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The 16th Vasant J Sheth Memorial lecture, January 2014



Mrs. Asha V. Sheth, Chairperson, Vasant J. Sheth Memorial Foundation, presents a silver plaque to Homi K. Bhabha, Anne F. Rothenberg Professor of the Humanities, Harvard University
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The 16th annual lecture series of the Vasant J Sheth Memorial Foundation which took place in Mumbai's Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya (former Prince of Wales Museum) was packed to capacity with an audience of over 400 Mumbaikars including critics, historians, intellectuals, businessmen and students. The lecture reflected on a range of ideas on literature and creativity and water with a special interpretation of T.S. Eliot's *The Wasteland*.

The distinguished speaker, Homi K. Bhabha, is the Anne F. Rothenberg Professor of the Humanities, Harvard University. He is the author of numerous works including *Nation and Narration* and *The Location of Culture*. His other publications include *A Global Measure* (Harvard University Press) and *The Right to Narrate* (Columbia University Press).

Bhabha has delivered the Presidential Lectures at both Stanford University and Freie Universität Berlin, and most recently the Hegel Lecture at the Freie Universität Berlin, Mellon Distinguished Lecture at Duke University and keynote lectures at Peking University in Beijing, the Asia-Pacific Centre of Education for International Understanding and the Korea Foundation in Seoul amongst others. He has also served as Chair of the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Human Rights and on various advisory boards.

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