

# Tyeb Mehta and Amrita Sher-Gil feature in Indian auction house Saffronart's Autumn sale

KOLKATA: Two eminent [Indian artists](#) from different eras are featured in the [Saffronart](#) auction in September. Led by Tyeb Mehta's important 1988 canvas 'Falling figure with Bird' and an extremely rare painting by [Amrita Sher-Gil](#) from the early 1930s, Saffronart's annual Autumn Art Auction is offering collectors a clutch of modern Indian paintings.

This auction also includes works by established modern masters including M.F. Husain, V.S. Gaitonde, F.N. Souza and Arpita Singh, alongside a strong selection of contemporary works by Bharti Kher, Sudhir Patwardhan, Atul Dodiya and Jitish Kallat, among others.

The auction includes 75 lots, with a total estimate Rs 21.78 crore (US\$4.03 million) to Rs 28.6 crore (US\$5.29 million). Tyeb Mehta's 'Falling Figure with Bird' is estimated at Rs 8,10,00,000 to Rs 10,80,00,000 (US\$1,500,000 to 2,000,000). In last year's Autumn Art Auction, Tyeb Mehta's 'Untitled' was the top lot, selling for Rs 7,19,90,000 (US\$1,565,000).

Amrita Sher-Gil's 1931 'Untitled (Zebegeny Landscape)' is estimated between Rs 3,24,00,000 to Rs 4,32,00,000 (US\$600,000 to 800,000). Of the artist's 172 documented paintings, 95 are in the permanent collection of the National Gallery of Modern Art, New Delhi. Arpita Singh's 2003 painting 'Summer Months', is estimated between Rs 81,00,000 to Rs 97,20,000 (US\$150,000 to 180,000). In Saffronart's 2010 Winter Art Auction, Arpita Singh's monumental painting 'Wish Dream', achieved a record price for the artist, fetching an astounding US\$ 2.24 million. This is also the highest price achieved by an Indian woman artist at auction globally.

Bharti Kher's spectacular 2007 work 'Indra's Net (6)' is priced between Rs. 37,80,000 to Rs. 48,60,000 (US\$70,000-90,000).

Speaking about the auction, Dinesh Vazirani, CEO and co-founder of Saffronart, said, ""Together with Amrita Sher-Gil, the sale also includes vital works by [Tyeb](#)

[Mehta](#), Gaitonde, Husain, Souza, Atul Dodiya, Jitish Kallat and many other artists."''

Saffronart's [Autumn Auction](#) will be accompanied by preview events and private viewings in Mumbai, New Delhi and New York.