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## Eat, drink and *Namaste* a while at Art After Dark: Diwali on Friday, October 26



**CINCINNATI**— Enjoy a unique celebration at Cincinnati Art Museums' <u>Art After Dark: Diwali, Festival of Lights</u>, **Friday, October 26, 5–9 p.m.** 

Diwali is an Indian festival recognized every autumn in the northern hemisphere. Visitors will experience the beauty of this festival of lights and celebrate the new special exhibition *The Fabric of India*.

Art After Dark: Diwali features live music from <u>DJ Vikas</u>, docent-led tours, henna tattoo stations, dance

performances, specialty cocktails, and food for purchase from <u>Bombay Brazier</u> and <u>Amma's Kitchen</u>. No tickets are required and exhibition access is free during this event.

Organized by the prestigious Victoria and Albert Museum in London, *The Fabric of India* is the first to fully explore the dynamic and multifaceted world of handmade textiles from India. The exhibition showcases the finest examples from the V&A's world-renowned collection together with masterpieces from international partners, leading designers, and additions from the Cincinnati Art Museum's own outstanding permanent collection. Visitors will have the opportunity to explore a stunning range of historic dress, heirloom fabrics, and cutting-edge fashion.

## The timeline for Diwali: Festival of Lights includes:

- **5–9 p.m.:** Live music from DJ Vikas in the Great Hall.
- **5–9 p.m.:** Food available for purchase from Bombay Brazier and Amman's Kitchen in the Fountain Room (located near the Terrace Café). While supplies last.
- 6, 6:30, 7:30 and 8 p.m.: Guided tours of *The Fabric of India*. Meet in the Front Lobby. Free.
- 6-8 p.m. : Henna tattoo stations in the Schmidlapp Gallery.
- 7:30 p.m.: Traditional Indian dance performances in the Great Hall.
- **5–9 p.m.:** Guests may complete a survey for chance to win a Cincinnati Art Museum swag bag.

Art After Dark is free and open to the public. RSVP is not required. Parking is free. To learn more, visit <u>cincinnatiartmuseum.org</u> Art After Dark is presented by PNC. Additional sponsors include P&G, Dewey's Pizza, Cincinnati CityBeat, and 91.7 WVXU Cincinnati.

## About the Cincinnati Art Museum

General admission to the Cincinnati Art Museum is always free thanks to the Rosenthal Family Foundation. The museum is open Tuesday–Sunday, 11 a.m.–5 p.m. with extended Thursday hours until 8 p.m. The Cincinnati Art Museum is supported by ArtsWave, the Ohio Arts Council, the City of Cincinnati and our members. <u>cincinnatiartmuseum.org</u>.