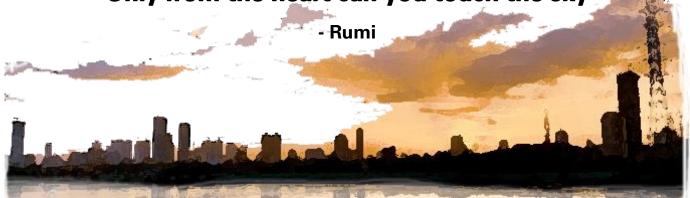
## "Only from the heart can you touch the sky"



A beautiful skyline has the power to stir one's imagination and lift the soul. Majestic monuments that speak of human ingenuity, creativity and the collaborative spirit reach up and touch a vast expanse of sky, a starry night or breaking dawn rich with possibility. "Only from the heart" says the poet Rumi "can you touch the sky".

Los Angeles based asset management company Wilshire Skyline know and understand this. They are deeply committed to delivering higher standards of living in beautiful buildings that shape some of the most prestigious and iconic skylines in the world - Santa Monica, Malibu, Hollywood and Beverly Hills. For a beautiful skyline to take shape exquisite buildings must gently explore the limitless sky above. Form paints upon the infinite canvas of empty space – that silent place of possibility and potential



from which all true creativity is born, as every artist knows. For Wilshire Skyline, it is the **space within** a beautiful building that **really holds the secret to unlocking creativity**. Take 'The James' (left), tucked away on a quiet



'The Purser': Santa Monica...where ocean meets sky - that silent place of possibility and potential from which all true creativity is born.

street off Hollywood Boulevard - when you walk through the doors of this luxurious property, it has been 'designed to nurture your creative muse' and holds a promise 'to make the struggles of everyday life disappear'.

Paper Boat, a UK based Charity working in some of the poorest communities in India and Thailand, is voyaging towards a world that unlocks the infinite potential of every child. Their purpose is to listen to young people – inspiring and enabling them to change their world. They achieve this by helping to shape playful and creative learning spaces (called Children's Hubs) at the heart of marginalised communities through innovative partnerships such as this collaboration with Wilshire Skyline. For Paper Boat it is the **space within** their Hubs **that really hold the secret to unlocking a child's creativity**. Creativity that, when coupled with curiosity and complex problem-solving skills, inspires and enables children to change their world.

At the core of Paper Boat's partnership with Wilshire Skyline lies a shared ambition to unlock the creative potential of children by giving them a platform that will help to strengthen and amplify their voice - voices that have all too often been silenced. By connecting vulnerable children with those, living very different lives in Wilshire Skyline properties, but willing to reach out, believe in them loudly and invest in their ideas and dreams......a child's imagination is given wing, their little paper boat carrying dreams of a better tomorrow is launched on a vast ocean of possibility. Voyaging towards a horizon – where ocean meets sky – a



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Photography is just one of the 'keys' that Paper Boat uses to unlock creativity and potential in children. Paper Boat know and understand that it is the **space within the heart and mind of a child that really holds the secret to unlocking creativity**. If unencumbered by prejudice and preconception a child's imagination is one of the greatest wellsprings of creativity in our world – it is free to voyage beyond the horizon – finding a way to navigate difficulty today because, as the poet Gibran tells us "...their souls dwell in the house of tomorrow, which you cannot visit, not even in your dreams".



Photography gives us a wonderful window onto a child's world – a photograph taken by a child is **their** window onto **their** world. This photograph was taken by a young girl – perhaps it was the first time that she had ever held a camera. She did not give in to self-doubt and limitation when told that Even a professional photographer would find it incredibly difficult to 'photograph what water feels like'...persisting until she captured this beautiful and joyful image.

Looking at everything as if we are seeing it for the first time – with 'beginner's mind' – inspires creativity to flow. Looking at everything as if we are seeing it for the first time – through the eyes of a child - has the power to stir the imagination and lift the soul. And, as Rumi well knew, 'only from the heart can you touch the sky'.

To find out more about Paper Boat's unique approach to inspiring and enabling children to change their world please visit (<u>www.paperboatcharity.org.uk</u>). To see the full portfolio of beautiful spaces and services provided by Wilshire Skyline visit (<u>www.wilshireskyline.com</u>).





