

**From:** bhavna vasudeva <maker1968@gmail.com>  
**To:** Veldran, KatherineKatherineVeldran@gov.sc.gov  
**Date:** 8/25/2014 9:04:15 AM  
**Subject:** Fwd: Meeting on exhibit

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Status of Beyond Bollywood.

bhavna

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Zeise, JoAnn" <joann.zeise@scmuseum.org>  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting on exhibit  
**Date:** May 27, 2014 12:27:45 PM EDT  
**To:** "bhavna vasudeva" <maker1968@gmail.com>

Dear Bhav,

I am sorry it has been so long getting back to you. I wish I had fabulous news, but I remain optimistic. After several back-and-forth emails with the Smithsonian, it seems the Oct. of 2015 is already on hold for another museum. I have requested that if museum ultimately declines the exhibit, we would be next on the list. Just in case that doesn't happen, I have put us on hold for the next open date, which is Oct. 2016. That might be a bit far out, but it is actually common to plan exhibits that far in the future.

Also, I wanted you to know that the more people here at the museum I talk to about the exhibit the more interested and excited everyone becomes. I know this exhibit will be a great success with your gracious support. Let me know your thoughts. I will be in a different office today but will check my email.

Thanks and I hope you are doing well,

JoAnn Zeise  
Curator of History  
South Carolina State Museum  
803-898-4942

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**From:** Zeise, JoAnn  
**Sent:** Monday, May 05, 2014 4:15 PM  
**To:** 'bhavna vasudeva'  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting on exhibit

Sounds great. Just come to the regular museum entrance and let the person at the desk know you are there to see me, if I am not down there already.

Thank you,

JoAnn Zeise  
Curator of History  
South Carolina State Museum  
803-898-4942

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**From:** bhavna vasudeva [mailto:maker1968@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 05, 2014 3:58 PM  
**To:** Zeise, JoAnn  
**Subject:** Re: Meeting on exhibit

The Museum is great 2 pm ok on Wednesday?

Bhav

Sent from my iPhone

On May 5, 2014, at 3:13 PM, "Zeise, JoAnn" <[joann.zeise@scmuseum.org](mailto:joann.zeise@scmuseum.org)> wrote:

Wednesday is fine. Would you like me to come to you or would you like to meet here at the museum? Which ever is easier for you.

I am looking forward to meeting you,

JoAnn Zeise  
Curator of History  
South Carolina State Museum  
803-898-4942

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**From:** bhavna vasudeva [<mailto:maker1968@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 05, 2014 1:37 PM  
**To:** Zeise, JoAnn  
**Subject:** Meeting on exhibit

How is afternoon? On either day? Wednesday at 1:20 or Thursday 2:30?

Sent from my iPhone

On May 5, 2014, at 11:14 AM, "Zeise, JoAnn" <[joann.zeise@scmuseum.org](mailto:joann.zeise@scmuseum.org)> wrote:

That would be wonderful. I already have meetings Wednesday and Thursday morning this week and I am off Friday. Other than that I am open this week.

JoAnn Zeise  
Curator of History  
South Carolina State Museum  
803-898-4942

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**From:** Bhavna Vasudeva [<mailto:maker1968@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 05, 2014 8:32 AM  
**To:** Zeise, JoAnn  
**Cc:** Amy Duffy; Zeise, JoAnn; Liskey, Ed; Masum Momaya  
**Subject:** Re: 'Beyond Bollywood' traveling exhibition in South Carolina

Please let me know if week can meet this week or next week? I'd like to see what needs to be done to get started. It would be nice if all of us locals can get together.

Bhavna Vasudeva  
803-348-3268

Sent from my iPad  
Bhavna Maker Vasudeva

On Apr 28, 2014, at 2:48 PM, "Momaya, Masum" <[MomayaM@si.edu](mailto:MomayaM@si.edu)> wrote:

Hi Bhavna and all,

So lovely to meet you virtually and so excited to work with you on trying to bring *Beyond*

*Bollywood* to South Carolina. Let us know if we at the Smithsonian can provide any further details about the exhibition itself.

Bhavna, I know Joann Zeise (cc'd above) was hoping to make some connections with the local Indian community there to assess support for bringing the exhibition to the State Museum – please connect with her directly if you can.

All best,  
Masum

Dr. Masum Momaya  
Museum Curator  
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**From:** Bhavna Vasudeva <[maker1968@gmail.com](mailto:maker1968@gmail.com)>  
**Date:** Friday, April 25, 2014 at 9:32 AM  
**To:** Amy Duffy <[aduffy@scprt.com](mailto:aduffy@scprt.com)>  
**Cc:** "Momaya, Masum" <[momayam@si.edu](mailto:momayam@si.edu)>, "joann.zeise@scmuseum.org" <[joann.zeise@scmuseum.org](mailto:joann.zeise@scmuseum.org)>, "Liskey, Ed" <[LISKEYE@si.edu](mailto:LISKEYE@si.edu)>  
**Subject:** Re: 'Beyond Bollywood' traveling exhibition in South Carolina

Thank you Amy! So excited to work on this with you all!

Spoke to Dr Pasties , President of USC last night about this briefly at another event. We just finished a Indian textile exhibit at the McKissick Museum as well as a film series at the Nickelodeon theatre as part of Carolindia series. We've hosted the launch of the Encyclopedia of Hinduism in the fall and had international media coverage with guests like Anna Hazare. We had film maker Mira Nair, Dr Siddhartha Mukherjee author/oncologist , as well as guest lecturers and musical performers among various disciplines. Please look at the Walker Institute link for details.

USC is looking at possibly continuing support for this endeavor and gauging the possibility of a chair in Indian Studies. Between that and the fall trade mission to India lead by our Governor, I think the time has come! Please feel free to call me to discuss, I have such fond memories of visiting the Smithsonian museums in DC when I was growing up in PA. I was there last year for the Cherry Blossom Festival last year, have family in Potomac/Bethesda.

Since Gov Haley was elected we have all been working on SC/India connections. The Indian American community in SC is very much like in other states, we may have a smaller population. However as you can see we are very tightly knit and know how to pull off big things! In our state we have a fusion of immigrant from India, those that are born and raised in the South. Our southern brother's and sisters have embraced that culture by electing the first female Indian American Governor. The educational value alone of your exhibit has a much larger impact on our state than in urban population in my humble opinion. I also happen to be a member of the SC Arts Foundation board, rural education is a corner stone of that organization as well as the basis of the Governor's own Original Six Foundation.

Regards  
Bhavna Maker Vasudeva  
803-348-3268

Sent from my iPad  
Bhavna Maker Vasudeva

On Apr 24, 2014, at 3:53 PM, Amy Duffy <[aduffy@scprt.com](mailto:aduffy@scprt.com)> wrote:

Hello Masum and Bhavna,

Allow me to introduce you two ... Masum meet Bhavna; Bhavna meet Masum.

I spoke with Bhavna, at the suggestion of Katherine Haltiwanger with Governor Haley's office, this morning and gave her a thumbnail sketch of what we are working on ...and she absolutely jumped at the chance to help us!! Bhavna has been integral in the CAROLINDA project at USC this year and will be a perfect person to help us gauge the interest of the Indian American community here in South Carolina.

Masum, below is Bhavna's contact information.

Bhavna Maker Vasudeva  
maker1968@gmail.com  
803- 348 -3268  
[www.BhavnaVasudeva.com](http://www.BhavnaVasudeva.com)

<http://www.walkerinstitute.sc.edu/carolindia>

Please let me know if there is anything I can do to assist!

Have a great day!

Amy

**Amy Duffy**

Chief of Staff  
SCPRT

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**From:** Momaya, Masum [<mailto:MomayaM@si.edu>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 23, 2014 9:45 AM  
**To:** Amy Duffy  
**Subject:** RE: 'Beyond Bollywood' traveling exhibition in South Carolina

Thanks, Amy - much appreciated!

Masum

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**From:** Amy Duffy [[aduffy@scprt.com](mailto:aduffy@scprt.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 23, 2014 9:43 AM  
**To:** Momaya, Masum  
**Subject:** RE: 'Beyond Bollywood' traveling exhibition in South Carolina

They may have ... I will follow up and see what I can find out!

**Amy Duffy**

Chief of Staff  
SCPRT

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**From:** Momaya, Masum [<mailto:MomayaM@si.edu>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 23, 2014 9:36 AM  
**To:** Amy Duffy  
**Cc:** Liskey, Ed  
**Subject:** RE: 'Beyond Bollywood' traveling exhibition in South Carolina

Dear Amy,

Thanks for checking about this. No, we haven't heard anything from the Governor's office. Perhaps they have reached out to the SC State Museum directly?

All best,  
Masum

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**From:** Amy Duffy [[aduffy@scprt.com](mailto:aduffy@scprt.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 23, 2014 9:33 AM  
**To:** Momaya, Masum  
**Subject:** FW: 'Beyond Bollywood' traveling exhibition in South Carolina

Good morning,

I just wanted to reach out to see if you have heard anything from the Governor's office? I had emailed Katherine Haltiwanger about his ... and was not sure if maybe she followed up directly with you. If you have not heard from her, I am happy to follow up!

Thanks!

**Amy Duffy**  
Chief of Staff  
SCPRT

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Momaya, Masum" <[MomayaM@si.edu](mailto:MomayaM@si.edu)>  
**Date:** April 7, 2014 at 10:32:36 AM EDT  
**To:** "[aduffy@scprt.com](mailto:aduffy@scprt.com)" <[aduffy@scprt.com](mailto:aduffy@scprt.com)>  
**Cc:** "Liskey, Ed" <[LISKEYE@si.edu](mailto:LISKEYE@si.edu)>, "[joann.zeise@scmuseum.org](mailto:joann.zeise@scmuseum.org)" <[joann.zeise@scmuseum.org](mailto:joann.zeise@scmuseum.org)>  
**Subject:** 'Beyond Bollywood' traveling exhibition in South Carolina

Dear Ms. Duffy,

I hope this finds you well. Following Governor Haley's visit to the 'Beyond Bollywood' exhibition at the Smithsonian in February, we had been in touch about bringing the traveling version of the exhibition to the South Carolina State Museum. My colleague Ed Liskey and I have been in touch with Curator JoAnn Zeise there, and she writes, "[We are interested in the exhibit but I would like to make sure we are reaching out to the Indian American community here in South Carolina. If we don't have their support I am not sure we should go forward. To that end, I have tried to reach several organizations but have not heard anything yet. I am continuing to establish connections. I will let you know when we feel more confident about hosting the exhibit when we have more feedback.](#)"

Would outreach to the Indian American community/organizations in South Carolina be something that the Governor's office might be able to help the South Carolina State Museum with?

We would be thrilled to bring the exhibition to South Carolina.

All best,  
Masum Momaya  
Curator, 'Beyond Bollywood'

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**From:** Liskey, Ed  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 10:12 AM  
**To:** Momaya, Masum  
**Subject:** RE: Beyond Bollywood traveling exhibition

I think it can't hurt. Who is the best person to contact the Governor's office?  
Ed

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**From:** Momaya, Masum  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 10:00 AM  
**To:** Liskey, Ed  
**Subject:** RE: Beyond Bollywood traveling exhibition

Thanks for keeping me in the loop, Ed. Do you think we should reach back out to Governor Haley's office to see if they can help with this outreach?

Masum

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**From:** Liskey, Ed  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 9:58 AM  
**To:** Momaya, Masum  
**Subject:** FW: Beyond Bollywood traveling exhibition

FYI

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**From:** Zeise, JoAnn [<mailto:joann.zeise@scmuseum.org>]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 07, 2014 9:54 AM  
**To:** Liskey, Ed  
**Subject:** RE: Beyond Bollywood traveling exhibition

Dear Mr. Liskey,

Thank you for your email. We are interested in the exhibit but I would like to make sure we are reaching out to the Indian American community here in South Carolina. If we don't have their support I am not sure we should go forward. To that end, I have tried to reach several organizations but have not heard anything yet. I am continuing to establish connections. I will let you know when we feel more confident about hosting the exhibit when we have more feedback.

Thank you,

JoAnn Zeise  
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**From:** [liskeye@si.edu](mailto:liskeye@si.edu) [<mailto:liskeye@si.edu>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 03, 2014 2:50 PM

**To:** Zeise, JoAnn  
**Subject:** Beyond Bollywood traveling exhibition

Ms. Zeise,  
I'm writing in reference to SITES' [Beyond Bollywood: Indian Americans Shape the Nation](#) traveling exhibition to find out if you'd like to put any of the exhibition slots on "hold" (indicating that you intend to meet the registrarial and financial requirements to host it). The current itinerary, prospectus, registrarial requirements and shipping info are attached for your reference.

Please note that the national tour opening slot of 5/2/15 to 7/12/15 remains available at this time and includes Asian Pacific American Heritage Month (May). This opening slot will benefit from SITES' national press push at the beginning of the tour, which will be a particular advantage for the opening venue.

I hope you'll be able to host *Beyond Bollywood*, an enlightening and entertaining exploration of the challenges and triumphs of Indian immigrants in the U.S., at some point during the tour. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,  
Ed

*Ed Liskey*

Senior Scheduling & Exhibitor Relations Coordinator  
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