



World Class Textile Art in Prague! 14th Prague Patchwork Meeting

The 14th year of the international exhibition Prague Patchwork Meeting will be held in Prague from April 3rd till 5th, 2020. 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:

“Season After Season” will present SAQA’s international members as well as the selected contest collection of **European Patchwork Meeting** featuring **Opposites**. A unique project showing quilts of two politically **Divided Countries, Germany and Korea**, curated German Patchwork Guild. From Asia come also **contemporary Japanese quilts**. Middle East is represented by **Hana Ron from Israel**. Advanced Girls is the title of German snipSISterS collection. Well known British quilter, teacher and judge **Brenda Wroe** presents her latest works in a solo gallery as well as German art quilter **Isabelle Wiessler**. **Shibori** technique offers **Elisabeth Nacenta de la Croix** from Switzerland. From the same country group **arT-TeX** shows its quilts. Northern quilting scene is represented by **ARTiNOR** group. **Czech quilters** will also launch their latest works: **Miroslava Kalinová** and **Irena Zemanová** with **Jana Štěrbová** try to answer the question whether a framed quilt is automatically an art piece. Gallery **In Frame = Art?** Will contribute to the current European discussion. International participants show quilts made to **tribute to Prague Jesu Child**.

The tradition of **“Star of Czech Patchwork”** continues with **Milena Kankrlíková**. **PatchKids** by Bernina present young authors from Slovakia. **The “365” quilt collection** with a large classical pattern diversity will inspire those, who prefer traditional patchwork techniques.

The Czech group **Art Quilt Harbour** follows eco themes with **Sustainable**, PPM will again provide space for **high schools for textile design**.

Numerous prizes will be awarded to winners of the 2019 **challenges WATER** and classical **KALEIDOSCOPE**, judged by an international jury. A choice of **International** as well as **Czech** quilts will be shown.

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 one a non-woven fabric **EVOLON**. 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 as well as a new initiative: **Make textile Toy or Pet for oncology children patients** in Masarykova Hospital in Usti nad Labem and Oncology Center in Ceske Budejovice.

Prague Patchwork Meeting belongs to the most visited global textile exhibitions

The exhibition, with more than 8 000 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:

14th Prague Patchwork Meeting

When: 3.-5.4.2020
(3.4. from 12 to 19, 4.4. from 9.30 to 18, 5.4. 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. 8 000, largest textile exhibition in CEE

Web: www.praguepatchworkmeeting.com

Magazine: monthly Newsletter PPM in Czech (available online)