

**KAREN KNORR opens INDIA SONG with Tasveer Arts at Saffronart, The Oberoi Hotel, Delhi on September 27, 2013**



Tasveer is delighted to present the landmark photographic series, *India Song* by London-based artist Karen Knorr, at Saffronart in Delhi. The exhibition will include previously unseen and un-exhibited photographs from this internationally acclaimed body of work, and will be accompanied by a new monograph on the series, published by Tasveer.

Knorr began the *India Song* series in 2008, after what she describes as a life-changing trip to India. The work takes inspiration from Indian mythology, exploring both cultural heritage and wildlife, referencing the western appreciation/appropriation of eastern culture and form, and the Indian tradition of representing and personifying animals in literature and art. From the Panchatantra to the miniature paintings of the Mughal court, these photographs depict scenarios that are at once otherworldly and surreal, the animals are intruders, and their presence playfully subverts the cultural space. The architectural settings are captured with a large format analogue camera, while the animal subjects are photographed separately and inserted using digital imaging – a very slow process is combined with a fast one, that heightens our experience of colour, line, the details of both the structural and living subjects which paradoxically merge, and are yet separate from one another.

Karen Knorr is one of the most renowned contemporary photographers working today. Since the 1970s, she has been producing images that interrogate political, economic, and gendered representation. She has taught, exhibited, and lectured internationally, at the Tate Modern, Goldsmiths, Harvard, and the Pompidou Centre. Knorr's work is held in over 30 collections across the world including The Victoria & Albert Museum, London, The Tate, London, The Museum of Modern Art, Paris and The San Francisco Museum of Art, USA. *India Song* has been shown globally at museums and art fairs, winning numerous prestigious awards including a Pilar Citoler International Photography Prize and a nomination for the Deutsche Börse Photography Prize.

This exhibition is part of the Delhi Photo Festival (27 September - 11 October, 2013).

**Exhibition Dates:**

**September 28th to October 5th 2013  
Tue - Sat: 11am to 7pm, Sun 11am to 4pm**

**Saffronart, Delhi The Oberoi Hotel New Delhi 110003**