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Representation:

Redux Pictures, New York, USA - www.reduxpictures.com

Work Experience:

- Freelance photographer (2007 – present)
- Picture editor / Photographer, The Caravan magazine, India (2010-2012)
- Freelance photographer for: TIME, The New York Times, CNN, The Guardian, The Globe And Mail, Report On Business Magazine, Medecins Sans Frontiers (Doctors Without Borders), The National and others.
- Teaching Assistant to Gary Knight (VII Photo agency) and Philip Blenkinsop (Noor Images), VII master class – Rajasthan, India , Feb 2009 & Feb 2011
- Teaching Assistant to Photographer Antonin Kratochvil, VII master class – New York City, September, 2007

Key reportage assignments:

- Oil and geopolitics in Georgia, Azerbaijan and Turkey (TV documentary and for print)
- India's strategic interest in Afghanistan
- Coverage of post conflict impact in the Northern Sri Lanka in 2010
- The uprising in Kashmir in 2010
- Daily life in the Naxalites (Maoists) camp in Chattisgarh, India
- Coverage of the tribal insurgency in Manipur, India
- Environmental impact of coalmines in Jharia, India

Festivals & Lectures:

Obscura photography festival, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, June 2013
Guest speaker at the photojournalism conference - DOK 12 in Oslo, February 2012
Blackfest photo festival, Toronto, 2012
Magenta foundation, Toronto 2012

Solo Exhibitions:

- 2008, May - After Hours, Contact Photo Festival, Toronto, Canada
- 2008, May- Mandapam Camp, Tamil Studies conference, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada
- 2008, May- Mandapam Camp, Contact Photo Festival, Toronto, Canada
- 2007, September – Mandapam Camp, Mississauga Arts Festival, Mississauga, Canada
- 2007, April - Mandapam Camp, Global Aware gallery, Toronto, Canada
- 2006, September - Fallen Feather, Mississauga Arts Festival, Mississauga, Canada
- 2006, May - Symbols and Celebrations, Contact photo festival, Toronto, Canada
- 2006, May - Mother, Father, Teacher and God, Contact photo festival, Toronto, Canada

Group Exhibitions:

- 2013 - Home , a multi-media installation at Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto
- 2012 – Home , a multi-media installation at Blackout Fest, Toronto
- 2011 - May – June, Visual Arts Center, Harbour Front, Toronto, Canada.
- 2005 - Ryerson Gallery, Toronto, Ontario
- 2005 - Life of Water (traveling exhibit and a book), Photosensitive Toronto, Canada

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Awards:

- Nominated for Magnum Emergency Fund grant – 2010, 2012
- 3rd place in Picture Story category for the work 'Red Soldiers' in National Pictures of the Year 2010, Canada.
- Honorable mention in photo essay and feature story category, by International Photography Awards, USA
- Nominated as Photo journalist of the Year 2009 by News Photographers Association, Canada
- Honorable mention for Mandapam Camp story by PX3, France

Education:

1994 – 1998 Bachelors in Electronics Engineering, Bharatiyar University, India.

Languages:

English, Hindi and Tamil

Citizenship:

Canadian

Visa Status in India:

Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) Visa with life long validity. OCI visa allows me to work and travel for any clients and it does not require any registration with FRRO.

Date of Birth:

April 7, 1976

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