# ETHICS COMMITTEE MEETING ASIAN ART COMMISSION

Tuesday, September 20, 2016, 5:00 pm Education Classrooms, Ground Floor Asian Art Museum, 200 Larkin Street, San Francisco, CA 94102

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Minutes from the October 28, 2014 Ethics Committee Meeting.
- 3. In reference to the Asian Art Museum Ethical Stewardship and Collections Management Policy (Section 8.0. Loans), discussion regarding upcoming exhibition involving loans from three individuals: *The Rama Epic: Hero, Heroine, Ally, Foe* from October 21, 2016 January 15, 2017.

### Lender: Robert J. del Bontà

Relationship to AAM: significant scholar and researcher in Indian art, and personal friend of Forrest's since grad school

Hanuman, approx. 1920–1950 Published by Anant Shivaji Desai (Indian, b. 1853) Chromolithograph

Rama and his forces invade Lanka, approx. 1700–1740 India; Uttarakhand state, former kingdom of Mankot Ink and opaque watercolors on paper

(note: this is also a promised gift to the AAM)

Rama of the Ramakatha or Dasharatha Rama, the seventh avatar (Rams of Ram Katas anders Dajerratha Ramas Autaer de zevende), approx. 1672 By Jacob van Meurs (Dutch, 1619/1620–1680) Engraving, ink on paper

## **Lender: Catherine Benkaim**

Relationship to AAM: major scholar with a very important collection and museum Senior-Level member

Ravana's sister reports to him of her maltreatment by Rama and Lakshmana, and of Sita's beauty, a page from the "Shangri" Ramayana, approx. 1690–1710 India; Jammu and Kashmir state, former kingdom of Kulu or Bahu Opaque watercolor on paper

**Lender: Louise Russell** 

Relationship to AAM: Jade Circle and SAA member

*Vibhishana offers his service to Rama*, page from a dispersed Ramayana series, approx. 1675–1700

Central India

Ink and opaque watercolor on paper

## 4. Public Comment

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# 5. Adjournment

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