

be aware of sex trafficking



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The video that goes along with the installation can be viewed on You Tube : <http://youtu.be/Pto7xuotbN0>



Sculpture in wire filled with synthetic black hair.

Height 139 cm

Width 24 cm

Depth 44 cm

Stainless steel base

BE AWARE stands for all the children, especially young girls who are forced into modern sex slavery.



“Slavery was once perpetuated by the idea that there was and always would be slavery and now sex-slavery and prostitution are also perpetuated by the same idea of inevitability. This has led to public health Foundation funds being spent solely on the supposed protection of sex buyers from AIDS and not at all on the protection of women and children from sex buyers. The unintended consequence of this has been the emphasis on condoms alone and a vested interest in preserving brothel systems for the distribution of condoms.”

Ruchira Gupta

(<http://site.ruchiragupta.com/Home.html>)

This sculpture girl has no arms because she is **defenseless**.

BE AWARE that sex trafficking is a growing industry because of the demand from the sex buyers and the profiteers.

We have to **stay alert** and **protect** our children and their future.





- *After drug and arms trafficking, human trafficking is the 3rd largest source of income for organized criminal syndicates worldwide.*
- *Human trafficking is a multi-billion€ form of international organized crime.*
- *Only about 1.5% of trafficked victims are identified worldwide.*
- *2013 Trafficking in Persons Report by the US Department of State: “This Report estimates that, based on the information governments have provided, only around 40,000 victims have been identified in the last year. In contrast, social scientists estimate that as many as 27 million men, women and children are trafficking victims at any given time.”*
- *Sexual exploitation is by far the most identified form of HT, followed by forced labor. Other forms of exploitation are under reported*







How to BE AWARE

I filled the sculpture with synthetic hair, very similar to human hair. It's soft and shiny, like the hair of little girls.

Everybody who stands in front of the 'little girl' should take a single strand of hair home in his/her wallet, to be constantly aware of the danger and the presence of this inhumane sex slavery.

STEP 1	STEP 2
	
Pull out a strand of hair with the tweezers	Be sure that it's long enough
STEP 3	STEP 4
	

<p>Tie the ribbon to the strand</p>	<p>Cut the strand close to the wire</p>
<p>STEP 5</p>	<p>STEP 6</p>
	
<p>Push the remaining hair back into the sculpture</p>	
<p>STEP 7</p>	<p>STEP 8</p>
	
<p>Safeguard your strand in the little plastic bag</p>	<p>Place the plastic bag in your wallet</p>

‘BE AWARE!’ THAT SEX TRAFFICKING IS HAPPENING EVERYWHERE AROUND YOU....

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