

Raja Ravi Verma

Biography:

1. Country: India.

2. Dates: Born April 29, 1848

Died: October 2, 1906

3. Lived and worked: Kilimanoor, Travancore, Kerala

4. Education: 1868 Learnt the Oil Painting Technique from European Painter, Theodre Jensen, And Alagiri Naidu, a court Painter of Swati Tiruna, Maharaja of Travancore

1862 Self-taught and recieved first painting lessons from his uncle Raja Raja Varma

5. Medium and Technique: Sculpture using range of materials (fiberglass, wax, gold)

Few Lines: Raja Ravi Verma founder of oil painting in India. He had introduced a western style to Indian paintings, that's why he has a influential and important role in Indian Art. His works mainly revolve around the great epics of Mahabharata and Ramayana. He owns his success to a systematic training, first in traditional art of Thanjavore and later in European art.

Exhibitions

2011 'Ethos V: Indian Art...

Selected Posthumous Exhibitions

2011 'Ethos V: Indian Art Through the Lens of History (1900 to 1980), Indigo Blue Art, Singapore

2011 'Manifestations VI', Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi

2003 'Manifestations', Delhi Art Gallery, New Delhi and World Trade Centre, Mumbai

1993 Exhibition of Paintings, Drawings and Oleographs at Sri Chitra Art Gallery, Trivandrum; National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), National Museum, New Delhi

Selected Exhibitions

1903 Lalit Kala Sangam, Chennai

1899 Baroda Puranic Commission Exhibition, Baroda & Mumbai

1893 Worlds Colombian Exhibition, Chicago

1889 Inaugural Exhibition, Bombay Art Society, Mumbai

1880 Exhibition at Poona

1873-74,76 Fine Arts Society, Chennai

1873 Vienna Exhibition, Austria

Awards

1904, Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Medal, 1904, Viceroy Lord Curzon, on behalf of the King Emperor

1993, Raja Ravi Varma Puraskaram, by the Government of Kerala,

Raja Ravi Varma High School at Kilimanoor, in his honour at Mavelikara, Kerala.

Text :

NEWS AND FEATURES: A rare opportunity to view Raja Ravi Varma's mythological iconography and royal portraiture

NEWS AND FEATURES: Reinterpreting a legend

NEWS AND FEATURES: An exhibition to mark the year of the death centenary of Ravi Varma

NEWS AND FEATURES: A premium collection of Ravi Varma oleographs

NEWS AND FEATURES: A documentary on legendary painter Raja Ravi Varma

Saffront art blog: Raja Ravi Varma's Legacy ,posted on July 1, 2013 by josheenoberoi

Saffront art blog: Raja Ravi Varma's Oleographs: The Making of a National Identity, Posted on January 23, 2013 by manjarisihare

Q&A: 'Raja Ravi Varma is a metaphor for artistic freedom', Oct 24, 2008, 12.00am IST

Article: Portrait by Raja Ravi Varma to be auctioned in Mumbai **Bella Jaisinghani, TNN** Aug 30, 2013, 06.08PM IST

Article: Tribute to Raja Ravi Varma **Ambika Nagaraj, TNN** Jan 13, 2011, 11.22pm IST

Article: Memorial to honour Raja Ravi Varma **TNN** Apr 30, 2012, 04.31AM IST

Article: The Raja Behind Raja Ravi Varma: Wed Jan 16 2013, 03:56 hrs

Article: Raja Ravi Varma by Purnima Varman

Article:Raja Ravi Varma: The painter who made the gods humanby Nanak Ganguly

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Review:How Raja Ravi Varma Changed Indian Illustrated Art-india ink , notes on the world's largest democracy By [AAYUSH SONI](#)

Article :Raja Ravi Varma revisited SHILPA NAIR ANAND, MUTUAL ART

Article How to tell a real Raja Ravi Varma, Mutual Art

Article:Portrait of an artist, Mutual Art

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Book review: Art of brotherhood 'Raja Ravi Varma: Portrait of an Artist'

How to tell a real Raja Ravi Varma, Hindu March 1, 2012 01:15 IST

Going back in time with Raja Ravi Varma Thursday, Mar 11, 2010, 23:34 IST | Place: Mumbai | Agency: DNA

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- **Ravi Varma Classic** -2008, Pub: Genesis Art Foundation, Cochin-18;45 clour plate with text by Vijayakumar Menon.
- Raja Ravi Varma - The Most Celebrated Painter of India: 1848-1906, Parsram Mangharam, Bangalore, 2007
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- *Chithramezhuthu Koyithampuran*, P. N. Narayana Pillai.
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Marathi

Ravi Varma", a novel by Marathi language novelist Ranjit Desai translated into English by Vikrant Pande.

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Text

His dramatic depiction of mythological characters and incidents stood out the most, and influenced cinema and calendar art.

Raja Ravi Varma is known to have developed a style that depicted the iconography of the Indian Gods and Goddesses and the mythical elements associated with them. In addition, he translated this iconographic style to the portraits of several Indian royal families around the turn of the century.

<http://www.saffronart.com/sitepages/ArticleDetails.aspx?Articleid=145&PageNo=1>

Today, he seems relevant to me not just as a great artist - whose works indicate the beginning of modernity in Indian art as he consciously merged the eastern and western techniques of art - but also as a metaphor for creative freedom itself.

http://articles.timesofindia.indiatimes.com/2008-10-24/edit-page/27920245_1_raja-ravi-varma-raja-ravi-varma-indian-art

He painted beautiful fabrics and materials with striking colour contrasts. Together he brought about an Indian renaissance of his own.

http://www.mocomi.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/Mocomi_TheZone_ArtCart_Art_RajaRaviVarma_01.pdf

The artist also transformed the simplest vignettes from life into masterpieces of breath-taking beauty. Raja Ravi Varma's works are considered a priceless treasure of immense historical value.

<http://www.saffronart.com/sitepages/ArticleDetails.aspx?Articleid=378&PageNo=1>

Raja Raja was that most extraordinary of companions, intelligent and keenly aware of his brother's artistic needs, since he was a prize winning painter of landscapes himself and yet completely subservient to the greater talent before him. He was not just his brother's left hand, but his eyes and ears as well.

<http://indiatoday.intoday.in/story/book-review-of-raja-ravi-varma-portrait-of-an-artist/1/193330.html>

Videos:

Work Videos:

Creative Painting Video - Raja Ravi Varma Paintings

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Raja Ravi Varma **(30 mint long)**

Painting Lady with Mirror Raja Ravi Varma Indian painter

Usha's Dream, Painting, Raja Ravi Varma, India

Painting Reverie Raja Ravi Varma Indian painter

Raja Ravi Varma-A Great World Famous Amazing Painter-Oil Paintings of Raja Ravi Varma

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Painting Yashoda and Krishna Raja Ravi Varma Indian painter

Amma Thampuram of Mavelikkara by Raja Ravi Varma

Sivaji Maharaj, Oil Painting, Raja Ravi Varma, India

Kerala Royal Lady, Painting, Raja Ravi Varma, India

Hamsa Damayanti painting by Raja Ravi Varma

Oleograph A Lady on the swing Raja Ravi Varma Indian painter

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Vishwamitra and Menaka by Raja Ravi Varma

Raja Ravi Varma Paintings

Udaipur Palace by Raja Ravi Varma

Village Damsel, Painting, Raja Ravi Varma, India

A Retired Soldier by Raja Ravi Varma, Indian Painter

Mysore Khedda by Raja Ravi Varma

Rajput Soldier , a painting by Raja Ravi Varma

Raja Ravi Varma Paintings , Lithographic Printing Press (Near Lonav

Raja Ravi Varma Paintings **(10:30 mints long)**

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http://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=videos+on+raja+ravi+verma&page=8

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Lady Lost in Thought

Damayanti Talking to a Swan

The Orchestra

Arjuna and Subhadra

Lady with Fruit

The Heartbroken

Swarbat Player

Shakuntala

Lord Krishna as Ambassador

Jatayu, a bird devotee of Lord Rama is mauled by Rawana

Victory of Meghanada

A Family of Beggars

A Lady Playing Swarbat

Lady Giving Alms at the Temple

Lord Rama Conquers Varuna

Romancing Couple

Draupadi Dreading to Meet Kichaka

Shantanu and Matsyagandha

Shakuntala Composing a Love Letter to King Dushyanta

Girl in Sage Kanwa's Hermitage

Raja Ravi Varma died on October 2, 1906.