

**Indo-American Arts Council FOURTH ANNUAL INDIAN DIASPORA FILM FESTIVAL Schedule**

November 4: Walter Reade Theatre, Lincoln Center, B'way & 65th St., NYC

November 5-7: Courthouse Theatre and Maya Deren Theatre, Anthology Film Archives, 32 Second Ave @ 2nd St., NYC

DATE	TIME	THEATRE	FILM/DOC/SHORT	DIRECTOR	CAST	SYNOPSIS
Nov 4 Thursday	7:00PM	Walter Reade	<b>Bride &amp; Prejudice</b> (111min) 2004 English/Hindi with English subtitles	Gurinder Chadha	Aishwarya Rai, Martin Henderson, Daniel Gilles, Namrata Shirodkar, Naveen Andrews, Anupam Kher, Indira Verma, Nadira Babbar, Meghna Kothari, Sonali Kulkarni	A classic romance re-invented in a new globally connected world puts an entirely different spin on Jane Austen's <i>Pride and Prejudice</i> . Music, dance and spectacle merge with love, vanity and social pressures in a cross-cultural setting that spans 21 <sup>st</sup> century India, London and America.
Nov 5 Friday	5:00 PM	Courthouse	<b>Morning Raga</b> (100 min) 2004 English/Telegu with English Subtitles	Mahesh Dattani	Shabana Azmi, Prakash Rao, Perizaad Zorabian, Lillete Dubey	A film about the meeting of worlds and a story of three lives struck by tragedy, united by destiny, and redefined by music. Modern and traditional Indian music- featuring the golden voice of Shabana Azmi- combine to create something powerful enough to unite three strangers who participated in a shared tragedy.
	7:30 PM	Courthouse	<b>Indian Cowboy</b> (86 min) 2004 English	Nikhil Kamkolkar	Nikhil Kamkolkar, Sheetal Sheth, Carla Borelli, Jonathan Sale, Sundra Oakley, Deep Katdare, Cynthia O'Keefe, Scott Boyett, Sunil Malhotra, Ami Shukla, Jayson Berkshire	A tongue-in-cheek exploration of 'true love', the film is a spirited romantic comedy that takes audiences on a delightfully wild roller coaster ride through the land of relationships. This story is a fun, sexy, irreverent romp through the conventions of Hollywood and Bollywood romantic comedies
	9:30PM	Courthouse	<b>Sau Jhooth, Ek Sach</b> (110 min) 2004 Hindi with English subtitles	Bappaditya Roy	Mammooty, Vikram Gokhle, Lillete Dubey, Neha Dubey, Joy Sengupta, Kiran Janjani, Tisca Chopra, Meghna Kothari	A stranger's suicide provokes the members of an eminent family to look inside and ultimately find blame in unexpected places. Cleverly composed, psychologically intriguing, and brilliantly acted.
	5:00PM	Maya Deren	<b>Shorts Prog 1:</b> Sangam (22 min) 2004 Barefeet (7 mins) 2004 Something Between Her Hands (17 min) 2004 Karma (28 min) 2004 Equation (16 min) 2003	Prashant Bhargava Sonali Gulati Sonya Shah Abhay Chopra Anuj Majumdar	Hesh Sarmalkar, Sanjay Chandani, Amad Jackson, Elizabeth June Rany Lec, Rychrep Meng, Da Van, Pao Sai, Sokim Touc, Pang Soda, H.E.Mrs Soc Hua, Rosanna Barbero Sharat Saxena, Ranbir Kapoor, Suriner Pal, Sushovan Banerjee, Milind Joshi, Manoj Nair Bernard White, Jason Huber, Paul Keith, Samantha Bennett	A meditation upon the struggle to maintain faith as first and second generation immigrants. An Indian woman living in the US with her girlfriend travels home and struggles with the complexities of fluid identity. The film offers an examination of the growing problem of sex slavery and labor for women in Southeast Asia. A father's dilemma about the love for his son who is on death row, and his duty as a police officer responsible for executing the execution. A whimsical tale about presumption and the domino effect of our actions.
	7:00PM	Maya Deren	<b>Shorts Prog 2:</b> Olivia's Puzzle (12 min) 2001 This Moment (12 min) 2004 Homecoming (17 min) 2004 Midnight Feast (9 min) Room For One (14 min) 2003 Pasion (5 min) 2004 Fallen (2 min) 2004	Jason DaSilva Leena Pendharkar Nikhil Jayaram Kristine Landon-Smith Ambika Samarthyia Monica Aswani Sonejuhi Sinha	Olivia Athaide, Reshma Kamulekar Purva Bedi, Danny Wooten, Andy Freeman, Jennifer Lee Chan Datta Dave, Rakesh Dhingra, Sonal Shah, Mike Kopera, Rahul Kulkarni, Kamal Hans, Katie Clothier, Veena Agarwal Devika Shahani, Nadir Khan, Vinay Jain Alexandra Tejada Rieloff, Gorge Navarro, Xavier Machado, Ricardo Valdez Terricka Beckford	Olivia's Puzzle creates a cross-cultural bridge between two young children, who in spite of living thousands of miles apart, have many things in common. Uma Balachandran, a 20-something Indian American woman is at a unique crossroads. <i>A Moment</i> is about choices. Arjun, an insecure high schooler, is going on his first date. And his father has lots of help to offer, no matter what. Life goes on inside a south asian restaurant in London. <i>Room for One</i> takes a close, personal look at a crew making 'a hit' A flamenco music video with quick intercuts of the dramatic story based on real-life events. A short experimental film inspired by Anne Sexton's poem, "Menstruation at Forty." Visually expresses the emotions of loss through its imagery, composition and color.
	9:30PM	Maya Deren	<b>Docum Prog 1</b> Dancing On Mother Earth (57 min) 2002	Jim Virga		This one-hour PBS documentary follows Native American singer/songwriter Joanne Shenandoah through a year of turmoil as the Oneida Indian Nation faces internal conflict.

Nov 6 Saturday	12:00PM	Courthouse	<b>Bandhak</b> (115 min) 2004 English/Hindi with English subtitles	Hyder Bilgrami	Farokh Daruwala, Aasha Patel of Namaste fame, Murtuza Sabir, Daman Arora, Manoj Shinde, Meenu Mangal, Ramzan Lakhani	A story of racist attacks and crimes ranging from verbal abuse to murder against South Asian Americans, the movie explores challenges for South Asians in the aftermath of September 11 <sup>th</sup> .
	3:00PM	Courthouse	<b>Salaam Bombay</b> (114 min) 1988 Hindi/Marathi with English subtitles	Mira Nair	Shafiq Syed, Hansa Vithal, Chanda Sharma, Nana Patekar, Aneeta Kanwar, Raghuraj Yadav	A gritty tale and acclaimed drama shot on location on the streets of Bombay, depicting the desperate lives of homeless street children in India.
	6:00PM	Courthouse	<b>Jane Austen in Manhattan</b> (111 min) 1980 English	Merchant-Ivory	Anne Baxter, Robert Powell, Michael Wagner, Tim Choate, John Guerrasio, Katrina Hodiak, Kurt Johnson, Sean Young	In this tale an avant-garde director becomes engaged in a heated rivalry with his former mentor and lover, who is a traditionalist director, when both compete to produce different versions of an Austen play.
	9:00PM	Courthouse	<b>19 Revolutions</b> (93 min) 2004 English	Sridhar Reddy	Tarun Arora, Sriya Reddy, Vishwaa, Gulshan Grover	Three youthful idealists, intent on bridging the gap between India's rich and poor, plan a heist of vast proportions. Funny, edgy, and violent, this debut feature is all about breaking the rules.
	1:00PM	Maya Deren	<b>Docum Prog 2:</b> Take Me to the River (80 min) 2003	Casey Meade, Kenneth Eng		<i>Take Me To The River</i> is a documentary film experience of the Maha Kumbh Mela, a Hindu festival and pilgrimage.
	3:00PM	Maya Deren	<b>Docum Prog 3:</b> Reinventing the Taliban (54 min) 2004	Sharmeen Obaid		The film brings a uniquely personal perspective to the rise of radical Islamic fundamentalism within Pakistan.
	6:00PM	Maya Deren	<b>Docum Prog 4:</b> Discordia (69 min) 2004	Ben Addelman, Samir Mallal		<i>Discordia</i> charts the turbulent progress of three young campus activists as they navigate the choppy waters of student politics and the most formative year of their lives.
	9:00PM	Maya Deren	<b>Docum Prog 5:</b> Rockstar and the Mullah (50 mins) 2003  Ghoom Tana (10 min) 2004	Ruhi Hamid  Saqib	Salman Ahmad  Salman Ahmad, Nandita Das, Naseeruddin Shah	Salman Ahmad (Junoon) explores the music in the country and asks the question 'is there a conflict between Music and Islam'. It's a story about building bridges between Pakistan and India and realising the common human face of each other's people.
Nov 7 Sunday	1:00PM	Courthouse	<b>Sacrifice</b> (90 min) 2004 English	Frankie Sooknanan	Frankie Sooknanan, DebbieAnn Pustam, Mahadeo Shivraj, Alisha Persaud	The story of an immigrant Indo-Guyanese family struggling to adapt to the American way of life.
	3:00PM	Courthouse	<b>Sunday Afternoon</b> (120min) 2004 Bengali with English Subtitles	Amit Dutt	Sudipta Chakraborty, Bhaswar Chatterjee, Arun Mukherjee, Gita Dey, Abir Chatterjee, Rumki Chatterjee, Mou Bhattacharya	A beautifully filmed, insightful exploration of a pivotal moment in India's history- the violent early 1970s Marxist-Leninist movement- and its effect on one man.
	6:00PM	Courthouse Theatre	<b>Backwaters</b> (90min) 2004 English	Jagmohan Mundhra	Nicholas Irons, Sandra Teles, Jason Fleyming, Tamzin Outhwaite, Gulshan Grover, Milind Gunaji	A suspenseful tale of thwarted desire, love, and murder set against the scenic backdrop of the southern state of Kerala.
	1:00PM	Maya Deren	<b>Shorts Prog 3:</b> Sculpture 1 (23 mins) 1999  The Seine (40 min) 2004	Gitanjali Kapila  Mahesh Umasankar	Jane Jepson, Harsh Nayyar, Terry Londeree  Mark D. Hines, Ram Padmanabhan	An inspirational story of two strangers.  A psychological thriller about two "minds" and a house.
	3:00PM	Maya Deren	<b>Shorts Prog 4:</b> Biography of an American Hostess (18 min) 2003  Everything (8 min) 2002  Whose Children Are These (27 min) 2004  In Whose Name (12 mins) 2004	Shilpa Sunthakar  Harjant Gill  Theresa Thanjan  Nandini Sikand	Shilpa Sudhankar, Ritah Parrish, David Burnett, Judith M. Ford, Matt Moris, Trish Egan, Siddhartha Chakravarti, Jim Becker, Alan H King, Kristin Coleman, Jeanette Burkhardt, Garland Lyons, Shantu Shah  Navila Ali, Mohammad Hussain, Hager Youssef	A story about the feelings of alienation of the second-generation Indian American woman contrasted with the rare, golden event of simply connecting with someone.  A day in the life of a high school student becomes a race to identify his true desires.  The post 9/11 world of three youngsters impacted by the federal policy of Special Registration and prejudice.  An experimental short exploring the co-opting of icons by political agendas.
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