

# National Gallery of Modern Art, Bengaluru

Invites you  
for a talk and a docent walk  
**Vanue:** NGMA, 49, Palace Road, Bengaluru

**Stimulus for the programmes:** The exhibition Homai Vyarawalla – a retrospective at the NGMA, Bengaluru from 8th May 2011 to 8th July 2011.

## Talk

**21st May 2011, Saturday 6:30 pm**

**War and Forgiveness:** Process and storytelling with photography by Ryan Lobo

In 2007, Ryan travelled to Iraq, Afghanistan and Liberia and immersed himself in several stories. During these visits he took photographs and kept a detailed journal of his thoughts and experiences detailing the process of storytelling, excerpts of which are published as a catalogue.

Joshua Milton Blahyi, aka General Butt Naked, murdered, raped and mutilated thousands during Liberia's horrific 14-year civil war. He personally claims to have been responsible for more than 20,000 deaths. Today this once brutal warlord has renounced his violent past and reinvented himself as Evangelist Joshua Milton Blahyi. Ryan documents the extraordinarily complex personal odyssey of Joshua Milton Blahyi, and explores both the power and the limitations of faith, redemption and forgiveness as the former general attempts to reconcile with victims and rehabilitate former child soldiers he once brutalized and forced to commit horrific violence.

**About Ryan Lobo:** Ryan is a photographer and a documentary filmmaker. His films have aired on the National Geographic Channel, Animal Planet, The Oprah Winfrey Show and PBS as well as other networks. His images/writing have been featured in magazines like Tehelka, Better Photography, The Wall Street Journal, National Geographic Magazine, The Boston Review, amongst others. His art prints have been exhibited all over India and in Europe. In 2009 Ryan spoke about photography at the TED conference, to a standing ovation. Ryan is one of the producers for the independent documentary film "The Redemption of General Butt Naked" which won the Sundance film festival for best cinematography.

## Docent Walk

**28th May 2011, Saturday 11am**

Cameras and equipment of Homai Vyarawalla by Mallikarjun Katakol

This docent walk will feature a talk on the various camera equipment used by Homai Vyarawalla, which are on display at the exhibition. It will also expound on a chronological development and changes in cameras through the times.

**About Mallikarjun Katakol:** Mallikarjun Katakol is the founder of Ideogram, a professional photography company. He has participated in various solo and group photography exhibitions, both in Indian and abroad. He has also been awarded with the Cannes Gold and Silver, the Montreal World Medal, the Mobius Advertising award, Chicago, among others. His clients include Accenture, Better Photography, Britannia, Biocon, CISCO, Forbes India, Ford India, Inside Outside, Intel, ITC Hotels, Louis Philippe, McDowell's, MindTree, Robert Graham-New York, SAP Labs, Taj Group of Hotels, Toyota Motors, United Spirits Limited.

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