



UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA

FACULTY ACADEMIC PROFILE

Full name of the faculty member: Dr Indrani Bhattacharya



Designation: Associate Professor of Museology

Specialisation : Museum Technology, Information Technology in Museums, Conservation of Cultural Properties, Natural History Museums, Museum Security

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Academic qualifications:

College/ university from which the degree was obtained	Abbreviation of the degree
Bethune College/ University of Calcutta	BSc (Zoology Honors)
University of Calcutta	MSc in Museology
UGC	NET-JRF in Museology
University of Calcutta	PhD (Science) in Museology

Positions held/ holding:

- Associate Professor of Museology, University of Calcutta (since 30.05.2013)
- Head of the Department of Museology, University of Calcutta (10.07.2014 to 30.06.2016)
- Reader in Museology, University of Calcutta (30.05.2010 to 29.05.2013)
- Lecturer in Museology, University of Calcutta (30.05.2001 to 29.05.2010)
- UGC-Sr. Research Fellow in Museology, University of Calcutta (13.09.2007 to 12.09.2000)
- UGC-Jr. Research Fellow in Museology, University of Calcutta (13.09.2005 to 12.09.2007)

Research interests:

- Use of technology in Museums,
- Women in Museum,
- Biodiversity,
- Bio-deterioration of museum objects,
- Preservation of Natural History Specimens,
- E-Content Development,
- Museum management,
- Technology, Museums and Society.

Research guidance :

Number of researchers awarded ~~M.Phil~~/ Ph.Ddegrees :1 submitted

Number of researchers pursuing ~~M.Phil~~/ Ph.D :7

Projects :***Completed projects :***

- UGC-sponsored Research Project (UGC), entitled, *Representation of Women in the National Level Museums of India: A Micro Study*, 2011-2013.

Current projects :

- MHRD-UGC-INFLIBNET-sponsored e-PG Pathshala Project for e-Content Development in Museology & Conservation, 2014 – continuing.

Select list of publications:a) ***Journals:***

- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2015). "Regional Museums: True Spirit of the Region." Journal of Indian Museums, Vol. LXIX. New Delhi: Museums Association of India. p. 20-21. ISSN 0970 – 9894.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani; Ghosh, Sayani and Mukherjee, Sangita (2013). "Reshaping Museum Display – Concept & Conflict." Journal of Indian Museums. Vol. LXVII. New Delhi: Museums Association of India. pp. 53-58. ISSN 0970 – 9894.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2011). "Sensitisation: The Primary Requisite for Museum Access for the Persons with Disabilities." Journal of Indian Museums, Vol. LXV. New Delhi: Museums Association of India. p. 48. ISSN 0970 – 9894.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2011). "Gender in Tourism & the Museums". Journal of Indian Museums. Vol. LXIV. New Delhi: Museums Association of India. pp. 5-7. ISSN 0970 – 9894.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2010). "Disaster Management Planning in Museums at a Glance." Journal of the Department of Museology, University of Calcutta. Vol. 6 – 9. Golden Jubilee Special Issue. pp.37-39. ISSN 2278 – 9685.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2010). "Elimination of Biodeteriogens: Traditional Practices." Journal of Indian Museums. Vol. LXIII. New Delhi: Museums Association of India. pp. 33-34. ISSN 0970 – 9894.

- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2009).“AnchalikSangrahashalarGurutwa O PanchayaterBhumika” (in Bengali). PratnaParikrama: Mallabhum 4.Bishnupur: MallabhumKirtishala. pp. 217-222. ISSN 2277-3320.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2009).“Human Resource Management in Indian Museums: the Most Important Challenge.”Journal of Indian Museums. New Delhi: Museums Association of India. pp. 34-37. ISSN 0970 – 9894.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2008).“Redefining Museums – An Evolutionary Approach.”Journal of Indian Museums. Vol. LXI. New Delhi: Museums Association of India. pp. 32-34. ISSN 0970 – 9894.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2007).“Museums Bridging Cultures.”Journal of Indian Museums. Vol. LX. New Delhi: Museums Association of India. pp. 66-67. ISSN 0970 – 9894.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2006).“Sangrahashalar Suraksha”(in Bengali). PratnaParikrama: Mallabhum 2.Bishnupur: MallabhumKirtishala. pp. 147-154. ISSN 2277-3320.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2006).“GangasagarMela – Interaction of Religio-cultural Tourism and Museums.”Journal of Indian Museums. Vol. L IX. New Delhi: Museums Association of India. pp. 61-63. ISSN 0970 – 9894.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2005).“Museums in Environmental Education.” Journal of the Department of Museology, University of Calcutta. Vol. 4. pp. 40-45. ISSN 2278 – 9685.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2005).“Effect of Environment on Cultural Property.”Proceedings of the 64th Orientation Programme of the UGC-Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, pp. 39-48.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2005).“Evaluation of Museum Signage as an Aid to the Visitors with Special Needs.”Journal of Indian Museums. Vol. LVIII. New Delhi: Museums Association of India. pp. 68-71. ISSN 0970 – 9894.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2004).“Museum, Women & Research.”Journal of the Department of Museology, University of Calcutta. Vol. 3. pp 68-70. ISSN 2278 – 9685.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2004).“SangrahashalayShilpabasturSangrakshan: Koyekti Katha” (in Bengali). PratnaParikrama: Mallabhum.Bankura: BirsinghaPratnasampad O SanskritiCharcha Kendra. pp 129-134. ISSN 2277-3320.
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2003).“Musing on Museum Security.”Journal of the Department of Museology, University of Calcutta. Vol. 2. pp. 51-53. ISSN 2278 – 9685.
- Chanda, Supreo and Bhattacharya, Indrani (2002). “Museum Training in Globalising World: Changing Scenario at the Post Graduate Department of Museology of the University of Calcutta.”ICOM-ICTOP website: <http://icom.museum/ictop/chanda.html>
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2002). “When Science Centres act as Science Teachers.”Journal of the Department of Museology, University of Calcutta. Vol. 1. pp. 13-14. ISSN 2278 – 9685.

b) **Books/ book chapters :**

- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2012).“Technological Applications in Museums: an Overview.”Museum Studies: Festschrift to Dr M L Nigam (Ed. AlokTripathi). Delhi: Sharada Publishing House. pp. 239-250. ISBN 978-81-88934-74-4.

c) **Conference/ seminar volumes:**

- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2013).“Creativity And Public Relations – Intrinsic Part Of Science Museum Marketing: The Indian Scenario.”ICOM-CIMUSET website:http://www.mast.br/multimidiias/cimuset_2013/pdf_indrani_paper.pdf
- Bhattacharya, Indrani (2010). “Potential Visitors and Museum Communication Technology in Indian Perspective.”ICOM-MPR website: <http://mpr.icom.museum/html-files/papers/2010-Bhattacharya.mht>

b) **Other publications :**

- Co-Edited Volumes:
 - i) Journal of Indian Museums. Vol. LXVII. 2013. New Delhi: Museums Association of India (MAI). ISSN 0970 – 9894.
 - ii) Journal of Indian Museums. Vol. LXVI. 2012, New Delhi: MAI. ISSN 0970 – 9894.

Membership of Learned Societies:

- Life Member of the Museums Association of India
- Life Member of The Asiatic Society, Kolkata
- Life Member of the *PaschimbangaBigyan Mancha*
- Life Member of the *PaschimbangaItihasSamsad*
- Member of the International Council of Museums (ICOM), UNESCO, Paris.

Invited lectures delivered :

- *Indigenous Methods for Care of Cultural Properties*, in the **Special Summer School**,organised by the UGC-Academic Staff College & Department of Museology, CU, on July 27, 2013, as a Resource Person.
- **Delivered Two (2) lectures** at the Department of Museum Studies, Glasgow University as Visiting Faculty during May 7th& 12th, 2012.

Awards :

- Charles Wallace India Trust Research Grant 2014 (for conducting Post-doctoral Research in UK).
- GraceMorleyResearch Fellowship 2016, awarded by the ICOM-India Trust

Other notable activities :

- Participated in a Delegation to UK to finalise agreement on Exchange Programme between the Universities of Calcutta and Glasgow in May 2012.
- Guest Lecturer in Museology, RabindraBharati University, Kolkata.
- External Expert in the PhD Committee in Museology, Netaji Subhas Open University.
- Referee of National and International Journals of Museums and Museology.
- Expert Member of Committees for developing new museums.