

# —party whirl

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It was a play of light that enamoured the art lovers of the city at the launch of Pankaj Mistry's show of photographs that dealt with light in its various forms. A professional lensman, Pankaj has done everything from industrial photography to consumer products to food and architecture in the last two decades. The latest offering "Reverie", curated by art critic Uma Nair, touches abandoned structures in Goa, Kolhapur, Trambekeshwar and Khidrapur.

"Photography has been a liberating experience for me. I communicate through photographs which go beyond the interpretation of the obvious. Light has always intrigued me and I have learnt to convey myself through it. In the photographs on display, light as well as the absence of it played a powerful tool," explained Pankaj.

Art expert Alka Raghuvanshi too



Manu and Madhvi Parekh; (above right) Alka Raghuvanshi; (right) Shivani Wazir Pasrich

expressed her love for light and said, "It is my favourite subject as well. It is so fascinating to see light evoke nostalgia and create human emotions."

The early birds to the exhibition included art restorer Deepshikha Kalsi, Manu Parekh with wife, Sridhar Aiyar whereas the last to walk in were Paresh Maity and Jayasri Burman. But they became the first buyers of Pankaj Mistry's photographs. Paresh said, "The quality of light and the texture that he has captured is wonderful."



Tripat K Kalra



Deepshikha Kalsi



Sridhar Aiyar

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Pankaj Mistry (centre) with son Karan and friend Gayatri Subhrmanian



Rohan Mathew with Rupin Thomas



Vijaylakshmi Dogra



Uma Nair with Yuriko Lochan



Vesna Jacob, Naina Balsaver and Devi Cherian



Kitty Kalra

## Bling it on!

It's any woman's dream come true and worst dilemma to choose designer wear and jewellery at one go. Ahamm, at Khan Market showcased its festive range with beautiful jewellery by Naina Balsavar and clothes by designer Maanisha Kochar.

The evening was hosted by Sonali Kochar and Maanisha Kochar. Naina's jewellery found admiration in MP Yashodhara Raje Scindia who said, "Personally, I am a traditionalist, but these lovely pieces are meant for the young. I am sure youngsters would love to try these on. As for me, I like to wear one stone jewellery pieces, so it's pearls or diamonds for me." When socialite Ammu Saidi walked in sporting a gorgeous neckpiece, we overheard Naina tell her jokingly, "Now who's going to look at my collection Amu." Amu later shared that it was gifted by her friend.

Talking about her collection, Maanisha said, "My festive collection can be described in one word alone, Vintage. It's meant for an entire family. I have western as well as Indian dresses and they are priced to suit everybody's range."



Sonali Kochar



Payal Sen



Ammu Saidi



Designer Kartik and Isha



Noyonika and Maanisha Kochar



Vasundhara Raje



Charu Parasher



Bindu Dalmia



Nidhi Jain