

AMI ARTS FESTIVAL 2025 FAQs

Who is organising the AMI Arts Festival?

AMI Arts Festival is an initiative by the Kolkata Centre for Creativity (KCC), supported by Emami CSR. 2025 happens to be the 6th year for this festival.

KCC is a pioneering, multi-disciplinary, interactive art centre, located in Kolkata, West Bengal, India, established in the year 2018. KCC, a unit of the Anamika Kala Sangam Trust, a not-for-profit public trust, spans 70,000 sq. ft. & has quickly become a cornerstone of India's contemporary art & cultural scene.

Find out more at: <https://www.kolkatacentreforcreativity.org/>

When and where will the festival take place?

AMI Arts Festival 2025 will take place from 21st Nov - 21st Dec 2025, at various locations all over Kolkata. The primary venue is onsite at KCC in Anandapur, while some of the offsite events will take place at Victoria Memorial Hall, the Indian Museum, GD Birla Sabhaghar & other places to be disclosed soon.

What are the different sections of the AMI Arts Festival?

- **Exhibitions:** Our exhibitions feature a wide range of works by various artists from India and abroad.
- **Performances:** A delightful showcase of curated performances by artists of both national and international acclaim, ranging across various genres such as music, dance, theatre, band acts, and more.
- **Awards:** We recognize and honour artists and collaborators across different disciplines whose work demonstrates exceptional creativity and impact.
- **Learning:** The festival promotes inclusive learning initiatives through workshops, talks, and collaborative events to inspire engagement and dialogue with the arts.
- **Outdoor Art Projects:** Select events and performances extend beyond the primary venue and are hosted across the city's landmark cultural locations, such as Victoria Memorial, Indian Museum, G. D. Birla Sabhaghar, Gyan Mancha, and more.

How can one apply to volunteer, intern, and offer support at AMI Arts Festival?

- To volunteer or intern at AMI Arts Festival, mail us at corporatehr@emamiart
- To support the festival as well as KCC one can patron or donate at this link:
<https://www.kolkatacentreforcreativity.org/kcc-membership.php>

FOR ATTENDEES:

- **Can I pay with a credit card at the event?**
Only cash & UPI payments are accepted.
- **Is the event free?**
The exhibitions, talks, film screenings & UTSAV IV (a platform for performing artists) are free & open to all. The workshops & celebrity performances are paid & requires pre-registration.
- **Is there a parking spot?**
Visitors are not allowed to park inside the KCC premises. one can park near the vicinity, on a paid basis.

AMI ARTS FESTIVAL 2025 – FESTIVAL GUIDELINES

- Festival rules and important notices apply to all participants, festival pass holders and all visitors on the festival site and campsite.
- Loud music may damage hearing – we advise the use of safety earplugs.
- N.B.strobe lights, flashing lights and lasers may be used during some live performances which may be harmful to people with photosensitive epilepsy.
- The festival organisation reserves the right to make changes to the festival schedule & programme.
- All visitors and their belongings will be inspected for their personal safety.
- The festival is not responsible for lost or stolen belongings. Take care of your belongings!
- Participation at the festival is at the visitor's own risk. KCC is not liable for any damages, by whatever name, suffered by a visitor as a result of the participation, unless the damage is a direct consequence of deliberate intent or gross negligence on the part of KCC. This exclusion of liability also applies to serious damages such as all possible damages resulting in injury or death.
- KCC reserves the right to decline or forbid entrance into the festival site to any person misbehaving in any manner or carrying items that may in any way endanger the safety of the visitors or violate rules of peaceful conduct.

- Visitors agree to be photographed, filmed or recorded as part of the audience. All video, photo and audio materials acquired on festival sites are subject to be used in promotional materials for the festival without any limitations of time and space and at the sole discretion of the festival and its organisers.
- Merchandise sales are organised and will be available only within the festival venue.
- It is strictly forbidden to use or distribute festival passes for commercial purposes, marketing campaigns, lotteries and contest purposes without the written consent from KCC. Legal steps will be taken against any person or organisation who attempt to do so without written permission from the organisers.
- KCC reserves the right to curtail or cancel the entire Festival event, in case an unexpected force majeure event occurs that threatens the safety of visitors and/or public order on the festival site. Refunds are not possible in the case of cancellation or curtailment of parts of the festival event due to force majeure such as: extreme weather conditions endangering the safety of the audience or artists, inclement weather, fire, death or illness of a performing artist or their immediate family, delays or shutdowns of traffic routes (airports, border crossings, etc.), war, terrorist acts or terrorist threats, violence, or due to legally binding decisions by local or national authorities to shut down the event for justifiable security reasons, national mourning day decrees that forbid any cultural or entertainment events taking place, or other decisions by national authorities that are beyond the control of the organizers. If the festival event is cancelled due to force majeure, no new date will be set to reschedule, and no entry fees and/or additional expenses will be refunded to ticket holders.
- KCC is not liable for any damages and costs incurred by the participant in the case of a force majeure event.
- Refunds for already purchased festival passes will be possible only in the case of the cancellation of the entire festival event for reasons other than force majeure. Refunds are not possible for other reasons or in case of cancellation of one or more artists confirmed to perform at the festival event.
- Tickets purchased for the festival will be replaced at the festival entrance with a valid wristband. Only visitors with a valid Festival wristband are allowed entry and movement in the festival area. Festival wristbands may not be removed, cut, torn or damaged in any way or they cease to be valid. KCC reserves the right to request identity validation from the ticket holder by presenting a valid ID to the festival staff upon request.
- Festival wristbands are valid for one entrance to the festival site per festival day.
- Upon entering the festival site, your wristband remains valid until you leave.

IT IS FORBIDDEN TO ENTER THE FESTIVAL SITE WITH:

- Food, alcoholic or non-alcoholic drinks in any type of packaging
- Bottle caps (plastic or otherwise).
- Toiletries and cosmetic products in containers over 100ml cap.
- Aerosols or high pressured packaged products (including deodorants and sunscreens)
- Toiletries in stick packaging (including deodorants, insect repellents, etc..)
- Firearms or stun guns and other weapons (including lasers, etc).
- Sharp objects and close combat weapons (knives, scissors, axes, tools, chains, etc).
- Professional audio or video equipment, as well as technical equipment and instruments without the permission of KCC.
- Narcotics and illegal substances.
- Pyrotechnics and explosive devices.
- Flammables and flammable liquids.
- Drones and unmanned aerial devices.
- Animals and pets.

PUBLICITY: FLYERS AND POSTERS

Distribution of flyers or posters during the festival, on festival grounds, or on the entrance corridors or streets, is not allowed. If you want to promote your event or product please contact KCC who can give you the possibility to place an advertisement on the festival grounds. Promotional activities without the written permission of KCC will be legally prosecuted.