

NEWSLETTER

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Dear UNNATI family and Well Wishers,

We would like to extend our sincere appreciation for the unwavering support you have shown towards UNNATI. Your constant presence has significantly amplified our message and expanded our influence on individuals and communities in need. Our newsletter serves as a means to keep you connected and well-informed about the significant work we are involved in. It serves as a reflection of our mission and the collective endeavors that drive positive change in communities far and wide. We hope that each edition of our newsletter not only brings you closer to the core of our mission but also strengthens your connection with our UNNATI family. Thank you once again for your invaluable support.

STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

April 16 - May6, 2023

UNNATI conducted stakeholder consultation meeting with 818 participants from women producer groups, entrepreneurs, NGOs, CSOs, cooperatives, local level government, government officials, and other private organizations of eight districts: Tehrathum, Sankhuwashabha, Ilam, Sunsari, Nawalpur, Kaski, Lamgunj, and Gorkha. The meeting was on status of women MSMEs and value addition on their existing products.





TATE SAAC - REPRESENTING NEPAL INTERNATIONALLY

7 & 8 June, 2023

Surabhi Chaudhary, our Founding Director, has been appointed as Nepal's representative and a member of Tate Modern's South Asian Acquisitions Committee. Tate Modern is well-known for its cutting-edge contemporary art collections and exhibitions, making it the ideal venue for showcasing global's vibrant and diverse talents.



LET'S TALK ART - MUSEUM OF NEPALI ART

May 13, 2023

Our Director, Ms. Surabhi Chaudhary, had the delightful opportunity speaking in the program "Let's Talk Art," where she emphasized the invaluable contribution of Lok Chitrakar to the realm of Paubha Art. The event facilitated an engaging interaction with Lok Chitrakar, highlighting his dedication and devotion to this art form.



CERAMIC AND POTTERY RESIDENCY 2023

May 21 - June 4, 2023

The Ceramic and Pottery Residency Programme is currently taking place in Nepal, with the goal of driving the growth of ceramic and pottery art and creating bespoke designed products with national and global recognition. The residency promotes artistic growth and introduces new concepts to further the development of Nepali art. The eight participating artisans (from Bhaktapur, Nawalpur, and Kapilvastu) are exploring traditional techniques and broadening their artistic horizons under the direction of two international artists, Bipasha Sen Gupta and Shruti Mascarenhas. The programme provides practical advice on both execution and knowledge transformation.



A two-day workshop at Kathmandu University's (KU) School of Art, Centre for Art & Design, and Sirjana College of Fine Arts kicked off the residency. The workshop was extremely beneficial to students who are interested in pursuing careers in the same field. By facilitating the exchange of ideas and knowledge among our artists and students, the workshop also fostered a rich learning environment..

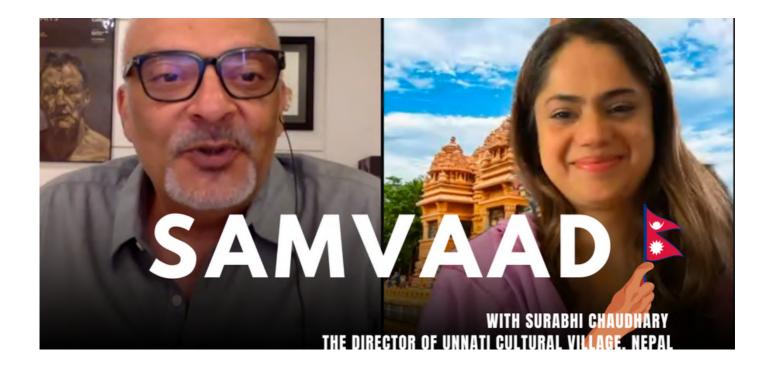




SAMVAAD

June 10, 2023

Our founding director, Ms Surabhi, engaged in an insightful discussion with Nidheesh Tyagi from Abir Pothi, shedding light on 'SAAMVAAD' held on June 10, 2023. Hosted by Abir Pothi, the event provided a platform for UNNATI to share her insights on its transformative concept, role in driving sustainable development for traditional livelihood programs, and empowerment of women in Nepal.'



YOUTH CANCAVE 2023 (EKTA)

June 28 20203

Our Founding Director Ms Surabhi Chaudhary representing UNNATI on the Arts & Culture panel presented by IMC chamber. This annual event brings together over 500 attendees from South Asia, facilitated by IMC's partner organizations.





WORKING TOGETHER FOR CRAFT PRODUCTION

July 20203

After pottery and ceramic residency, UNNATI has partnership with the artisans of Bhaktapur, aiming to enhance product development in the field of crafts. Through this program, we will also engaged local artists from Kapilvastu . This collaboration is a remarkable opportunity for all involved parties to collaborate with industry experts in the pottery sector. By working together, they can leverage the expertise and knowledge of these professionals to further their craft and create innovative and high-quality products.



PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT AND MARKETING

July 2023

UNNATI actively participates in producing products and its value chain including Dhaka weaving, handicrafts, large cardamom, ceramics, and Lokta paper. Currently, we are collaborating with over 100 artisans to ensure the production of these products. UNNATI is also focused on implementing proper packaging and establishing market linkages for these products.





