

Collection Level Description: AA

## Reference code

GB 1975 AA

## Title

SADAA: APNA Arts

## Dates of creation

1988 - 1999

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Collection

## Extent

1 folder

## Name of creator

APNA Arts

## Administrative/biographical history

APNA Arts (Apna is Hindi for 'ours') was originally set up in 1988 in Nottingham. It was established initially to organise a Festival of Asian Arts and Music, which brought together artists and musicians from across Britain in celebrating South Asian art and performance. This became the Nottingham Mela. The organisation grew to include several arms, providing support, training and networking opportunities for South Asian practitioners, while still continuing to promote the Arts and Education through exhibits, festivals and projects. Their remit included visual arts, theatre, music (contemporary and traditional) and decorative arts. They were based and exhibited in Nottingham Community Arts Centre.

In 2003 APNA Arts and EMACA (East Midlands African Caribbean Arts) Visual Arts formed a partnership and created The New Art Exchange, Nottingham, a cultural facility designed to further Black contemporary arts.

## Immediate source of acquisition

The collection was deposited as part of the SADAA (formerly SALIDAA).

## Scope and content

The collection principally consists of promotional material for APNA Arts exhibitions and conferences. This includes catalogues, promotional postcards and leaflets.

## Accruals

The collection is complete.

## System of arrangement

1 folder of numbered items.

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## **Language of material**

English with some dual translations in Punjabi and Urdu.

## **Physical characteristics**

The collection comprises of items on paper and card. All the material is in good condition.

## **Finding aids**

A finding aid is available for the manuscript material

## **Existence of copies**

Some duplicate material may be held in the archive of New Art Exchange <http://www.nae.org.uk/>

## **Archivist's note**

Described by Joanne McPhie with amendments by Katie Flanagan

## **Rules or conventions**

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## **Date(s) of description**

February 2014

## **Indexing**

### **Persons**

Sohail Akhlaq

### **Corporate bodies**

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