**June 1, 2020 (North Salt Lake, UT)** The companies and brands of Premier Needle Arts continue to be focused on our customers and our team during the challenges we are facing as a nation, including Covid19 as well as the more horrific and terrible events over the past few weeks, beginning with the death of George Floyd.

We continue to stand on our policies, our history, but more importantly with our own actions. This includes diversity, inclusion, discrimination, bias, and hate speech with the African American community as well as other minor groups, both internally and externally. Our actions include an inward focus within HR, our leadership, and company training. Outwardly our actions are seen within our advertising, marketing, educators, and models, including expectations with outside vendors as well as with our own team members within the communities which we live, both personally and professionally.

 Are we perfect in these very important areas as a company, no. Can we and will we continue to improve, yes. We will continue to focus and work on our actions and invite all to do the same. Change requires communication, openness and wiliness to change. Communication, change and action will always be a part of our company and brands DNA.

***Premier Needle Arts*** ([www.premierneedlearts.com](http://www.premierneedlearts.com)) family of brands provides the highest-quality products and services to millions of passionate enthusiasts around the world in the quilting, sewing, knitting, crochet, and other fiber arts communities. Premier Needle Arts has facilities in Vancouver, WA, Columbus, OH, and in Salt Lake City, UT, and is a part of the Blue Point Capital Partners portfolio of companies.

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