

Press Note

## **Kolkata Centre for Creativity in collaboration with Quilt India Foundation hosts “Threads that Bind”**

*-A Travel exhibit of 18 Award winning quilts from India Quilt Festival 2019-*

**Kolkata, 6 December 2019:**Kolkata Centre for Creativity in collaboration with **Quilt India Foundation** inaugurated ‘Threads that Bind’ - A Travel exhibit of 18 Award winning quilts from **India Quilt Festival 2019** from 6 December – 11 December 2019 at Kolkata Centre for Creativity. The exhibition was inaugurated **Ms Ruby Pal Choudhuri, Advisor and President Emeritus, Crafts Council of West Bengal** and **Ms Reena Dewan, AVP Kolkata Centre for Creativity**. The exhibition will be travelling to different parts of India to create awareness and interest in the art and the forthcoming events amongst aficionados and young minds. A **specialty curated collection** of exquisite vintage quilts on show will be for sale from **6 December to 8 December, 2019** along with artisans. This exhibit will showcase the rich quilting traditions of Bhuj (Gujarat) and Barmer (Rajasthan). The exhibition offers a feast of colours, quilting techniques and designs that beckon you to behold the beauty of times gone by and take home a cherished possession. The artisans showcase will entail live work of these quilters, where one can sit beside them to watch & learn from them work magic with their adept fingers and also extend support by buying directly from them.

**Note to Editors:**

### **About Quilt India Foundation**

Founded in 2018, Quilt India Foundation, was born out of a strong passion for quilting and a desire to revive quilting and other textile art traditions in India.

The Vision of the Foundation includes:

- Revival of Quilting in India
- Promoting Quilting as an art form and a commercially viable craft
- Providing a common platform for Quilters in India
- Bringing Indian Quilting to the International Scene
- Bringing suppliers of Quilting and Sewing related items closer to the buyers

Quilt India Foundation celebrates values of economic self-reliance and sustainable development and aims to revive India’s rich tradition of quilting. The revival of the art form happens when it is adapted and practiced by more and more artists and recognized as a commercially viable pursuit. The intention is to develop an entire ecosystem in India so that it is easier for more and more people to learn, adapt, experiment, practice and contribute to the evolution of the art form. To further these

aims, Quilt India Foundation organized the country's first ever international quilt show in January 2019 at Chennai.

### **About Kolkata Centre for Creativity**

A unit of Anamika Kala Sangam Trust (AKST), Kolkata Centre for Creativity (KCC) is a multi-disciplinary interactive art and creativity center located in Kolkata, West Bengal. The 70,000 sq. ft Centre champions the art and cultural landscape of contemporary India. Inaugurated on 21st November 2018, KCC comprises of an Amphitheater for performances & creative contemplation, Exhibition & Learning spaces, Dance studio, a Conservation lab, Books & Materials Library, a Creative Culinary space- Grace, a Craft & Design outlet and a Skills Development Maker's section to create prototypes using the latest digital technologies.

Showcasing several expressions of art and design to highlight their common creative core – KCC encourages visitors to explore, interact and design ideas on various art forms within its spaces. Arts comprises here of Visual, Performing, Music, Design, Photography, Architecture and Crafts not limited to either traditional, modern or contemporary. KCC works on the principals of Cultural Diversity, Gender Equality, Conservation of Environment and Inclusion of people with disabilities and aim to achieve these through partnerships and collaborations. The Centre offers free entry to the public and is open between 11 am to 6 pm from Tuesday to Sunday.

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