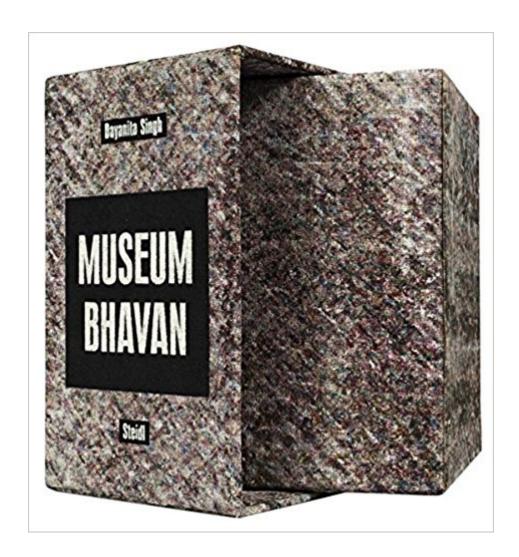


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# Dayanita Singh: Museum Bhavan





## **Synopsis**

With Museum Bhavan, Dayanita Singh (born 1961) forges a new space between publishing and the museum, an experience where books have the same--if not greater--artistic value as prints hanging on a gallery wall. Consisting of 10 individual  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a}$   $\neg \hat{A}$  museums  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a}$   $\neg \hat{A}$  in book form, Museum Bhavan is a miniature version of Singh  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a}$   $\neg \hat{a}$ ,  $\phi$ s eponymous traveling exhibition, with prints placed in folding expanding wooden structures. The images in Museum Bhavan have been intuitively grouped into lyrical chapters in a visual story such as  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a}$   $\neg \hat{A}$  Little Ladies Museum  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a}$   $\neg \hat{A}$  and  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a}$   $\neg \hat{A}$  Ongoing Museum,  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a}$   $\neg \hat{A}$  as well as more specific series such as  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a}$   $\neg \hat{A}$  Museum of Machines.  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a}$   $\neg \hat{A}$  As in Singh  $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{a}$   $\neg \hat{a}$ ,  $\phi$ s first project, Sent a Letter (2008), the books are housed in a handmade box and fold out into accordion-like strips which the artist encourages viewers to install and curate as they wish in their own homes. The exhibition thus becomes a book, and the book an exhibition.

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Museum Bhavan . . . dispenses with specificities . . . it stirs the eye into thought, instead of letting it become fixated on the particulars depicted within each frame. (Somak Ghoshal Huffington Post India)Offering an intimate look at Singhââ ¬â,¢s life and concerns, Museum Bhavan is a private museum made public, reflecting not only Singhââ ¬â,¢s attempts to make sense of her work and expansive archive, but also offering a poetic meditation on the medium and its rich possibilities to order and construct meaning from the past and the world around us. (Adam Bell Photo-Eye Blog)

Great book, cool design idea. The interview in the extra booklet helps with the access to the books.

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