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Jewels from a Brush: The Manuscript Paintings of India

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Names and terms pertinent to the lecture:

Sultanate Safavid dynasty of Persia

Mughal Empire Shah Tahmasp (1514-1576)

 Babur (1526-30)
 Rajput

 Humayun (1530-40, 1555-56)
 Krishna

 Akbar (1556-1605)
 Gopis

 Jahangir (1605-27)
 Bhakti

Shah Jahan (1627-58) Company School

Aurangzeb (1658-1707)

Some important sites and regions for painting, not all mentioned in lecture:

Deccan: Bijapur

Golconda Hyderabad

Eastern India: Avadh (also spelled Oudh, some-time capital at Lucknow)

Murshidabad

Central India: Malwa (early capital at Mandu)

Rajasthan: Mewar (later capital at Udaipur)

Jaipur (early capital at Amber)

Bikaner

Marwar (capital at Jodhpur)

Kishangarh Bundi and Kota

Punjab Hills (=Pahari region): Basohli

Mandi Guler Kangra

Some important texts often illustrated with paintings, not all mentioned in lecture:

Ramayana (story of Rama, with wife Sita, brother Lakshmana, monkey Hanuman, demon king Ravana) Ragamala (musical themes, consisting of Ragas, Raginis, Ragaputras)

Krishna texts: Bhagavata Purana

Gita Govinda by Jayadeva Rasikapriya by Keshavdas

Satasai by Bihari

Rasamanjari by Bhanudatta

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Jain texts: Kalpasutra

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