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Join us for a digital exhibition of woven COVID stories

Auction of NFTs will support emergency COVID relief in Nepal

Date: Thursday, June 3 Time: 7.00 – 8.30 pm Eastern Via Zoom



The Advocacy Project (AP) and Givology are excited to announce the launch of *Stitching the COVID Story*, an online exhibition of woven and painted images that describe the devastating global impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The event will feature a new website with 42 personal stories from the US, Zimbabwe, Nepal and Kenya; meetings with artists and organizers; and an auction of digital assets (non-fungible tokens – NFTs) made from embroidered designs.

Proceeds from the auction will help to reduce the spread of COVID among the Tharu people in Midwest Nepal, where the pandemic is currently raging out of control. Nepal has produced some of the most powerful images for the exhibition and AP will launch an emergency appeal for the region on June 7.

The exhibition is the product of collaboration between 37 creative individuals on three continents. While living through the pandemic, many of us turned to embroidery and fabric painting to describe our experience and found that telling our story provided a badly-needed outlet for our frustrations. Most of our collaborators are under 21 - the exhibition website was made by students.

The exhibition will also be open to anyone who wants to add their own illustrated story, and will feature new stories from the informal settlements of Kibera and Kangemi in Nairobi.

Our thanks to all who have given their skills and time to make this event possible, and to Humanity United for funding AP's advocacy quilting program.

Date: June 3rd, 2021 (Thursday) **Time**: 7 PM ET - 8.30 PM ET

How to Join: Zoom link: Zoom meeting ID: 833 3055 6604; Passcode: quilt One tap mobile: +19292056099,,83330556604#,,,,*846804# US (New York)

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