



## LALITHA LAJMI

(1932 - 2023)

With profound grief and sorrow NGMA, Mumbai shares the news of demise of veteran artist and printmaker Lalitha Lajmi who left for heavenly abode this morning.

Supported by the Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India , we were honoured to present “The Minds Cupboard” - a retrospective of Lalitha Ji’s large body of work at the NGMA on January 12th, 2023.

Lalitha Lajmi was born to a poet father and a poly-linguist writer mother in Kolkata in 1932. Coming from a family involved in the arts, Lajmi was very fond of classical dance and painting. She found her calling in painting. An unparalleled watercolourist, through her works she narrates a layered history of the modern Indian woman in the decades that followed Independence. Often her works reflect the hidden tensions that exist between men and women, captured in the different roles they play. Yet, her women are not meek individuals, but assertive and individualistic, with a strong autobiographical element.

Lalitha Ji was a regular at all our NGMA opening receptions and we will miss her gracious presence.

The Mind’s Cupboard- Lajmi’s last offering of works at the NGMA Mumbai . Exhibition on view till 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2023.

