

6 June, 2012

Dear **Svetoslav Teodorov Nedev**,

The Siddhartha Arts Foundation believes that the arts have the power to inspire critical reflection and action. The 2nd Kathmandu International Art Festival is gathering artists from the region and all over the world to share their expressions with the Nepali public, arts communities nationally and internationally, and a network of environmental organizations about the issue of the earth, our bodies, and our minds.

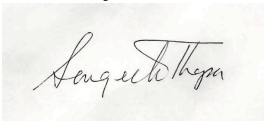
The Siddhartha Arts Foundation would like to invite you to exhibit your artworks “**Biotope II, IX, and XI**” at the 2nd Kathmandu International Art Festival, entitled ‘Earth|Body|Mind’. Your work will be an essential component of this exhibition, which highlights the delicate balance of nature and our livelihoods that are at stake at a global and local level due to climate change and environmental degradation.

The Festival will take place from 25 November to 21 December, 2012. The Festival Team will work with you to ensure the transportation of the artworks as necessary. We invite you to join us for the first five days of the Festival, 25 November to 30 November. During this time there will be events such as a three-day symposium (26 to 28 November), a Pecha Kucha Night, cultural tours, performances, and many chances to share your experiences with other people from the artist/artisan communities and environmental organizations.

For the five days, in addition to organizing these events, the Foundation will provide bed and breakfast accommodations.

Please confirm your participation in the Festival by responding to sharareh@artmandu.org. We ask that you respond **as soon as possible**, after which we will upload your name and a database of your artist statement, CV, and artworks on to the website, www.artmandu.org.

Sincerely,



Sangeeta Thapa
Chairperson
Siddhartha Arts Foundation