



PRESS RELEASE

Opening of TRI

A multidisciplinary art and culture centre opens in the heart of Kolkata!

Introducing TRI, a cultural complex that reimagines encounters with the visual, performing, culinary, and literary arts alongside social and research practices. Through rotating exhibitions and a robust calendar of cultural programs, TRI invites visitors to explore, *tri*, and discover art and culture.

Founded by siblings and art enthusiasts, Varun and Nitasha Thapar, TRI is a contribution to the cultural legacy of Kolkata that positions cultural programming as community enrichment while validating art's inherent social merit. Through novel encounters between artists, artisans, institutions, collectives, writers, performers, thought leaders, and gallery-goers at large, TRI activates diverse voices, serves a diverse audience, and engages our zeitgeist's interests.

The reinvention of a 20th century historic property by Open to Sky Architects for the purpose of contemporary arts engagement, TRI is eponymously named after the heritage building's unique triangular shape — an architectural form which inspires the triangulation of ideas as much as it invites visitors to *tri* these concepts through novel experiences.

This curatorial ethos is carried out in collaboration with visiting curators presenting exhibitions on Modern and Contemporary Art in South Asia and beyond from emerging, mid-career, and established artists. Complimentary cultural programming is offered across various formats including performances, workshops, lectures, and conversations in partnership with local and international galleries, art spaces, colleges, and cultural institutions.

An homage to the melting pot of creativity and distinct cultural palette that makes Kolkata India's cultural capital, TRI celebrates the city's vibrant and diverse heritage by aiming to establish itself as a thriving global hub for art and culture. Toward this aim, guests will soon have the option to enjoy dining and retail experiences at the cultural complex in addition to the institution's rich curatorial and cultural programs.