“Memory is the only lasting possession we have,” begins Zarina Hashmi, the A/P/A Institute at NYU’s 2017-18 Artist-in-Residence. In the pages that follow, the artist writes about her life for the first time—her family’s experience during the 1947 Partition of India, her long career as an artist, and the many cities that she has called home. The book includes never-published material, and chronicles the artist’s travels and life around the world through a collection of essays, poems, artworks, and personal photographs.

Zarina (b. 1937) is from Aligarh, India and currently lives and works in New York. After receiving a degree in mathematics, she went on to study woodblock printing in Bangkok and Tokyo, and intaglio with S. W. Hayter at Atelier-17 in Paris. She has exhibited at numerous venues internationally, including representing India at the 2011 Venice Biennale, and her retrospective exhibition entitled Zarina: Paper Like Skin, which was presented at the Hammer Museum, Los Angeles in 2012, and at the Guggenheim, New York and the Art Institute of Chicago in 2013. Selected public collections include the Tate Modern, London; the Hammer Museum, Los Angeles; the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art; the Whitney Museum of American Art, New York; the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York; the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York; and the Museum of Modern Art, New York.

Sarah Burney (b. 1985) was born in Maryland and currently lives and works in New York City. Raised between Kuwait and Pakistan, she is a curator and writer with a focus on South Asian and Middle Eastern contemporary art, emerging NYC artists, and contemporary printmaking. Burney graduated from Wellesley College, and worked with Zarina Hashmi, Robert Blackburn Printmaking Workshop, Bodhi Art, and Burney Morgan Art Advisory prior to becoming a full-time curator and writer. She was on the board of the South Asian Women’s Creative Collective from 2014-16.

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