

NANDITA DAS

Educational Qualifications

B.A.(Hons) in Geography, Miranda House, Delhi University- 1st Division
M.A.in Social Work, Delhi School of Social Work, Delhi University- 1st Division



Film credits

Films	Character	Director	Language	Year
NAALU PENNUNGAL (FOUR WOMEN) <i>Toronto International Film Festival 2007 (Premiere)</i> <i>Indian Film Festival of Los Angeles, 2008</i>	Kamakshi	Adoor Gopalakrishnan	Malayalam	2007
RAMCHAND PAKISTANI <i>Tribeca Film Festival (Premiere)</i>	Champa	Mehreen Jabbar	Urdu	2007
BITS & PIECES <i>(To be released)</i>	Kusum	Manmohan Mahapatra	Hindi	2006
BEFORE THE RAINS <i>Toronto International Film Festival 2007 (Premiere)</i> <i>Pusan Film Festival 2007</i> <i>Dubai Film Festival 2008</i> <i>Houston Film Festival 2008</i> <i>Indian Film Festival of Los Angeles, 2008</i>	Sajani	Santosh Sivan	English/Malayalam	2006
PROVOKED <i>Palm Springs Film Festival, 2007</i> <i>Indian Film Festival of Los Angeles, 2007</i>	Radha Dalal	Jagmohan Mundhra	English	2006
KAMLI <i>11th Pusan International Film Festival of South Korea, 2006</i> <i>Brisbane International Film Festival in Australia, 2006</i> <i>Third Eye 5th Asian Film Festival, 2006</i>	Kamli	KNT Sastry	Telugu	2006
PODOKKHEP (FOOTSTEPS) <i>Vancouver Film Festival, 2006 (Premiere)</i> <i>Indo-American Arts Council Film Festival, NY 2006</i> <i>42nd Karlovy Vary Film Festival, 2007</i>	Megha	Suman Ghosh	Bengali	2006
MAATI MAAY (A GRAVE-KEEPER'S TALE) <i>Toronto Film Festival, 2006 (Premiere)</i> <i>London Film Festival, 2006 (Premiere)</i> <i>Madrid International Film Festival, 2007 (Best Actress)</i>	Chandi	Chitra Palekar	Marathi	2006
VISHWATHULASI <i>World Fest Houston International Film Festival, 2005 (Golden Special Jury Award)</i> <i>Zanzibar International Film Festival, 2005</i> <i>Montreal World Film Festival, 2005</i> <i>14th Annual St. Louis International Film Festival, 2005</i>	Tulasi	Sumathy Ram	Tamil	2004
KAGAAR	Aditi	N. Chandra	Hindi	2003

EK DIN 24 GHANTE SUPARI	Sameera Mamta	Anant Balani Padam Kumar	Hindi Hindi	2003 2003
BAS YUN HI	Veda	Raja Menon	Hindi	2002
SHUBHO MAHURAT <i>International Film Festival of India, 2003</i> <i>49th National Film Festival, 2002 (Best Bengali film)</i> <i>2nd International Film Festival of Bangladesh, 2003</i>	Mallika	Rituporno Ghosh	Bengali	2002
AMAR BHUVAN (MY WORLD) <i>Locarno Film Festival, 2002 (Premiere)</i> <i>Cairo Film Festival, 2002 (Best Actress Award)</i> <i>2nd International Film Festival of Bangladesh, 2003</i>	Sakina	Mrinal Sen	Bengali	2002
AZHAGI	Dhanalakshmi	Thangar Bachan	Tamil	2001
KANNAKI <i>7th International Festival, Thiruvananthapuram, 2002</i>	Kannagi	Jayraj	Malayalam	2001
KANNATHIL MUTTHA MITTHAL (A PECK ON THE CHEEK) <i>Toronto Film Festival, 2002 (Premiere)</i> <i>San Francisco International Film Festival, 2003</i> <i>Jerusalem Film Festival, 2003 (Best Feature)</i> <i>Los Angeles Indian Film Festival, 2003 (Audience Award-Best Feature)</i> <i>Zimbabwe International Film Festival, 2003</i> <i>River Run International Film Festival, 2004 (Audience Award-Best Feature)</i>	Shyama	Mani Ratnam	Tamil	2001
CHARU, DAUGHTERS OF THIS CENTURY <i>Cairo Film Festival, 2001 (Premiere)</i>	Charu	Tapan Sinha	Hindi	2001
PITAAH	Paro	Mahesh Manjrekar	Hindi	2001
DHAAD (To be released)	Monghi	Paresh Naik	Gujarati	2000
LAL SALAAM	Rupi (Alias Chandrakka)	Gagan Bihari Borate	Hindi	2000
EK ALAG MAUSAM <i>International Film Festival in Mumbai, 2000</i>	Aparna	KP Sasi	Hindi	2000
AKS	Supriya	Rakesh Mehra	Hindi	2000
BAWANDAR (SANDSTORM) <i>London Film Festival 2000 (Premiere)</i> <i>Santa Monica Film Festival, 2001 (Best Actress)</i> <i>San Jose International Film Festival, 2001 (Audience Choice-Best Film)</i> <i>Bermuda International Film Festival, 2001 (Audience Choice-Best Film)</i> <i>Houston International Film Festival, 2001 (Special Jury Award-Best Foreign Language Film)</i> <i>Zanzibar International Film Festival, 2001 (Special Jury Award-Best Film)</i> <i>Karachi International Film Festival, 2001 (Audience Choice-Best Film)</i>	Sanwari	Jagmohan Mundhra	Hindi	2000
PUNARADHIVASAM <i>Atlantic Film Festival (Best Foreign Feature Film)</i> <i>Hawaii & Milan International Film Festivals (Premiere)</i>	Shalini	VK Prakash	Malayalam	1999
DEVEERI <i>London & Cairo Film Festivals, 2000 (Premiere)</i> <i>5th International Film Festival, Kerala, 2000</i>	Deveeri	Kavita Lankesh	Kannada	1999

44th London Film Festival, 2000
 24th Cairo Film Festival, 2000
 3rd Mumbai International Film Festival, 2000
 9th Asian Women's Film Festival, 2001
 30th Rotterdam Film Festival, 2001
 3rd Festival Du Film Asiatique De Deauville, France, 2001
 3rd Jeonju Film Festival, Korea, 2001
 50th Melbourne Film Festival, 2001
 Copenhagen Film Festival, Denmark, 2001
 Durban Film Festival

HARI BHARI <i>National Awards, 1999 (Best film on family welfare)</i> <i>Jakarta International Film Festival, 2000</i> <i>Ninth Annual Asian Woman Film Festival, 2004</i>	Afsaana	Shyam Benegal	Hindi	1999
SHAPNER SHANDHANE		Ashok Vishwanathan	Bengali	1999
ROCKFORD <i>Cinefan Film Festival, 1999</i> <i>Austin Film Festival, 1999</i>	Lilly Vegas	Nagesh Kukunoor	English	1999
BISWA PRAKASH	Anjali	Susant Misra	Oriya	1998
EARTH <i>Toronto Film Festival, 1998</i> <i>Le Prix Premiere du Public Panasia Film Festival Paris, 1999</i> <i>Karlovy Vary Film Festival, 1999</i> <i>Auckland Film Festival, 1999</i>	Shanta	Deepa Mehta	Hindi	1998
JANMADINAM	Sarasu	Suma Josson	Malayalam	
HAZAAR CHAURASI KI MAA <i>National Award, 1997 (Best Hindi Film)</i> <i>International Film Festival of India- New Delhi, 1997</i> <i>50th Human Rights Film Festival- Brussels, 1998</i> <i>Palm Springs International Film Festival, 1999</i>	Nandini Mitra	Govind Nihalani	Hindi	1998
FIRE <i>Toronto Film Festival, 1996</i> <i>New York Film Festival, 1996</i> <i>Singapore International Film Festival, 1997</i>	Sita	Deepa Mehta	Hindi/English	1996
EK THI GOONJA <i>International Film Festival of India 1995</i>	Goonja	Bappa Ray	Hindi	1995

Short Films

Films	Character	Director	Language	Year
SAAYE	Maya	Mehreen Jabbar	Urdu/ English	2005
INDO-PAK SHORT MUSIC FILM	Young Widow	Saqib Malik		2004
FLEETING BEAUTY	Seema	Virginia Pitts	English	2003
SAANJH	Young mother	Sabrina Dhawan	Hindi	1999

Theatre credits

<i>Play</i>	<i>Writer</i>	<i>Director</i>
HEADS YA TAILS	Prashant Dalvi	Chandrakant Kulkarni
THE SPIRIT OF ANNE FRANK	Improvised	Roysten Abel
MOTERAM KA SATYAGRAH	Premchand	Habib Tanveer
MOTHER	Maxim Gorky	MK Raina
EQUUS	Peter Shaffer	Barry John
Performed several street plays on important social issues.	Jan Natya Manch	Safdar Hashmi

Directed

FIRAAQ	Directorial debut feature. It is an ensemble film that deals with the impact of sectarian violence on human psyche and relationships. (2008)
EDUCATION SPOTS	Three 60sec. public interest spots, shot on 35mm for UNICEF and the Social Initiatives Group of the ICICI. (2003)
RAINWATER HARVESTING	A 90 sec. public interest spot, shot on 35mm for the Centre for Science & Environment. (2002)
IMPRINT IN CLAY	A 30min. documentary shot on Video on Sardar Gurcharan Singh, pioneer of Indian Studio pottery. (1997)

Social Work Experience

- Member of the Advisory Board of the Alliance for a New Humanity. It is chaired by Deepak Chopra and founded by Nobel Laureates, Oscar Arias and Betty Williams and other eminent people.
- Talks in various Universities, NGOs and social forums, both in India and abroad, regarding issues of social concern
- Worked with Civil Society Organizations on issues of Women, Children and Human Rights.
- Worked on an Indo-Pak peace initiative – Beyond boundaries – cricket for peace
- Nominated as a Spokesperson for (UNDP) United Nations Development Programme
- Member of the South Asians for Human Rights (SAHAR)
- Worked in Alarippu, a voluntary organization as a trainer for conducting workshops for children and teachers, in the field of theatre and education
- Worked as the project and area coordinator in Ankur, a non-governmental organization working with women in slums of Delhi.