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Indian art takes on child trafficking

12 paintings will be auctioned at a gala fundraiser in Washington DC

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AFTER working towards several charitable causes in India, the country's artists are now extending their helping hand to children in America. Twelve artists will donate their



works to help raise funds for Children's Network International (CNI), which works to prevent child trafficking in the US.

The event, which will take place in Washington DC on May 19th, will also include a performance by Ustad Zakir Hussain and a live painting show by artist Subhash Awchat.

The auction will offer works by artists including Jaideep Mehrotra, Laila Khan Rajpal and Brinda Miller. Says Laila, "I'm going to create a good piece of art, so it sells at a great price and helps raise money for the cause."

If you're wondering why they are helping kids in America when so many in India need desperate attention, organiser and artist Bina Aziz explains, "You'll be surprised to know that child trafficking is as big a problem there as it is here. Plus, CNI is extending its support to various NGOs like Khushi here in India."

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A preview of these art works will be held between April 27 and 29 at the Point of View Art Gallery in Mumbai.

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