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'The Art and Spirit of K.P. Singh'
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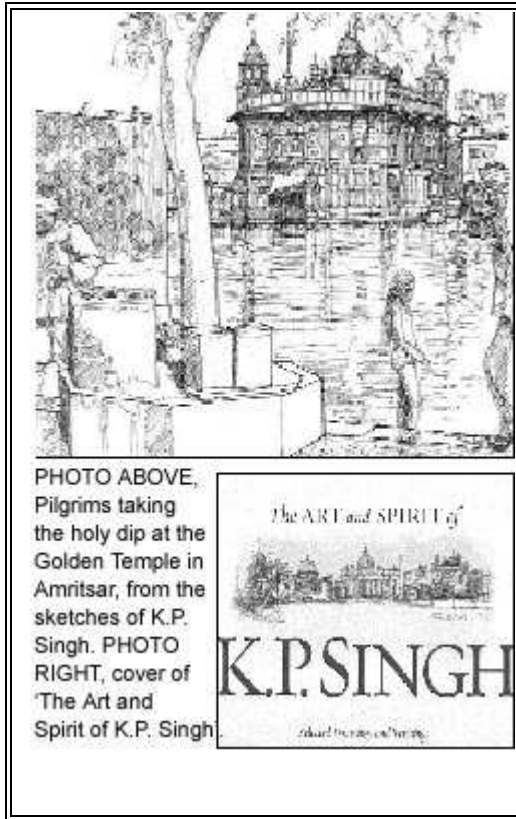


PHOTO ABOVE,
Pilgrims taking
the holy dip at the
Golden Temple in
Amritsar, from the
sketches of K.P.
Singh. PHOTO
RIGHT, cover of
'The Art and
Spirit of K.P. Singh'

'The Art and Spirit of K.P. Singh,' by Kanwal Prakash Singh. With an introduction by U.S. Senator Richard G. Lugar. Published by Guild Press-Emmis Publishing. Indianapolis, Indiana. 2003. Pages 241 This book offers more than 200 pen and ink drawings of historic and architectural sites from across the country and around the world.

Embellishing these drawings are his thoughts and nature and spirit, adding another layer to the reverence he brings to his subjects. The drawings showcase Singh's ability to render both the fine points as well as the grand vision of such landmark buildings as the Taj Mahal in Agra, the Statue of Liberty in N.Y. harbor, the Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

Senator Lugar writes in his introduction: "The scope of this book is astonishing. We are introduced to 200 of his most important drawings from around the world and many of his most compelling thoughts. K.P. has presented prints of many of his drawings to me and I cherish each one in an honored place in my office or my home. (The book) is a celebration of beautiful creative spaces in which faith and wisdom may grow and a stimulus to all of us to give thanks to our Creator for life and for so many wonderful opportunities."