



Mr Zaid Sadiq, Mr Raju Shahani, Ms Christel DeHaan, Mr Raj Bagaria

Ms Christel DeHaan addressing the gathering



Mr Gurmeet Singh and Mr Venugopal

In the name of ART

Unified by their love for art, and in support of a good cause, patrons, connoisseurs and some of the most revered names in the art industry came together for the very first Modern & Contemporary Indian Art Auction 2013, organised by Sublime and Art Chutney and hosted on March 1, 2013 at the ITC Windsor in Bangalore.

It was an evening of stimulating conversation and appreciation for renowned works – paintings and sculptures represented the true talent of India, and there were 122 lots open for bidding, which were specially curated by the co-founder of the auction, Raj Bagaria. It was also an evening dedicated to a great cause – the auction supported Christel House India, a charity dedicated to improving the lives of underprivileged children around the world to break the cycle of poverty.

The audience – which included important names from the art fraternity like Sanjiv Shanmugham, Jeeva Bhat, Sumeet Chopra, Shaista Blajee, Andrew Hendrain, the chief guest, Christel DeHaan and many more – cheered, conversed and competed for artwork while sipping on their drinks and nibbling on the delicious entrées. All eyes were on well-known art auctioneer, Angira Arya, as he did the honours, presenting works by Francis Newton Souza, Manu Parekh, S.H. Raza and Paritosh Sen, amongst others. "Going once, going twice, SOLD!"

The evening saw record sales and was a true sensation, thanks to Uzma Irfan, Raj Bagaria, Neha Verma and Team. The event was supported by Prestige Group, UB City, Forbes India, Black Dog, Four Seasons and ITC Windsor. Apart from the art and the fervent bidding, the rare display of the Bentley Mulsanne and the Continental GT made many heads turn, as well.

"We are overwhelmed by the success of the first ever Modern & Contemporary Indian Art Auction. The response we received and the sales we garnered are testimony to the growing popularity of fine art in Bangalore. I believe this is only the tip of the iceberg, and Bangalore will host many more such events with the support of internationally acclaimed artists, in the years to come." - Uzma Irfan, Co-founder of the event and Director, Corp Communications, Prestige Group.



Ms Vinita Chaitaniya



Ms Neha Verma



Mr Ranvir Bhandari and Mr Virender Razdan



Ms Uzma Irfan with the Bentley Mulsanne



Mr and Mrs Baljee



Mr Rolf Frey and a friend

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It was truly an evening to remember – all in the name of art.