

TOUR-MATE COLLABORATES WITH THE VIRGINIA MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS FOR MAHARAJA: SPLENDORS OF THE KINGS OF INDIA

October 12, 2011 – Leading interpretive and audio tour specialist Tour-Mate Systems is providing the audio tour for the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts exhibition *Maharaja: Splendors of the Kings of India*.

As the only East Coast venue, this exhibition brings Virginia objects from the 18th century, which represent a time in which the Mughal Empire collapsed and great era of the maharajas began. The exhibition will open with this period of chaos and adventure and will close at the end of British rule in 1947 when Indian princes ceded their territories into the modern states of India and Pakistan. The exhibits themselves will be both Indian and European and will include paintings and photography, textiles and dress, jewelry, jeweled objects, metalwork and furniture. Highlights will include a royal procession, complete with standards and full-size elephant and horse form dressed with textiles and trappings. Other important works include jewels from important princely collections and a massive silver horse-drawn carriage.

The tour will be created and produced by Tour-Mate's production team and will be delivered to the public via Tour-Mate's SC550 hand held Listening Wand system.

Neil Poch, President of Tour-Mate Systems Ltd., said, "I am delighted that visitors to this magnificent exhibition will have the opportunity to take the tour using Tour-Mate's SC550 system. This will be the fifth exhibition where we have collaborated with the VMFA and it is always a privilege to work with it and its staff to provide insights into their exhibitions".

The exhibition runs from May 19, 2012 – August 19, 2012.

For more information, please see:

Links:

- Tour-Mate Systems Ltd.: <u>www.tourmate.com</u>
- Virginia Museum of Fine Arts: www.vmfa.state.va.us