

## **M F Husain (1913 – 2011) – Concise Bio.**

### **Selected Posthumous Exhibitions**

- 2013 'Pioneers of Modernism', Sovereign FZE, Dubai
- 2013 'Ideas of the Sublime', presented by Vadehra Art Gallery at Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi
- 2013 'The Discerning Eye: Modern Masters', Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2013 'The Naked and the Nude: The Body in Indian Modern Art', Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2012 'Iconic Processions', Aicon Gallery, New York
- 2012 'Gallery Collection', Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2012 'Indian Highway VI', organized in collaboration with the Serpentine Gallery, London, and the Astrup Fearnley Museet, Oslo, Norway at The Ullens Center for Contemporary Art (UCCA), Beijing
- 2012 'Between 2 Lines', organised by Doha Bank and Blue Mosaic in association with Sotheby's at Doha Bank Tower, Doha
- 2012 'Contemporary: A Selection of Modern and Contemporary Art', presented by Sakshi Gallery at The Park, Chennai
- 2012 'Through the Ages: South Asian Sculpture and Painting from Antiquity to Modernism', Aicon Gallery, New York
- 2012 'Crossings: Time Unfolded, Part 2', Kiran Nadar Museum of Art (KNMA), New Delhi
- 2012 Gallery Basilio, Bangladesh
- 2011-12 Presented by ICIA at The Arts Trust, Mumbai
- 2011-12 Institute of Contemporary Indian Art (ICIA), Mumbai
- 2011-12 'The Body Unbound', Rubin Museum of Art, New York
- 2011 'A Tribute to MF Husain', Royal Academy of Arts, London
- 2011 'The Path of the Lotus: Indian Art', Grosvenor Gallery, London
- 2011 'Modern Masters', Aicon Gallery, New York
- 2011-12 'Indian Highway', in collaboration with the Serpentine Gallery, London and the Astrup Fearnley Museum of Modern Art, Oslo at MAXXI: Museum of XXI Century Arts, Rome
- 2011 'Manifestations VI', Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2011 'States of Departure: Progressives to Present Day', Aicon Gallery, London
- 2011 'Celebrating Husain', Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2011 'POP: Progressives on Paper', Aicon Gallery, New York

### **Major Solo Exhibitions**

- 2010 'M F Husain 2010 – The World is my Canvas', organised by Museum of Islamic Art (MIA), Qatar Foundation and as part of 2010 Arab Capital of Culture
- 2010 'M.F. Husain: Early Masterpieces 1950s–70s', sponsored by the Year of India, the Cogut Center for the Humanities, and the David Winton Bell Gallery at David Winton Bell Gallery, Providence
- 2006-07 'Epic India: Paintings by M. F. Husain', Herwitz Collection of Contemporary Indian Art, Peabody Essex Museum, Salem, MA

- 2006 'Early Masterpieces 1950-70's', Asia House Gallery, London
- 2005 'Exhibition of Prints', Collector's Paradise Gallery, Mumbai
- 2004 'Husain (An Exhibition of Graphic Prints in Honor of M S Subbalakshmi), Lakshana Museum of Fine Arts, Chennai
- 2004 'And Not Just 88: Husain in Oils', National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), Mumbai
- 2004 'Husain: Graphic 2004', Pictures and Frames, Mumbai
- 2003 '88 Husains in Oils 003', Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2003 'Husain Hieroglyph', Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 2003 '88 Husains in Oils 003', Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 2003 'Thief of Baghdad', Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 2003 '88 Husains in Oils 003', Gallerie 88, Kolkata
- 2003 Paris
- 2002 'Paintings and Serigraphs by Husain', Sarjan Art Gallery, Baroda
- 2002 'M .F Husain, Limited Edition Graphics and Reproduction', Sakshi Gallery in association with Archer Art Gallery, Ahmedabad
- 2002 'Madhuri as Saratchandra's Chandramukhi: The Eternal Enchantress of Devdas', Tao Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 2000 'Paintings, Murals and Drawings, Husain Ki Sarai Collection', New Delhi
- 1998 'Maqbool Fida Husain: The Beacon of Energy', The Window, Mumbai
- 1998 'Husain Now', Centre for International Modern Art (CIMA), Kolkata
- 1996 'From Sinhasan to Peacock Throne to the Chair of the 21st Century: M. F Husain and Jehangir Nagree Exhibition of Furniture', organized by The Living Room at Taj Mahal Hotel, Mumbai
- 1996 'Exhibition of Water Colors and Object Based Works', Jehangir Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 1996 Screening of Film 'Gaja Gamini', along with an Exhibition of Lithographs and Site Specific Works, New Delhi
- 1995 'Maqbool Fida Husain', Art Today, New Delhi
- 1995 '14 Serigraphs on Madhuri Dixit', Surya Gallery, Hyderabad
- 1995 'A Visual Script of 'Untitled Film on Madhuri'', Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 1994 'Tapestry Show', Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 1994 'Oils on Canvas', 31st Anniversary Exhibition, Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 1993 'Let History Cut Across Me Without Me', organized by Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi at National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), New Delhi
- 1993 'Civilization, Violence and Pather Panchali', at National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), New Delhi
- 1992 'Six Days of Live Painting', Tata Centre, Kolkata
- 1991 'Knight Watch', Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 1991 'Shwetambari', Installation at Jehangir Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 1991 'Front Page', Centre for Contemporary art (CCA), New Delhi
- 1990 'Theatre of the Absurd', Installations, New Delhi
- 1989 'Calcutta 300', Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 1988 'Husain', Hunter Museum of art, Tennessee, USA
- 1986 'Images of the Raj', Sista's Art Gallery, Bangalore
- 1983 'Story of a Brush', Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai

- 1982 'Culture of the Streets', Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 1981 'Culture of the Streets', Art Heritage, New Delhi
- 1981 'Les Otages – Mere Theresa', Galerie Jourdan, Montreal, Canada
- 1980 'Mother and Child: A Tribute to Mother Teresa', Calcutta Art Gallery, Kolkata
- 1979 'Husain in Malaysia', The Hilton, Kuala Lumpur
- 1978 'Ragmala Paintings', Centaur Hotel, Mumbai
- 1978 'Sufi Paintings', Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 1978 'Portrait of an Umbrella', Art Heritage, New Delhi
- 1978 'Retrospective', Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi
- 1975 'Maqbool Fida Husain', Sarla Art Centre, Chennai
- 1974 Commonwealth Art Centre, London, UK
- 1974 Moscow Museum of Oriental Art, Moscow
- 1974 'Paintings by Husain', Worcester Art Museum, USA
- 1973 'Retrospective', Birla Academy of art and Culture, Kolkata
- 1973 Espace Cardin, Paris
- 1972 'Paintings 1971', Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 1971 Ashoka Hotel, New Delhi
- 1969 '21 Years of Painting', Jehangir Art Gallery, Mumbai
  - 1968 'Images of Kerala', Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 1968 'Six Days of Making: Movements and Moods in Paintings', Shridharani Gallery, New Delhi
- 1967 New York, Poland and Czechoslovakia
- 1966 Mumbai
- 1966 Oberoi Hotel, New Delhi
- 1965 'Drawings: The Arab Image', Gallery Chemould, Mumbai, Kolkata and New Delhi; Gallery Waisty, Baghdad and Kabul
- 1964 Dhoomimal Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 1962 Ashoka Gallery, Kolkata
- 1962 Mumbai and New Delhi
- 1961 Ashoka Gallery, Kolkata
- 1961 Gallery Chemould, Mumbai
- 1961 Gallery Palse, Rome
- 1961 Tokyo
- 1960 Gallery Palse, Rome
- 1960 Kunst Kabinet, Frankfurt
- 1956 Gallery Palette, Zurich
- 1956 Gallery Mannes, Prague
- 1950 Bombay Art Society, Mumbai

### **Major Group Exhibitions**

- 2011 'Continuum', Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2010-11 'Figure/Landscape: Part Two', Aicon Gallery, London
- 2010 'Figure/Landscape: Part One', Aicon Gallery, New York
- 2010 'Who Has Seen Gandhi?', presented by Tangerine Art Space at Raj Bhavan; KynKyny Art Gallery and Tangerine Art Space, Bangalore
- 2010 'The Modernists', RL Fine Arts, New York
- 2010 'The Progressives & Associates', Grosvenor Gallery, London

- 2010 'From Miniature to Modern: Traditions in Transition', Rob Dean Art, London in association with Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 2010 'Symbols and Metaphors', Centre of International Modern Art (CIMA), Kolkata
- 2010 'Masters of Maharashtra', collection from Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi at Piralal Gallery, National Centre for the Performing Arts (NCPA), Mumbai
- 2009,10 'Master Class', The Arts Trust, Mumbai
- 2009 'Bharat Ratna! Jewels of Modern Indian Art', Museum of Fine Arts, Boston
- 2009 'In Search of the Vernacular', Aicon Gallery, New York
- 2009 'Indian Harvest', presented by Crimson- The Art Resouce, Bangalore at SG Private Banking, Singapore
- 2009 'Long Gone & Living Now', Gallerie Mirchandani + Steinreucke, Mumbai
- 2009 'Kalpana: Figurative Art in India', presented by The Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) at Aicon Gallery, London; The Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR)
- 2009 'Progressive to Altermodern: 62 Years of Indian Modern Art', Grosvenor Gallery, London
- 2008-09 'Signs Taken for Wonders: Recent Art from India and Pakistan', Aicon Gallery, London
- 2008 'Frame Figure Field: 20th Century Modern and Contemporary Indian Art', Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2008 'Modern and Contemporary Indian Art', Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2008 'Multiple Modernities: India, 1905-2005', Philadelphia Museum of Art, USA
- 2008 'Freedom 2008 – Sixty Years of Indian Independence', Centre for International Modern Art (CIMA), Kolkata
- 2008 'Tales, Reflection and Constructs', Galerie 88, Kolkata
- 2008 'Exhibition of Seri-Prints', Studio Vasant, New Delhi
- 2007 'Gateway Bombay', Peabody Essex Museum, Salem, MA
- 2007 'From the Vault', Aicon Gallery, London and New York
- 2007 'Epic India: Paintings by M F Husain', Peabody Essex Museum, Massachusetts, USA
- 2006 'Pictorial Glimpses', National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), Mumbai
- 2006 'Summer Show', Centre for International Modern Art (CIMA), Kolkata
- 2006 'M F Husain: Early Masterpieces 1950s-70s', Asia House, London
- 2006 'The Moderns Revisited', Grosvenor Vadehra, London
- 2006 'Shadow Lines', Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2006 'Making of Divinity', Sakshi Gallery, Mumbai
- 2005 'Manifestations III', organized by Delhi Art Gallery at Nehru Center, Mumbai and Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi.
- 2005 'Drishti / Vision: Indian Contemporary Artists', Valentine Willie Fine Art (VWFA), Kuala Lumpur
- 2005 'Evoking Rasa in Luminous Visions: Indian Art', Worcester Art Museum, Worcester, MA
- 2005 'Ashta Nayak: Eight Pioneers of Indian Art', Aicon Gallery, New York
- 2005 'The Sacred Feminine', Shridharani Gallery, New Delhi
- 2005 'Still Life: The Inscrutable Genre', Art Motif, New Delhi

- 2004 '20 / 20 – A Vision: Looking Back / Looking Forward', Apparao Galleries, Chennai
- 2004 'Ruminations', Taj Mahal Hotel, Mumbai; The Forum, New Delhi; Windsor Manor Hotel, Bangalore; Museum Gallery, Mumbai
- 2004 'Jiva / Life', Bodhi Art, Singapore
- 2004 'Portrait of a Decade', Jehangir Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 2004 'Manifestations II', organized by Delhi Art Gallery at Jehangir Art Gallery, Mumbai and Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi.
- 2004 'Concept and Form', Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2003 'Anniversary Master Strokes', Art Musings, Mumbai
- 2003 'Manifestations I', organized by Delhi Art Gallery at World Trade Center, Mumbai and Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi.
- 2002 'Art Musings 2002', Art Musings, Mumbai
- 2002 'Colors of India', organized by Birla Academy of Art and Culture, Kolkata at Mumbai
- 2001 'Anniversary Return to Eden', Art Musings, Mumbai
- 2001 'Modern Indian Art', Metropolitan Pavilion, New York
- 2000 'Distillations', Birla Academy of Art and Culture, Kolkata
- 2000 'Timeless Vision: Contemporary Art from the Herwitz Collection', Haggerty Museum of Art, Milwaukee, WI
- 2000 New Works, The Fine Art Resource, Berlin
- 1998 'Ruminations', Apollo Apparao Galleries, Mumbai
- 1998 'The Window', Mumbai
- 1997 'Indian Painters Having Lives in France', Alliance Francaise, Pondicherry
- 1997 'The Indian Beast', Apparao Galleries, Chennai
- 1997 'Inaugural Exhibition', Art Indus, New Delhi
- 1997 'Tribute to Mother Teresa', Art Indus, New Delhi
- 1997 'The Keehn Collection: Important Paintings of Post Independence India', Bose Pacia, New York
- 1997 'Colors of Independence', National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), New Delhi
- 1996 'Contemporary Indian Paintings: The Chester and Davida Herwitz Collection, Part II, Sotheby's Auction, New York
- 1996 'Modern and Contemporary Indian Paintings: One Hundred Years', Sotheby's Auction, London
- 1995 'River of Art', Art Today, New Delhi
- 1995 'Contemporary Indian Paintings: The Chester and Davida Herwitz Collection, Part I, Sotheby's Auction, New York
- 1995 'Art India Now: Important Contemporary Artists', Bose Pacia, New York
- 1995 'Mithuna', 91C Jermyn Street, London
- 1994 Art Today, New Delhi
- 1994 Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 1993 'Reflection and Images', Mumbai
- 1993 'Wounds', Centre of International Modern Art (CIMA), Kolkata
- 1991 'National Exposition of Contemporary Art', National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), New Delhi
- 1991 'Husain, Husain and Husain', Egypt
- 1991 'Remembering Kali Pundole on its 28th Anniversary', Mumbai

- 1991 'State of Art', Jehangir Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 1991 'Nine Indian Contemporaries', Centre for Contemporary Art (CCA), New Delhi
- 1988 'Festival of India', Takoka Municipal Museum of Art & Meugro museum of Art, Tokyo
- 1987 'Indian Drawing Today', Mumbai
- 1986 'Indian Art Tomorrow', The Phillips Collections, Washington D.C
- 1986 Contemporary Indian Art, Grey Art Gallery, New York
- 1985-86 'Festival of India', Exhibition of Contemporary Indian Art, New York University, New York
- 1985-86 'Indian Art Today: 4 Artists', Washington D.C, USA
- 1985-86 'Contemporary Art in India', Worcester, USA
- 1985 100 Jahre Indische Malerei, Altes Museum, Berlin
- 1985 'Six Indian Painters', Tate Gallery, London
- 1982 Indische Kunst Heute, Kunsthalle Darmstadt
- 1982 'Contemporary Indian Art', Festival of India, Royal Academy of Arts, London
- 1982 'Six Indian Painters', London
- 1982 'Contemporary Indian Art', London
- 1982 'India: Myth and Reality', Aspects of Modern Indian Art, Oxford, UK
- 1982 'Modern Indian Paintings', Hirshhorn Museum, Washington, DC.
- 1982 Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 1973 Gallery Chanakya, New Delhi
- 1972 'A Painter Makes a Film', Pundole Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 1970 'Art Today II', Ashoka Gallery, Kolkata and Shridharni Gallery, New Delhi
- 1969 'Art Today I', New Delhi
- 1968 Ahmedabad
- 1967 '25 Years of Paintings seen in Bombay', Mumbai
- 1966 Commonwealth Art Exhibition, London
- 1966 'Art Now in India', London and Brussels
- 1964 'Indian Paintings Now', London
- 1962 Asoka Art Gallery, Kolkata
- 1961 Gallery Chemould, Mumbai
- 1958 'Eight Painters', International Culture Centre, New Delhi
- 1951 Salon de Mai, France
- 1950 Calcutta Group – Progressive Art Group, Joint Show, Kolkata
- 1950 Bombay Art Society's Salon, Mumbai
- 1948-56 Group Exhibitions with Progressive Art Group
- 1949 Mumbai

### **Joint Exhibitions**

- 2011 'Between 2 Lines', with Owais Husain at Indian Embassy, Muscat
- 2009 'Spirit of India', with S H Raza at Kings Road Galleries, London

### **Participations**

- 2011 'Ethos V: Indian Art Through the Lens of History (1900 to 1980), Indigo Blue Art, Singapore
- 2011 'Goddess, Lion, Peasant, Priest: Modern and Contemporary Indian Art', from the Collection of Shelley and Donald Rubin at Oglethorpe University Museum of Art, Atlanta
- 2011 'Manifestations V', Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2011 'Roots in the Air, Branches Below: Modern & Contemporary Art from India', San Jose Museum of Art, San Jose
- 2011 'Time Unfolded', Kiran Nadar Museum of Art (KNMA), New Delhi
- 2011 'Celebrations 2011', Kumar Gallery, New Delhi
- 2010 'Evolve: 10th Anniversary Show', Tao Art Gallery, Mumbai
- 2010 'Art Dubai 2010', presented by Aicon Gallery, New York
- 2010 'Manifestations IV', Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2010 'Roots', 25th Anniversary Exhibition of Sakshi Art Gallery, Mumbai at The Park, Chennai
- 2010 'Celebration 2010', Annual Exhibition, Kumar Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2009 'Armory Show', New York presented by Vadehra Art Gallery, New Delhi
- 2008-09 'Modern India', organized by Institut Valencià d'Art Modern (IVAM) and Casa Asia, in collaboration with the Ministry of Culture at Valencia, Spain
- 2008-09,10 'Indian Highway', a Traveling Exhibition presented in Collaboration with Astrup Fearnley Museum of Modern Art, Oslo at Serpentine Gallery, London; Herning Museum of Contemporary Art (HEART), Herning, Denmark
- 2008-09 'Paz Mandala', Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi
- 2008 'Moderns', Royal Cultural Centre, Amman, Jordan organized by Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi in collaboration with Embassy of India, Amman, Jordan
- 2008 'Harvest 2008', organized by Arushi Arts at The Stainless Gallery, New Delhi
- 2007-08 'From Everyday To The Imagined: Modern Indian Art', Singapore Art Museum, Singapore and at Museum of Art, Seoul National University, Seoul
- 2001 'Jubilant Gold: 50 Years of Artists' Centre, Artists' Centre, Mumbai
- 1987 'Festival of India', Russia
- 1987 'Coups de Couer', Halle de I'lle, Geneva
- 1985-86 Bharat Bhavan Biennale, Bhopal
- 1971 Sao Paulo Biennale, Brazil
- 1959 Sao Paulo Biennale, Brazil
- 1959 Tokyo Biennale, Japan
- 1955 National Exhibition, Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi
- 1955 Venice Biennale, Italy
- 1953 Venice Biennale, Italy