

## In Memory of Mr. Pyarali G. Nanji



Mr. Pyarali G. Nanji and Prince Aynur Aga Khan (Board Chair, Aga Khan Museum)

It is with profound sadness that the Aga Khan Museum marks the passing of Mr. Pyarali G. Nanji, our first transformational donor, a visionary philanthropist, and a deeply respected member of the Canadian business and philanthropic community.

Together with his wife, Mrs. Gulshan Nanji, Mr. Nanji dedicated his life to philanthropy, supporting organizations such as the Sunnybrook Foundation, North York General Hospital, and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

In 2023, the Gulshan & Pyarali Gulamali Nanji Family Foundation made a transformative multi-million-dollar donation to the Aga Khan Museum, the largest in the Museum's history – which resulted in the naming of the Auditorium to the Nanji Family Foundation Auditorium, enabling us to expand our reach to millions of people around the globe. This extraordinary gift has enhanced onsite and digital learning through our Collections and Performing Arts programs, deepening connections and understanding of Muslim arts and cultures.

It is our privilege to be a part of Mr. Nanji's philanthropic legacy, which is an enduring force that will impact Museum audiences now, and inspire future generations.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to Mrs. Gulshan Nanji, their children, grandchildren, and the entire Nanji family. His kindness, wisdom, and generosity will be remembered always.

– Dr. Ulrike Al-Khamis, Director and CEO