

# Mira Nair



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**BIRTHDATE**  
October 15th, 1957

**BIRTHPLACE**  
Rourkela, Odisha

**CURRENT RESIDENCE**  
New York City, NY, USA

**PROFESSION**  
Film director, actress, and producer

“Your vision  
can never be  
too big.”

—Mira Nair

Mira Nair is an acclaimed director, actress, producer, and founder of the groundbreaking production studio Mirabai Films. ¶ Mira Nair is an Indian film director, actress, producer, and founder of the production company Mirabai Films in New York City. ¶ She was educated at Miranda House of Delhi University before attending Harvard University. Her debut feature film, *Salaam Bombay!* (1988), won the Golden Camera award at the Cannes Film Festival and was a nominee for the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film. She used the proceeds of the film to establish an organization for street children in India, called the Salaam Baalak Trust.

Mira has won a number of awards, including a National Film Award and various international film festival awards, and she was a nominee at the Academy Awards, Golden Globes, BAFTA Awards, and Filmfare Awards. She was also awarded the India Abroad Person of the Year in 2007. In 2012, she was awarded India's third highest civilian award the Padma Bhushan by the president of India, Pratibha Patil.

Her most recent films include *Vanity Fair* with Reese Witherspoon, *The Namesake*, and *Amelia*.