

## **Kolkata Centre for Creativity**

## Organizes My Kolkata in Kolkata 3.0

The annual photography exhibition exploring the theme of 'isolation'

Kolkata, 13<sup>th</sup> July 2022: Kolkata Centre for Creativity, a multidisciplinary art space is organizing the third edition of its annual exhibition My Kolkata In Kolkata 3.0 (MKIK), an exhibition that intends to exhibit some intriguing photographs and works though the lenses of city photographers that will highlight the various faces of 'isolation'- a term which wreaked havoc during the pandemic. Curated by Reena Dewan, Director, Kolkata Centre for Creativity the exhibition will be on view from 16th to 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2022 on the 1st floor at KCC from 11 am to 6 pm. The show will be open to all.

'My Kolkata in Kolkata' (MKIK) is one of Kolkata's most sought-after annual photography shows, celebrating both the city and the photographers. In 2022, Reena Dewan, the curator of this initiative, invited photographers to explore the idea of 'Isolation' and to interpret the same in their own way. With Covid-19 affecting the world at large, 'isolation' has become a household word; an everyday reality. The pandemic-induced lockdown cornered each and every individual and forced them to go into isolation. While isolation can be painful, it can often be contemplative and productive. It is worth remembering that isolation can also be found in our surroundings - from nature to architecture. Isolation can also be a lens through which one views the world. Delving deep into the multitude of faces of Isolation comprises the primary concept of MKIK 3.0.

As a part of the MKIK inauguration there will be a special KCC Emerging Artist Performance with two renowned performers Maitreyee Nirgun and Samruddhi Pujari who will perform a dance recital which will seek to explore the facets of technology in daily life and its effect on the lives of the central characters, a mother-daughter duo who are addicted to technology. The presentation would revolve around the influence of technology in the everyday life of human beings through the central characters. The performance will be held on 16<sup>th</sup> July on the 1st floor at KCC from 5 pm onwards.

"It is indeed a matter of great pride for me that Kolkata Centre for Creativity has been consistently organizing one of the most sought-after photography shows in the city celebrating Kolkata through the lenses of city photographers as they explore new themes every year. We hope to keep providing a platform for all to explore their creativity through our programs each year. My Kolkata in Kolkata is yet another step in that direction." Said Ms. Richa Agarwal, Chairperson, Kolkata Centre for Creativity.

"Given the collective experience our world has gone through over the past two years, 'isolation' became a household word. It seemed only natural to explore the various aspects of isolation – from being the cause of loneliness to the inspiration behind creativity, through the lenses of Kolkata's photographers." Said Ms Reena Dewan, Director, Kolkata Centre for Creativity.



## About Kolkata Centre for Creativity (KCC)

A unit of Anamika Kala Sangam Trust (AKST), Kolkata Centre for Creativity (KCC) is a multi-disciplinary interactive art and creativity Centre located in Kolkata, West Bengal. It is the first in Eastern India to make Art accessible to visually impaired and differently-abled under their 'Art for All' initiative. Spearheaded by Richa Agarwal as its Chairperson, the 70,000 sq. ft. centre champions the art and cultural landscape of contemporary India since November 2018. It comprises an Amphitheater, Exhibition & Learning Spaces, Dance studio, Conservation Lab, Books & Materials Library, Creative Culinary space, Craft & Design outlet and a Skill Development Maker's section. Integrating 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. KCC works in the areas of Capacity Building, Well-Being, Conservation & Restoration, Craft & Design, Culinary, Visual and Performing Art. It acts as a catalyst for Artistic enhancement through Displays, Presentations, Fellowships, Laboratories, Residences, Conservation, Research and Discourses.

The programs at KCC are designed on the principles of Cultural Diversity, Gender Equality, Conservation of the Environment and Inclusion of people with different abilities.

The Centre offers free entry to the public and is open between 11 am to 6 pm from Tuesday to Sunday. For more information about exhibitions and the conferences, please visit www.kolkatacentreforcreativity.org