

Kanchan Nair , A.J.P.

P.A. to the International Director of Jewellery (worldwide) + Chairman Asia & Europe, Christie's (auction house)

Founder & President of Treasure (NGO registered in Switzerland)

Born in Switzerland, Kanchan did her schooling in Geneva and a few years in India. She then left for the United States, where she graduated from the University of Miami in Communications and Latin American Studies. After working setting up of a high-class beach club in Miami, she opened a wholesale company, importing oriental carpets, antique furniture and textiles from India. Responsible for buying and selling, she spent a lot of time in manufacturing plants in India. She then assisted in the opening of a business in the same field in Seville, Spain. In 2003, Kanchan returned to Switzerland, working for an IT company as project manager before joining her current position at Christie's, the international auction house. As she settled back in Geneva, she founded Treasure, a charitable organization that supports children's primary education, and currently helping schools in India. Treasure has also taken over "Indian Professionals of Geneva", that allows all communities with an interest in the Indian Subcontinent to network and meet in Geneva.