# Department of Fine Arts cordially invites you for

## Yousui Saeed's series of lectures on

### **Indo-Muslim Popular Arts and Culture**

on 19th and 20th September 2011 in the Seminar Room, Department of Fine Arts Sarojini Naidu School of Arts and Communication University of Hyderabad

19<sup>th</sup> September, 2011, 11 am -1 pm <u>Popular Religious Poster Art in Muslim South Asia: Conflict</u> <u>between Iconoclasm and Icon-Veneration</u>

This presentation includes a slide-show of poster art from India and Pakistan exploring the devotional images exploited by the printing press.

19<sup>th</sup> September, 2011, 2:30 - 4:30 pm Sufi Shrines and popular visual culture in India: Use of Syncretic Symbolism This presentation further explores the Islamic devotional art in India with an emphasis on the Sufi shrines and their popular culture. A 13 mins documentary film called *Basant* will be shown in this lecture.

#### 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2011, 11 am - 1 pm

Sufi Music: From a Traditional Mystic Repertoire to the Kitsch Devotional Videos

This presentation includes the playing of several short audios and videos including a 7-mins film called "*The Train to Heaven*".

### 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2011, 2:30 - 4:30 pm

Music and National Identity: The Impact of 1947 Partition on North India's Classical Music Tradition

This presentation mainly includes a 100-mins documentary film called *Khayal Darpan – The Mirror of Imagination*, followed by a discussion.

Yousuf Saeed is a Delhi-based independent filmmaker and researcher who has been producing documentary films, multimedia presentations and writings on a wide-range of subjects, many of them exploring the shared artistic and cultural traditions of South Asia. He is currently the director of *Tasveer Ghar*, a digital archive of South Asian popular visual culture. Yousuf is also the author of the new book *Muslim Devotional Arts in India* (Routledge, 2011). More information about his work and themes can be obtained from www.tasveerghar.net and www.ektara.org

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