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## SUNIL KUMAR: SPECIAL GUEST LECTURES FOR THE AKPIA SERIES

Professor, History of Medieval India, History Department Head, Delhi University

**Lecture 1: March 31, 2020** *Sackler Basement Auditorium*  
 "The Creation and Representation of Qutub Minar: Ghiyas al-Din Tughluq's Tughluqabad"

**Lecture 2: April 2, 2020** *Sackler Basement Auditorium*  
 "Reconstituting the Archive of Sultanat-i Dehli: The Sultans, the Sufis and the Riverine Plain of Delhi"

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"Representing Power at the Court of Ottoman Tunisia in the 19th Century"

**Ridha Mounni**

Art Historian, Curator; Harvard CMES Fellow

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**November 21, 2019**

"Re-thinking 'National Style': Actors, Tendencies and References"

**Müjde Dila Gümüş**

Researcher, Istanbul University; Harvard AKPIA Associate

**December 5, 2019**

"Towards an Understanding of Early Islamic Architectural Ornament: Ancient Near Eastern Influences at Samarra"

**Ann Shafer**

Independent scholar; Adjunct Assistant Professor, SUNY-FIT; Harvard AKPIA Associate

**March 5, 2020**

"Between Khurasan, Iraq, Egypt and al-Andalus: New Thoughts on the Processes of Commissioning Caliphal Works Under the Early Islamic Caliphates"

**Jochen Sokoly**

Associate Professor, Department of Art History, Virginia Commonwealth University School of the Arts in Qatar

**April 9, 2020**

"Habsburg Alba Amra in Ottoman Constantinople"

**Robyn Radway**

Assistant Professor of History, Central European University

**April 23, 2020 Rescheduled previously October 17, 2019**

"Qusayr 'Amra: The Palatial Box of Early Islamic Aesthetics"

**Nadia Ali**

Faculty Fellow, Silberman Center for Material Histories, New York University