

The John Bissell Scholars Fund



The John Bissell Scholars Fund (JBSF) was established in 2001 in memory of John Bissell, the visionary founder of Fabindia and one of the Fabindia School founders. Its purpose is to provide scholarships for financially needy students at The Fabindia School in Bali, Rajasthan in association with Bhadrajun Artisans Trust. JBSF has raised money for an endowment to ensure the longevity and continued expansion of the school, with an emphasis on strong female enrollment. In addition, generous supporters have helped to fund new buildings, a new computer center and a new

science lab.

Steering Committee

A small group of long term supporters and advocates for the school form the JBSF Steering Committee. These individuals reflect the dedication and commitment to the school's mission and support for girls' education.

Steering Committee members: Cely Arndt, Bim Bissell, Dick Celeste & Jacqueline Lundquist, Jim & Mally Cox-Chapman, Subodh & Meena Chandra, Marty Chen, Aylette Jenness, Evie Lovett, Liz Moynihan, Phyllis Nauts & Hendon Chubb, Barbara Powell, Tim & Marie Prentice, Hector & Erica Prud'homme, John & Julia Scott, Kathy Sreedhar, Charley Todd, Sukey Wagner and Blaikie & Bob Worth.

BHADRAJUN ARTISANS TRUST FUND AT GIVE2ASIA

Donors and JBSF support Bhadrajun Artisans Trust in India with U.S.-based assets by making tax-deductible contributions to Give2Asia. Donors making contributions with assets in Hong Kong should contact Give2Asia to receive additional information about receiving eligible Hong Kong tax deductions.

Background

Give2Asia is a US-based social enterprise that serves as a catalyst for philanthropic investment in Asia. Give2Asia makes international philanthropy safe, effective and impactful for corporations, foundations and individual donors. For many Asia based educational and charitable organizations, Give2Asia's fiscal sponsorship offers a convenient, quick and cost-effective way to accept tax-deductible contributions from supporters in the United States.

William and John Bissell set up the Bhadrajun Artisans Trust (BAT) to build social development programs with a focus on education and crafts. The charity established the first "The Fabindia School" in 1992 in Bali, in Pali district of Rajasthan, as a co-educational, full K-12 school with near 50% girls. The Fabindia Schools are committed to providing access to high quality education in rural India. The charity views education as a major stepping-stone towards social mobility, equality and employment opportunities. Since inception the schools have been encouraging education for girls, in a culture where most parents who can afford an English medium school would send only their sons. BAT manages the permanently endowed scholarship fund for girls studying at The Fabindia Schools. This scholarship fund provides scholarships for financially needy girls and helps ensure the longevity and continued expansion of the school.

Annual Scholarships

\$300 will support one student for the academic year. \$600 will support 2 students, and so on. A gift of any amount will help support the scholarships.

12 Year Scholarship

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\$3,000 will establish a 12 year annual scholarship for one student. Or a 12 year commitment for an annual donation of \$300 will establish a 12 year scholarship for one student. You may name the 12 year scholarship fund in honor of someone of your choice.

Permanently Endowed Scholarship

\$6,000 will establish a permanent annual scholarship for one student. You may name the Endowed Scholarship Fund in honor of someone of your choice.

Notable aspects of the Bhadrajun Artisans Trust Fund include:

- **Gifts for the Bhadrajun Artisans Trust Fund are tax deductible.** Give2Asia is recognized as a tax-exempt charitable organization in the United States (ID# 94-3373670). As such, donations are tax deductible according to U.S. law. Please consult your financial advisor on structuring your giving for maximum tax benefit.
- **You will receive a thank you letter and receipt in recognition of your gift.** Upon receiving a gift, Give2Asia will issue a thank you letter and receipt recognizing your gift for the Bhadrajun Artisans Trust Fund. This letter may be used for tax reporting purposes.

To support Bhadrajun Artisans Trust, please complete and mail the following form:

Give2Asia is honored to partner with Bhadrajun Artisans Trust to provide a cost-effective solution for connecting with its U.S. supporters.

For questions, please contact:

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- **Check or Money Order enclosed payable to Give2Asia** \$
- **Credit Card Donations** \$
Please visit www.give2asia.org/bat
- **Wire Transfer** \$
Please contact your Give2Asia Representative directly to make a contribution via wire transfer.

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Marketable Securities and/or Mutual Fund Shares (US only)

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Charles Schwab & Co., Inc.

DTC # 0164, Code 40

Account #: 8697-0768

Account Name: Give2Asia

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Stock Name/Description

Number of Shares

- **Other: Please contact Give2Asia staff to discuss contributions of Restricted Stock or other assets such as Real Estate.**