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IACS WORKSHOP

Deepti Designs had its first inter-generational workshop on September 11th at the Redmond IACS center. 25 people attended the event, and it was a grand success! Students **Nethra Mahesh** and **Anushka Bains** ran the workshop in a flourishing manner. For the first time participants of all ages could interact and bond and discuss different topics despite generational differences. Nethra commented, "I think it was really cool to see an inter-generational workshop because it allowed the participants to work on something they were all interested in while also talking and interacting with people they would maybe not normally interact with. The inter-generational concept is something we should definitely integrate more into the workshops".



KCLS LIBRARY WORKSHOP

Three of our excellent students at Deepti Designs helped with a Madhubani pot workshop at the King County Library System (KCLS) Lake Hills Library, on October 2nd. In the workshop, they taught people of all ages how to make a Madhubani pot with basic Madhubani concepts such as Kachni, Bharni, Dip-and-dot, and more. The participants showcased creativity by incorporating their own ideas on the pots within the given design template and mixing colors! Thanks to our volunteers: **Ananya V, Srinidhi Murlidharan**, and **Aradhana Praveen**.



KINDNESS CREW OPPORTUNITY

As a reminder, Kindness Crew is a program where volunteers can make cards for seniors at the Northshore Senior Center. This is an excellent opportunity to give back to the community; additionally, the hours will count for the PVSA awards, and a certificate from the center will be awarded! Artist **Varsha, Sanika, Nethra, Kriya, Shritha, Anvi, and Arianna** have signed up. There is still time to join if interested in making cards for the seniors! Please contact **Ms. Nikita Thakalath** (425-894-5984) to get on board.



NARDHANA VINAYAKA WORKSHOP

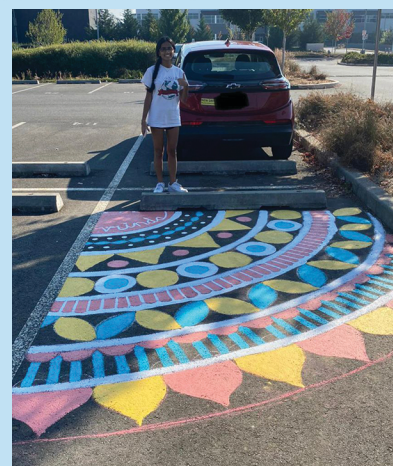
On September 3rd, 4th, and 10th, Deepti Designs hosted a virtual art workshop in collaboration with artists **Ms. Supraja Ganesh** from Virginia and **Mr. Ashish Das** from Odisha, India! The workshop focused on the traditional art of Pattachitra, a scroll painting art style from East India. Mr. Das is a highly renowned artist—the only folk artist whose painting is hung in the Rashtrapati Bhawan (the house of the President of India). This was a huge and extremely appreciated opportunity to learn art from the master himself. Humanities Washington sponsored the event and was able to make it affordable to anyone who wished to participate.



Ms. Ganesh, Mr. Das's student and an artist herself, co-hosted the event, reporting, "We made it very lively. Deepti and I, we had interacted in between to keep the session interesting. It was good, we had lots of fun! Hoping that we will have many more such workshops."

ART ON THE "SPOT"

At North Creek High School, the seniors were allowed to purchase a parking spot and paint it for \$10 as a fundraiser. Vrinda Rathi—a certified Madhubani artist and a teaching artist at Deepti Designs who has always enjoyed art and painting—took on the challenge! On her quest for interesting ideas, she reflected upon what she was familiar with and she came up with the idea of using Madhubani art for the event. She ended up painting a Madhubani mandala with a few friends, and took four hours to complete it. It is fantastic to see our students extend Madhubani outside their homes and in their daily lives!



NEWSLETTER QUIZ!

1) What is another name for solid fill in Madhubani art?

- a. Bharni b. Kachni c. Dip-and-dot

2) What type of Madhubani design did Vrinda paint on a parking lot?

- a. Kohbar b. Mandala c. Tantrik

3) Where does the Pattachitra art form originate?

- a. South India b. North India c. East India

4) Along with PVSA hours, what other things can you get from participating in Kindess Crew?

- a. Certificate from the center b. Ability to give back c. Food

KCLS OPPORTUNITY

An exciting teaching opportunity for our students! The KCLS library has invited us to teach how to make wooden Madhubani bookmarks on **Oct 18th, 5:30-8pm. 3-4 volunteers** are urgently required for this event, so we request you to come forward and participate!

