

On the occasion of the recent State Visit of King Willem-Alexander and Queen Máxima of the Netherlands to India, an exhibition titled <u>India and the Netherlands in the Age of</u> <u>Rembrandt</u> was launched at the <u>Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya (CSMVS)</u> <u>Museum</u> in Mumbai.

This exhibition is a collaborative effort between the CSMVS and the <u>Rijksmuseum</u> in Amsterdam, featuring artworks from both museum collections. The exhibition was supported by the Consulate General of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Mumbai and opened on 17 October with a lamp lighting ceremony, together with representatives of both museums.

The exhibition is the first ever cooperation in India between both museums. It contains 12 objects on loan from the Rijksmuseum – including selected prints by Dutch Master Painter Rembrandt van Rijn – and 10 pieces from CSMVS' own collection. The objects on display demonstrate how painters from India and the Netherlands influenced each other in the 17th century and developed fascinating new forms of visual expression. The exhibit was conceptualized to celebrate 400 years of cultural heritage between India and the Netherlands and the 350th death anniversary of Rembrandt.

Guido Tielman, Consul General of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Mumbai, says, "We are

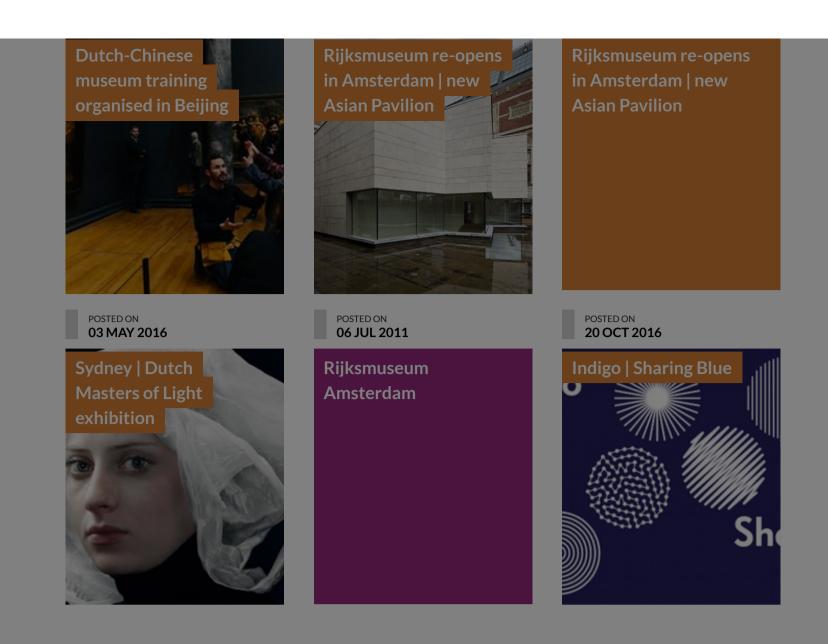
extremely happy to support this collaborative effort on the exhibition. This has been an excellent way to celebrate the 400 years of shared cultural heritage between India and the Netherlands. What I feel is quite unique about this exhibition is that it features various miniature paintings that reflect how the work of Indian and Dutch artists influenced and borrowed styles from each other. We really hope that visitors to the exhibition are as fascinated by this as we are."

When and where to see 'India and the Netherlands in the Age of Rembrandt'?

17 Oct, 2019 - 16 Dec, 2019 at the Special Exhibitions Gallery of the CSMVS in Mumbai

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