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Equipping Artists, Changing Lives



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Arts for India, since its launch in October 2010, has achieved remarkable success in the attainment of its objectives. A series of events in Europe and U.S.A. have been finalized and are scheduled to be held through the year. Awareness about the objectives of Arts for India is already gaining momentum. The 'Adopt an Artist' mentoring scholarship scheme to support needy and meritorious students, who qualify for admission to the International Institute of Fine Arts in India, has attracted several philanthropic donors who have come forward to support eligible students. Events planned for the next quarter promises to attract more donors to support educational costs of another 20-30 eligible students. This is, indeed, heart-warming news for many creatively endowed students in India, who, otherwise, lack the means to support the educational costs of the degree course.



Students of Painting, IIFA, Modinagar, India, participated in an All India Art Exhibition to commemorate the International Women's Day on the 8th and 9th of March, 2011. Works of eight students were selected for the

exhibition. Works of three students received awards for meritorious conceptualization.



Doordarshan (India), the national TV channel, hosted a talk show "Meri Baat" (My view) on the 18th of January, 2011. Selected students of IIFA participated and were applauded for their views on education for holistic development.



Students of the Painting Department also organized a 5-day Group Exhibition of their works from the 29th of March to the 2nd of April 2011, at Lucknow, the State capital. The Exhibition was held at Lalit Kala Akademi, Lucknow – the State's Official Art & Culture Centre. Six works of different students were purchased by visiting connoisseurs. Many art lovers and critics visited the Exhibition.



The students at the Institute also celebrated the onset of the spring season with artistic splendor on the occasion of Vasant Panchami on the 8th of February, 2011. They also organized the worship of a very well crafted image of Goddess Saraswati – the Goddess of Learning and Knowledge.



On the 2nd of February, 2011 Mr. T.A. Velan received the nationally acknowledged award for excellence in the category of 'Portraiture' from the All India Fine Art and Crafts Society. The work so selected was completed while Mr. Velan was in the final year of the BFA degree program. He graduated in July 2010.