



# Umbrella of emotions

Thousands of children let loose their imagination at the annual art workshop of Apeejay Anand Children's Library where the theme this year was *Rango ka Khela, Khushiyon ka Mela*

**A**peejay Anand Children's Library brought thousands of children on Park Street for an art workshop. Hosted within the compound of Apeejay House for 28 years now, the workshop is a half-day art extravaganza that sees fertile minds and nimble fingers splash umbrellas with designs that reflect their secret world of imagination.

The art workshop was started in 1992 by Priti Paul who created the Apeejay Anand Children's Library for underprivileged children at Apeejay School Park Street to commemorate her brother Anand Paul's birthday and in accordance with his community service wishes.

The theme this year was *Rango ka Khela, Khushiyon ka Mela*. Some of the participating schools and organisations were Lakshmiapat Singhania Academy, Loreto (Sealdah), South Point School, Sri Sri Academy, Manovikas Kendra, and Ideal School for Deaf, among many others.

Artists from different genres of art came as judges. Sculptor Bimal Kundu was the chief guest. "I'm happy to see the art workshop expand every year with new ideas," said Rita Chatterjee, principal and administrator, Apeejay Schools.

Each participant received a gift hamper containing an art book, art worksheets, crayons and paint, puzzles, a ball, a pencil box, lots of treats, and many more items along with the self-painted umbrella.



**Akalsha Ghosh** of Loreto Day School got the first prize



**Chabi Biswas** of Bali Chorus bagged the second prize



**Zarin Khatoun** of Apeejay Anand Children's Library came third