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# SUSQUEHANNA ART MUSEUM

AT THE MARTY AND TOM PHILIPS FAMILY ART CENTER

## ARTWORK FROM INDIA TO MAKE RARE APPEARANCE IN HARRISBURG

**Harrisburg, PA** – Susquehanna Art Museum will host *Many Visions, Many Versions: Art from Indigenous Communities in India*, an exhibition presenting contemporary artists from four major indigenous artistic traditions in India. The exhibition features paintings by significant indigenous artists including Jangarh Singh Shyam, Jivya Soma Mashe, Sita Devi, and Swarna Chitrakar, among others. *Many Visions, Many Versions* explores the breadth and variety of cultural traditions in India, revealing a dynamic aesthetic that remains deeply rooted in traditional culture, yet vitally responsive to issues of global concern. The exhibition will be on view in the Main Gallery February 8 through May 10, 2020. *Many Visions, Many Versions* is opening to museum members with a special preview on Friday, February 7 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. Collectors Umesh and Sunanda Gaur will give remarks at the opening at 6:00 pm.

*Many Visions, Many Versions* brings together art from the Gond and Warli communities of Central India, the Mithila region of Bihar, and the narrative scroll painters of Bengal. The works are drawn from private collections in the United States and Europe. The exhibition offers a unique opportunity for viewers to learn about life and culture in India through these remarkable artworks. The curators organize the paintings thematically to demonstrate the shared cultural features and contemporary concerns of these four communities, while emphasizing the diversity of their artists' unique expressive forms, techniques, and styles.



Ram Singh Urveti, *Woodpecker and the Ironsmith*, 2011, acrylic on canvas.  
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*Many Visions, Many Versions* is curated by Drs. Aurogeeta Das and David Szanton with assistance from consulting curator Jeffrey Wechsler. It is organized by BINDU Modern Gallery and is toured by International Arts & Artists Washington, DC. International Arts & Artists is a non-profit arts service organization dedicated to increasing cross-cultural understanding and exposure to the arts internationally through exhibitions, programs and services to artists, art institutions and the public.

Susquehanna Art Museum, located at 1401 North Third Street, Harrisburg, PA 17102, is open to the public Tuesday – Saturday from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm with extended hours on Wednesdays til 7:00 pm. Sundays: 12 noon – 5:00 pm. Free parking is available to museum-goers in the lot behind the museum at Calder and James Streets.

*Many Visions, Many Versions* is generously sponsored by Harrisburg University of Science and Technology.

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