedaa Limited UK, a pioneering organization in its field. She also graces the airwaves as a Radio Presenter on the UK's biggest retro music station, bringing joy and nostalgia to countless listeners. Her entrepreneurial spirit is further exemplified through Sangini, a program dedicated to nurturing and empowering women entrepreneurs.

Reema's diverse expertise and compassionate leadership continue to inspire and drive positive change, making her an invaluable asset to the Highway Hero Trust and the communities she serves.



POONAM SHARMA

The Women of Finance

Poonam Sharma is an accomplished banking professional who embarked on her illustrious career in 2003, demonstrating unwavering dedication to Barclays Bank. Commencing her journey as a cashier, she has ascended through various roles, including personal banker, branch manager, business manager, and corporate relationship manager. Currently, Poonam holds a prominent leadership role, overseeing the ecosystem for the East Midlands region, after having worked her way up from the grassroots level. Her career trajectory stands as a testament to the power of perseverance and an unyielding commitment to excellence. Poonam's skill set has evolved over the years as she embraced challenges and seized opportunities for growth. In her capacity as a leader, she champions a culture of innovation, collaboration, and inclusivity, fostering an environment where her team and the organization thrive. Noteworthy among her achievements is the establishment of the Asian Founders Roadshow—an initiative she founded while working at Barclays Bank, aimed at promoting diversity and representation within the business landscape.



Poonam's passion for empowering aspiring Asian entrepreneurs has manifested in this platform, empowering them to transform their dreams into prosperous ventures that contribute significantly to both their personal growth and the broader economy. Her role as the founder of the Asian Founders Roadshow has earned her national recognition within Barclays Bank. Poonam's remarkable journey, from a cashier to a pioneering force shaping the financial landscape of the East Midlands, underscores the invaluable lessons of resilience, adaptability, and strategic acumen. With a steadfast commitment to driving innovation and growth, she remains an inspiring figure who continues to elevate the industry and pave the way for future leaders. Outside of her professional endeavors, Poonam's diverse interests shine as she contributes to a regional radio station, hosting a weekly show focused on UK entertainment. This commitment showcases her multifaceted talents and dedication to engaging with her community in meaningful ways. In an ever-evolving world, Poonam Sharma stands poised to confront challenges head-on and leave an indelible mark on the banking sector. Her journey exemplifies the belief that with passion, determination, and forward-thinking, one can transcend boundaries and accomplish remarkable feats. Poonam Sharma is an outstanding person with a even brighter career ahead.

MINAXI TAILOR

The Women of

Management



Minaxi Tailor - Senior Manager Propositions, HNW HSBC UK

A progressive and passionate Senior Manager in Retail Banking, specialising in Change and Project Management, Customer Management, Customer Service Business Partnering, Product and Propositional design, development and management of domestic and international value propositions. Established People leader, Coach and Mentor, with a strong strategic focus, and driving commercial growth.

DEVYANI BHARADWAJ

The Young Talent

Devyani Bharadwaj is a remarkable young talent who excels as a student, artist, author, and singer. Currently in the 7th grade at Riverton Valley School in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, she is proficient in multiple languages, including English, Hindi, and Marathi, and has a good command of Sanskrit. Her diverse interests and accomplishments highlight her dedication to both academics and the arts, making her a well-rounded individual with a bright future ahead.

Throughout her journey, Devyani has achieved numerous accolades that showcase her literary and artistic talents. Notably, she was selected for the Scholastic Writers Academy program, where her work will be published, and she won the Junior Miss India 'Indian Young Celebrity Influencer Award' in 2024. Additionally, she has published several books, including a bilingual edition of 'Sun Salutations,' which was distributed at the Olympic Council of Asia General Assembly. Her contributions to literature and yoga have been recognized by various organizations, including the Madhya Pradesh Yogasana Sports Association and the Kalakunj Foundation, further solidifying her reputation as a young influencer.

Devyani's literary contributions extend to her participation in prestigious events such as the Muskaan children's literary festival and the launch of her books, 'Saraswathi Rajamani – The Forgotten Spy' and 'Sun Salutations.' Her illustrations have garnered accolades, and she has been featured in interviews and articles that highlight her achievements. Her dedication to Sanskrit is particularly noteworthy, as she has performed and recited works that have been promoted by Sanskrit Bharti, showcasing her commitment to preserving and celebrating this ancient language. In addition to her literary pursuits, Devyani has a passion for painting, music, and sculpture. She has actively participated in various competitions, including the MP Tennis League, which demonstrates her diverse talents and interests.



Her artistic skills have been recognized through multiple awards in spelling bee competitions and art contests, emphasizing her commitment to excellence across different fields.

Devyani's impact is further underscored by the letters of appreciation she has received from notable figures, including the Hon'ble ex-President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind, and the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi. She has also been acknowledged by prominent authors and personalities, such as Amish Tripathi and Ruskin Bond, reflecting her influence and recognition in both literary and cultural spheres. Her achievements at such a young age are a testament to her hard work, creativity, and potential for future success.

YESHAYA GROVER

The Budding Talent

Yeshaya Grover is a 16-year-old student at Sardar Patel Vidyalaya with a remarkable passion for theatre and public speaking. As a theatre student at the renowned National School of Drama, Yeshaya is deeply involved in the world of performing arts. She has spoken at notable events, including when India hosted the United Nations Environment Day, at various embassy events including at the Indonesian Embassy, and at India's first ever convention on prevention of violence against women and children organised by PARI. Yeshaya also had the honour of giving the opening speech at Dr. Shovana Narayan's event, demonstrating her ability to engage with influential figures in the world of culture and social causes.

Beyond her artistic talents, Yeshaya is a dedicated advocate for social causes. As a Youth Ambassador for Can Heal, she works tirelessly to support cancer patients and raise awareness about cancer and women's health. She particularly tries to spread awareness in rural areas and among young students. She has also led fundraising efforts for providing sanitary pads in rural Haryana, helping to address critical health and hygiene needs. Her commitment to social change also led her to an internship at Sunkiya, where she gained valuable insights into economics and rural business.



In school, Yeshaya holds a leadership role as part of the Cultural Affairs, Student Council and is actively involved in organizing all cultural events.

A dedicated academic scholar and badminton player, Yeshaya exemplifies balance between her extracurricular passions and her commitment to academic excellence. She actively teaches and helps students who need extra assistance with their studies. Through her varied accomplishments, she continues to inspire her peers and communities with her drive, compassion, and dedication to making a difference.

ALKA SHAH

Director Of

Market Expansion



Alka Shah – Head of Sales, Lyca Media Alka Shah is a seasoned media professional with 24 years of experience in the industry and currently serves as the Head of Sales at Lyca Media. She spearheads revenue growth, advertising strategy, and client partnerships for Lyca Radio and Lyca Gold, playing a pivotal role in shaping the commercial success of the network. With her extensive expertise in media sales, she ensures brands effectively connect with diverse audiences through strategic and impactful advertising solutions. With over two decades of experience, Alka has honed her skills in sales leadership, business development, and ethnic media marketing, making her a key driver of Lyca Media's success. Passionate about serving the community, she has been instrumental in bridging businesses with the UK's South Asian diaspora, offering targeted advertising solutions that resonate with culturally rich and dynamic audiences. Under her leadership, Lyca Media has strengthened its position as a trusted platform for advertisers looking to reach niche markets. Her deep understanding of audience engagement, brand positioning, and market trends has enabled businesses to foster meaningful connections that drive success. Beyond sales, Alka is a dedicated advocate for community engagement, actively supporting initiatives, collaborating with local businesses, and championing causes that align with Lyca Media's mission. Her results-driven approach, strategic vision, and unwavering commitment to both business growth and cultural representation make her a powerful force in the media industry. With 24 years of expertise, Alka continues to lead Lyca Media towards new heights, ensuring it remains a powerful voice for brands and audiences alike.

INDERPALL KAUR

Director of Strategic Initiatives

IKB EventWorks was founded in July 2024 by Inderpall (Indy) Kaur Bhamra (Founder & C.E.O). The business was in the making for the last 34 years since 1990, when her family printers business was established by her father Surinder Singh Bhamra. This is where her love for Business began.

Indy is a former Business Development Manager at an Assistant Vice President level for a Financial institution as well as a Community Ambassador for over 14 years. Now is proud to be at a C.E.O Level for her own company.

IKB EventWorks is a specialist events and marketing company in West London. The unique and strong marketing strategies generate Business for all those involved. They create powerful networking opportunities that foster collaboration and growth. From gatherings to large-scale gatherings, their events are designed to connect you with the right people. The company has also created IKB NetWorks to create a Business network within the West London area to bring business owners together to work & grow together.



“ Our events have helped countless professionals build lasting partnerships and grow their businesses. We don’t just plan events; we create unforgettable experiences that connect, inspire action, and leave a lasting impact.” Indy told us.

Her company have strong values and believe it is important to always maintain respect, trust & be transparent when doing any kind of business. Success for her is the growth for all the businesses she interacts with in some form or another. Not forgetting giving back to the communities you live in. Indy has supported many community projects and continues to do so. She recently won, Community Business Award 2025- Presented by the Southall Community Alliance for all her outstanding contribution within the community. IKB EventWorks is a company to look out for in 2025. Wishing her all the best and Success.

Gauri Goel

THE WOMEN

Market business

The individual is a highly effective Chief Operating Officer with over 20 years of extensive experience in the banking sector, particularly within the Markets business. Their skill set encompasses a wide range of competencies, including strategy implementation, control design and execution, talent acquisition, leadership, problem-solving, change management, and new product launches. They have demonstrated a proven ability to thrive in high-stress, dynamic environments while driving growth and delivering results. Their excellent communication and collaborative skills enable them to motivate and inspire teams, maintaining a relentless focus on achieving objectives.

Currently, they serve as the Head of Strategy and Governance in Group Control at Barclays, a position they have held since May 2024. Prior to this role, they have held various significant positions within Barclays, including Senior Relationship Manager and Cross Asset Sales Business Manager, Markets CAO, Chief Operating Officer for Quantitative Analytics, and Director of the Chief Control Office. Their career at Barclays began in 2003, and they have progressively taken on more responsibility, showcasing their ability to manage operations and strategy effectively.



Before joining Barclays, the individual gained valuable experience as an Entrepreneurial Venture Director at GSEC Capital Market Pvt. Ltd., a Private Banker at American Express Bank, and a Key Account Executive at Bank of America. They also served as a Research Associate at INSEAD, further enhancing their academic and professional credentials.

In terms of education, they hold an MBA from INSEAD, a Post Graduate Diploma in Management from the International Management Institute, and a Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics from St Stephen's College, University of Delhi, where they achieved top honors with a score of 97.5%. This strong educational background complements their extensive professional experience, positioning them as a leader in the banking industry.

SHIVARANJANI BHARADWAJ

The Creative Athletic

Shivaranjani Bharadwaj is a remarkable young talent from Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, excelling as a student, artist, author, and singer. Currently in the 7th grade at Riverton Valley School, she is fluent in English, Hindi, and Marathi, and has a good command of Sanskrit. Her diverse interests and accomplishments reflect her commitment to both academic excellence and artistic expression, making her a well-rounded individual at a young age.

Shivaranjani's achievements are impressive and numerous. She was selected for the Scholastic Writers Academy program, where her work will be published, highlighting her literary talent. In 2024, she won the Junior Miss India 'Indian Young Celebrity Influencer Award' and has published bilingual editions of her book 'Sun Salutations,' which was distributed at the 44th Olympic Council of Asia General Assembly to promote yoga. Her contributions to literature and yoga have been recognized by various organizations, including the Madhya Pradesh Yogasana Sports Association and the Kalakunj Foundation, showcasing her influence in these fields.

Her literary journey includes participation in prestigious events such as the Muskaan children's literary festival and the Muskaan Summer Literary Meet, where she was recognized for her writing skills. Additionally, she has been invited as a chief guest for English Week at The Oriental School in Bhopal. Shivaranjani's books, including 'Saraswathi Rajamani – The Forgotten Spy,' have received significant attention, and her recitations in Sanskrit have been promoted by Sanskrit Bharti, further establishing her as a prominent figure in the literary community.

Beyond her literary pursuits, Shivaranjani is passionate about painting, music, and singing. She has participated in various competitions, including the MP Tennis League, and has shown interest in equestrian activities. Her artistic talents have been recognized through multiple awards, including a special recognition award for her illustrations and her paintings being featured in a calendar by the Airport Authority of India.



This blend of creativity and athleticism highlights her versatility and dedication to her interests.

Shivaranjani's accomplishments are further underscored by her extensive collection of certificates and trophies from various competitions, including national and international spelling bee contests. She has received letters of appreciation from notable figures, including the Hon'ble ex-President of India, the Prime Minister, and renowned authors like Amish Tripathi and Ruskin Bond. Her achievements have been consistently recognized, showcasing her exceptional talent and dedication across multiple fields, making her a role model for her peers.

Fashion *Days* LONDON

An Initiative by BHARAT MAHOTSAV

Sustainability and Eco-friendly



"Fashion Trends
Added In MP State
Promoting Startup
Designers"

FASHION DAYS

London

Fashion Days London is part of a growing wave of fashion events that aim to bridge the gap between the traditional fashion world and the evolving landscape of contemporary culture. Unlike the heavily commercialized London Fashion Week, Fashion Days London creates a more inclusive atmosphere where emerging talent, avant-garde designers, and even niche subcultures have a platform to shine. It has become a hub for creative expression, with a focus not just on the garments but on the ethos and stories behind them.

What makes Fashion Days London stand out is its emphasis on innovation and inclusivity. Many of the events focus on showcasing sustainable fashion, ethical production, and the use of technology in design. Designers who participate in the event often incorporate eco-conscious practices or experiment with new materials, whether through recycled fabrics, biodegradable textiles, or zero-waste methods. This reflects a wider global trend towards sustainability in the fashion industry, and the event serves as a space to celebrate and push forward these ideals.

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FASHION.



The event also stands as a testament to the power of fashion as a cultural force. It's not just about clothes; it's about the influence of fashion on politics, identity, and society. Fashion Days London frequently hosts talks, panels, and workshops that engage with important social issues. Whether discussing diversity, body positivity, or the role of technology in fashion, these dialogues bring depth to the event and allow participants to challenge the status quo.

Another standout feature is the immersive experience offered to attendees. While the runway shows may steal the spotlight, the event also often includes interactive installations, live performances, and art exhibits that blur the lines between fashion, art, and performance. This creates an atmosphere that invites people to not just witness fashion, but to live it and engage with it on a sensory level.

Additionally, Fashion Days London provides a platform for young designers to gain exposure. Whether it's their first collection or an experimental project, the event offers budding talent the chance to present their work to a broader audience, potentially attracting buyers, press, and influencers. Many of these designers may not yet have access to major runways but find Fashion Days London an ideal place to debut their work in front of the right crowd.

DESIGNERS PARTICIPATING IN THE EVENT OFTEN INCORPORATE SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES OR INVESTIGATE CREATIVE MATERIALS. THIS MAY INVOLVE THE USE OF RECYCLED FABRICS, BIODEGRADABLE TEXTILES, OR THE ADOPTION OF ZERO-WASTE METHODS.

YASH VOHRA

THE CURATOR OF Fashion Days



He's the 'maverick of the fashion scene' and also a lifestyle and image Consultant his global exposure and Project handling made him special, a Visionary who has keen eye on Creativity and technology

Yash is a multifaceted entrepreneur with a dynamic presence in Paris and Toronto, offering expertise in fashion, lifestyle, and image consultancy. Armed with dual master's degrees in Luxury Brand Management and Merchandise Marketing from Los Angeles, California and a global industry experience of 10 years, Yash possesses a profound understanding of brand development and an international perspective on achieving excellence.

In addition to his consultancy work, Yash has recently expanded his horizons by becoming a restaurant owner in India. His swanky Pan-Asian restaurant reflects his commitment to giving back to his roots and contributing to the burgeoning Indian economy, while providing a global dining experience to the local population.

Yash is the founder of Dapper Affair, a consultancy firm specializing in business solutions across Marketing, Brand development, and Men's Fashion. With a robust multi-continental presence, the company serves a diverse client portfolio spanning in France, the U.K., Canada,

REENA DHAKA

Fashion Designer



Rina Dhaka is very well known among the It people of the world. She is known as a designer for women who think. Rina Dhaka has transformed the Indian couture into an epicenter of avant-garde fashion design. That is no small feat, considering that her label is self-financed. While a brooding, Intellectual quality evolved as the hallmark of Indian designers, Dhaka continually balances it with her contemporary style and aesthetic appeal.

Today, she boasts 'Best Designer' Award in Miami Fashion Week 2004, has shown her work in The Louvre Paris, and was bestseller at a Bollywood promotion at Selfridges. Her stellar clientele includes Naomi Campbell, Uma Thurman, Tara Palmer Tomlinson and Vittorio Radice, to name a few. She has also shown her work at Metropolitan museum, New York, London, Mauritius, South Africa, Dubai, Singapore, Hong Kong and USA.

VICTORIA AMERSON

The Women of

Design & Dream



Victoria Amerson Designs stems from one woman who has made her dreams come true despite all the challenges.

Since she was a young girl, she was completely in love with drawing and with designing new dresses. She made sketches and pages full of new designs and ideas for the dresses she wanted to sew one day. A few years later, following Corona, she began to bring these ideas from two dimensional drawings to three dimensional works of art.

Victoria answers all of your dress dreams as she brings the classic midcentury style back to life in her spectacular designs.

The beauty of these designs is not only in the silhouette of the dress and the creative details, however every garment is beautifully handmade using the carefully perfected using sewing techniques from the 1950s. This includes handstitched details and carefully placed pieces made in Victoria's Atelier located in Vienna, Austria.

DAIVA DAWOOD

Crystal Daiva

A shining star

The journey with Daiva Dawood and her brand, Crystal Daiva, at Fashion Days London has been nothing short of extraordinary. Daiva's vibrant energy, immense talent, and heartfelt contributions have made a significant impact on the event. Her radiant personality and breathtaking creations, including unique pheromone-infused perfumes and stunning Swarovski-encrusted jewelry, showcase her exceptional artistry and originality. The gratitude expressed for her involvement reflects the magical atmosphere she brings to every occasion.

As the exclusive fashion stylist for Fashion Days London, Daiva has elevated the event with her impeccable taste and creativity. Her ability to transform ideas into reality has created a true celebration of glamour and sophistication. Beyond her fashion prowess, Daiva is deeply committed to supporting autistic children, demonstrating her compassion and desire to uplift others. Her journey from Lithuania to becoming a global symbol of luxury with Crystal Daiva highlights her passion for excellence and innovation.

Crystal Daiva represents more than just beautiful products; it embodies a lifestyle of luxury and elegance. Each fragrance and piece of jewelry is designed to make the wearer feel unique and confident, encapsulated in Daiva's mantra, "Always wear your invisible crown." At Fashion Days London, her creations added a touch of enchantment to the runway, inspiring models and attendees alike with their beauty and allure.

Daiva's warmth, generosity, and positivity have made her a beloved figure within the Fashion Days London family. Her commitment to empowering individuals, particularly through her work with autistic children, reflects her compassionate nature.



As an entrepreneur, stylist, and artist, Daiva's journey serves as a testament to the power of determination and creativity. Looking ahead, the excitement for Daiva's future contributions to Fashion Days London is palpable. Her talent and energy have become integral to the event, and her brand continues to set new standards in luxury and style. A heartfelt thank you is extended to Daiva for her unwavering support and stunning creations, which have brought joy and beauty to the event. The celebration of Daiva Dawood and Crystal Daiva at Fashion Days London invites everyone to experience the magic of her luxurious scents and dazzling jewelry, embracing a world of elegance and artistry.

SANDIP SOPARRKAR

The Dance

Visionary



Sandip Soparrkar (born 6 October 1964) is an Indian Latin and ballroom dancer, Bollywood choreographer, actor, columnist, Dance Reality Show judge, Radio Jockey and a Ted X speaker, who holds a doctorate in World Mythology Folklore from Pacifica Graduate Institute United States and also an Honorary Doctorate in Performing arts from The National American University. He has been honoured with 3 National Excellence Awards and 1 National Achievement Award by the Government of India and he is also the recipient of the Rabindranath Tagore Literary Prize for Social Achievement.

He founded "India Dance Week", which combines Indian and international dance. He has also become a philanthropist with this Worldwide initiative 'Dance for a Cause' where he uses dance, drama and music as a medium to raise awareness of various social issues in the society. At the British House of Commons, World Book of Records / Indo-British Cultural forum honored Soparrkar with the title of "Ballroom Dance Jewel". He is the only dancer choreographer of India who has a postage stamp issued by the Bhutan Government with his picture and with the logo of his worldwide initiative 'Dance for a Cause' and the first dancer choreographer to receive the Rabindranath Tagore Social Achievement Prize for is much appreciated 'Dance for a Cause' initiative.



SIMRAN AHUJA

Ms India & Actress



Multifaceted Magnificence or a Multitude of Resonating Talent, are the idioms that strike the mind when one mentions this distinguished achiever. A masterful Craftswoman in so many immeasurable assorted genres, that even the best in the business take inspiration and pay respects in utter admiration.

An entrepreneur at Aviation, An Illustrious Author, A Folk Dance Icon, A Brand Ambassador to numerous Entities, Recipient of Countless Prestigious Awards including the Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival Award and the BRICS Award. An eminent Doctor in Naturopathy and an International Yoga Icon with Distinguished letters from the Honourable Prime Minister of India's Office, recognising her exceptional contribution to Yoga and Fitness across the world popularly known as Simran Ahuja Yoga Lover. As the Cultural Ambassador at Paris, she takes the Cultural Dance of India to several Countries and has been Judging several Competitions all across the Globe including USA. Having won 18 consecutive Folk Dance titles in India and America, she's known as y

'Queen of Folk Dance'. Apart from her diverse and innumerable accomplishments, she's also an Academic Scholar with a Master's Degree in Finance. Her achievement has paved a way for an entire generation of women to embark upon.

UNNATI SINGH

The Women of

Beauty, makeup & styling

Unnati Singh is a renowned beauty expert who has made a name for herself working behind the scenes in the beauty and fashion industry. With a deep understanding of skincare, makeup, and holistic beauty practices, Unnati has been the creative force behind numerous fashion shows, editorial shoots, and celebrity appearances. Her expertise goes beyond just makeup artistry—she believes in enhancing natural beauty while promoting the importance of skin health and self-care.

Known for her meticulous attention to detail and innovative techniques, Unnati has collaborated with leading designers and photographers, helping to shape iconic looks that define trends. Her passion for empowering individuals through beauty, along with her calm and professional demeanor, has earned her the trust of high-profile clients. Unnati's work may be behind the scenes, but her impact on the industry is undeniably front and center.

Unnati Singh is a dedicated salon educator who brings her wealth of beauty expertise to aspiring professionals in the industry. With a passion for teaching, she has transformed her years of hands-on experience into comprehensive training programs that cover all aspects of salon services, including skincare, makeup artistry, hair styling, and overall beauty management. Unnati's approach as an educator is rooted in her belief that true beauty professionals should not only master technical skills but also understand the science behind products, the importance of client care, and emerging industry trends.



**ARTISTS PAINTS CANVASES, SHE PAINTS
BEAUTIFUL FACES.**



TAPATI SINGHA

Makeup

Maestro



Tapati Singha is a highly experienced makeup artist with an impressive career spanning over 32 years. Having completed more than 10,000 makeup applications, she has honed her skills to perfection. Her participation in the 2017 World Cup in France highlights her international recognition in the beauty industry. As the current President of the All India Hair and Beauty Association in West Bengal, she plays a pivotal role in promoting and advancing the beauty profession in the region.

RITUU GANDHI

The Women of

Beauty & fashion



With over 19 years of experience, Ritu Gandhi is one of the most highly regarded makeup artist on the Bridal and fashion circuits. Whether she's called upon to create her signature look, best described as fresh and flawless or to work her magic for the catwalk or on editorial shoots, her understated, modern approach to beauty has made her indispensable to designers, magazine editors, art directors and celebrities alike.

The list of celebrities she has made up reads like a who's who of the Bollywood's most glamorous women including Deepika Padukone, Priyanka Chopra, Ranveer Singh, Karishma Kapoor, Alia Bhatt, Huma Qureshi, Isha Koppikar, Juhi Chawla, Kangana Ranaut, Esha Gupta, Preeti Zinta, Aditi Rao, Prachi Desai, Kiara Advani, Seerat Kapoor, Sara Jane Dias, Nidhi Subbaiah, Tanisha Mukherjee, Amrita Rao, Evelyn Sharma, Sonal Chauhan, Bhumika Chawla, Namitha Kapoor, Trisha, Mandira Bedi & Jaya Prada .



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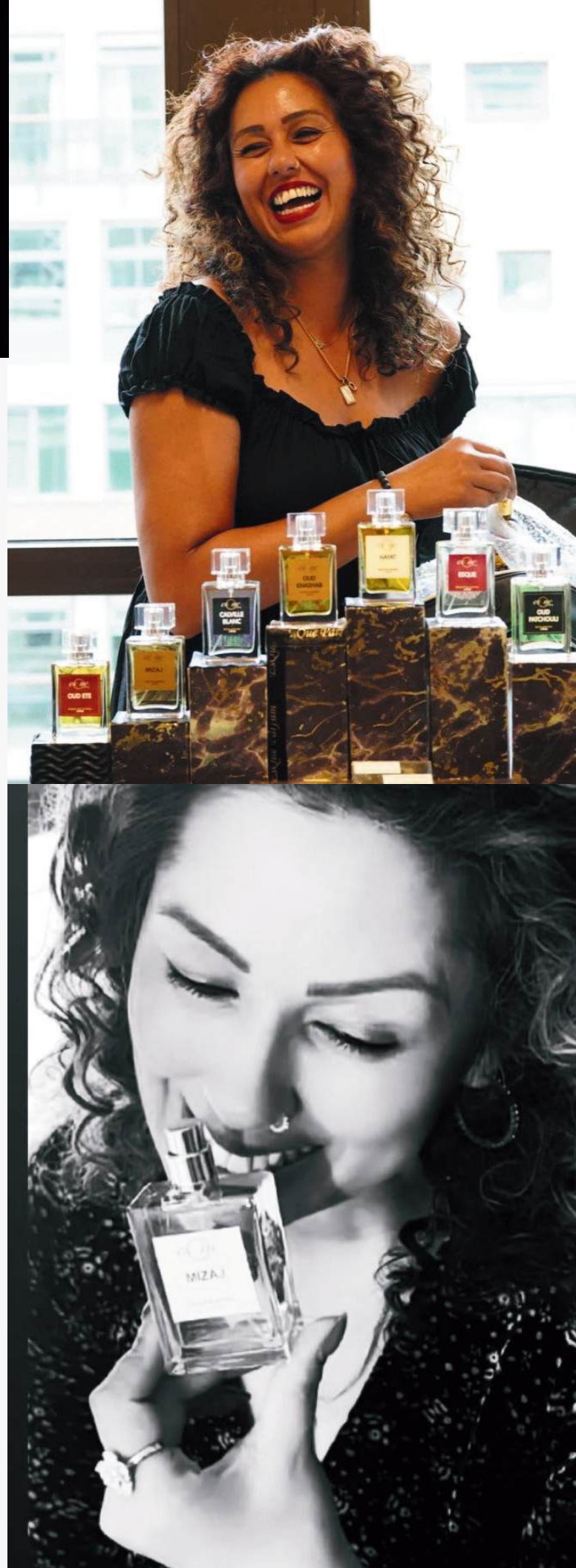
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SANDRA DE AFONSECA

Hair Technician

Sandra de Afonseca was born in South Africa in Johannesburg, she's a highly skilled and experienced hairdresser with a passion for creating stunning transformations and delivering exceptional client care. After completing three years of formal training in at Bedfordshire Dunstable College, she honed her craft with the world-renowned Toni & Guy in London gaining expertise in all aspects of hair care, including cuts, color, highlights, treatments, hair up and hair extensions.

Sandra's dedication to her craft led her to work in various prestigious salons, where she built a reputation for excellence. Seven years ago, she took the leap to establish her own hairdressing business, offering not only expert hair services but also complementary beauty treatments, including makeup, nails, massages, and facials.

Her talent and creativity have also earned her a place in the spotlight, participating annually in Madeira Fashion Weekend and London Fashion where she styles and designs the hair of runway models and creates unique looks for high-profile events.

With years of experience and a commitment to staying at the forefront of beauty trends, Sandra de Afonseca continues to make her mark as a trusted professional in the hair and beauty industry.



NINA NAUSTDAL

Women Of Fashion & Acting

Nina Naustdal stands out as an accomplished entrepreneur, recognised as “The most Inspirational women in the world.” With a prolific career spanning fashion, entrepreneurship, music, acting, and wealth management, Nina has earned 11 prestigious awards, 12 including the one she got today and another one coming up later this month from “Speakers are leaders” Luxury Business Awards for “Social media Influencer award.” This will be her 13th award for her incredible work in fashion and other businesses over the last decade. Over the past decade, she has demonstrated resilience and versatility as a business women, designer and entrepreneur building a robust and diverse business platform. Nina’s message emphasises self-belief, courage, and continuously learning, reflecting the profound beauty found in heartfelt experiences. Her narrative is one of resilience, ambition, and an unwavering dedication to make a positive impact on the world through her entrepreneurial endeavours.

SAYMA

Business women

Gua Sha



Sayma is a visionary businesswoman who has made waves in the holistic beauty industry for the past five years. As the founder and driving force behind The Gua Sha she has revolutionized the way people approach skincare and wellness. Specializing in holistic beauty products, particularly the transformative art of Gua Sha, she has dedicated herself to helping individuals unlock their innate beauty and radiance.

With a passion for empowering others to embrace their natural features, Sayma Shah has cultivated a brand that goes beyond skincare—it's a journey towards self-discovery and confidence. Through her expertise in Gua Sha, she has unlocked the secrets of ancient beauty rituals, blending tradition with modern innovation to provide men and women with unparalleled results.

Under her guidance, The Gua Sha has become synonymous with authenticity, quality, and holistic rejuvenation. By harnessing the power of natural ingredients and ancient techniques, she has created a sanctuary for those seeking to enhance their beauty from within.

Beyond her entrepreneurial endeavors, Sayma Shah is a beacon of inspiration, embodying the principles of compassion and empowerment in all aspects of her life. Her unwavering commitment to her craft has earned her the admiration and respect of colleagues and customers alike. Sayma Sha looks forward to continuing her journey of transformation, spreading beauty, wellness, and joy to all those who cross her path.

ATG JEWELLERS

LUXURY BY

Priti Mehta & Dipti Mehta

Priti Mehta, A commerce graduate from NM College and a master's degree holder in Business Management from NMIMS, seamlessly blends her business mind with an innate passion for design. ATG Jewellers LLP, co-founded with her sister, epitomizes their shared aspiration to craft exquisite, affordable jewellery while fostering a movement of women empowerment. Juggling full-time professions with an entrepreneurial dream demanded an extraordinary level of dedication. Late nights transformed into design sessions, weekends into market research endeavours, and every available moment into an opportunity to refine their craft.

The jewellery industry, a confluence of art, commerce, and ever changing trends, necessitates an astute understanding of the market. Cultural shifts and fashion evolution dictate consumer choices, making it imperative to stay ahead of the curve. ATG Jewellers thrives on this very premise—an incessant commitment to innovation, ensuring their collections remain relevant, desirable, and distinguished. Family, she acknowledges, played an indispensable role in their ascent. Emotional and financial backing provided the foundation upon which ATG flourished.

Entering and making a mark in the competitive industry has always been a challenge. Market saturation posed a considerable challenge, one they conquered through differentiation—by integrating man-made diamonds and moissanite polkis, they bridged the gap between opulence and accessibility. Time management was another hurdle; balancing production, marketing, and customer engagement demanded meticulous planning. Strategic scheduling and process optimization emerged as vital solutions.

Today, ATG Jewellers is more than a brand; it is an artistic endeavor that harmonizes craftsmanship with accessibility. Specializing in 18kt hallmark gold, their repertoire of rings, necklaces, bracelets, and earrings embodies sophistication without the exorbitant price tag. By leveraging sustainable alternatives, they redefine luxury, making elegance attainable for a broader audience. What makes ATG Jewellers distinct is its ability to infuse tradition with contemporary aesthetics, crafting pieces that transcend fleeting trends. Their unique sourcing methods and commitment to affordability create an unparalleled offering in an industry often perceived as exclusive.

"A positive attitude encourages collaboration and motivates the group. Celebrate the successes of others to foster a supportive environment." Her words encapsulate the soul of ATG Jewellers—where jewellery is not merely an accessory but an emblem of confidence, empowerment, and timeless grace.



Francis Cardoso

THE VISION Madeira Fashion Weekend

Francis Cardoso, the founder of Madeira Fashion Weekend, has been a pillar in the entertainment and fashion industries for over 37 years. Together with his ex-wife, Yvonne Pataca, they created something remarkable—a legacy that has endured for over 8 years, continuing to thrive and inspire. Francis’s journey has been one of relentless passion, creativity, and resilience. From his early days as a young dancer to his current success as a choreographer, fashion innovator, and performer, Francis has lived a life defined by his love for art and his unshakable commitment to family and creativity.

In 1988, his interest in fashion blossomed when he enrolled in his first modeling course with the internationally renowned fashion designer Rita Pessanha. This experience ignited a lifelong passion for fashion, blending seamlessly with his performance background. His understanding of movement, style, and expression helped shape his unique perspective on fashion, laying the groundwork for his future role in the industry.

Francis’s impressive resume includes multiple high-profile television appearances. He became a semifinalist on Britain’s Got Talent, showcasing his incredible talent to a global audience. He also competed as a contestant on X-Factor and participated in the popular TV series *Come Dine With Me: Couples*. Additionally, his versatility as an actor led him to appear in *Love and Marriage*, a TV series that captured his ability to entertain and engage audiences across various platforms.

One of Francis’s most cherished accomplishments is the creation of Madeira Fashion Weekend, a celebration of art, culture, and the fashion world. Together with Yvonne, he co-founded this iconic event, and it has grown into a premier platform for designers, models, and artists from all around the world. Madeira Fashion Weekend has become a symbol of Francis’s commitment to bringing people together, creating opportunities, and celebrating diversity within the fashion industry.

Francis’s vision for Madeira Fashion Weekend is one of inclusivity, innovation, and creativity. His passion for bringing global talent to the stage has made the event an unparalleled experience for all involved. As he continues to lead the planning for Madeira Fashion Weekend 2025, his dedication to making the event even bigger and more impactful remains unwavering.



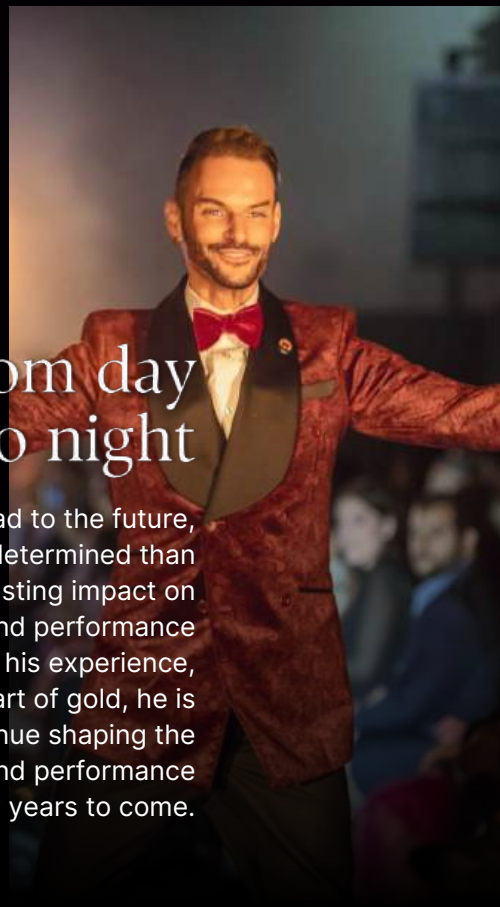


Effortless glam

In 2021, he received the prestigious award for Best Latino Perfume at an event in Dubai, showcasing his unique sense of style and his role in shaping the fashion industry.

From day to night

As he looks ahead to the future, Francis is more determined than ever to make a lasting impact on the fashion and performance industries. With his experience, talent, and heart of gold, he is poised to continue shaping the world of fashion and performance for many years to come.



Legacy of Innovation

His passion for choreographing and teaching the next generation of performers is at the core of his mission, and he continues to push the boundaries of creative expression.



RESHU KUMAR

Beauty Consultant



Reshu Kumar is a highly skilled beauty expert and skin care specialist based in London, UK, with over 20 years of experience in the beauty and wellness industry. Renowned for her ability to enhance natural beauty, Reshu has established a strong reputation among celebrities, influencers, and clients seeking personalized skincare and makeup services. Her extensive knowledge and expertise have made her a sought-after professional, known for delivering bespoke beauty solutions tailored to individual needs.

As a skincare specialist, Reshu possesses a deep understanding of various skin types and conditions, allowing her to customize treatments for anti-aging, acne management, and hydration. Her approach is always personalized, ensuring that each client receives the care and attention necessary to achieve optimal skin health. In addition to her skincare expertise, Reshu is also an accomplished makeup artist, skilled in creating looks that range from natural and glowing to bold and dramatic. She specializes in bridal makeup, special events, and editorial styles, seamlessly blending classic techniques with modern trends to enhance her clients' unique personalities.

Reshu's talents extend to hair care and styling, providing her clients with a holistic beauty experience. She offers consultations that empower clients to improve their skin health, master makeup techniques, and develop personalized beauty routines.

Her educational approach ensures that clients leave with the knowledge needed to maintain their beauty regimen at home. Reshu's commitment to understanding the unique needs of each individual allows her to create a comfortable and confident environment for her clients. Throughout her career, Reshu has had the privilege of working with a diverse clientele, including high-profile celebrities, brides-to-be, and professionals. Her loyal following is a testament to her exceptional talent and dedication to delivering flawless results, making her a prominent figure in the beauty industry. Reshu Kumar's goal is not only to enhance her clients' appearances but also to instill confidence and knowledge that empowers them to shine both inside and out.



AYEHS BAIG

The Women of

Beauty, makeup & styling

Ayesha Baig is an internationally celebrated makeup artist with a foundation in fine arts that has propelled her to the forefront of the global beauty industry. Transitioning from administration to discovering her true passion, Ayesha's vibrant career spans film, TV, theater, bridal beauty, and editorial fashion, establishing her as a leading figure in the UK.

Her expertise knows no borders, sharing her artistry at elite pageants, fashion shows, and high-profile events worldwide. Ayesha's workshops and participation in destination weddings take her to stunning locales such as Prague, Malta, and Monte Carlo, further solidifying her international acclaim.

In the glamorous world of Bollywood, Ayesha collaborates with A-list celebrities, enhancing their presence on prestigious platforms. Her commitment extends to altruistic pursuits, providing makeup training to underprivileged women in London and Pakistan and collaborating with charities to empower those facing economic hardships. In London, she supports cancer charities to uplift women through beauty.

Ayesha's blend of creativity and compassion continues to inspire a new generation, leaving an indelible mark on the beauty industry and fostering empowerment globally.





JANE MARIA

Cultural Ambassador

International Cultural Ambassador, singing star soprano Jane Maria, serves as director of UK China Culture And Media Group (UCCMG), and the honorary president of the Confederation of Chinese Business UK (women business assoc.) in the UK. With a master's degree in Vocal and Opera, representative works of leading roles in operas performed by Jane Maria include Madame Butterfly (Madame Butterfly) , Mimì and Musetta (La Bohème) , Countess Rosina Almaviva (Le Nozze di Figaro) , Adina (L'elisir d'amore) etc. Jane Maria starred in London Wigmore Hall, Hong Kong City Hall, Henan Provincial Radio and Television Spring Festival Gala, New Year's concert produced by China Central Television (CCTV) , Special New Year Programme of the Golden Ox by London Live Television, Chinese Lunar New Year Gala In New Zealand, CCTV World Chinese Spring Festival Gala, World Council of Peoples for the United Nations (WCPUN) Spring Festival Gala and other important international cultural events and performance venues.

Jane Maria was invited to serve as a judge for many large-scale international singing competitions, including: Voice of China Global Audition Final; Singing For The World Global Competition (USA); the national-level overseas Chinese cultural brand " Cultures of China-Water Cube Cup" UK Division Finals etc and she was also the vice chairwoman of the global jury of the California International Music and Art Festival (USA). Jane Maria has won numerous international awards, including the Honorable Mention Prize of the International Opera Lyric Role Competition in Rome ; the AGTO Global Outstanding Chinese Award (USA); the Most Influential Lion award of the Lions Clubs International (USA); the Most Achieved Chinese Award for Creative Enterprising Artist (Japan); International Elite Women Most Influential Award (Canada) etc. In recent years, Jane Maria has devoted herself to using western art forms to promote Chinese traditional culture globally, building and consolidating the cultural bridge between the East and the West, and promoting world peace and prosperity. She has been awarded the title of International Cultural Ambassador by many institutions around the world.

ANGELA PARKINSON

Fashion Model & Designer



Angela Parkinson Fashion International Runway Model and Designer and the founder/Owner of Lingerouche/Rouche Kidz.

Lingerouche Was created 2014 in London UK and has Showcased designs in London and Europe...1 year later Rouche Kidz was born, Stylish Designs for kids..all designs are handmade created and stitched by myself..I also teach models to catwalk on the runway ready for Fashion Shows.

Lingerouche has just celebrated its 10year Anniversary with a splendid classy Fashion Gala in London Mayfair, A Red Carpet Affair and will be hosting these Galas once a year to celebrate each year of Lingerouche, designs are inspired by my own style of class, what I would like to wear for heads to turn, the WOW! Factor, I love attention and so my designs are the best way to get that,..I also love wearing my own designs as they are a reflection of me. I love seeing my designs come to life on a Model during a Fashion Show, there's a certain kind of buzz which makes me feel proud and say, "Wow, did I make that?, me? No!" I love what I do and I love hosting my own shows as well as showcasing my designs. In others, it's a privilege to be asked, when I am asked. I would live for Lingerouche to be known by others especially as it has its own unique look and style..the elegant long dresses are getting classier and classier and I surprise myself more and more each time I sit down by my machine.

The Rouche Kidz Designs are also getting more and more stylish, I love what I do to make them pop, the colors, the styles are from grown up designs but dumbed down to the way a child should be seen which makes it that little more different, Street wear and party gowns, for kids and teens ready for prom.

Lingerouche does 3 shows a year at the moment, 1 in Spain and 2 in London, hoping to spread out to Paris, Milan, Corfu and even Midea next year and I am very excited to showcase all over Europe.

THE ENTHUSIASTIC *Male Lead*



Fashion Days London

Mr. Kishor Kumar

THE ROBOTIC Engineer

The Robotic Journey of a hands-on engineer.....Spending his childhood at the pristine Chikmagalur district in Karnataka, it was reverse engineering all the way for Kishore. The interest in creating robots began rather early when his father would buy him cars just so that his 'curious' son would break open everything and reassemble it. This helped me study the parts of even a toy car and what goes into making it, he says. The transistors (radio) at home would be separated part by part and then reassembled, he recalls. And then to supplement his knowledge about breaking open everything and learning the parts inside out, he would diligently watch the famous serial in the 80s – Giant Robot without missing a single episode.

Science exhibitions in schools was something he would look forward to displaying his love for hands-on activities. And everytime he won a prize, his father would celebrate among his colleagues ! Not surprisingly, Kishore chose engineering after his class 12 which just fueled his dreams to build robots. While his father P Chandrasekhar was his biggest motivation, his neighbors were his first encouragement.

Everytime he built a robot and screamed when it moved, the neighbours would applaud. Encouragement like he says, can come from anywhere. Even as an engineering student, he began making robots which will alert when an intruder enters your home, then a robot which can double up as a pram for babies. But when a young boy tries to tell the world that his robots can aid the society, no one takes him seriously. And Kishore learnt it the hard way. While he was pursuing engineering at the Dayananda Sagar College of Engineering in Bengaluru, his favourite haunt was SP road, which had rows of shops selling electrical and electronic parts. Kishore would pick up parts from these shops and go back home and build robots till late into the night. "I would scream in happiness when the robot moved" he says.

As a 21 year old young aspirational engineering student, one day he took his robot (which would pick up a newspaper from the door and deliver) in an autorickshaw to the Indian Institute of Science and pleaded with the security guards to let him in to show his work to the professors.



When the guards denied entry to him, he began operating the robot right there. The guards applauded and soon a crowd gathered to see the robot wonder right there on the streets. The guards opened the gates of IISc for Kishore and even allowed the autorickshaw inside. There was no looking back for Kishore. He started his own company Robot Entertainment to institutionalise his work. He began developing Realistic Animatronic Humanoid Robots for Museums, travelled extensively to learn technology from those countries. Today Robot Entertainment headquartered in Bengaluru, India with offices across the globe is a valued company. And at the core of his work is his love for entertaining children. "Unlike the West, we do not entertain children with technology here in India. My dream is to do that. Build robots and put them in amusement parks so that our children in India will benefit from the science of robots" he says.

DR. VAIBHAV KENCHAMBA

The Pediatric Pioneer



Dr. Vaibhav Kenchamba practising Paediatric dentistry in India. He is the Director of V Care group of hospitals. He has come from the background of Coffee estate, Karnataka India. The reason behind choosing this profession apart from being a coffee planter is to create Oral health awareness and also to treat the people who are suffering from Oral Cancer. India has highest prevalence of oral cancer , with the rate of 19 per 100,000 people. Causes of oral cancer is due to tobacco chewing, Areca nut chewing, smoking etc. In the Coffee plantation areas, the workers tend to chew tobacco, Areca nut. Due to their unawareness of oral health , poor affordability, they get succumbed to oral cancer. So, this lead him a pathway towards Dentistry. We (V Care dental Clinic) as a team conduct various health camps through our mobile dental van service, to create Oral Health awareness, oral cancer awareness. We have received two Global grants in health sector. One is Global grant project which is about detecting Oral cancer at the initial stages through a scanner ie, Optical Coherence Tomography . This is the Global Rotary grant given to us through Rotary United States of America.

Our Project overview:

1. detect Oral cancer at early precancerous so that later prolonged suffering (morbidity) and deaths (mortality) can be decreased.

2. Create awareness among the general population regarding Health risks posed by smoking, tobacco, Areca nut use that lead to oral cancers and also about the benefits of undergoing screening for early detection and treatment.

3. To train ASHA(Accredited Social Health Activists) Health workers in rural and USHA(Urban Social health activists) in urban areas on the importance and benefits of early detection of oral cancers.

These detected patients are then sent higher research center ie Biocon Foundation . They provide all the necessary treatment and palliative care.

In the second global grant we have recieved a mobile dental van service which is used to

-1. To conduct oral health care awareness , oral cancer awareness

2. To provide dental treatment in the rural areas , wherein people do not have accessibility to urban areas for the treatment.

V-care Oral Healthcare center has been in the fore-front in mitigating non-communicable diseases with a special focus in oral cancer in rural India. V-care has been associated with projects that leverages technology in screening and early detection of oral cancer. The implementation of point-of-care Artificial Intelligence (AI) assisted oral cancer screening has penetrated into granular level where the resources are limited.

This innovative program has benefitted over 5000 population as an outreach program in a short span of 2 years. the organization has also facilitated in implementing advanced cytology techniques for screen positive individuals and replacing Biopsy, which is an invasive procedure and is resource dependent.

Oral health awareness, tobacco cessation, tests for Diabetes and Hypertension, creating referral pathway aid in treatment is an integral part of this program thus providing end-to-end solutions for patients which need care in rural areas.

DONI BRASCO

Broadcast Journalist
& DJ



Doni Brasco is a seasoned broadcast journalist and DJ with over a decade of experience. As the host of Lyca Radio's flagship breakfast show, he has become a household name, captivating audiences worldwide and consistently delivering exceptional entertainment.

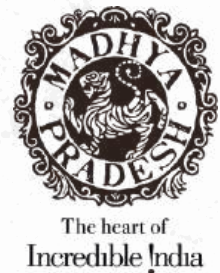


VISH BHATNAGAR

Narrative Voice specialist

Vish Bhatnagar Profile Entering the Broadcast Media industry in 2015 deriving from a rich media, journalism and legal background, Vish started his journey in Community Radio, and as a professional Voiceover Artist. He was approached by Lyca Radio in 2018 and began hosting The Drivetime Show. A key player within the Lyca Radio Network, Vish presents six days a week with his very popular, addictive Reload Show. He is the Lead for Lyca Radio London, has trained numerous presenters and manages the team to an exceptional level.

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**THE INDIAN DESIGNERS SHOWCASING
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