



*Uzma Irfan addressing the gathering*



*Vinita Chaitanya*



*Mr and Mrs Sitaram*



*Mr Rolf Frey and friend*



*Christel DeHaan addressing the gathering*



*Mr and Mrs Baljee*

# Bengaluru plays host to first ever 'Modern & Contemporary Indian Art Auction 2013'



*Mr Bedi and Mr Vinod*

In what was the first edition of a biannual event, art patrons and buyers from leading metros of India came together to witness and participate in the 'Modern & Contemporary Indian Art Auction 2013'.

The organizing committee was represented by **Uzma Irfan**; Co-founder of the Event & Director, Corp Communications, Prestige Group and **Neha Verma**; Events & Promotions Head, Prestige Group who took centre stage and addressed the gathering to launch the proceedings. **Christel DeHaan**, a familiar face globally representing charity and fine art was the Guest of honor. India's well known art auctioneer, **Angira Arya** conducted the auction ceremoniously amidst the cheers of patrons and record sales of the paintings and art works.

Another highlight was the still display of the rare Bentley Mulsane and the Continental GT.

'We are overwhelmed with 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 Bengaluru will experience many more such events with the support of internationally acclaimed artists in the years to come.' - Adds an elated **Uzma Irfan**

## ABOUT 'MODERN & CONTEMPORARY INDIAN ART AUCTION 2013'

The rare event hosted a blend of top notch Indian artists and their works.

The auction was held in aid of Christel House India, a charity that works to break the cycle of poverty for some of the world's poorest children. The bespoke event was held on the 1st of March, 2013 at the ITC Windsor.

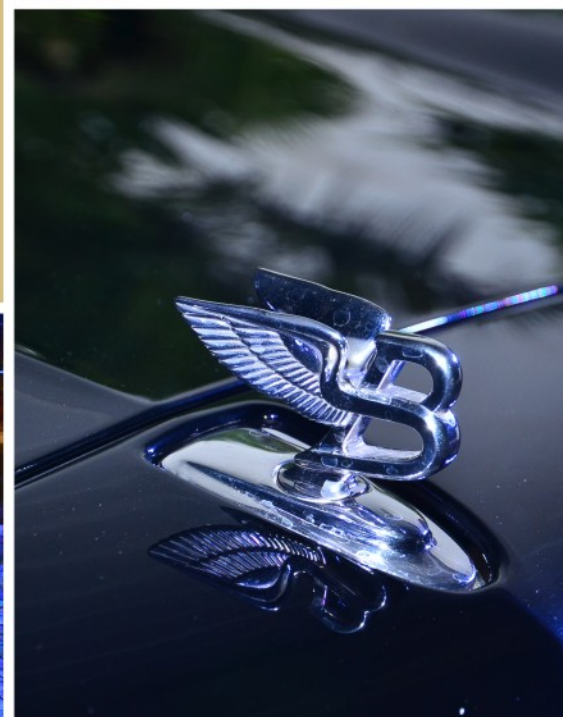
'Modern & Contemporary Indian Art Auction' is organized by Sublime Gallery and Artchutney.com in association with the UB City and Prestige Group. The event is partnered by Four Seasons & Black Dog. ITC Windsor is the hospitality partner.

Christel DeHaan, Founder, Christel House International and Co-Founder, Resort Condominiums International, philanthropist and respected art lover adds "On behalf of the children of Christel House India, I express my heartfelt gratitude to the Prestige Group and the organisers of the Modern & Contemporary Indian Art Auction 2013 for selecting Christel House to be the beneficiary of Bangalore's largest charity art auction."

Artworks which featured in the auction include, works of Francis Newton Souza, Manu Parekh, Arpana Caur, S.H. Raza, Shuvaprasanna, Chitrovanu Mazumdar, Anupam Sud, S.G. Vasudev,

The event had as many as 122 lots being auctioned on the 1st of March.

The exclusive website with complete details of the event is live on <http://www.modernandcontemporaryartauktion.com/>



*Mr Sanjiv Shanmugam*

