



World Class Textile Art in Prague Once Again! 13th Prague Patchwork Meeting

The 13th year of the international exhibition Prague Patchwork Meeting will be held in Prague from April 5th till 7th, 2019. The event will be traditionally hosted in the Wellness Hotel Step and its Sportcentre in Prague 9. More than 400 authors will be presented newly across 5 halls, on an area exceeding 6,000 sqm; many artists will be having a standalone gallery. More than 900 quilts will be on display including collections exhibited in the Central Eastern Europe for the very first time, few collections having their worldwide premiere. Third of the area will be dedicated to retailers. Visitors of Prague Patchwork Meeting will have the chance to attend numerous workshops with leading European lecturers, focusing not only on sewing, but also fabric printing and creative surface elaborations.

The international event Prague Patchwork Meeting is the biggest display of combined textile techniques not only in the Czech Republic, but in the CEE region. The collection comprises nearly 1,000 pieces (primarily quilts) from all over the world incl. a great selection of Czech quilts. The retailers will be offering a wide selection of fabrics, helpful tools, textile accessories, sewing machines, lighting, beads, fabric dyes and newly also an assortment of yarns.

Prague will host leading authors of art and traditional quilts:

“Wide Horizons” will present SAQA’s European and Israeli members. Geographically most distant country Japan is represented by YUZA Sashiko Guild and collection of Susan Briscoe (UK). All over the world is well known the La Passacaglia pattern, in Prague represented by famous book author Willyne Hammerstein from Netherlands. From the same country comes Wil Fritsma bringing to Prague a unique collection of quilts with Women as main theme. Christine Bünning shows also a theme based work – music quilts. One of the winners of previous years, Heidi Drahota from Germany was invited with her solo exhibition as well Birgit Schüller and her traditional winning quilts from 2005-2016 incl. some quilted dresses. Dream landscapes and shibori technique offers Elisabeth Nacenta de la Croix from Switzerland. As usually, PPM invites a guest country with wide quilt selection, in 2019 Sweden will be presented. Czech quilters will launch their latest works: Jana Štěrbová made series from rusted prints photographed on Usain Bolt Tower brownfield area at Dolní Vítkovice, special presentation prepared Irena Zemanová for her collection In Circle and Vera and Ctibor Skockovi connected their new Wallachian quilts with spirit “slivovice”. New tradition of “Star of Czech Patchwork” starts with Danuse Brezinová. PatchKids by Bernina present themselves with over 250 small quilts and an attempt to join Guinness World Record Book.

The Czech group Art Quilt Harbour brings theme Natural Resources, the group TTT will show a new collection as well as author duo Na okraji. For the first time in PPM history a high school for textile design will be part of the show presenting some textile collage and first quilt attempts. Smaller collection of wedding quilts based on traditional pattern will be displayed.

Numerous prizes will be awarded to winners of the 2019 **challenges WRITING IN QUILT** and classical **DRESDEN PLATE**, judged by an international jury. A special challenge **My Grandpa Automobile** will offer some mini quilts.

Accompanying workshops are suitable for both advanced and beginner quilters.

Many retailers have prepared small workshops and will be presenting various techniques. The main workshops will be lectured by renowned artists from the Czech Republic and abroad. A creative area with EBRU print screens will also be available.

Traditionally, we are presenting charity, club and exchange works. An awaited exhibition is always the one by the **Art Quilt Club CZ** based on a material collection, this year it is the obligatory material **JUTE**. The program will be accompanied on Saturday afternoon by a **fashion show** including original jewellery and a market offering fabric scraps and older books and magazines.

Special charity programme continues with **Bedcovers Made With Love** for handicapped children.

Prague Patchwork Meeting belongs to the most visited global textile exhibitions

The exhibition, with more than 7.5 thousand visitors ranks 3-4th in Europe, and its level is increasing every year.

Tickets will be available on the spot, either single day (190 CZK) or three day (370 CZK).

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Summary:

13th Prague Patchwork Meeting

When:	5.-7.4.2019 (5.4. from 12 to 19, 6.4. from 9.30 to 18, 7.4. from 9.30 to 16.30)
Where :	****Wellness Hotel STEP, Malletova 1141, Praha 9
Wntry Fee:	Single day CZK 190,- per person, three days CZK 370,-
Area:	6,200 sqm, of which 2,150 sqm retail area (more than 70 companies)
Vystavovatelé:	more than 400 authors and groups including individual galleries
Visitors:	ca. 7,500, largest textile exhibition in CEE
Web:	www.praguepatchworkmeeting.com
Magazine:	monthly Newsletter PPM in Czech (available online)