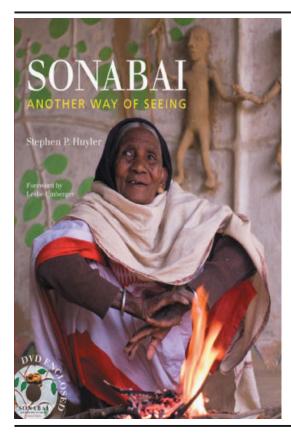


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The art of Sonabai Rajawar is entirely unique: it has no precedent. Sonabai's story expresses the capacity of human beings everywhere to meet their challenges head-on and to draw from deep within their inner resources the strength and insight to change their lives. Sonabai found ways to transform her oppressive environment into expressions of courage, beauty and joy in living. Although her artistic voice was singular, her message was global. Sonabai is one of the self-taught artists of India, a country where encrusted traditions overlay one another in a complexity that defies full comprehension. She created an entirely new artistic expression, an art form never seen before in India, a world of color, light and whimsy all her own. **Contents:**

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