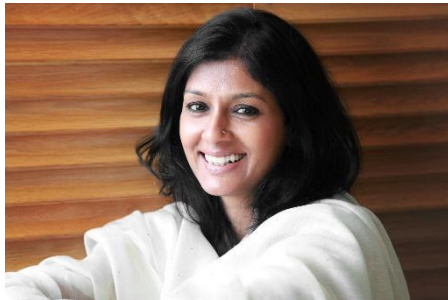


## Press Release

### **Nandita Das to launch an International Film Club in Ahmedabad**

In memory of the eminent Gujarati poet and distinguished critic of world literature Prof. Niranjan Bhagat, who passed away in February, 2018, an international film club is being launched at Ahmedabad University. Renowned director and actor Nandita Das will deliver the inaugural address at 7:30 p.m. on October 18<sup>th</sup> at Ahmedabad University auditorium.



Named as “A Different Evening”, the film club will hold private viewings of internationally acclaimed films from a private collection for its subscribing annual members. The film club is started by Niranjan Bhagat Memorial Trust with an objective to encourage and cultivate appreciation and critical evaluation of the films that have received accolades globally.

The private collection compiled over several years, consists of more than 3,500 feature films, all with English subtitles, from more than 40 countries. Many of these films are not available commercially at present. It also includes documentaries on subjects like nature, wild life, history, politics, business, economy, world geography, environment, architecture and human life.

In a year, 25 films will be screened, once in a fortnight, for the members strictly on non-commercial basis. The membership will be open for the students and faculty community of the university as well as for the international film lovers of the city at large.

Besides providing detailed information to the members about every film to be screened, the club intends to organize occasional lectures and critical evaluation of specific films for its members, by inviting renowned film appreciation experts, film directors and actors.