

Contributors

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Prajakta Dhopade (who penned **Handcrafting with Hermès**) is a freelance writer based in Toronto. She is in her third year at Ryerson University's School of Journalism and her work has appeared on The Canadian Press wire and in *The Grid*. In her spare time, Dhopade loves scouring her local thrift store for vintage finds and watching cat videos online.



Tessa Johnson started as an intern in *ANOKHI* Magazine's fashion department and then wrote travel pieces for Online Exclusive: Hotspot. Four years later, Johnson has written for the Arts & Entertainment, Health & Wellness and Percolator Talk sections. This issue, as *'The ANOKHI List'* Editor, she worked closely with Editor-In-Chief Hina P. Ansari to manage this year's recipients and write about them. Tessa is in her last year at George Brown College studying fashion management. A true fashion junkie at heart, you can find Johnson's fashi on critiques and local event coverage on www.ramp1885.com and www.love sewing.com.



Nadia Cheema lives and works in her favourite city, Toronto, where she enjoys the diversity of cultural influences, especially gourmet food and high fashion. The artistically driven fashion photographer shot this issue's **Red Carpet Spotlight** and she says her love of fashion, combined with her artistic passion, form the basis of her photography. Cheema got distracted for a while pursuing careers in science and computer programming, but her love for the visual image kept drawing her back. About six years ago, she gave in and devoted herself full time to photography and she's so much happier now.



Lavina Melwani is a New York-based journalist who writes for several international publications. Her byline has appeared in *India Today*, *The Hindu*, *The Tatler*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Newsday*, *Worth*, *Outlook*, and *Hi! Blitz*. She blogs at www.lassiwithlavina.com. Melwani wrote this issue's **All in the Family** and she says she enjoyed "watching the media at the event turn into frenzied fans when faced with the iconic Kapoor family, especially Ranbir!" Besides writing, her other love is www.childrenshopeindia.org which she co-founded.