# Satyajit Ray

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Satyajit Ray in New York

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| **Born** | 2 May 1921<br>[Kolkata](), India |
| **Died** | 23 April 1992 (aged 70)<br>[Kolkata](), India |
| **Awards** | **[Academy Awards]():**<br><br>• Academy Honorary Award<br><br>1992 Lifetime Achievement<br><br>**Film Fare Awards**<br><br>• Best Movie - Critics<br><br>1978 *Shatranj Ke Khiladi*<br><br>• Best Director<br><br>1979 *Shatranj Ke Khiladi* |

**Satyajit Ray** ([audio speaker icon]() *Shottojit Rae* ([help]()·[info]())) (2 May 1921–23 April 1992) was a [Bengali]() Indian [movie director](). Many people consider him as one of the greatest film-makers of 20th century [movie]() business.[1] He was born in the city of [Kolkata](). His [Bengali]() family was prominent in arts and letters. Ray studied at Presidency College and at the Visva-Bharati University. He started his career as a commercial artist. Ray was interested in filmmaking by meeting French filmmaker Jean Renoir and seeing the Italian movie *Bicycle Thieves* during a visit to London.

Ray directed thirty-seven movies. These include feature movies, [documentaries]() and [shorts](). Ray's first movie, *Pather Panchali*, won eleven international prizes, including *Best Human Document* at [Cannes Film Festival](). This movie along with *Aparajito* and *Apur Sansar* form the *Apu trilogy*. Ray did [scripting](), casting, [scoring](), cinematography, art direction, editing and designed his own credit titles and publicity material. He was a fiction writer, publisher, illustrator, graphic designer and [movie critic](). Ray won an [Academy Award]() in 1992.

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