

Promising Artist Award 2006

The Visual Arts Gallery, India Habitat Centre, and Art India propose the Promising Artist Award for the second year. The aim of the award is to encourage and support a committed India artist. A grant of Rs 3,00,000/- will be given to the winner. The award is open to suitably qualified Indian nationals working as painters, sculptors, installation artists and graphic artists.

Terms and conditions:

VAG, IHC and Art India will award Rs. 3,00,000/- to the winner. A panel of eminent judges from the art world will give away the award.

1) The Criteria

i) India-based artists working in the field of visual arts can apply by filling up a form mentioned below.

ii) He / She could nominate himself / herself for the award or be nominated by an institution that he / she is affiliated to.

iii) Applicants must be under 40 years of age on the closing date for entries. They must:

- a) Have completed or be completing a Master's degree in an artistic discipline or;
- b) Have completed a Bachelor's degree in an artistic discipline or;
- c) In exceptional circumstances, be able to demonstrate commitment to an artistic career.

Assuming these criteria are met, applicants need only demonstrate one thing to win the award - outstanding artistic talent.

2) The Award

The award will include a certificate of merit as well as a cash prize of Rs 3,00,000/-.

3) The Commitment

The winner will have to create a minimum of four works which he/she will be free to sell however India Habitat Centre and Art India would have first right of refusal.

The winning artist will be expected to mount an exhibition at the Visual Arts Gallery, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi.

4) The Selection Process

Applications must be received by the specified closing date (15th August).

The contestant will have to submit 10 images of his work at the beginning of the competition. If he / she is chosen for the selection round, he / she will have to **bring the original work to the Visual Arts Gallery, IHC, at his / her own cost.**

The artist's work must be supplied (fully labeled) with the entry form. Images should be sent on a **compact disc** so that they can be used for PowerPoint presentations.

All applications have to come on a CD accompanied by a one page, 500 words essay by the artist articulating his/her thoughts and concepts, and clearly stating how they meet the criteria set out in Section 1 above. Seven copies of the CD have to be made and sent.

The material accompanying the application will not be returned.

Applications should be addressed to:

Promising Artist Award 2006
Art India Publishing Co.Pvt Ltd.
C/O JSW Steel Limited,
2nd Floor, Victoria House,
Pandurang Budhkar Marg,
Lower Parel,
Mumbai 400 013

The judging panel's decision will be final. The panel will include:

- An accomplished art critic,
- An eminent contemporary Indian artist,
- A prominent collector of contemporary Indian art,
- The representative of *Art India* magazine or one of their nominees and two representatives of VAG, IHC.

Application Form
The Visual Arts Gallery, India Habitat Centre and Art India - Promising Artist Award

Name:		
Address:		
Post code:		
Daytime Tel:		
E-mail:		
Date of birth:		
Artistic qualifications (eg. BA, MA), arts schools and courses attended:		
Qualification	Establishment	Date Completed

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Thank you for entering The Visual Arts Gallery, India Habitat Centre, and Art India - Promising Artist Award.

Please ensure that you send a completed application form and up to 10 images of your work on CD/ Slides. **Please send seven CD copies.**

The format for titling is as follows:

“Surname, first name, ‘title’, medium, size of picture, date”, along with details of the material submitted and any further information to support your application.

The CDs and the applications should be addressed and sent to:

Promising Artists Award-2006

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Victoria Mill Compound,
Pandurang Budhkar Marg,
Opp. Bombay Dyeing Mills,
Lower Parel, Mumbai – 400 013
Phone: 022-24917956**

Last Date of Submission extended to 15 August 2006