

## STAGE 42

*Stage 42* makes its action-packed debut! A brand new initiative by OML, the very first edition of the festival will take place between February and March 2015 and will present over 150 shows across seven cities in the country. From huge stand-up comic acts and live gigs to theatre performances in unusual locations, *Stage 42* is bringing in some big names, including Russell Peters, *All India Bakchod* and Anuvab Pal under one roof.

## KALKI KOECHLIN

The year 2015 not only marks the release of Kalki's much anticipated *Margarita with a Straw*, but she also settles down in the director's seat for a new play on death. While she has co-written plays before, this satirical drama on death marks her directorial debut and will hit the stage in mid-2015. We can also look forward to her light-hearted, women-centric movie, *Jia Aur Jia* with Richa Chaddha based on the life-changing journey taken by two very different women.

## A.R. RAHMAN

The master makes his way back to the *Oscars*. After a twin-win about five years ago, The 'Mozart of Madras' is back in the *Oscar* race as the lead contender, having three tracks nominated—one from each of the following: *Million Dollar Arm*, *The Hundred Foot Journey*, and the Rajnikanth-starrer *Kochadaiyaan*.

## GOA PHOTO

An initiative of *Orange Cat Productions*, *Goa Photo* will hold 15 odd exhibitions by international and Indian photographers and showcase some cutting-edge contemporary photography. The festival aims to celebrate photography beyond the premises of a gallery, studio or a museum. Frank Kalero, who is a curator from Spain of international repute, has been selected to curate the photographs for the festival's enthralling debut. Photographers' talks, curators' walks, round tables and workshops held by the prestigious *Magnum Photos* have been chalked out too.

## ANJU DODIYA

Anju Dodiya's solo show opens for the public on the 18th of January. *Imagined Immortals*, the latest show by the contemporary artist marks her second show in the capital after *Necklace of Echoes* at *Vadehra Art Gallery* which was held four years ago. The exhibition includes mixed media artworks executed on the printed pages of the reproduction of old medical illustrations. The artist explained, 'Originally, the medical illustration was designed to satisfy our curiosity of the body, but here it is a playground to explore the transience of life and the immense human desire to defeat death.'

## SULAFEST

In its eight year now, *SulaFest* boasts of a mega mix of great music, wine, food, fashion and shopping in the idyllic environs of the *Sula* winery's beautiful open-air amphitheater. Get ready to be transported to an indie-rock haven with the headlining act by *Young the Giant*—the band that opened for *Kings of Leon's* worldwide summer tour. The main stage also has performances by *Gentleman's Dub Club*, *Nucleya*, *Swarathma* and *Lucky Ali* among others. And some super cool DJs like *Monkey Brothers*, *Steve Rachmad*, and *Peter Schumann* along with several others will be spinning some incredible House and techno. *SulaFest* promises to be the perfect weekend getaway.

Facing page: Clockwise from top (R-L) : Kalki Koechlin, Young the Giant, Anju Dodiya's artwork, Licchma & Laali by Gauri Gill presented at Goa Photo, A.R. Rahman, Russell Peters

