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# Aunty Sudha Aunty Radha

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A charming documentary by Tanuja Chandra about her feisty ageing aunts who've settled in a village in UP. Brightened up a sad day. Thank you MAMI YRP Home Theatre and Mumbai Film Festival. I really hope this film goes wide :).

- Rajeev Masand

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The charm of *Aunty Sudha Aunty Radha* lies in the personalities of the lively protagonists—Radha Rani Sharma and Sudha Garg—and their belief that they are living through the best phase of their lives. The fly-on-the-wall camera captures the unhurried rhythm, the little details as they go through their day—the first cuppa, the strong opinions on the titillating news in the local dailies, the skirmishes over the flowers and fountain in the garden, the joy of increased amounts of pension thanks to the hike in DA (dearness allowance) or showing off their great collection of saris.

- Namrata Joshi

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It's admirable how Chandra tackles urgent themes that are embedded in the layers of the portrait she paints of the gentle, unbreakable bond between two co-dependent sisters, who are at once each other's crutches and a catalyst for the other's liberation. *Aunty Sudha Aunty Radha* doesn't stop at documenting two lives that exist without the interference of the internet and which is in danger of being forgotten. It is also a riveting snapshot of female freedom.

- Poulomi Das

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What a celebration of life! Thank you Tanuja Chandra for taking us to your aunts!

- Parvathy Thiruvothu

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In an interview, Tanuja had mentioned that in a country obsessed with youth, she wanted to meet her two elderly aunts because it isn't possible that a woman who has lived for so many years doesn't have something to tell one can learn from. The frequent and uninhibited laughter of Tanuja shows exactly what she may have picked up while narrating a tale of two grannies.

- Devansh Sharma

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The nostalgic throwbacks, the musings about life and the little pearls of wisdom they share. Total love!

- Stutee Ghosh

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Do not miss this film. This will feel like a warm, comforting hug from your grandma and leave you smiling and thinking about the two fabulous aunts and their joie de vivre.

- Vijayeta Kumar

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Sorry Tanuja, your *buas* belong to all of us now.

- Nikita Deshpande

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What a beautiful film you've made Tanuja! If we weren't in a lockdown I would have come to your place and given you a tight hug. I love your *buas*, truly amazing zest for life and internal happiness.

- Renuka Shahane

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In a world which predominantly celebrates the youth, this is a heartwarming story about life, failures, happiness, disappointments, the routine and nostalgia which comes with a lifetime of experience and age.

- Nakuul Mehta

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*Aunty Sudha Aunty Radha* is such a heartwarming documentary about Tanuja Chandra's spirited, ageing *buas*. Big hug, Tanuja and thank you MAMI YRP Home Theatre for organising this.

- Raedita Tandan

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This is the second time I have watched the film. I loved it all over again. I love the free-spiritedness of the aunts, I love how Tanuja has brought them to life - their eccentricities, their loves, their lives, and made me want to know them more, to reach out and hug them, to laugh with, and tease them. Thank you, Tanuja. Thank you, Radha and Sudha *buas*. Hope you are doing well in these times. I hope you are more than happy.

- Vivek Tejuja

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Such a tender film. It took me back to a place I've been with my mum and her friend. Tanuja brought out a beautiful sense of timelessness as well. I have a home a little like this—not the space but the relationships. The film made me cry and cry. I'm not sure why. It is a really beautiful film.

- Meeta

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I loved the film. The aunts are so adorable and funny. Many thanks for turning MAMI online. Every year, I'm slogging at work and never get to attend a single screening. This lockdown version of MAMI has been a blessing in disguise for me.

- Lakshman R

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Just watched the film. It's heart-warming. *Aisa laga ki old age main aise hi rahunga main khud bhi.* Beautiful moments in the film.

Thank you for making this.

- Ibrahim Bohra

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Really enjoyed *Aunty Sudha Aunty Radha*. Warm, brimming with life and extremely funny, it is a peek into the lives of two old sisters who have found a way to live out their 'golden years' on their own terms.

- Akshay Roy

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I cannot begin to express how much I enjoyed the film. Effortless direction, beautiful camera work, and seamlessly edited, the film touches your soul. It reminds you of grandparents and is so lovely.

- Sonal Sawant

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I found the film to be very endearing, honest, and heartwarming. I did not feel even once that I did not know the two aunts personally. The director never makes us pity the two of them, for they stay alone, away from their children and are nearing their end. The film makes you want to talk to your grandparents, old relatives and spend time with them.

- Priyanka Arora

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What a heart-warming little film. About nothing and yet about absolutely everything. Lovely!

- Sagari Nayak

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Finally watched *Aunty Sudha Aunty Radha*. It was tough because my eyes kept watering, seeing my mum in aunty Sudha, whom I lost in February. It was cathartic and the film made me miss her so much. It is such a lovely film. I wanted to spend more time with both the sisters and companions, who are so full of life. Some regrets but a lot of zest. Thank you Anupama Mandloi and Tanuja Chandra for bringing them to us.

- Anuradha Gakhar

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Absolutely heart-warming :) Thank you Tanuja so much for sharing a part of your life with us. Such life lessons in the everyday, routine *dinacharya* of the two octogenarians. How often we lose sight of them in our families. It ade me so so nostalgic. Given the times we are in, this has been the most uplifting and humane story I have watched.

- Shikha Singhi

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A wonderful film that should be watched by any who can. It's a look into the lives of Sudha aunty and Radha aunty. Their relationship is sweet, and yet salty, as one tends to have with their sibling.

- Nakul Santpurkar

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I happened to watch this really warm film #AuntySudhaAuntyRadha and it made my day better and lovelier.

- Deepti Khurana

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My grandfather died a few months back and after such a long time, this film took me back to him. It was almost like I was watching him on the screen - smiling and not afraid of death. It was such a refreshing take on death. I thoroughly enjoyed the film. It was as if I was living in the house! Both of them really are the flowers in their garden. So near to death but blooming at their fullest.

- Shubham Negi

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This film is all heart. Special shout out to the director for giving us an opportunity to meet two of the loveliest, strongest, endearingly quirky women, for letting things flow naturally, for keeping it raw and unadulterated, and for capturing their lives, personalities and wisdom beautifully, efficiently, and coherently. These women are strong, independent and completely at ease with their age, choices and circumstances. How very beautiful! And uplifting. Absolutely loved it.

- Pragya Maanav

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Loved the film.

- Rohini Ramanathan

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Please continue this initiative. This film is pure joy, please bring more films.

- Mayank Adil

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*Hasayaa, rulaaya, aise logon se milaaya, jinhe main arzon se jaanti thi! Milin hoon in sabse! Mazaa aa gaya!* Such a delicate film! How did Tanuja do this? Just by talking to them? How did she pull it together, so poignant, so real and such a beautiful film!

Just loved it!

- Niraja Shah

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Really liked the film. The aunties shine and inspire. Thank you for the opportunity to watch the film.

- Nitesh Singh

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We need more filmmakers like these and platforms like MAMI to showcase films like these. Thank you.

- Abhishek Kumar

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Laughed so much while watching this film and also cried at times.

- Omkar Mukherjee

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