

Emami Chisel Art brings to Kolkata 'Crossing 60', by distinguished artist Arpana Caur

~ An award-winning contemporary Indian painter, Arpana Caur, exhibits her first solo paperwork in Kolkata after a long gap of 12 years ~

~ National Award winning actor Prosenjit Chatterjee unveils the exhibition ~

<u>Kolkata, 5th January, 2016</u>: Emami Chisel Art sets off 'Crossing 60', the very first solo paperwork of eminent Indian artist Arpana Caur in Kolkata today. The exhibition was inaugurated by National Award winning actor Prosenjit Chatterjee in the presence of other eminent personalities like Tanusree Shankar, Mamata Shankar and Pallavi Chatterjee.

An award-winning contemporary Indian artist of international repute, Arpana Caur's solo exhibitions have been showcased in London, Glasgow, Berlin, Amsterdam, Singapore, Munich, New York, Stockholm and Copenhagen National Museum apart from Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Bangalore and Chennai. More popularly known worldwide for her large format oil paintings, Arpana's work can be seen in Museums of Modern Art in Delhi, Mumbai, Chandigarh, Dusseldorf, Singapore, Bradford, Stockholm, Hiroshima, MOCA LA, Peabody Boston, Asian Art Museum San Francisco and Victoria and Albert Museum London.

Speaking at the launch of her exhibition, **Ms Arpana Caur** said, "This is my first paper works solo in Kolkata. My last solo here was about 12 years ago on large oils. Basically my work is known for large format oil paintings. I'm thrilled to exhibit over 100 small paper works collection of 35 years. I was impressed by the space and the art collection spread of Emami Chisel Art and was eagerly waiting to be associated with them."

Arpana has been awarded a gold medal in VIth International Triennele 1986 in Delhi. She was commissioned by Hiroshima Museum of Modern Art to execute a large work for its permanent collection for the 50th anniversary of the Holocaust in 1995, and by Bangalore and the city of Hamburg to do large non-commercial murals in public spaces. Since 1981 she did three large non-commercial murals in Delhi. Today her paintings also support several projects for the underprivileged.

"Hosting a solo of a name like Arpana Caur is one of the highest privileges that a gallery can vie for. Emami Chisel Art is proud to host Ms. Caur's unique paperwork solo for the very first time in Kolkata. Her artworks, conveying natural expressionism, capture the essence of life imbibed through her personal experiences, spreading to various aspects including women, environment, spiritualism, time, life and death, communal riots, violence, peace, etc. We are thankful to the artist for choosing our gallery for exhibiting her solo in Kolkata after a gap of 12 long years." said **Ms. Richa Agarwal** of **Emami Chisel Art.**



The exhibition will offer artworks in paper using pencil, pastel, ink and gouache. Selected and compiled tastefully, the artworks would be available for all art connoisseurs at prices between **INR 30,000 to INR 90,000.**

About Emami Chisel Art: Emami Chisel Art (ECA) is a part of the reputed Emami Group. It idealised as a full-fledged art organization from 2008 onwards, encompassing within its infrastructure two large gallery spaces, a library, archive, an art-shop (named Kanopy) and a publication section engaged in producing some of the most versatile literary and visual productions. It organizes Art & Craft Fairs where craftsmen share space with contemporary artists under one roof. These fairs give a unique opportunity to the mass as well as art connoisseurs to collect artworks at reasonable prices. The ECA auctions which include authenticated artworks, genuine masterpieces and rare collections from the artists themselves or from reputed art galleries and private collectors have been put through a stringent selection process before being put under the hammer. Besides the auctions, it has also organized significant curated shows reflecting the contributions made by eminent masters and upcoming talents.

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