



**The South Asian Literary & Theater Arts Festival
October 18-19th, 2003**

Crystal City Sheraton, Grand Ballroom
1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202
(Entrance at corner of 18th St. and S. Eads St.)

DAY ONE: Saturday October 18th, 2003

8:30-9:30am - Registration & Breakfast

9:45-10:00am - Welcome & NetSAP-DC Introduction

10:00-11:15am - Over Here, Over There: Nuances of Cultural Exchange*

Panelists: Marina Budhos, Shani Mootoo, and Lee Siegel

Moderator: Dhooleka Raj

11:15-11:30am - Break

11:30-12:45pm - Visions, Violence & Transformation

Panelists: Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni, Madhusree Mukerjee, and Kamila Shamsie

Moderator: Christine So

12:45-2:00pm - Lunch Break with Two Featured Readings

By Dhooleka Raj & Madhusree Mukerjee

2:15-3:30pm - Beyond the Borders of Fact & Fiction

Panelists: Thalassa Ali, William Dalrymple, and Gary Worthington

Moderator: Jeffery Paine

3:30 – Registration Begins for STAGE only attendees

4:00pm – Doors open for STAGE Theater Festival: Voices Unleashed

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Rearranged Marriage

Written by Diya Gullapalli

Directed by Mayank P. Keshaviah

Pind's Retreat

Written by Abhijit Ghosh

Directed by Avanti Pradhan

The South Asian Monologues

Written by Tina Chaudhary

Directed by Anshu Bhandari

Chaos Theory

Written by Anuvab Pal

Directed by Shrikar Madiraju

DAY TWO: Sunday October 19th, 2003

9:30 - 10:00am - Registration & Breakfast with Poetry

**10:00 - 11:15am - Professional Development Panels
(Your Choice of Room 1, 2, or 3)**

Room 1: How to Get Published

Panelists: Anna Ghosh, S. Mitra Kalita, and Anjali Singh.

Moderator: Husain Naqvi

Room 2: How to Write for Film, Radio, Television, Documentaries & Other Mediums

Panelists: Shebana Coelho, Sabrina Dhawan, and Michael Olmert.

Moderator: Kamran Pasha

Room 3: White Mughals Lecture with Slide Presentation

11:15 - 11:45am - Break

11:45 - 12:30pm - The Art & Commerce of Filmmaking by Mira Nair

12:30 - 12:45am - Break

12:45 - 2:30pm - Lunch & Inaugural Presentation of First Words South Asian Literary Prize Vikram Chandra, Indira Ganesan and Maniza Naqvi will inaugurate the First Words South Asian Literary Prize.