## Taran3D releases Kickstarter campaign to create statues of famous 18th Century Sikh warrior – Garja Singh

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## Sikh 3D artist releases a new statue design to help youth re-engage with their heritage.

On Friday, 21 August 2015 a new kickstarter campaign was started to raise funds to mass produce a statue of famous Sikh warrior Garja Singh from the famous Sikh historic event of 1739. Taran Singh a 3D designer from Birmingham UK who has worked in the engineering and architectural industry for the last 12 years released a 3D sculpted likeness of how he envisioned Garja Singh. Using Sikh paintings and old artefacts he has carefully constructed a likeness of a 18th century Sikh warrior.

The model was designed by Taran Singh on modern 3D software commonly used for architecture work and film special effects. The model will then be 3D printed so that a mould can be made and then cast multiple times in a bronze coloured resin and will stand at 30cm tall. The statue depicts Garja Singh with shield on back holding 2 swords and dressed in the traditional simple dress of the time period.

Taran Singh stated that he wanted to capture the strength and grandeur of the old shaheed Singhs, who were renowned for their bravery and acts of valour and give them a place in people's homes. He believes that it is important to engage with young people in new and innovative ways to help them connect with their culture and heritage. He sees the statue as a way of re-telling the story of Bota Singh and Garja Singh in a new and positive way.

The kickstarter Campaign aims to raise £11,500 which is the minimum required to mass produce the statues. it would cost too much to create stock and then sell the statues instead a crowd funding campaign was the ideal way to fund the project and also determine how much demand there is for this type of art without risk.

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