

PRESERVATION OF MANUSCRIPTS AND ART OBJECTS

HANDS-ON-TRAINING WORKSHOP

8-9th December, 2025

10:30am-4:30pm

Day One: Seminar Hall,

Subhas Chandra Bose Centenary College, Lalbagh

Day Two: Murshidabad District Museum, Jiaganj

Organised by:

Subhas Chandra Bose Centenary College, Lalbagh

In collaboration with,

Sripat Singh College, Jiaganj

Kandi Raj College, Kandi

Nabagram Amar Chand Kundu College, Nabagram

Resource Persons:

Dr. Keka Banerjee Adhikari, Curator, The Asiatic Society, Kolkata

Dr. Mousumi Banerjee, Curator, Murshidabad District Museum, Jiaganj

Sriparna Nath Chakraborty, Conservator, NMM Project, The Asiatic Society, Kolkata

Sudip Halder, Cataloguer, NMM Project, The Asiatic Society, Kolkata



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Concept note:

This is an opportunity for the students of Murshidabad to interact with experts from The Asiatic Society and Murshidabad District Museum and familiarize themselves with the processes involved in the preservation, conservation, and restoration of rare manuscripts and art objects.. We plan to broaden the scope of our mutual interactions and sustainable outreach initiatives with The Asiatic Society and the Murshidabad District Museum.

The Asiatic Society, founded in 1784 by Sir William Jones, has served as a repository of knowledge, a forefront institution for research, and a hub for international exchange for over two centuries. The Government of India recognized the institution as being of "National Importance" in 1984, to mark its bicentenary.

We intend to mobilize students from various institutions, in and around Murshidabad, who can gather conceptual knowledge of heritage preservation and enhance their skills, thereby empowering themselves to represent their own histories. Undergraduate and postgraduate students, early researchers as well as enthusiasts with a firm conviction to work towards the preservation, conservation, and promotion of heritage and culture are encouraged to apply for this initiative. This hands-on-training initiative is a part of an ongoing add-on course, "History as Representation: Theoretical Context and Practical Applications" jointly organized by Subhas Chandra Bose Centenary College, Lalbagh and National Museums Scotland, Edinburgh.

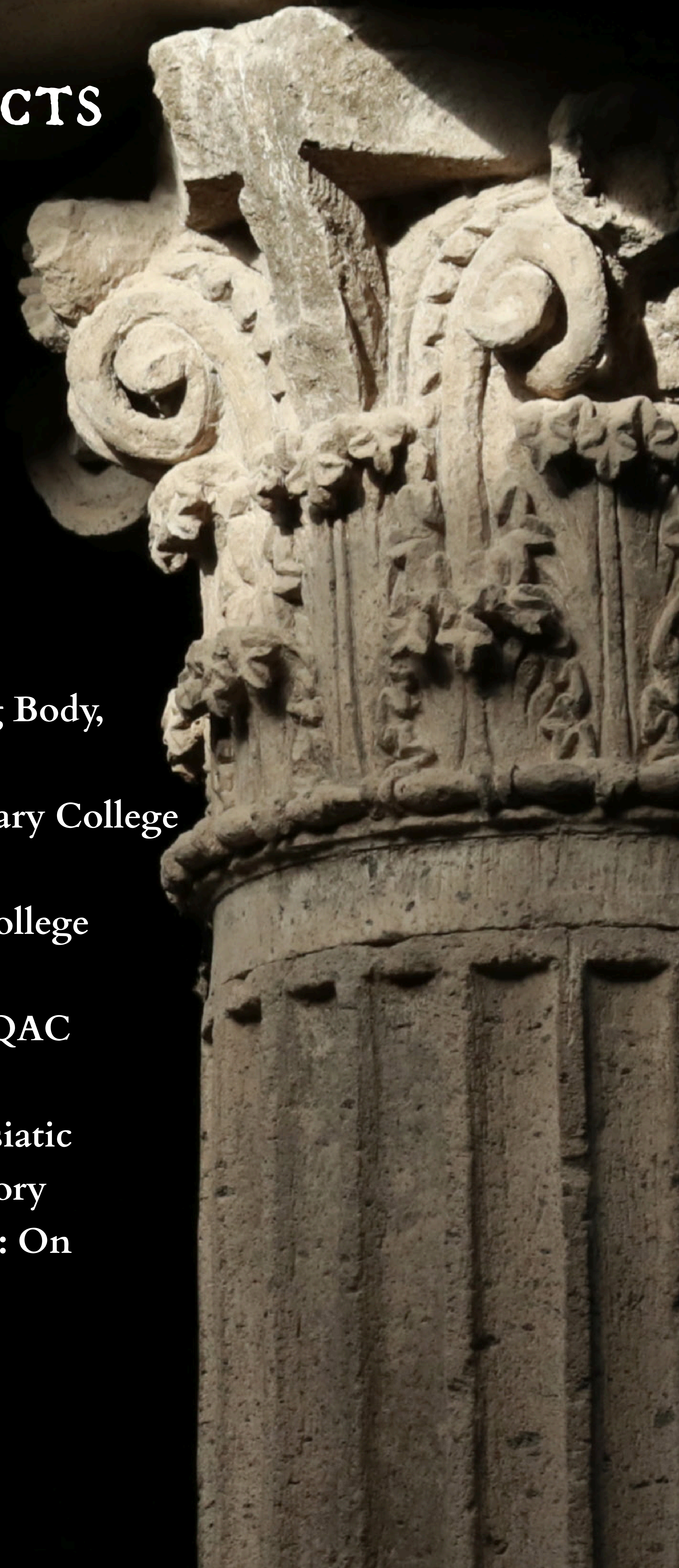


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PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

SEMINAR HALL,
SUBHAS CHANDRA BOSE CENTENARY COLLEGE, LALBAGH

10:30-11:00 am	Registration
11:00-11:15 am	Inauguration & Felicitation of dignitaries
11:15-11:45 am	Welcome Address- Janab Mohammad Ali, President, Governing Body, Subhas Chandra Bose Centenary College Dr. Supam Mukherjee, Principal, Subhas Chandra Bose Centenary College Dr. Kamal Krishna Sarkar, Principal, Sripat Singh College Dr. Soumitra Kar, Principal, Nabagram Amar Chand Kundu College Dr. Soma Datta, Principal, Kandi Raj College [Inaugural Session moderated by Dr. Subarna Bandopadhyay, IQAC Member, Subhas Chandra Bose Centenary College]
11:45-12:30 pm	Keynote Address- Dr. Keka Banerjee Adhikari, Curator, The Asiatic Society: On The Asiatic Society and its Role in Preserving History
12:30-01:00 pm	Dr. Mousumi Banerjee, Curator, Murshidabad District Museum: On Heritage Preservation: Methods and Possibilities
01:00-02:00 pm	LUNCH



DAY ONE

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TECHNICAL SESSIONS

02:00-02:45 pm	Sudip Haldar, Cataloguer, NMM Project, The Asiatic Society: On Manuscripts and it's importance as heritage
02:45-03:30 pm	Dr. Keka Banerjee Adhikari: On Manuscript preservation, conservation and restoration - methods and contemporary practices in Heritage Preservation
03:30-04:00 pm	Sriparna Nath Chakraborty, Conservator, NMM Project, The Asiatic Society: On techniques and methods of restoration of Art Objects
04:00-04:30 pm	Q & A Session

MURSHIDABAD DISTRICT MUSEUM, JIAGANJ

DAY TWO

10:00- 10:30 AM	Registration
10:30-11:30 AM	Museum Visit and Demonstration- Dr. Mousumi Banerjee and Dr. Keka Banerjee Adhikari
11:30-01:00 PM	Practical Demonstration: Preservation of Manuscripts and Art Objects
01:00-02:00 PM	LUNCH
02:00-04:00 PM	Practical Demonstration
04:00-04:30 PM	Feedback Session, Certificate distribution & Vote of thanks



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Registration Fee: Rs. 100 only (For UG/PG/Early Researchers)
(to be collected at the Registration Desk on Day One)

Registration link- <https://forms.gle/dUAoXH5p4BGLj4V3A>

Registration Deadline 4th December, 2025

Selected participants will be informed through e-mail by 5th December, 2025

Organising committee:

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