



PAPIA GHOSHAL



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Papia Ghoshal (Papia Das Baul)

THE JOURNEY:

Papia Ghoshal is a fine artist, poet, actor, singer, and a lecturer, based in London, Prague, and Kolkata. She is a versatile personality who has built up a prominent brand name and gained popularity for her alternate style, unique imaginative power, and unhyprocritical prrsentation that left an eternal impact on her followers.

Her way of life, she believes, has much in common with the ancient philosophy and practices of the Bauls of Bengal. She has dedicated almost thirty years of her life researching on the ancient practices of Tantra, which the bauls and fakirs of Bengal had been practising for ages.

Her poems, related to the philosophy of tantra, or dehotatta, take her readers to the visual imageries of her paintings and vice-versa.

Papia Ghoshal, being a passionate artist, loves to experiment with many different ideas. Sometimes, she can be spotted driving the broad-gauge locomotive steam train with passengers on the West Somerset Railway, England! She loves the colour of the fire while driving, which helps her in the vibrant creative journey of her life.

Papia achieved various prestigious international and national awards for her works in different spheres. She has been bestowed upon the prestigious Global Talent Leadership Residency by the UK Government and the permanent residency in the Czech Republic, EU, for her significant contribution to arts & culture.

She is the editor-in-chief of a two hundred year old UK based heritage magazine called the London Miscellany, first established in 1825. Her hard work has resulted in a few documentary films, twelve books related to 'Tantra', thousands of pauntings, sculptures, songs, etc. Papia's slogan is "let's go back to our ancient roots to create a modern India" and share the true essence of the real India with the world!



WORK EXPERIENCE :

- Freelance writer, visiting lecturer (Europe & India), fine artist, and documentary filmmaker.
- Editor-in-Chief at **The London Miscellany**.
- Creative director for films, theatre & cultural projects.
- Curator & founder of Indo-Czech Autumn Festival (2015, Prague).
- Curator of Festival Kali & Diwali in London (10 years, with Ministry of Culture).
- Curator of Swami Vivekananda's sesquicentennial celebration in London.
- Curator of Rabindranath Tagore's 150th festival in London.
- Founder of **Intrique** – interior & landscape company in Kolkata (1996–2006).
- Creative Director & International Vice-President, Surnandan Bharati.
- Apprentice of legendary artist Prakash Karmakar (15 years).
- Founder of Spring Colour Baul Festival (since 2014, Kolkata).
- Jury member of "Banality of Evil" Art Competition, Berlin (2020).
- Lecturer/workshop leader at:
 - Anglo-American University (Prague)
 - SOAS (London)
 - National Museum (Prague)
 - Brandenburg, Germany
 - Tagore Centre (Berlin)
 - Indian Embassy (Prague)
 - Nehru Centre (London)
 - Archeological Museum, Priory Chapter House
 - Jadavpur University



FILMS OF PAPIA GHOSHAL :

- Director & Producer: **Rituals and Festivals of Bengal** (60 min documentary films, screened internationally, 2017).
- Director & Producer: **Second Sight** (special mention at Rome International Film Festival).
- Producer & Presenter: Bengali 35mm feature film **Shilpantar**.
- Archived at BFI, Helsinki, Bratislava, Sofia film festivals.
- Director & Producer: **Syria, in search of truth** (award-winning docu film).



TV DOCUMENTARIES FILMS:

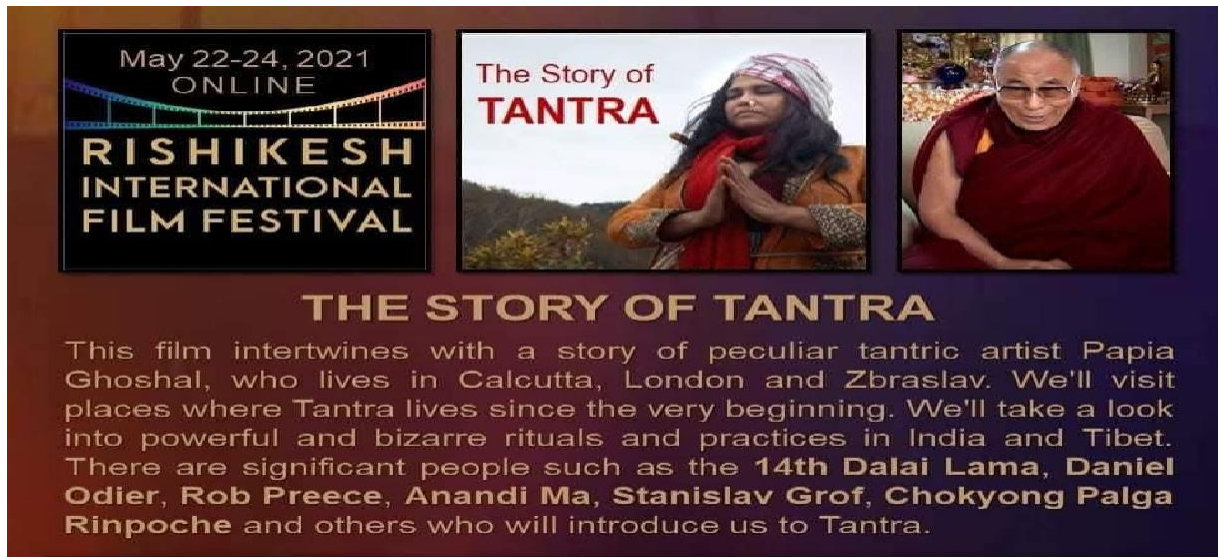
- **Ananda Nagoreer Kothokotha** – Zee TV (Producer, Researcher, Creative Director, 2004).
- **Khas Khobor** – Director, Anchor, Researcher of weekly news docu from North Bengal.
- **Colours of India** – Fashion-based TV program (Director & Producer).

Papia Ghoshal in CT 24 (Czech Television channel)



FILMS MADE ON PAPIA GHOSHAL :

- **Pribeh Tantry** – Czech TV Production.
- **Babylon** – Director Martin Pátek, Czech Television (2012).
- **Papia Bengali in Prague** – Produced by FAMU.
- **Papia The Rain Bird** – Directed by Ales Lang.



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**RISHIKESH
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The Story of
TANTRA

THE STORY OF TANTRA

This film intertwines with a story of peculiar tantric artist Papia Ghoshal, who lives in Calcutta, London and Zbraslav. We'll visit places where Tantra lives since the very beginning. We'll take a look into powerful and bizarre rituals and practices in India and Tibet. There are significant people such as the **14th Dalai Lama, Daniel Odier, Rob Preece, Anandi Ma, Stanislav Grof, Chogyong Palga Rinpoche** and others who will introduce us to Tantra.

FILMS DIRECTION BY PAPIA GHOSHAL :

- Creative director for Director Ashoke Viswanathan's films (20 years ongoing).
- Creative set designer for theatre legend Shaoli Mitra's **Putul Khela**.
- Creative director for Director Sushanta Mukhopadhyay's films (10 years ongoing).



ACTING CAREER OF PAPIA GHOSHAL :

- Protagonist in a feature film *Untitled*
(This film is a tribute to Godard. India. Directed by Sushanta Mukherjee)
- Protagonist in the satirical film *Transcended Nun* – UK.
Directed by Adam Scarborough (2022)
- Protagonist in a feature film *Black Panther* – India.
Directed by Tarek Kazi (2022)
- Protagonist in a docu-feature film *Pribeh Tantry (stories of Tantra)* – Czech Republic.
Directed by Viliam Poltikovic (2019–2020)
- Character actor in *Andhokarer Alo* – India.
Directed by Ashoke Viswanathan (2019)
- Protagonist in a docu-feature film Nabarun. India. Directed by Qaushik Mukherjee 2018
- Character actor in feature film Shantiniketan. India. Directed by Ashoke Viswanathan 2017
- Character actor in feature film Cosmic Sex. India. Directed by Amitabha Chakraborty 2016
- Character actor in feature film Kantataar. India. Directed by Bappaditya Bandopadhyay
- Protagonist in a TV serial AnandanagoreerKothokatha, Director Bappaditya Bandopadhyay
- TV news reporter and anchor at Khash Kholoor, Rangeen Prithivi and many others



AWARDS: HONOUR RECEIVED BY PAPIA GHOSHAL



"SHOWCASING A LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE AND DEDICATION"

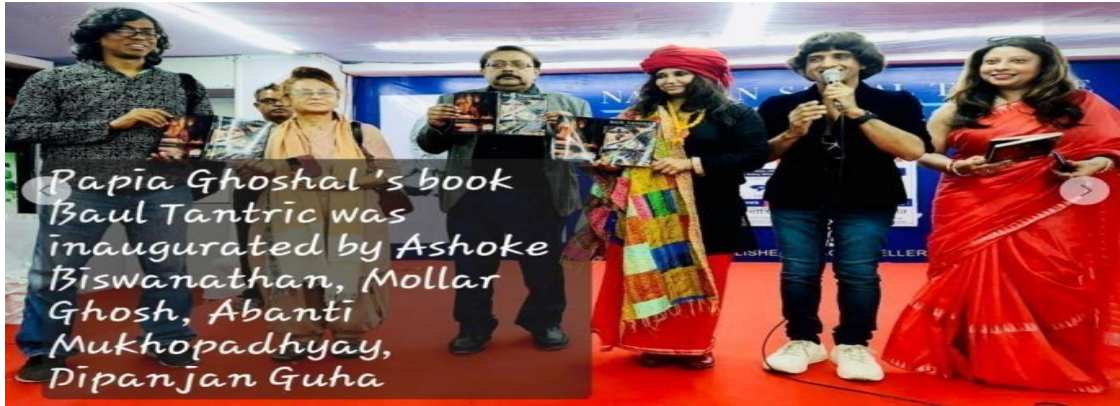
- ✿ SURNANDAN LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD (2025)
- ✿ KOLKATA INTERNATIONAL POETRY AWARD (2024)
- ✿ RECEIVED AN HONOR FROM AGAMI BANGLA PRESS AND PUBLICATION FOR EXCELLENCE IN ART AND WRITING (2023)
- ✿ TREBBIA INTERNATIONAL AWARD (2022)
- ✿ SURNANDAN BAHARTI INTERNATIONAL AWARD (2021)
- ✿ KOLKATA INTERNATIONAL LITERARY AWARD (2020)
- ✿ KOLKATA INTERNATIONAL POETRY AWARD (2019)
- ✿ PHOENIX INTERNATIONAL LITERARY AWARD (2017)
- ✿ LUCKNOW INTERNATIONAL LITERARY FESTIVAL (2016)
- ✿ CHITRANANDAN AWARD, BIRLA ACADEMY OF ART & CULTURE (2013)
- ✿ NANDANSREE AWARD, SURNANDAN BHARATI (2012)
- ✿ MOTHER TERESA INTERNATIONAL AWARD (2012)
- ✿ RABINDRANATH TAGORE'S 150 YEARS INTERNATIONAL ANNIVERSARY AWARD (2011)
- ✿ WORLD PRIZE OF SALVADOR DALI (2009)
- ✿ EUROPEAN UNION OF FINE ARTS AWARD (2007)
- ✿ MEDAL OF FRANZ KAFKA, PRAGUE (2008)
- ✿ BHUNATH MUKHOPADHYAY AWARD, LONDON (2005)



BOOKS BY PAPIA GHOSHAL:



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- Baul Tantrics (2025)
 - Jonmo Ulongo (Naked by Birth) (2022)
 - Third World Women (2018)
 - Behaya (2017)
 - Divoka Vune Lantany (2016)
 - The Wild Smell of Lantana (2012)
 - Dny Menstruace (2010)
 - Second Sight (2009)
 - Textuation, with Christopher Arkell (2007)
 - The Days of Menstruation (2006)
 - Ritur Dingulo (2003)



MUSICS BY PAPIA GHOSHAL:

- Folk Songs at London Nehru Center
- Folklorum Fest in Germany
- Women in Music
- Art Festival London
- World Yoga Day Festival in Prague
- Ayurveda Festival Prague
- Refu Fest
- Tele Fest & Camp
- Cajomir Fest Vysehrad in the Czech Republic
- Chemnitz
- Stadtfest Germany, National Museum Prague
- Brandenburg Museum Germany
- Museums in Plzn & Camp Bohemia
- Techno museum Ostrava
- Indian Embassy
- Tagore Cultural Centre Berlin
- Club Lucerna Prague
- Baul Fakir Fest in Shaktigarh Kolkata
- Lalon Mela in various festivals in Bengal, Rabindra Sadan
- Gothe Institutes & Camp
- Sanskriti Bhavan in Kerala camp Chennai





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Papia Das Baul— Baul

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EXHIBITIONS BY PAPIA GHOSHAL:

- Archaeological Heritage Museum, Priory Chamber, SW London 2024
- Indo-Czech Autumn Festival for Paiting 2024
- Event of Baul & Fakirs of Bengal in Central London 2024
- Maya & Moksha at Indian High Commision Gallery, London 2024
- Chitrakoot Art Gallery Kolkata 2023
- Chief Guest – Women's Day Exhibition started at Kolkata Russian House, Gorky Sadan on 2023.
- Nehru Centre London (Indian Embassy Gallery) 2022
- Linhart Foundation and Gallery 2021
- NGO DEI in association with Tibet Open House Prague, Malaskala, Castle Hrad Vranov, Cz, 2021
- Stara Skola, Cz, 2021
- Echnicky Museum Cz, 2019
- National Museum, Prague 2018
- Tagore festival Komunitni centrum Matej, Prague 2018
- Lapidarium Gallery, Prague 2018
- The Nehru Centre, London, 2018
- The Tagore Centre, Embassy of India, Berlin 2017
- ICCR Kolkata 2017
- Embassy of India Prague 2017
- Russian Cultural Centre Manchester Square London 2016
- Brandenburg Museum Germany 2015
- The Nehru Centre London 2015
- Studio Faust Prague 2015
- ICCR Kolkata 2015

- Art Prague 2015
- Goethe Institute, Sri Lanka, 2009
- Indian Habitat Centre, Delhi, 2009
- Gallery Aifacs, New Delhi, 2008
- Trienal Prague National Gallery, 2008
- Lauderdale House, London, 2007
- Galerie Lapidarium, Prague, 2007
- Many Colours of Asia, Prague, 2007
- Gallery Miro, Prague, 2007
- John Bloxham's Gallery, London, 2006
- Woburn Gallery, London, 2006
- Academy of Fine Arts, Kolkata, 2006
- Academy of Fine Arts, Kolkata, 2005
- Chitrakoot Art Gallery, Kolkata, 2005
- Diorama Art Gallery, London, 2004
- Gender Studies, Prague, 2004
- Lalit Kala Academy, New Delhi, 2004
- Academy of Fine Arts, Kolkata, 2003
- Phoenix Artist Club London, 2015
- Jiho Ceske Museum, Prague, 2015
- Gallery on the Corner, London, 2014
- The London Miscellany Foundation, London, 2014
- Západočeské Museum, Plzeň, Czech Republic, 2014
- The Nehru Centre, London, 2014
- ICCR, CITY ART FACTORY: Shoi – Boi Mela, Kolkata, 2014

- Art Prague, Prague, 2013
- Nehru Centre, London, 2012
- Art-Shart, Lahore – Pakistan, 2012
- Go Kamera Fest, Livingstone CZ, Brno, 2012
- Brno Kulturní Centrum (BKC), Gallery 10, Brno, 2011
- The National Liberal Club, London, 2011
- Academy of Fine Arts, Kolkata, 2010
- Brooks Gallery, Prague, 2010
- Art Prague, Prague, 2009
- The Foyer – Indické Velvyslanectví, Berlin, 2009



ACADEMY QUALIFICATIONS:

- Masters degree (MA in Music)
- Bachelor of Arts (BA) from The University of Calcutta
Subjects – Political Science, Sociology and Indian Music (Vocal)
- Raindance Film School, London
Diploma in Filmmaking 35 mm camera
Cinematography 35 mm ARI 5 camera
- Fine Arts and Interior Designing courses from Merton College, London

