



News Notes

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Pondering

O soul of India, hide thyself no longer with the darkened Pandits of the Kaliyuga in the kitchen and the chapel, veil not thyself with the soulless rite, the obsolete law and the unblessed money of the dakshina; but seek in thy soul, ask of God and recover thy true Brahminhood and Kshatriyahood with the eternal Veda; restore the hidden truth of the Vedic sacrifice, return to the fulfilment of an older and mightier Vedanta.

Sri Aurobindo,
Thoughts & Aphorisms, 361



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House of Mother's Agenda



(continued from last week)

(Later, Mother again speaks of her vision of the tall white being armed with a kind of halberd:)

What was standing there was a manifestation of one of my states of being, a part of my vital being, or rather one of my innumerable vital beings—because I have quite a few! And this one is particularly interested in things on earth.

A projection of yours—an emanation?

You know, mon petit, I said one day that in the history of earth, wherever there was a possibility for the Consciousness to manifest, I was there¹; this is a fact. It's like the story of Savitri: always there, always there, always there, in this one, that one—at certain times there were four emanations simultaneously! At the time of the Italian and French Renaissance. And again at the time of Christ, then too.... Oh, you know, I have remembered so many, many things! It would take volumes to tell it all. And then, more often than not (not always, but more often than not), what took part in this or that life was a particular yogic formation of the vital being—in other words something immortal.² And when I came this time, as soon as I took up the yoga, they came back again from all sides, they were waiting. Some were simply waiting, others were working (they led their own independent lives) and they all gathered together again. That's how I got those memories. One after the other, those vital beings came—a deluge! I had barely enough time to assimilate one, to see, situate and integrate it, and another would come. They are quite independent, of course, they do their own work, but they are very centralized all the same. And there are all kinds—all kinds, anything you can imagine! Some of them have even been in men: they are not exclusively feminine.

At first, I used to think they were fantasies.

Before I met Sri Aurobindo they would come and come and come to me, night after night and sometimes during the day—a mass of things! Afterwards I told Sri Aurobindo about it, and he explained to me that it was quite natural. And indeed, it is quite natural: with the present incarnation of the Mahashakti (as he described it in *Savitri*), whatever

is more or less bound up with Her wants to take part, that's quite natural. And it's particularly true for the vital: there has always been a preoccupation with organizing, centralizing, developing and unifying the vital forces, and controlling them. So there's a considerable number of vital beings, each with its own particular ability, who have played their role in history and now return.

But this one [the tall white Being] is not of human origin; it was not formed in a human life: it is a being that had already incarnated, and is one of those who presided over the formation of this present being [Mother]. But, as I said, I saw it: it was sexless, neither male nor female, and as intrepid as the vital can be, with a calm but absolute power.... Ah, I found a very good description of it in one of Sri Aurobindo's plays, when he speaks of the goddess Athena (I think it's in *Perseus*, but I am not sure); she has that kind of... it's an almighty calm, and with such authority! Yes, it's in *Perseus*—when she appears to the Sea-God and forces him to retreat to his own domain. There's a description there that fits this Being quite well.³

Besides, all the Greek gods are various aspects of a single thing: you see it this way, that way, that way, this way (*turning her hand, Mother seems to show several facets of a single prism*).... But it's simply one and the same thing.□

Sri Aurobindo's description fits this Being exactly. And a few days ago, this same Being came, without my calling it or thinking about it or wishing it to come. And it seemed to be saying it was time for it to intervene.

So I let it!

¹ "Since the beginning of the earth, wherever and whenever there was the possibility of manifesting a ray of the Consciousness, I was there." March 14, 1952.

² Each of these formations had an independent, immortal existence.

³ A whiteness and a strength is in the skies... Virgin formidable In beauty, disturber of the ancient world!... How art thou white and beautiful and calm, Yet clothed in tumult! Heaven above thee shakes Wounded with lightnings, goddess, and the sea Flees from thy dreadful tranquil feet.

(to be continued next week)

The Mother's Agenda, June 27, 1962

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Gangalakshmi HOMA

Townhall Speaks

CITY SERVICES CONTRIBUTIONS AND PAYMENTS

March 2026

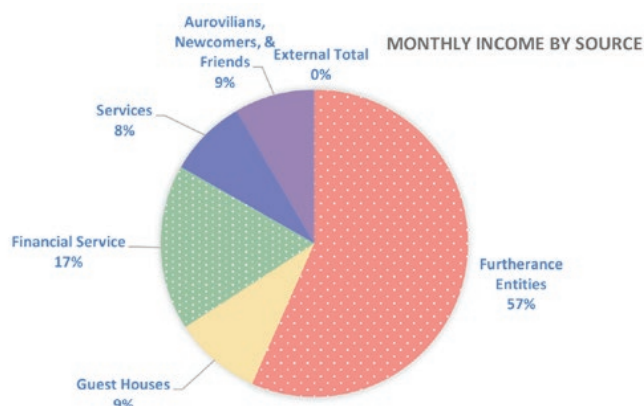
Summary	Unspecified	Specified	Total
Buffer Opening Balance (BOB)	18,45,88,611	—	18,45,88,611
Monthly Contributions (Int. + Ext)	3,15,71,883	33,60,063	3,49,31,946
Total Contributions (OB+Monthly Inc)	21,61,60,494	33,60,063	21,95,20,557
Total Payments	2,25,02,987	33,60,063	2,58,63,050
CS Ending Balance (Includes BOB)	19,36,57,507	—	19,36,57,506
Monthly loss/gain			90,68,895

Internal Contributions

Source	Unspecified	Specified	Total
Furtherance Entities	1,92,27,233	5,57,128	1,97,84,361
Guest Houses	31,47,784	68,500	32,16,284
Financial Services	36,00,000	24,89,570	60,89,570
Services	28,92,708	—	28,92,708
Aurovilians, Newcomers, & Friends	27,04,158	2,44,865	29,49,023
Internal Total	3,15,71,883	33,60,063	3,49,31,946

External Contributions

Government of India for SAIIR	—	—	—
Government of India for Other	—	—	—
Other Contribution	—	—	—
Project Contributions	—	—	—
Foreign Contributions	—	—	—



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- **E-Versions:** [Please read the full report here](#)

BCC Team
(Angurajan, Arthi, Kalaiarasi, Kalaimathi, Kaileshvaari, Punniyakodi, Raji)

THE SILENT CENTER

As part of the ongoing development of Auroville's city center, ATDC is pleased to announce the initiation of "The Silent Center", a project to make the Crown a fossil fuel vehicle-free zone.

Over the coming weeks, you will begin to see the following changes:

- Defined and gated entry points into the Crown
- Parking areas at the periphery for fossil fuel vehicles
- Electric carts circulating within the Crown for movement
- Signage indicating e-vehicle-only zones and speed limits

The intention is simple: to make the Crown a **quiet, safe, and people-oriented space**, aligned with Auroville's vision of conscious living.

Residents, employees and all others will be requested to:

- Avoid bringing fossil fuel vehicles into the Crown
- Use the designated parking areas to leave their fossil fuel vehicles
- Respect signage and movement guidelines as they are put in place

This is an important step in shaping the Crown and the city center as a space for collective use, free from noise, congestion, and pollution, as the first step. Once this is complete, the next phase will include the transition of the whole city into a silent and walkable space.

We seek your cooperation in making this transition smooth and effective. Further details regarding access points, parking locations, and mobility routes will be shared shortly.

Auroville Town Development Council (ATDC)

Submitted by Joel

APPLICATION ANNOUNCEMENT 16-04-2026



Auroville
Town
Development
Council

L'avenir d'Auroville

The following Site Application has been received and is approved—announced for information

1. House of Seva (Volunteer House)

- **Applicant/s:** Yorit Rozin
- **Location/area:** Old Abri Puncture Service / Evergreen
- **Site area for which approval is sought:** 1311 Sq.m

Project brief: Yorit and Aviram were requested to help create a small community space located closer to the center of Auroville to support people engaged in sincere Seva. The idea is to build a calm, sattvic space where healthy vegan food will be provided, and in later stages simple accommodation will be made available for those dedicated to service.

The project will be developed in two phases. In Phase 1, a small space will be set up to bring people together around Seva and offer nutritious vegan meals. In Phase 2, simple dormitory style rooms with shared dry composting toilets and showers will be created.

Yorit and Aviram have applied for the use of existing unused buildings in the Abri area, and make a community kitchen space to begin with. The proposed location includes the unused sheds and surrounding area of the former Abri Puncture Service, along with a small open space at the entrance of Evergreen community.

- *For more information on specific projects or to schedule a meeting, please contact L'avenir d'Auroville (ATDC) at: avenir@auroville.org.in.*

Auroville Town Development Council (ATDC)

Submitted by Joel

**THURSDAY, 23 APRIL 2026,
has been Declared a Holiday**

As per Letter No. 199/J1/2026-1 dated 24.03.2026 issued by the Labour Welfare and Skill Development Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, which refers to Letter No. 78/EPS/2026 dated 16.03.2026 of the Election Commission of India, New Delhi, the General Elections to the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly will be held on Thursday, 23rd April 2026.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 135B of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, the day of polling, i.e., Thursday, 23rd April 2026, has been declared a holiday.

All employers are required to grant a paid holiday to their employees on the polling day to enable them to exercise their franchise. No deduction of wages shall be made on account of such leave.

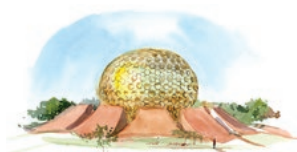
All units, services, and establishments are kindly requested to comply with the above directive.

For any further details, clarifications, or assistance in this regard, please feel free to write to sewa@auroville.org.in.

Sandjivy
on behalf of SEWA

Community News

Matrimandir News & Schedules



MATRIMANDIR ACCESS INFORMATION

Access to the Park of Unity

- The Matrimandir, the Petals, the Lotus Pond and the Banyan Tree are areas of silence.
- The Park of Unity is open to Aurovilians and registered Newcomers daily, 6am—7:30pm.
- Aurovilians may bring close family and friends (maximum 3) to the Gardens only daily, 9am—3:30pm.
- **Aurovilians bringing children under the age of 10 to visit the Gardens may do so only after 11.30am except Tuesday when they can come from 9am—11am.**
- Aurovilians wishing to bring close family to the Gardens at any other time should inform
 - mmconcentration@auroville.org.in before 11am on the day of the proposed visit.
- Registered Volunteers and Donors require a pass to enter the Park of Unity. Timings will be indicated on the pass.
- Published events in the Park of Unity are open to Aurovilians, Registered Newcomers, Volunteers, Pass holders and Guests. Guests should bring their Aurocards.
- **Savitri Readings on Tuesday evenings:** Guests holding only Aurocards wishing to attend should book by filling in the form at <https://bit.ly/savitri-reading> one or two days in advance.
- Visits to the Park of Unity and Inner Chamber should not be included in the program of any conference or workshop. Participants should be directed to the Viewing Point.

Access to the Inner Chamber of the Matrimandir for Aurovilians, Newcomers and registered Volunteers

The Matrimandir is a place for silent individual concentration. The Inner Chamber is open to Aurovilians and registered Newcomers:

- Monday—Saturday, 6—8am, 4:30—7:30pm.
- Sunday, 6am—12pm, 4:30—7:30pm.

The Inner Chamber is open to **registered Volunteers:**

- Every day, 4:30—6pm.
- Volunteers are requested to come and get their revised passes between 10—10:30 am from the Matrimandir office.
- **It is obligatory for the volunteers and pass holders to carry the pass with them.**

The Inner Chamber is open to Aurovilians wishing to accompany a maximum of 3 close family members and friends no more than once in two weeks, with booking 3 to 5 days in advance to mmconcentration@auroville.org.in.

- Any day except Tuesday & Sunday, 8—8:25am.
- Arrival at 7:45am at the Office Gate

The Inner Chamber, the Petals and the Gardens are open to the Children of Auroville and the Outreach Schools:

- Tuesday 9—11am.

Auroville units can bring their staff to the Inner Chamber with a prior booking to mmconcentration@auroville.org.in.

- Tuesday 8—8:30am.

Petals of the Matrimandir

The Petals are open to Aurovilians, registered Newcomers and Pass holders: Daily 7—8am, 5—6pm.

Access to Matrimandir for Visitors and Guests

Matrimandir Viewing Point:

The Viewing Point is open to the general public on presentation of a Pass. Visits to the Matrimandir Viewing Point are free of charge. Free pass can be obtained at the Auroville Visitors Centre. The Viewing Point lies south of the Park of Unity and offers visitors a panoramic view of the Matrimandir and the Gardens and the Lake.

- Starting from Visitors Centre. Daily, 9am—5:30pm.

The Inner Chamber of the Matrimandir is open to Visitors and Guests by prior booking only. Visitors and Guests seeking to concentrate in the Inner Chamber are requested to inquire at the Information Desk of the Visitors Centre after first visiting the Viewing Point, or to go to the website: auroville.org.

- Prior booking is required to access the Inner Chamber at least one or two days in advance. Bookings for concentration are given for the following or the first free day as per availability and are accepted only up to one week in advance. Minimum age 10 years.
- The Petals are open to Visitors on the morning of their Inner Chamber visit.

Security. Please note that it is not permitted to

- Swim in any of the ponds, the channel and the Lake except the Children's ponds in the Garden of Youthfulness
- Throw pebbles into the ponds and fountains
- Pick flowers in the Gardens
- Climb to the very top of the Petals.

Parents, please supervise your children at all times.

Bags, cameras and cell phones should be left in the lockers or the Access office.

Please no photography, videos or drones without prior permission. For permission, please write to

- matrimandir@auroville.org.in.

Antoine
for Matrimandir Executives Team

AMPHITHEATRE: Meditations at sunset with Savitri

- 6—6:30pm, every Thursday, weather permitting

Savitri, Sri Aurobindo's long mantric poem, read by Mother to Sunil's music is on weekly for everyone to concentrate, in this beautiful open space in the very center of Auroville.



- **Reminder to all:** The Park of Unity is a place for silence, meditation and inner work and is to be used only as such. We request everyone: please do not use cameras, i-pads, cell phones, etc. No photos.
- **Guests with Auroid** wishing to attend must book by filling in the form at <https://bit.ly/savitri-reading> one or two days in advance. Please bring your Auroid with you.
- **Access by Office Gate for the Amphitheater only** from 5:15pm. Guests are requested to bring along their Auroids. **Last entry for guests at 5:45pm.** Access limited for guests to the Amphitheatre
- **Last exit for guests at 6:45pm.** Velmurugan

Awakening Spirit

SAVITRI BHAVAN, APRIL 2026

Exhibitions

9am—5pm, Sunday closed

- **Meditations on Savitri:** A painting exhibition of 472 paintings created by the Mother with Huta from 1961—67 is on display in the picture gallery
- **A Bilingual Exhibition on 'Sri Aurobindo:** A life-sketch in photographs' with texts both in English and Tamil is displayed in the upper corridor
- **Glimpses of the Mother:** Photographs and texts in the Square Hall



Films: Mondays, 4pm

- **20 April: The Mother's Victory**—The Supreme Divine always keeps building a higher harmony and a greater unity. And on many occasions, The Mother conversed with the Gods and Goddesses and later gave us a deeper understanding of their mystery. A video talk by Dr. Alok Pandey. *Duration: 37min.*

Followed by **The Mother of Dreams** by Sri Aurobindo, a poem written in Alipore Jail and read by Shraddhavan. Created by the Savitri Bhavan Team. *Duration: 8min.*

In the illuminating video talk, Dr. Alok Pandey reflects on several aspects of the new evolutionary Lila of the Supreme Divine Mother and the need of surrender and transformation. The Supreme Divine Mother, Aditi, is the undivided infinite consciousness. She gives birth to the gods, the Adityas, gives them light as well as power/shakti, and dwells with them to uplift the earth and to bring beauty and harmony.

And then, there are the titans, the beings of division, dark energies and destruction who fight against the gods. The battle between them has been going on for ages. In this conflict, when the titans have the upper hand, the poison appears in the form of doubt, pessimism, depression, despair, in fighting, hate and ingratitude.

Both sides of the conflict are influencing human beings: the forces of the gods, positively and the forces of the titans, destructively. As long as the titans and their power of falsehood in humans remain, there will be no definite victory of the Divine. The Mother and Sri Aurobindo descended into this world to end this long-drawn battle and bring the final victory of truth and light. They aim at the *Victory of Harmony* in human consciousness and on all levels of existence. A deeper

wisdom must be worked out since the titans also came out of the Divine but revolted against the Divine Will and continue to oppose it.

So, the Divine Mother starts a new *Lila of Transformation* involving all to attain a final resolution of this conflict and transform and rescue the titans. She also has to face the reality of the gods' nature: they do not have the power to transform themselves and progress further because they do not have the urge to. The Mother was in contact with all the gods of the Indian pantheon as well as with Greek and Egyptian deities. She mentioned that when she was conducting meditation sessions in the Ashram, all these gods would come and watch this new Lila going on. But they do not understand the necessity of their transformation because they are absolute in their own right.

Fortunately, there is something in man, a potential of becoming even greater than the gods. That something is the *Psychic Being* as well as man's aspiration, love, and surrender to the Supreme Divine: that is what gives man joy and ecstasy.

One day, The Mother asked Durga why she does not surrender to the Supreme. Thereafter, Durga surrendered to the Supreme and that facilitated the Divine work of transformation.

Due to the increasing presence and pressure of the Supreme, all the darkness comes to the surface suddenly, all the falsehood arises and all the poison of the millennia. This explains why surrender to the Divine Mother and Supreme are absolutely required for the work of transformation. And She is the power that absorbs all the poison and annihilates it. All is the sacrifice of the Divine Mother for the victory of truth over falsehood.

To cope with the processes of transformation, The Mother advises: you have to stay on, you have to endure, you have to keep offering and you have to have faith, because all the falsehood has to come out, seen, and transformed. Moreover, it is necessary to undo the habit of lying, and to learn mental honesty.

There are multiple victories won by the Supreme. The Mother states that the creation is consciously moving towards the Divine Origin. Now only a few men have a glimpse of it. It will take centuries until it becomes natural for the entire humanity.

[The video talk The Mother's Victory \(36min\)](#) is also available on YouTube and will be followed by **The Mother of Dreams**—a poem by Sri Aurobindo (8min)—available on Savitri Bhavan website:

- <https://savitribhavan.org/> > Study Materials > Misc. Video & Talks > **The Mother of Dreams by Sri Aurobindo—Reading by Shraddhavan or on YouTube.**
- **27 April: Interview with Jhumur by Narad**—Jhumur shares her remembrance about Sri Aurobindo and his golden light as well as her and other children's learning with The Mother in the Ashram. *Duration: 72min.*

Dream Divine Series

- **Fridays, 4—5pm @ Sangam Hall of Savitri Bhavan**
Everyone is welcome

This initiative is designed especially for newcomers, aiming to provide a deeper understanding of the Aims and Ideals of Auroville, the Life and Works of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother, and the principles of Integral Yoga. The series will feature interviews, lectures, and presentations by Aurovilians and Ashramites through video documentaries and live talks followed by interactive Q&A sessions. A wide range of topics will cover the richness and diversity of Auroville's vision, life, and reality.



- **17 April:** Divine Grace and plasticity—a powerpoint presentation by Nethya, Savitri Bhavan
- **24 April:** Holding the Flame: Staying True in Times of Turbulence—Talk by Dr. Alok Pandey



Listening into Presence

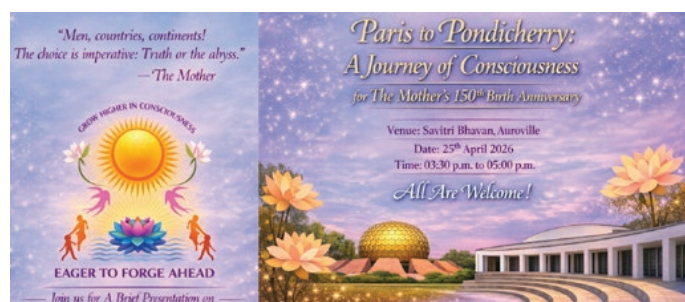
- Every Wednesday, 5—6pm @ Picture Gallery
- Every Saturday, 4—5pm @ Square Hall

Through stillness and silence, we will tune into the Presence, noticing its activity in our physical and subtle bodies. Letting go of our mind and ego automatism we will open up into the deeper automatism that is beyond our doing and thinking. We will seek to enter into a state of receptivity by not doing, getting ourselves out of the way to allow the Consciousness to bring about the right organization and balance of particles and energies. *Guided by Misha (Mike).*



A Warm Invitation Towards the 150th Birth Anniversary of The Mother, 21 February 2028

- 25 April 2026, 3:30—5pm @ Savitri Bhavan



Join us for a short presentation on the journey leading to this special year (21 February 2027—21 February 2028)

What we will share:

- About Eager to Forge Ahead
- Meaning of this special year
- Vision and plans ahead
- How we can walk together

Let us come together in gratitude, unity, and aspiration to honor Her presence and grow in consciousness

For further details, please contact:

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All are welcome

Exploring the Frontiers of Consciousness: Savitri as a Resource for Scientific and Metaphysical Research

Savitri Bhavan, Auroville, invites scientists, philosophers, and researchers worldwide to an on-line contemplative study of Sri Aurobindo's *Savitri*. The program began on 15 August 2025, focusing on selected cantos from Part One of *Savitri*. Bi-weekly sessions combine guided reflections (via Shraddhavan's recorded talks) with interactive discussions. Participants can choose to contribute actively or simply listen.

Fields invited include Space Science, Evolutionary Research, Quantum Physics, Mathematics, Metaphysics, Neuroscience, and Philosophy.

To register or learn more: savitribhavan@auroville.org.in

- www.savitribhavan.org



Guided Yoga Nidra sessions

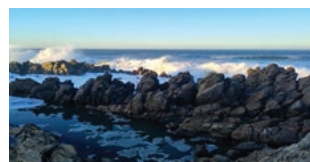
- Every Tuesday, 11am—12noon @ Sangam Hall

Guided Yoga Nidra session, infused with the wisdom of The Mother and Sri Aurobindo and accompanied by a deeply restorative sound journey. This is a sacred space for deep inner rest, alignment and receptivity. As part of the practice, we invite you to prepare a Sankalpa—a short, positive sentence that serves as a crystallization of your spiritual aspiration. Please arrive a few minutes early.

Things to bring: A yoga mat if can or cushions are available to lie down. **Conducted by Sunny and Team**

Reading on Nature

Animal and Plant Kingdom from the Mother and Sri Aurobindo's writings with Aikya. Open group, eventually followed by small discussion/ sharing.



- Wednesdays, 10:30—11:30am, @ Savitri Bhavan Library area

Light and Delight

- Thursdays, 5—6:15pm @ Savitri Bhavan



Thursday is symbolically an auspicious day for learning and for welcoming the light of knowledge and wisdom.

The Mother called Savitri "the supreme revelation of Sri Aurobindo's vision". She painted lines from this epic poem along with Huta, a sadhak from the Sri Aurobindo Ashram. Through this art and poetry, we will create an atmosphere of light and delight in which we can find and share our own expressions.

We welcome you to join this artistic and poetic journey; the only requirement is a willingness to explore, discover and express the gifts already in you.

Gentle reminders: Bring paper and pen, Come on time or 5-10 minutes earlier, Meet at Sri Aurobindo's statue, Voluntary contribution to the venue. **Anandi Z.**

Regular Activities

- **Sundays, 10:30—12noon:** Savitri Study Circle led by Larry Seidlitz
- **Mondays, 3—4pm:** Finding the soul (Book 7 Canto 5 of Savitri) led by Dr.Jai Singh
- **Mondays to Saturdays, 3—5pm:** L'Agenda de Mère: listening to recordings with Gangalakshmi
- **Tuesdays, 11am—12noon:** Guided Yoga Nidra session led by Sunny
- **Tuesdays, 3—4pm:** Readings of the words of The Mother on Aims and Ideals of Auroville led by Dr. Jai Singh
- **Wednesdays, 10:30—11:30am:** Reading on 'Nature' with Aikya
- **Wednesdays, 5—6pm & Saturdays, 4—5pm:** Listening into Presence led by Misha (Mike)
- **Thursdays, 4—5pm:** Videos of The English of Savitri led by Shraddhavan
- **Thursdays, 4—5:30pm:** Reading Savitri in Russian with Anatoli
- **Fridays, 3—4pm:** Reflections on Sri Aurobindo's Isha Upanishad led by Dr. Jai Singh
- **Saturdays, 5—6:30pm:** Satsang led by Ashesh Joshi
- **Exhibitions, Main Building and Office** are open Monday to Saturday 9am—5pm
- **Library and Digital Library** is open Monday to Friday 9am—5pm. **Margrit, Velmurugan & Dhanalakshmi**

AUROVILLE DISCOVERY PROGRAM

Every 3rd Saturday, 3—5pm

Work as a means of Inner Discovery



Volunteers, Interns, Staff & Workers:
Understand | Align | Contribute

Auroville is a living experiment in Human Unity. The Discovery Programme offers volunteers a grounded introduction to the practical functioning of the City — helping align work & attitude.

ATTEND TO GAIN:

- Auroville's Purpose
- Participation & Process
- Lived Experience
- Dialogue & Reflection
- Clarity to Contribute

Every 3rd Saturday | 3:00-5:00 pm
Venue: Auditorium, Auroville Visitors' Centre.

Participants may also choose to attend monthly and connect with the volunteer community.

www.auroville.org.in

@ SAIIR meeting hall, at Town hall

April session: 18 April

Aware is hosting a monthly Auroville Discovery Programme for volunteers, staff, and workers who wish to better understand Auroville's purpose, the spirit of work, and meaningful participation.

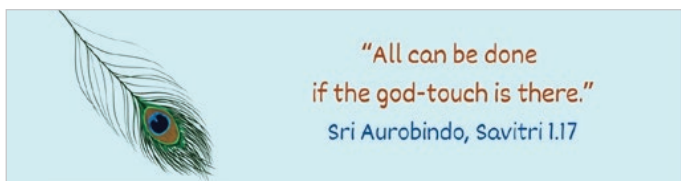
Includes a short film, practical orientation, a talk by a seasoned Aurovillian, and open dialogue.

- Registration required: [Form link](#)

Sajiv for Aware Auroville

BHAGAVAD GITA IN DAILY LIFE

29 March to 24 April, 5—6am, daily online zoom



"All can be done
if the god-touch is there."
Sri Aurobindo, Savitri I.17

On 29 March, 1914, The Mother met Sri Aurobindo for the first time in Pondicherry, recognizing him from her spiritual visions as "Krishna." 24 April, 1920, marked The Mother's final arrival in Pondicherry when she returned to settle permanently and work with Sri Aurobindo on their Integral Yoga sadhana. She later called this date a "tangible sign of the sure Victory over the adverse forces."

Some of us are embarking on a collective learning yajna to integrate the wisdom from Bhagavad Gita in our day-to-day life. We will be referring to all 700 shlokas of the Gita in Sanskrit along with daily practices, reflections and reading excerpts from Sri Aurobindo's Essays on the Gita and The Mother's writings. All are welcome.

- For more details and registration click:

tinyurl.com/gitainlife

- Feel free to write to us: vidyamandir@auroville.org.in

Deven,

Shaalini for Vidyamandir

BHARAT NIVAS PROGRAM

A weekly study circle on

The Synthesis of Yoga

- Sri Aurobindo



By Deepti Tewari

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Every Tuesday

Venue :

Resource Library,
Bharat Nivas, Auroville



Monisha

BHAGAVAD GITA CHANTING

- Every Sunday morning, 7—8am

- @ The Mother's Flower Garden

All are welcome

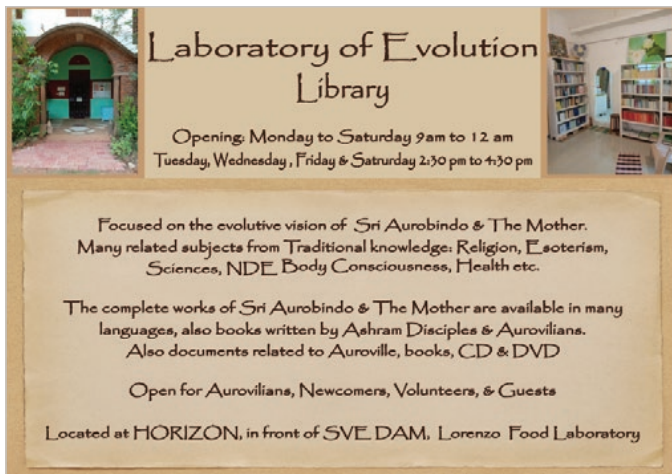
For queries: vidyamandir@auroville.org.in

Deven for Vidyamandir Auroville Team



Books

LABORATORY OF EVOLUTION LIBRARY



Laboratory of Evolution Library

Opening: Monday to Saturday 9am to 12 am
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Focused on the evolutive vision of Sri Aurobindo & The Mother.
Many related subjects from Traditional knowledge: Religion, Esotericism, Sciences, NDE, Body Consciousness, Health etc.

The complete works of Sri Aurobindo & The Mother are available in many languages, also books written by Ashram Disciples & Aurovillians.
Also documents related to Auroville, books, CD & DVD

Open for Aurovillians, Newcomers, Volunteers, & Guests

Located at HORIZON, in front of SVE DAM, Lorenzo Food Laboratory

Kalyani

AUROVILLE LIBRARY

Weekly Readings of *The Life Divine*



Weekly Readings of The Life Divine
with Balvinder, at AUROVILLE LIBRARY

Fridays, 4:30 - 5:30pm

(from 23 January 2026)

All are welcome.

Contacts:

- 0413 2622894, avlib@auroville.org.in
- <http://library.auroville.org.in/>

Opening timings

- Mornings:**
 - Monday—Saturday, 9am—12:30pm
- Afternoons:**
 - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday: 2—4:30pm
 - Tuesday: 4—6:30pm

Ayesha for Auroville Library team



Education

SATORI:

Educational services

- Physics and Chemistry CBSE grades 11—12;
- Edexcel IGCSE and International Advanced Levels (grades 9—12).
- Mathematics 7—8 grades as preparation to high school science.
- Exam preparation through knowledge and understanding.

Sergei,

9442934078,

satori.auroville@gmail.com

GRANT PROPOSALS 2026, FWE AND SDZ

Aurovilians are invited to prepare and submit grant proposals for possible funding by Stichting De Zaaier and the Foundation for World Education in the second half of 2026.

A grant application form and budget request table are available on request from abundance.pcg@auroville.org.in for this purpose.

You are encouraged to send in a draft version of your proposal before finalizing the application.

Following the procedures set up by the Foundation for World Education and Stichting De Zaaier, proposals will be checked to ensure that the grant request falls within their funding criteria and then forwarded to them to be reviewed for selection and grant allocation by their Board members.

Please note that *funds are not available for infrastructure, buildings or transport*. Requests for equipment will be considered if specifically required for the implementation of the project and are not already available in Auroville.

NB Both SDZ and FWE have indicated a preference for the funding of projects and activities for which the maintenance of Aurovilians is either covered by Auroville or from a source other than the grant being requested.

Please note that if you are submitting a proposal that has anything to do with Auroville or Auroville Outreach schools, or, students of any individual classes, your proposal is to be reviewed by all concerned School Boards prior to being submitted. (Please contact any individual schools mentioned in your proposal before submitting it to the School Boards.) It is important that all the relevant bodies (i.e. schools, teachers, school boards, etc.) are aware of your project and support it. In this way, the donors will know that such requests have the support of schools and thereby have a greater impact on the beneficiaries of the project.

Important to note: If you have already received funding for a project through Abundance PCG please send in a progress report/status update (if project is ongoing) or final report (if project has been completed or all funds have been utilized) before making an application for new grant.

For more information, assistance or a grant application form and budget request table, please write to:

- abundance.pcg@auroville.org.in

Pala, for Abundance PCG

TRANSITION SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Friday, 17 April, 10:30am—12pm

You are all warmly invited to our Whole School Open House. Please join us on Friday, 17 April 10:30am to 12pm.

During the event, you will have the opportunity to meet the children and see some of the work they have been doing throughout the year. The Arts and Crafts Center and all of the classrooms will be open to everyone.

We also invite you to see our murals displayed across some of our buildings. This year, our school value was Gratitude, and the 8th grade students created these murals as a reflection of that theme. This was done in collaboration with the Arts and Crafts team.

We all look forward to seeing you there!

The Students and Teachers of Transition School

*Clare and Yasmin
for Transition School*

TUITION CLASSES AVAILABLE

- **Tuition classes** available from 1st to 12th grade level in all subjects.
- **Crash course** available for 10th and 12th grade level.
- **For further information** contact
 - ashree@auroville.org.in
 - 8270512606 WA only.

Ashwini

LILALOKA

"A place where play transforms, where joy opens the path."—Sri Aurobindo

Lilaloka is a recreational and resource center for children, dedicated to personal development through play and creativity. It offers both individual and group experiences in a non-competitive, non-judgmental atmosphere, fostering connection between schools, families, and children for their overall well-being.

"Each individual is a special manifestation in the universe; therefore, his true path has to be absolutely unique."

Lilaloka welcomes all children—Aurovilians, guests, home-schoolers, and those with behavioural, relational, or learning challenges. Activities include cooperative games, arts and crafts, nature exploration, storytelling, drama, and more.



Activities 2026

Lilaloka offers both **individual** and **group** sessions, guided by a team of facilitators specialized in various fields of child development.

Nesters

- **Once a week, age: 0—12 months, parents and babies together.**

A nurturing space supporting early bonding and holistic growth—focusing on trust, emotional well-being, and sensory connection between parent and child.

- **Two times per week (or as per group needs), age: 1—2 years old, with parents**

Sessions that support healthy attachment and conscious parenting, helping parents respond with empathy, presence, and understanding.

Infants' Community

- **Daily mornings, age: 1½–3 years**

A warm, thoughtfully prepared environment inspired by Integral Education, Waldorf, and Montessori principles—encouraging independence, curiosity, and self-discovery through play, movement, and nature.

Free-Flow Mornings

- **Three times per week, open mornings to all children aged 5+**

Child-led learning through art, nature play, storytelling, science, and hands-on projects—encouraging curiosity, creativity, and a love for discovery beyond structured schooling.

Afternoon Activities

- **Twice per week, age: 3–6 years**

A holistic space fostering intellectual, emotional, physical, and spiritual growth through play and creative exploration.

- **Once per week, children 6–11 Years**

Focused on developing fine motor skills, creativity, and concentration through arts and crafts.

Occupational Therapy and Individual sessions

- **By appointment**

For both schooled and non-schooled children, in collaboration with parents and educators.

Research and Training

Lilaloka shares its experience through workshops and training programs for students, educators, and researchers—both from Auroville and around the world—with a special invitation to Indian education researchers.

For more information:

- lilaloka@auroville.org.in, 9655519546 WA

Ana, Ritam and Leela

LEARNING SPACE OPENS DOORS FOR KIDS

of guests, volunteers and newcomers

Aarambham Learning Space is open for children of guests, volunteers, and newcomers of Auroville. Learning Space is an initiative of SAIER, offering a space for orientation, integration, and exploration of Auroville before school enrollment. As well as preparation and adaptation of new students of age from 6 to 12 for the Integral Education model of Auroville schools.



A team of facilitators experienced in arts, personalized academic activities, physical education, awareness fostering is ready to receive new students.

Our additional weekly activities outside and inside of the campus will include visits to Matrimandir, units and communities of Auroville, classes of practical skills, story creation and forest exploration.

- Drop off time 8:15—8:45am
- Pick up time 3:30—4:40pm (by the age of students)
- Lunch and snacks are provided.
- We are able to host 10 to 20 students.
- Standard Auroville schools fees apply.

Aarambham located at the former TLC base camp, near Dehashakti, in the natural surroundings of Baraka forest.

Parents of students are welcome to participate in various ways.

- For admission/visit, please make an appointment at aarambham@auroville.org.in.

Alexey

CORPORATE SUSTAINABILITY & UI/UX DESIGN

@ Yuvabe Education's Bridge Program

3-Month Courses

We're excited to announce two new opportunities for young adults in the Auroville Bioregion! Yuvabe Education's Bridge Program is launching two completely free 3-Month



Courses, starting September 2026:

- **Corporate Sustainability**—Gain in-depth knowledge in climate action, ESG, circular economy, and corporate responsibility. Work on hands-on projects and learn from sustainability experts.
- **UI/UX Design**—Learn design principles, wireframing, and prototyping. Build practical skills through projects and create a portfolio to showcase your abilities.

Both programs are completely free for students and designed to prepare participants for meaningful careers. Top performers may also be eligible for internships with Yuvabe.

- [Apply now](#)

Course details:

- Course fee: Free
- Course launch: September 2026, duration 3 months
- Venue: In-person at Saracon, near Svaram, Auroville

For more details:

Flyer: [Flyer link](#)

Visit Website: <https://www.yuvabe.com/bridge-program>

Contact Us: 9677604467, bridge@yuvabe.com

We look forward to connecting with you!

Follow us on social media:

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/yuvabe.auroville/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/yuvabe.auroville>

Linkedin: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/yuvabe/>

Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/@yuvabe.auroville/>

Abilash

SUMMER WORKSHOPS @ AIAT

Make Your Summer Awesome with AIAT Workshops!

Hey Students of Grades 10,11,12

Starts 18 April to June

Why spend your holidays bored when you can learn, build, and have fun?

Join the AIAT Summer Workshop Series 2026 and explore exciting topics like:

- AI & ChatGPT
- Silambam (Martial Arts)
- Coding & Python
- Drones & Robotics
- Solar
- 3D Printing
- GenAI & much more!



Hands-on sessions; Beginner-friendly; Learn by doing

Suitable for students of Grade 10, 11 & 12

- @ AIAT Campus (Irumbai & Palmyra), [Location](#)

- Limited seats only—don't miss out!

For more details and registration:

<https://linktr.ee/aiat.events>

- For details: +91 9994216702

Bring your friends and make this summer fun + useful!

Amarnath



Are you looking to transform your future and career with AI?

Come Join our Free AI Masterclass at Hive Coworking Space facilitated by S M Pandi Subramanian, founder of Enthiram.AI, with over 20 years of pioneering work in AI innovation and solutions.

Open for all, no prior experience needed.

- [Location](#)
- +91 9886740850, auromodehive@auroville.org.in

Dhesh

KUILAI CREATIVE CENTRE REGULAR ACTIVITIES

(A unit of SAIER)

- Tuition from 1st to 9th grade
- Silambam—Martial Art Programme
- Bharat Naattiyam—Classical Dance Activities
- Hip-Hop
- Physical Fitness Activities
- Summer Camp in May
- Art & Craft
- Children's Play Park with Swings, Calisthenics set, and a Slide.
- Make and Take on Mother's 12 Quality Programme (Art & Craft, Book Making, Embroidery, Gardening, Painting, Calendar Making and Tailoring Activities).



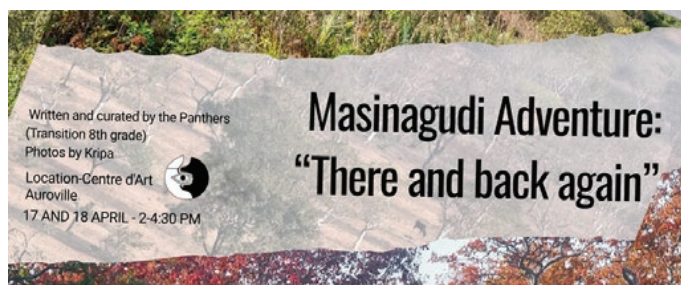
Please contact us to inquire about the class timings.

- kulaicreativecentre@auroville.org.in
- +91 8608473385 WA

Selva from KCC

MASINAGUDI ADVENTURE: THERE & BACK AGAIN

Interactive photo exhibition
By Panthers, 8th grade of Transition School



Friday, 17 and Saturday, 18 April, 2—4:30pm
@ Centre d'Art, Auroville

We, the Panthers, the 8th grade of Transition School, invite you to our interactive photo exhibition. We look forward to seeing you.

Saranya for Panthers

Health Care

SANTÉ SERVICES, APRIL



Working Hours

- Monday—Saturday, 9—12:30pm & 2—4:30pm

Tests and Sample collection

- Monday—Friday, 8:30—12pm
- No** sample collection on Saturday

For emergencies

- Auroville Ambulance 24/7: +91 9442224680
- Government Ambulance 24/7: 108

Appointment: Please call Santé on 0413 2622803 during working hours for an appointment

Santé Services Schedule

Doctor Consultation with Dr. Joseph, Dr. Pavan & Dr. Sana: Monday to Saturday	Nurse Care Ezhil & Archana, Daily: no appointment needed
Ayurveda with Dr. Be: Monday/ Tuesday/ Wednesday/ Friday	Homeopathy with Michael: Monday/ Wednesday/ Saturday
Physiotherapy with Galina: Monday to Friday	Physiotherapy with Arun: Monday to Friday
Midwifery & GYN Care with Paula: Monday & Wednesday	Integrative Psychotherapy with Juan Andres: Monday to Friday
Holistic Therapy with Louis Patric—Monday to Friday	Soundbed Session with Sandhya/ Thilagam: Not available
Bio-Well Assessment (Evaluation of your well-being) with Helena—inquiry email: adminSanté@auroville.org.in	Home Care Contact Santé for timings: Physiotherapy w/ Arun Doctor Consultation w/ Dr. Sana

In Santé, we value our patient's confidentiality & make every effort to ensure their privacy. In case of cancellation or to reschedule, it is necessary to inform us in advance.

Dasha for Santé Services

AURODENT CLINIC @ AUROMODE



We are pleased to inform you that Dr Aravind Anto (MDS—Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon) will now be available at Aurodent Clinic. He will be providing specialised treatments, including: Dental implant placement; Wisdom tooth extractions; Other complex extractions

Appointments can be booked directly at Aurodent Clinic.



For appointment

- +91 9629199328 WA,
- 0413 2622063 landline
- aurodent@auroville.org.in

Working Hours

- Monday to Friday: 9am—5:30pm
- Saturday: 9am—1pm @ Auromode



Jayasutha

MORNING STAR

Office Open House

- Every Saturday, 10am—12pm

We are happy to announce that the Morning Star office will now be open to the community for an Open House. You are welcome to drop in anytime during these hours to learn more about Morning Star's work, receive updates on the building progress, and book appointments to meet with the midwives during clinical days.

- The Morning Star office is located @ Arka Guest House (next to the reception).
- For more information, please visit: www.aurovillemorningstar.org.

Childbirth and Pregnancy education

Morning Star offers education to expectant parents about conscious pregnancy, childbirth and parenting. Classes are conducted in both English and Tamil

- Wednesdays, 5—7pm @ Creativity—Hall of Light

Classes include gentle body movement, educational topics related to pregnancy including Birth plan, Birth without fear, Stages of labour, Partner role & comfort measures during labour, Breastfeeding, Father's role and Postnatal & newborn care.

We invite all expectant parents—Aurovilians, Newcomers, Volunteers, Staff and couples from the Bio region to join us. If you would like more information or to join the class, please contact:

- Rotem: +91 8056888715
- Aditi: +91 9130084284
- or morningstar@auroville.org.in



Little Red Feet—Baby Play and Support Group

- @ Humanscapes, Common Hall
- **Monday, 10am—12pm:** Newborn support circle by Rotem for ages 0—1
- **Wednesday to Sunday, 9am—12pm:** Play and Support Group for ages 0—2

We warmly invite you to our baby play and support group, a nurturing space created especially for parents and babies. Come as you are, connect with other parents, and celebrate the journey of raising your little one.

Here's what to expect:

- **Heartfelt Connections:** Share your joys, challenges, and stories with other parents who truly understand.
- **A Safe Haven:** A welcoming, non judgmental space for growth, encouragement, and community.
- **Inspiring Sessions:** Special guest speakers to guide and support you on topics that matter most.

We can't wait to welcome you and your baby into this circle of love and support. Let's grow together!

- Rotem: +91 8056888715
- Aditi: +91 9130084284

Submitted by Savithri

AURO VISION: VISIT OF EYE DOCTOR

17 April, 10am—1pm

We are pleased to inform you that an Eye Doctor will be visiting the Auro Vision Centre at Auroville Health Centre.

The following services will be available:

- Glaucoma screening
- Cataract evaluation
- Dry eye treatment
- Diabetic retinopathy screening
- Phacoemulsification (cataract surgery consultation)
- Intraocular pressure (IOP) checkup

Kindly make use of this opportunity for a comprehensive eye check-up.

Peter for Auro Vision Team



AUROKIYA INTEGRAL EYE CENTRE

Eye Care Services @ Arka

Aurokiya provides a range of eye care services for Auroville and the bioregion. **Available services:**

- Primary & emergency eye care,
- Spectacles & contact lenses,
- Eye Yoga & Vision Therapy,
- Workplace & community outreach eye camps,
- Support for visits to Aravind Eye Hospital

New services:

- Retina imaging,
- Intraocular pressure (glaucoma) monitoring,
- Red Light Therapy for eyes,
- Dry Eye Therapy

Timings: 9am—5:30pm,

Contact: 9488005685

Aurosugan for Aurokiya

MAATRAM

Maatram offers OCH Open Consultation Hour

- Monday—Friday, 9:30—10am



Addiction Recovery sessions

- Every Tuesday, 3:30—4:30pm
- @ Maatram, 1st floor, Arka

In addition to our Regular Therapy Sessions, we are adding another weekly walk-in session on Addiction Recovery. These sessions are suitable for any kind of addiction including addiction to substances such as

- alcohol, cigarettes, tobacco, marijuana, coffee, sweets
- and addictive behaviours related to use of: smart phones, social media, video games, eating, porn and gambling.

International

UNITY PAVILION PRESENTS

April Events

Day-Time	Venue	Event Details
15 February to 30 April, 9—5pm	Unity hall, Peace hall	Exhibition—The Golden Light: A Collective Artistic Tribute to the Sunlit Path for the Mother's and Auroville's Birthdays. Featuring artworks of: Dilip Patel, Marie-Claire Barsotti, Mayaura, Ok Upcycling, Pierre Legrand, Soham, Sonia Yeo, Uttama Dhandhanian, Tim Wrey, Vivechana
Wednesday 5:30pm	Unity Hall	Sound Bath by Svaram—Experience the gentle power of sound as it flows through you, bringing balance, deep relaxation, and inner harmony.
Thursday 5pm	Hall Of Peace	Silent Meditation by Pierre—Tune into your psychic self and experience deep inner peace and calm for awakening within.
Friday 6pm	Unity Hall	The Flow: Chakra Meditation by Sergei & Preeti—Awaken your inner energy and activate your meridians and chakras through sound, mantras, and frequency for deep healing and balance.
Saturday 10am	Garden	Kids Art Class by artist Janakiraman—A playful exploration of water colour techniques for children.

By Appointment

Date	Venue	Event Details
Daily	Hall of Peace	Tao of Tea —Sencha Style Tea Ceremony by Isha—A conscious and immersive experience of tea's spiritual and healing power, nourishing both body and soul. +91 9385428400 WA
Tuesday, 5pm	Hall of Peace	12 Qualities and the Mother's Symbol by Jaya—A deep exploration of The Mother's Symbol and 12 Qualities that embody the path of inner transformation.
Daily	Oneness Hall	One to one sessions on the Science of Chakra, Integral Yoga, Chakra Balancing and guided Meditation . One to one/ group Life Coaching & Counseling with Preeti based on Integral Transformation offers a safe space to heal and unlock your potential using an integrated, practical approach & powerful tools through a unique blend of Modern Psychology, NLP, Emotional Intelligence, Personality Analysis, and Holistic & Integral Development. 9699930672 WA

- 0413 2623576, 9699930672, unitypavilion@auroville.org.in

The Flow: Chakra Meditation

Connect with the Source and enter the Flow

- Fridays, 6—7pm @ Unity Pavilion



Through ancient Beej mantras and healing frequencies, this meditation awakens the chakras and opens the meridians, allowing prana to move freely through the body. As the energy flows, it releases emotional blockages, eases stress, and restores balance—leaving you with a deep sense of lightness, harmony, and renewal. Experience a journey of sound and vibration!

Presented by The Unity Pavilion Research Team:

- **Sergei**—Electronic Musician, Specialist in Social & Musical psychology
- **Preeti**—Author, Life coach, and Researcher with 25+ years in Integral Yoga & Human Development

Sencha Style Tea Ceremony



The Universe in a Cup of Tea

We invite you on a spiritual journey, accompanied by the tea of your choice. (Organic teas only, tea blends with herbs/flowers/spices also available). During this rare, transformative experience, you will explore & experience the healing aspects of the tea. The session can be conducted 1-on-1, or for small groups (up to 4 people). For more than 4 people, a suitable venue must be arranged in advance. Children aged 5 years and above are most welcome, especially on their birthdays.

- Through appointments only, +91 9385428400 WA

Healing, clarity and conscious transformation



One to one/ group Life Coaching & Counseling with Preeti based on Integral Transformation offers a safe space to heal and unlock your potential. Using an integrated, practical approach & powerful tools through a unique blend of Modern Psychology, NLP, Emotional Intelligence, Personality Analysis, and Holistic & Integral Development.

- **By Appointment:** 9699930672 WA

The Mother's Symbol, Matrimandir and 12 Qualities

- Every Tuesday, 5pm



A deep exploration of The Mother's Symbol and 12 Qualities that embody the path of inner transformation with Jaya.

- By appointment, 0413 2623576

*Preeti
for Unity Pavilion*

PAVILION OF TIBETAN CULTURE presents

Pavilion of Tibetan Culture: The Library

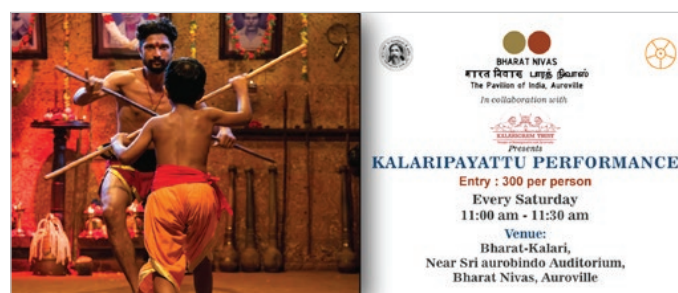
- Monday and Tuesday,
9:30am—12:30pm

*Kalsang
for Tibetan Pavilion*



BHARAT NIVAS, PAVILION OF INDIA

Kalaripayattu performance



Wide: Art Show



Monisha

FRENCH PAVILION PRESENTS

Board games, Wednesdays, 4—5:30pm

- @ Pavillon de France, opposite the Visitor Center

French Pavilion welcomes you every Wednesday, 4—5:30pm for Boardgames. Come to relax and have fun, meet new friends and test your creative thinking by playing board games at the French Pavilion! For all ages, languages and levels.



Submitted by Vivekan & Marie

Youth

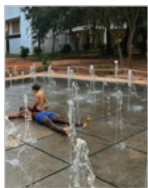
PARK OF HARLEQUIN

Between Citadines and Sunship
Operating every day, 3:30—5:30pm

As the hot season is starting, please note that the water jet in the Park of Harlequin (between Citadines and Sunship) is now operating every day from 3:30 to 5:30pm.

Adults accompanying children can also enjoy the water jet. However, children should always be accompanied by an adult.

Louis



YUVA SANGHA

After a long period of Yuva Sangha (formerly Kailash) standing empty, and much discussion between YouthLink and Housing on how to move forward, we are finally ready to bring the space back to the community.

This announcement has two purposes.

- **First, if you are a young person between 18 and 26 years old, whether a newcomer or an Aurovilian and are in need of a place to stay, we warmly invite you to reach out to YouthLink.** We will guide you through the process of joining the community.
- **Second, to make this revival possible, we need the support of the wider community.** At the moment, the building does not have a washing machine. We are looking for someone who could donate one, or lend one for a few months until we are able to purchase our own.

If you have a washing machine, or know someone who might be able to help, we would deeply appreciate your support in helping us support the youth of Auroville.

Madhu for YouthLink team & Yuva Sangha

Theatre, Music & Arts

mini KGL
Limited seats, indoor & AC-powered concert
Ronny & Valerie
UNPLUGGED
unplugged

SATURDAY
18/04/26
8-9:30 PM
KALABHUMI MUSIC STUDIO

Parking only at Gaia field / CRIPA back entrance
drugs/alcohol prohibited

Saturday, 18 April, 8—9:30pm
@ Kalabhum Music Studio

Limited seats, indoor & AC-powered concert

Ronny & Valerie, unplugged

- Parking only at Gaia field/ CRIPA back entrance
- Drugs/ alcohol prohibited
- Help live music, contribute what you like! **Edoardo**

MAJI: ECHOES OF GOLD

ECHOES OF GOLD
Summer exhibition celebrating Maroma's 50th year

Arati M Tasheva
Gauri Elisa
G. Kumaresan
Kali Borg
Jyotis Feraud
Manisha Munjal
Paul Pinthon
Supriya Menon Meneghetti

MAJI
Maroma Art Gallery

Opening on
18th April
at 4:30pm

20th April - 27th July . Mon- Sat/9 am - 5 pm

MAROMA[®]
Aspiration Street, Auroville

Supriya

MANNIN MANDHIRAM:

Magic of the earth

Exhibition by Kripa. Photo documentary of terracotta votive forms making in Auroville

- 3—25 April @ Pitanga

Gallery timings:

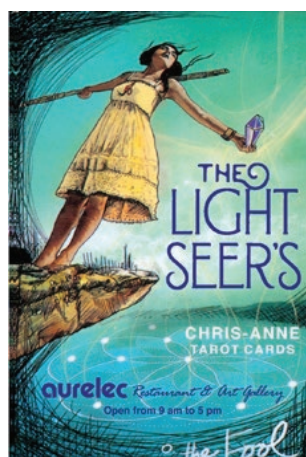
- Monday to Saturday,
8:30am—12pm &
2:30—5:00pm.

Anandamayi



THE FOOL EXHIBITION @ AURELEC

The Fool overview



On the edge of an epic journey, the Fool peers into the abyss below and senses the seed of life calling out to her. She sees the opportunity and stardust swirling, and she knows that her dream begins with this single step. She's not sure what she will learn or exactly where she's headed, but she has clarity about one thing: she will need to jump in order to begin. With her crystal amplifier to guide her, and her wand to protect her, she feels her toes slide past the

threshold of her current reality. She sends one last intention prayer up to the Universe and lets go, feeling the rush of the unknown rise up to meet her. She falls into the void, where her beautiful future awaits.

Message from the Fool

Every dream achieved begins with the seemingly 'foolish' notion that there is something bigger out there. Something greater. Something epic to explore and to become. This child-like optimism comes from deep within your knowing, and

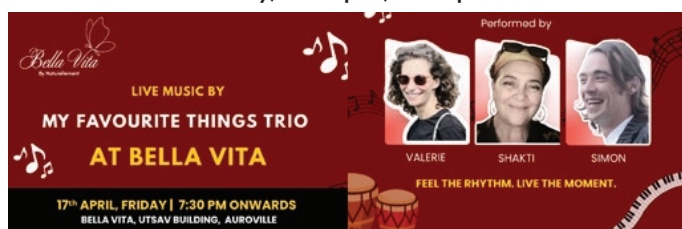
it reminds you that you can achieve the magical things that you've been dreaming about. The journey of the soul begins with you, and with you alone. The time has come to enthusiastically turn towards your new future and take a divine leap of faith in order to claim the reward that this abyss is offering. You may not feel ready. You may not be ready, but there is magic in the air and the Universe is waiting to support you with infinite love and guidance. Surrendering to the call of the Fool means putting deep trust and blind faith in the unknown. It means remembering that everything is happening as it should be happening, and it means swan diving into the seed of potential with all of your curiosity in tow. Sometimes, in shadow, the Fool marks moments in life when you long for freedom and personal expression. If your life has become too conventional, go ahead and shake it up with something totally unexpected! During the genesis of something new, recklessness and impulsivity can create unnecessary obstacles on your path. Have you been ignoring good advice? Trust your instincts and tune in to both intuition and experience. Take any precautions you need to take, and prepare for a stable landing.

*I AWAKEN
my soul path
AND
I AM READY
FOR ADVENTURE*

Chris-Anne, Tarot Cards
Franz, Aurelec

LIVE MUSIC @ BELLA VITA

Friday, 17 April, 7:30pm



Live music at Bella Vita by my favourite trio, Shakti, Valerie and Simon. Feel the rhythm. Live the moment.

Don't miss the last event of the season

Chitra for The Bella Vita team

REMEMBERING VEENAPANI FESTIVAL

Theatre, Dance, Music
12—20 April, 7:30pm



Entry free. Seating first come first served

Food stall and popsicle available

All show are in Adishakti campus,
Sir Ratan Tata Koothukovil, Edayanchavady Road, Auroville

adiShakti
LABORATORY FOR THEATRE ART RESEARCH

16 April	The Queen, Daniel Owen Dsouza, Theatre
17 April	A Woman Or Not To Be, Adishakti, Theatre
18 April	Something Like Truth, Parna Pethe, Theatre
19 April	Shudraka's Mrcchakatikam, G Venu/Natakai-rali, Theatre
20 April	Vasu Dixit Collective Electronic Folk, Music

Paridhi Bihani Dugar
for Adishakti Laboratory for Theatre Art Research

Theatre, Music & Art Activities

CREEVA: ART ACTIVITIES

Center for Research Education Experience in Visual Art
Watercolour painting workshop

- Every Wednesday, 2—4pm

Life drawing session

- Every Saturday, 10am—12pm

T-shirt Painting, Bottle Painting Workshop

Paper Pulp Doll Art Workshop

- Every Sunday, 3—4:30pm

Rediscover the joy of creativity and childhood play, through eco friendly paper pulp. By Giribala Tripathy: From Odis-ha, based in Pondicherry, Sri Aurobindo Ashram artist with over two decades of creative and sustainable art practice.

Live portrait sketch

For personalised live portrait sketch book a session with Sathya.

Open studio

Your welcome to open studio to explore your art except workshops timings. Materials will be provided.

For info contact Sathya: +91 9486145072

- sathyacolour@auroville.org.in

Sathya for CREEVA Art Studio, Creativity



CENTRE D'ART: OPEN CALL FOR ACTIVITIES

Centre d'Art would like to open its gallery to new Activities for the 2026/ 27 Season. It could be a participatory project, a workshop, a lecture, a performance...



Centre d'Art
Auroville

We are looking for events that

share the joy of creation, spark curiosity, ignite creativity, connect people, for adults and children alike.

If you are interested please **send your submission before 30 April 2026** to centredart@auroville.org.in and write "Activity submission" as the subject of the email.

The email should contain:

- Contact details
- A short biography of the artist / facilitator
- The title of Participatory / Workshop project and its explanatory text
- Images of some work in jpg or pdf (max 20 images) in low definition

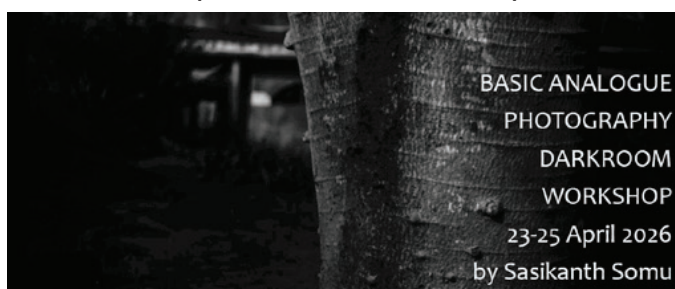
Submitted by Marco

BASIC ANALOGUE PHOTOGRAPHY

Darkroom Workshop

by Sasikanth Somu

23, 24, 25 April @ Centre d'Art Gallery, Citadines



Program & Timings

- **Thursday, 23 April, 2—5pm:** Brief look at History of Photography & Introduction to Film Camera.
- **Friday, 24 April, 9am—2pm:** Film photo shoot (in your own time), 2pm—5pm: Develop your roll of film.
- **Saturday, 25 April, 9am—12:30pm & 2—5pm** (one can choose either of these sessions): Printing Contact Sheets & Photos in the darkroom.

Registration Contact

- centredart@auroville.org.in

Participants are required to be present for all three days.

The workshop fee for Guests: Rs.3000 incl. GST. The workshop is free for Aurovilians, Newcomers and Registered Volunteers, who are residing in Auroville. Registered Volunteers are requested to provide the details of their registration with ATR Auroville. If a non-paying participant is unable to attend all three days of the workshop, he can finish the remaining days the next year only.

All the material for the workshop is provided except the analogue camera. Analogue/Film cameras are available to the participants against a contribution.

Regarding the Analogue camera and any specific questions about the workshop please write directly to the teacher.

- Sasi sasi@auroville.org.in, +91 91593 55809 WA.

The number of participants is limited to six. While subscribing for the workshop please share your full name and your mobile number. Kindly write a few words about yourself and your interest in Analogue Photography.

Sergey, Centre d'Art

ACTIVITIES BY MINT

Bojagi Wrapping Art Workshop

• Tuesdays, 10:30am—12pm

Bojagi is the Korean art of wrapping with care, balance, and quiet beauty.

- No prior experience needed.
- All materials provided
- Limited seats



Still stroke

• Thursdays, 10:30am—12pm

When the mind becomes still, the stroke appears. Still Stroke, One Breath, One Line. Slow calligraphy workshop.



- Limited seats

9489904112 WA, Mint

SVARAM ACTIVITIES

Sound Healing Session



This 45-minute Sound Healing Session is designed to help you reconnect with your natural state of well-being. It offers a supportive impulse for self-healing and balance, guided by a certified sound practitioner.

By Appointment Only

- Available Sessions: Solo, Duo or Group
- For details and booking:
Scan the QR Code or
<https://svaram.org/sound-healing-sessions/>

Sound Journey @ Unity Pavilion



We are back for our 2025—2026 Season!

- Every Wednesday, 5:30—6:30pm
- For details and booking:
Scan the QR Code or
<https://svaram.org/sound-journey-unity-pavilion/>

Sound Garden Tour



These unique spaces invite people of all ages to reconnect with themselves, nature and sound.

- Monday—Saturday, 10:30am—4:30pm,
- Sunday, 10:30am—12:30pm
- For details and booking:
Scan the QR Code or
<https://svaram.org/sound-garden-art-installations/>

Aurelio
for the SVARAM Team

THE AUROVILLE HARMONIES

Recruits



After the recent success of its performances 21, 22 and 26 February, the women's choir *Auroville Harmonies* continues its exploration of worldwide songs.

If you are interested, please contact Antoine for an audition: antoine@auroville.org.in

Antoine

AUROHAMSADHWANI

Arts Center

Saturday, 18 April, 3pm

We are pleased to inform the Community that Aurohamsadhwani Arts Center will be starting **music classes** on Saturday, 18 April 3pm. The classes will take place under the Bharath Niwas (Auditorium Room).

Many have been looking forward to this opportunity, and we warmly invite all interested individuals to join and participate.

Aurohamsadhwani Arts Center Team:

A. Gunasundari, K. Palani, V. Selvi,
P. Samy, H. Suriyagandhi

Dance Activities

DANCE CLASSES BY MANI

Tango Dance Evenings

- Tuesdays & Thursdays 7pm @ CRIPA (Small Room)

Discover the beauty of Tango—a dance of connection, rhythm, and emotion. Move with grace, balance, and awareness in a joyful and welcoming space.

- Please register before coming (registration only).

Bring your socks and water bottle.

- Aurovilians & Newcomers:
Free/ Donation-based
- Guests & Others: Contribution welcome

Let's share the magic of Tango, connect through music, and grow together in movement and harmony.

Salsa Dance Classes

- Monday & Friday—7pm @ CRIPA (Small Room)

Join us for fun, energetic salsa sessions—dance, move, and enjoy the rhythm together!

- Please register before coming (registration only).

Bring your socks and water bottle.

- Aurovilians & Newcomers:
Donation-based
- Guests & Others: Contribution welcome

Let's share the joy of dance, connect with positive energy, and keep improving.

8637633696, Mani



DANCE, MOVEMENT AND BALLET for Children



@ New Creation Dance Studio!

We offer classes for almost all age groups:

- **Toddlers' dance initiation**
from 4 to 5 years old, every Monday, 2:30pm
- **Children' ballet class**
from 6 to 8 years old, every Saturday, 9:15am
- **Tweens' ballet class**
from 10 to 12 years old, every Saturday, 10:30am

Contact Fleur for enquiries: +91 9600225764

Fleur

AUROVILLE TANGO

@ Harmony Hall, Bharat Nivas

- Monday, 7pm: Tango class
- Wednesday, 7:30pm: Practilonga
- Friday, 6:30pm: Practice
- Saturday: Bi-monthly Milongas

No partner required. Bring socks or dance shoes. And plenty of joy!

- +91 9821166082,
- tango@auroville.org.in



Maud

CLASSES IN BHARAT NIVAS

Bharatnatyam Dance Classes

- Saturday, 10am—12pm,
- Sunday, 3—5pm,
- @ SAWCHU

Caveri Suresh, a Bharatnatyam Dance teacher for 27 years, is offering this class to **Beginners, Intermediate** and **Advanced** students.



Caveri Suresh, Diya Dance Studio

Music and Dance Classes

- Saturday, 3—4pm @ Bharat Nivas

This is to inform you that Aurohamsadhwani Arts Center is organizing music and dance classes at the Bharat Nivas premises. The following classes are offered:

- **Bharatanatyam, Veena, Keyboard, Vocal Music**

Students of all ages are welcome to join. The class fees are minimal. For further details and registration, please contact:

- Ms. Gunasundari, 99433 94901
- Mr. K. Palani, 94435 35172
- Mr. H. Suriyagandhi, 94893 25775

A. Gunasundari
for Aurohamsadhwani Arts Team

Sports & Martial Arts

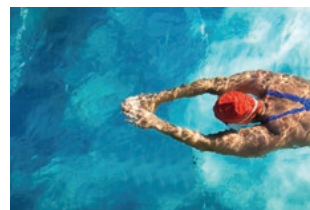
MORNING SWIMMING CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

Tuesdays & Thursdays,
6:30am—7:30am @ La Piscine

- Group classes for Aurovillian kids aged 11 to 15 years
- Safe and fun environment with professional guidance

Build confidence, improve technique, and enjoy the water!

- To enquire: +91 8940288090 WA



Sonia and Ana

SWIMMING CLASS

Learn to swim or improve your skills with personalised training in a calm and supportive environment. Classes are open to both adults and children (from 6 years old).

- Individual lessons—one-on-one personalised attention
- Small group sessions—only 2 to 3 people per class

All levels welcome, from complete beginners to advanced swimmers. Special focus on comfort, confidence, and technique. Limited spaces available to ensure quality and care for every participant. @ Auroville, flexible timings available

8637633696, Mani



ABHAYA MARTIAL ARTS



Abhaya Martial Arts is proud to have trained over 700 students of all genders, ages, and experience levels. We've hosted expert coaches and black belts of many martial art styles, and introduced our students to a vast range of transformative practices. Our team has participated in national competitions and begun awarding official belts and degrees recognized by the Shou Dao School—a martial arts academy acknowledged by the Olympic Committee.

Regular Adult Classes, 5:30pm:

- **Monday:** MMA/Grappling with Coach Giacomo
- **Wednesday:** MMA/Grappling with Coach Giacomo
- **Friday:** MMA/Striking/Self Defence with Coach Tanguy and Coach Giacomo

Please note: Contribution required

- Be punctual; Short nails, wear, and no jewelry; Stay home if you're unwell or have open wounds

- For updates and participation: +91 94873 40778

- For more info contact us: abhaya@auroville.com

<https://abhayaauroville.wordpress.com/>
<https://www.instagram.com/abhayaauroville/>

Giacomo for Abhaya



BUDOKAN: CLASS HOURS AND ACTIVITIES

Aikido:

Aikido is a martial art created in the 1920s by Morihei Ueshiba, a master in traditional Japanese martial arts. Aikido is a path which aspires to the unity of mankind, the unification of the self with the universe, the union of Spirit and Matter. The Auroville Aikido group always welcomes new practitioners, Youth and Adults, and those who would like to revive their abandoned practice!



For Adults & Teenagers

- Monday to Friday, 6—7:30am
- Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 4:50—6pm
- Saturday
 - Advanced 6—8am
 - Weapon class 8—9am

For Kids & Teenagers

- Monday to Friday, 3:50—4:50pm
- Saturday, 10—11am

Aikitaïso:

Aikitaïso it's a body practice based on Zen movement and Aikido body preparation. Perfect for everybody who wants to feel more grounded.

- Monday to Friday: 8—9am
- Saturday: 9—10am

For Aikido & Aikitaïso:

8300643963 WA, Philippe,
9952812843 WA, Murugan,
+ 33622053932 WA Michaël

Yoga:

- Monday, 9:30—10:30am & 5—6pm
- Wednesday to Friday, 9:30—10:30am

Shiatsu:

- Saturday & Wednesday (on appointment)
- Michaël for Auroville Budokan, Dehashakti*

MARTIAL ARTS IN BHARAT NIVAS

Regular Silambam Class

- Wednesday & Saturday, 5—6pm
- @ SAWCHU

From 20 August 2025

Regular Silambam Class
with Hari Haran

05:00 pm - 06:00 pm
Every Wednesday & Saturday

Venue:
SAWCHU,
Bharat Nivas, Auroville

To join, Contact: Hari Haran at +91 63743 71865
Parking available outside at the Main Gate




Grappling & Rudiments of Martial Arts for kids

- Tuesday & Thursday, 4—5pm
- @ Harmony Hall



GRAPPLING & RUDIMENTS OF MARTIAL ARTS FOR KIDS

Every Tuesday & Thursday
04:00 pm - 05:00 pm

Venue:
Harmony Hall,
Bharat Nivas, Auroville

GINROMO
MMA & Judo
Certified International Coach,
Self Defense and
Self Defense Coach

MONICA
Aikido Instructor



Kalaripayattu Regular Class Updated Timings



Bharat Kalari
KALARIPAYATTU
Regular Classes

Venue: Bharat Kalari
Bharat Nivas
Auroville

Time: Monday - Friday
7:00 - 8:00 am
5:00 - 6:00 pm

KALARIGRAM
HYPER-POWER - LIVING SHAKTI
The Pavilion of India, Auroville

WhatsApp Group QR

Enquiry Contact:
+91 86576 52916
info@kalarigram.org
www.kalarigram.org

Regular Classes:

- Morning: 7—8am
- Evening: 5—6pm

Contribution:

- Monthly (one class per day):
Non-AV Rs.3000; AV Rs.2000
- Monthly (morning & evening both):
Non-AV Rs.5000; AV Rs.3000
- Drop-in: Rs.300 per class

Weapons Training:

- Wooden Weapons: 8—8:30am
- Metal Weapons: 6—6:30pm

Contribution:

- Monthly (one class per day):
Non-AV Rs.2000; AV Rs.1000
- Monthly (morning & evening both):
Non-AV Rs.4000; AV Rs.2000
- Drop-in: Rs.150 per class

Note: Weapons practice requires initiation at Kalarigram.

Registration: Please scan the WhatsApp QR code in the poster before attending.

Monisha

AUROVILLE FUTSAL/ FOOTBALL CLUB

Futsal is played on a much smaller court, it is more fun and intense, with more opportunity for goal scoring. We play futsal in Dehashakti. If you like football/ futsal and you want to learn, play and have fun, come and enjoy with us!



Girls all age/ level are playing

- Mondays and Wednesday, 5pm
- Please contact Balaji:
8940224950



Boys 16yo+ are playing

- Tuesdays and Fridays, 5pm
- Please contact Beber
638563 5943



Submitted by Beber

KSHETRA KALARI

@ Aspiration Sport Ground

- Kalari Classes for Beginners
 - Morning classes: 6:30—7:30am
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
 - Evening classes: 5—6pm,
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
- Kalari Classes for Advanced People
 - Morning classes 6:30—7:30am
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
- Kalari Massage Available
 - By appointment, 9042009200



Maneesh

Bioregion, Crafts & Nature Activities

SOLITUDE FARM ACTIVITIES

Saturday Free Farm Tour!

Be a part of a weekly farm tour to learn where your food comes from. Free guided farm tour only on **Saturdays, 11:30am**. For the larger group (5+) and private bookings, there is a separate charge.

- Please email us at: solitudepermaculture@gmail.com

Education at Solitude Farm: It is all about reconnecting with local food. Local food is our nutritional heritage and at Solitude we help bring awareness and adoption of locally grown produce in our daily lives. Workshops at Solitude:

• 3 days Intensive Permaculture Weekend Workshop

- View schedule and book here: <https://solitude.farm/workshop/>

Join us on a road back to nature with this intensive and hands-on workshop that will empower you to start growing your own food and gain insight into knowing where your food comes from. Explore the principles of permaculture; mulching, rotations, intercropping, understand the steps to create a food forest, start a nursery, make your own soap and recycle your waste water, learn about seed saving and lots more.

• Mini Permaculture Workshop

- Please email us: solitudepermaculture@gmail.com for the booking.

We offer mini permaculture workshops as private bookings for the group size 4 + participants. Duration: 2 hours. The group can select any workshop module mentioned below.

- **Introduction to permaculture through local food:** Solitude Farm is a true example of Masanobu Fukuoka's philosophy in practice—a road back to nature through eating local food. In this workshop explore the wide diversity of plants that grow around us, their countless benefits, and delectable taste and even learn how to make your own vegan sushi, salad and coolers!
- **Handmade Soap-Making:** By revaluing papaya seeds, neem flowers and soursop leaves, create your own natural soap and recycle waste water to grow your own food. We'll show you how to pack your soap in banana leaves and inspire you to cut out packaging with simple, creative ideas. The soap is yours to take away!

Farm Fresh Basket Service: A long term commitment to your health! A weekly basket filled with a rainbow of seasonal fruits and vegetables, along with a unique salad kit to ensure a complete nutritional package. This basket is available to anyone from the bio-region. Pick up your basket from the cafe—Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays.

- Please email us at solitudepermaculture@gmail.com to book your basket.

Lunch Scheme @ Solitude: Experience a wholesome lunch scheme at Solitude Farm—freshly prepared straight from our farm every day. Enjoy traditional grains such as millets and red rice, heritage greens like local spinach, and a variety of seasonal fruits and vegetables rich in Ayurvedic benefits. All food is grown without chemicals and follows time-tested methods that have supported communities for generations.

If you're passionate about sustainability, looking to reduce your carbon footprint, or want support in managing life-style conditions such as diabetes or high blood pressure, this lunch is designed for you. Set in a tranquil, scenic space, this is more than just a meal—it's a chance to reconnect with your roots. Come, eat well, and feel well.

- **Booking:** solitudepermaculture@gmail.com

Krishna
for Solitude Farm & Café



AUROVILLE BAMBOO CENTRE

www.aurovillebamboocentre.org

Join our daily guided tours and enjoy a complimentary cup of refreshing bamboo tea. Explore and shop for unique, handcrafted pieces at our Bamboo Boutique, and experience the natural rhythms of our Bamboo Sound Garden.



Bamboo tour with bamboo tea

- Monday—Saturday
8:30am—12:30pm, 1:30—5pm

Special bamboo lunch @ Auroville Bamboo Centre

- Every Saturday, 12—2:30pm
- Pre-book in advance

Enjoy the Special Bamboo Lunch.

Make and take workshops

- Monday—Saturday, 10am—4:30pm
- Pre-book in advance



Take part in our daily Make and Take workshops to learn and discover the endless possibilities of bamboo.

One day workshops:

- Pre-book in advance,
- Monday—Saturday, 9am—5pm



Yurt workshop

- 24 & 25 April, 9am—5pm

The Yurt's frame is made and pre-assembled on the ground and parametrically designed. The structure's partition is given a slight inclination, creating a beautiful shape.



Musical Instrument special Workshop

- 18 April, 9am—5pm, one-day workshop)

Explore the soothing sounds of handcrafted bamboo instruments and learn how each one creates its unique tone. Experience a hands-on session blending creativity, nature, and music in a calming, fun environment.



Pre-booking is necessary for registration:

- bamboocentre@auroville.org.in
- +91 8300949081

Bala Sundaram

WELLPAPER WORKSHOP

10am—4pm, every day except Sunday

Join our workshop to learn & enjoy the process of turning waste paper into art. Create your own unique upcycled products from old newspapers to take home.

- +91 9385744722, 0413 2969722



Viji

ENLIGHT



Contact: Arun / Balaji
+91 88381 72521 / enlight@auroville.org.in

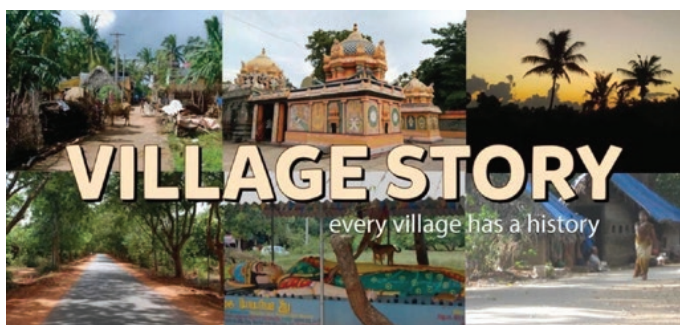







Arun, Anand and Balaji for Enlight Team

EGAI EVERYVILLAGE



Skill-cation: Experiential Learning

Egai EveryVillage is an in-Auroville community 2 to 3-day educative experience teaching real, usable skills, initiative focused on skill-cation in arts and crafts **customized to the learners' needs**—an experience, a form of self-investment both skilling and vacation. Exploration today is not just about sightseeing and relaxation; it's trips and tours to acquire or enhance a skill—whether it's cooking local cuisine, pottery, photography, yoga training, scuba diving, language learning, farming, eco-conservation. Skillcations are a shift in the traditional perception of travel. For learning travellers, these small breaks and learning pursuits are a way to recharge, improve focus, and build transferable skills such as problem-solving, creativity, adaptability, and resilience. It involves smaller groups, focused stays, and involvement with Auroville and local village communities.

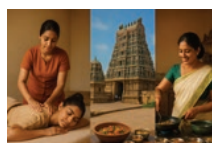
Anand, 9791896488, egai@auroville.org.in

ACTIVITIES BY RUPAVATHI

Bio-Region Temple Tour

Interested in learning more about the religious heritage in and around the bio-region? Come take a guided tour of temples around the bio-region.

- Starting point: Solar Kitchen.
- Can be scheduled anytime throughout the week.



South-Indian Cuisine—Cooking Class

Learn to cook some delicious delicacies of south India with Rupavathi.

Thai Massage: We give everyday morning

- 9:30—11:30, 11:30—1:30, 5:30—7:30pm.
- 8098845200 WA/ Phone,
- rupavathijoy@gmail.com

Rupavathi

MOHANAM PROGRAM

www.mohanam.org



Mohanam: 2 mins from Verité, 6 mins from Matrimandir, 8 mins from Visitor's Center. Experience, explore, energise.

For more information and registration:

Advance booking is necessary for Workshops:

mohanamprogram@auroville.org.in, +91 8300949079

- **Office timing:** 9am—4pm, Monday to Saturday

Make and Take Workshops

- Monday to Saturday, 10am—12:30pm or 2—5pm



Bamboo
Candle

Potter

Coconut
Shell Craft

Dream
Catcher

Incense
Making

Kolam
Mandala

Join and experience the learning aspect of engaging in the art and craft workshops. Manifest inner self through various materials and forms using creative techniques.

Auroville Bioregional Experience

- Monday to Saturday, 10:30am—1pm



Village Tour

Wood Fossil
Visit

Munnur-
Perumukkal

Kaluveli Tank
Visit

Celebrating authentic village experiences and cultural heritage! This is a guided tour to villages in the range of 5km, 10km to 50km from Auroville.

Auroville North-West Tour

- Monday to Saturday, 10:30am—1pm

This tour offers a deeper appreciation of the beauty, heritage, and living traditions of Auroville's northwest zone. It highlights inspiring local entrepreneurship and how traditional practices are being continued through modern techniques.



Deep Sound Bath 5 Element

- 21 & 28 April, every Tuesday, 5—6:30pm
By Satyaguga, connect to your inner self through vibrations & divine chants.



Drum circle

- 22 & 29 April, every Wednesday, 5—6:30pm
A sacred group practice where people gather in a circle to connect through rhythm, sound and presence, creating healing, awareness and inner balance.



Thiruvannamalai Spiritual Services:

Eco & Spiritual services: Thiruvannamalai—Mohanam services

- Arunachala—Auroville; Tour, retreat space; Camping, Temple visit; Ashram, Girivalam Full Moon experience

For booking and more information

- +91 8300949079
- mohanamprogram@auroville.org.in

Rajaveni

ACTIVITIES BY INSIDE INDIA

Inside India Office, Kalpana Community

Saree Draping Workshop, Every Tuesday

- 17 February, 10am onwards

Explore the Timeless Beauty of Six Yards! Uncover the timeless beauty of the saree through an interactive, hands-on draping experience.



Learn classic and contemporary drapes, understand fabrics, pleats, and styling while reconnecting with a garment that carries stories, heritage, and celebration.

- No prior experience needed (beginner-friendly)
- Open to all bodies, gender & ages
- Sarees provided and available for purchase/ Bring your own

Join us and wear tradition with confidence.

- @ Inside India Office, Kalpana Community
- Register now: +91 85249 53838

Kolam Mandala Workshop, Every Friday

Join us for our Tamil Kolam Workshop. Kolam is a special Tamil Mandala art that creates intricate patterns using rice flour. Every Friday from 10am to 12pm. Open to all skill levels.

Bio-Region Tours by Inside India

Join our tours as we take you through the powerful, ever-evolving Auroville bio-region. Catered to your niche and interests; explore where forests are still growing, communities are still dreaming, and where the land speaks if you listen.

- Tours run from 9am to 1pm, with a hearty Auroville-style lunch.
- Available only on request, with a 24-hour heads up.

Cycle Tours through Auroville

- 9am—1pm. Please book 36 hours in advance.

Ride into the green lungs of Auroville on our newest bicycles partnered with KINISI. Muddy red earth under your wheels, rain-washed trees above you, sound of birds, forest winds and chance detours, explore this slow travel at its finest.

Off-Road Cycling & Half-Day Rides

- 9am—1pm
- Available on request, with a 36-hour heads up

For those who want to go off-script; we now offer off-road rides with our seasoned cycling guide. These are wild, custom-built trails cutting through fields, villages, forests and backroads of the bio-region. We tailor it to your stamina, spirit and sense of adventure.

tours@insideindiaauroville.com

Shaheen
for Inside India

SADHANA FOREST

Plant based Saturday

Join us for a day of connection, learning, and delicious plant-based food! Whether you're curious about sustainable living, enjoy spending time with cows, or want to explore new recipes, we'd love to have you with us.

Schedule: Every Saturday

- 09:00 Breakfast
- 10:00 Cow Connection
- 11:00 Plant-Based Cooking Class
- 12:30 Talk on Diet & Nutrition
- 18:00 Dinner

You're welcome to join for the whole day or just a part of it, all offered to you as a gift from Sadhana Forest free of charge.

Aviram

MAROMA CAMPUS TOUR!

Every second Saturday, 10:30am—12pm
@ Maroma Aspiration Campus



A guided, campus-wide experience including production visits, candle and soap making, the Maroma Gallery, and a hands-on incense workshop (with take-home gifts).

Enjoy healthy refreshments and an open Q&A session.

- Rs 500 (Adults)
- Rs 300 (Under 14)
- Aurovilian Special:
Half-price for Aurovilians

Book: <https://maromaexperience.com/>,
9486623749 WA



Jesse

ACTIVITIES AT AUROORCHARD

Weekly Farm Walk: AuroOrchard is Auroville's oldest farm, founded in 1968-69 under the guidance of the Mother with the vision of "growing food for Auroville." Spread over 25 acres of red earth on the eastern coast of Tamil Nadu, AuroOrchard has been a cornerstone of Auroville's food system for more than five decades. Today, we produce over 50% of the fruits and vegetables and 90% of the eggs from Auroville farms. We grow a diversity of crops—mangoes, papayas, bananas, guavas, citrus, roots and tubers, leafy greens, vegetables, and herbs—alongside a small poultry that provides eggs. Each year, these fields and orchards yield several tonnes of fresh food, much of it flowing directly to Auroville's kitchens and residents. These numbers are never the measure of the work, but rather quiet signs of the farm's steady rhythm of care and abundance.

Join us for a stroll through these orchards and vegetable gardens and learn about the agroecological techniques that we practice at the farm.

- Every Wednesday, 10am—12pm.
- Registration required, [sign up here](#).



CSA baskets: Auro Orchard's Basket System is a community-supported program that allows customers to select fresh, seasonal produce such as fruits, vegetables, greens, herbs, eggs, nuts, and Abundance; farm-processed products like pesto, syrups, and nut spreads from a weekly updated harvest list. Members place their orders based on seasonal availability and collect their chosen items directly from the farm or from the pick up points inside Auroville.

- Please [sign up for the baskets here](#) to get added to the list.



Volunteering: Spread over 25 acres, AuroOrchard is Auroville's oldest farm producing a diversity of fruits and vegetables and eggs that are supplied directly to Auroville's kitchens and residents. Join us to learn to work with the soil, plants and food while sharing with a diverse group of people. We offer a welcoming environment for learners, researchers, and seekers who wish to help us and learn more about the land, food, culture, and themselves.

- Monday to Saturday,
7—9am and/ or 9:30am—12pm.
- We offer breakfast made with farm produce!
Link to [sign up for volunteering](#) here. Anshul



Taxi Share

To Chennai Airport, 18 April, 11pm

I will go to the airport on 18 April, leaving AV at around 11pm and are happy to share the taxi.

Jagrata, +49 171 9355661 WA

Car towards Kodaikanal, dates flexible

I plan to go to Bodhi Zendo in about 2—3 weeks, my dates are flexible, it would be great if someone wants to join and share a taxi. Or even better if you have your own car and want to share all cost of fuel, toll... I am open to make plans together! Please email if interested!

toruselma.90@gmail.com, Marina

To Chennai Airport, 21 April, 3pm

I would like to share a taxi to Chennai Airport on Tuesday, 21 April, leaving around 3pm. I need to catch EY 347 at 9:55pm.

9442300574, Birgitta

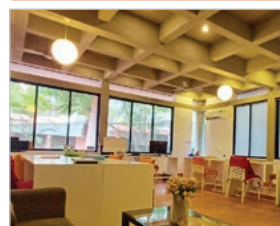
Looking For

Looking for a bicycle

I'm looking for a medium-sized bicycle (not an e-cycle), in relatively good condition, for use over the summer or longer. Open to exchange, or to purchasing with a contribution.

+91 9385623511, Anandi Zhang

Office Spaces



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Open House hours are for experiencing the space, 24/7 access is available beyond these hours.

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For inquiries: auromodehive@auroville.org.in

- +91 9042759540 WA,
+91 7092197375 WA or drop by. Dhesha for Hive

Aurelec Spaces Available

35.12 sqm. closed space available inside Aurelec Premises. This space is ideal for workshop or office or storage with generator back-up, 24 hours security, parking, provision to put air-conditioners, high speed fibre internet access (BSNL and Aurinoco), canteen and facilities.



Conveniently located closed office room (around 18.30 sqm.) on the first floor inside Aurelec premises with superb infrastructure, including generator back-up, UPS System, provision to put air-conditioner, 24 hours security, parking, high speed fibre internet access (BSNL and Aurinoco), canteen and facilities.

Interested people may contact Mr. Siva at Aurelec:

- in person or by phone to 2622293/ 2622294
or e-mail adps@auroville.org.in Siva for ADPS Trust

Office Space Available: Auromode

Office Space inside Auromode Premises with superb infrastructure, including Generator back-up, 24 hours Security service, Aqua Dyn drinking water, Car & Bike parking and restaurant. Contact Mr. Pandian



- at Auromode in person, +91 9943390391 or
- pandian@auroville.org.in

Pandian

Spaces Available at Ecoteco Campus Building

There are two spaces available for use at the Ecoteco Campus Building in Reve Area:

- 118 sqm Office Space
- 67 sqm Godown Space.
- 9443960008, Diana; 9894442349, Prabhu

Diana

Kinisi Cowork

Our vibrant space—right behind Kinisi e-mobility (CSR campus)—offers an ideal balance of focused work, being part of a supportive community and relaxing surroundings.



Ready to join? Learn more and book your spot:

- +91 9429690049, hello@cowork.kinisi.in
- CSR Campus, Auroshilpam, cowork.kinisi.in

Laure

Honorary Voluntary

POUR TOUS WATER SERVICE

Pour Tous Water is looking for part-time & full-time volunteers (min. 6 months), especially those interested in plumbing work. Women plumber or any one with sincere interest are encouraged to join. Training will be provided.

Work includes: Emergency plumbing support (leaks, blockages, taps, toilets, water heaters, etc.) + basic report, record documentation & WA coordination/ updates.

- PTW provides free service for Auroville Community, aligned with Prosperity Vision, "Service for All". Contact for more details 9843644308 WA, ptw@auroville.org.in.

Join and support this essential community service.

Grace for Pour Tous Water Service team

AARAMBHAM LEARNING SPACE

Looking for a long-term volunteer Facilitator

Our expectations: Responsibility and punctuality, ability and preferably some experience of work in the education field (age from 6 to 12), good communication skills with kids and adults, ability to move around Auroville, interest and motivation, optimism and good energy. We can provide lunch and some additional bonuses to come as you will stay with the team longer.



For details: aarambham@auroville.org.in

- +91 83002 88303, WA messages

Alexey

GAU SEVA AT SADHANA FOREST!



Your heartfelt service is needed at the Sadhana Forest Gaushala!

You are most welcome to join us on any day from 7am onwards, and have a vegan breakfast at 8:45am. Breakfast is offered as a gift, and there is no need for prior booking. If you would like to contact us:

sadhanaforest@auroville.org.in,

8525038274 WA or call 8122274924

Aviram

BOTANICAL GARDENS

A lot of work goes into caring for the Botanical Gardens to keep them looking beautiful and pristine. We invite new volunteers who are ready to help and dedicate some time to caring for the various parts of the Gardens. In particular,



right now we need volunteers to help with the Japanese Garden and Labyrinth area, and would like to find one person who could be trained as a long term backup for all parts of the garden work, especially the watering system. The work involves a lot of weeding, mulching, composting, pruning and clipping, raking and other general maintenance tasks. Talking to the plants, trees and creatures is also welcome, along with jokes and cheerfulness.

- If interested please contact Noel: earthyoga@hotmail.com
- or stop by in the morning sometime to explore the possibilities.

Noel Parent

Work Opportunities

AUROVILLE SECURITY & EMERGENCY SERVICE full-time positions

The Auroville Security & Emergency Service is hiring Aurovillians for full-time positions to help cover new entry points due to recently opened roads. Full maintenance is provided. Interested individuals can contact:

- 99443090107, ASES@auroville.org.in

Auroville Security & Emergency Services (ASES)
From Mass Bulletin

AURORA'S EYE FILMS: CALL FOR VIDEO EDITOR

Aurora's Eye Films, based in Auroville, is looking for a skilled and sensitive video editor to join us on an upcoming feature documentary currently in post-production.



This project is a deeply human, observational documentary that requires an editor who can work with subtle storytelling, rhythm, silence, and emotional nuance. The film brings together voices, experiences, and moments that need to be held with care and clarity in the edit.

We are looking for someone who:

- Has strong experience in documentary editing
- Is comfortable working with long-form interview material
- Has a good sense of pacing, structure, and storytelling
- Is open to a collaborative and reflective process
- Resonates with the values of Auroville and seva-based work

Details:

- Project-based role (with potential for ongoing collaboration)
- Based in or able to work from Auroville preferred
- Editing to be done in close collaboration with the director

If you feel aligned and would like to contribute to this film, please share:

- Your portfolio / showreel
- A short note about your experience and interest

Contact: serena_aurora@auroville.org.in

We look forward to connecting with editors who value depth, presence, and meaningful storytelling.

Serena

LIVING ROOM CAFÉ

The Living Room Café is looking for a waiter barista.

send resume to tlr@auroville.org.in

Satyakam

AIAT:

Seeking of Assistant Professor

Auroville Institute of Applied Technology, <https://aiat.edu.in/>, is currently seeking qualified candidates for the position of Assistant Professor in the field of Computer Science.

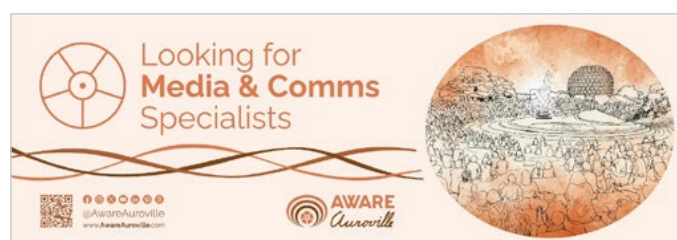
Applicants must have Master's degree in Computer Science. Interested candidates are invited to send their CV to amarnath@aiat.edu.in.



Amarnath

AWARE:

Looking for media & comms specialists



Invitation to the City the Earth Needs.

Auroville grows when aspirants gather from around the world with clarity of purpose.

AWARE seeks to build a bridge to welcome these aspirants by telling the story of this place with clarity, through beauty, and by setting up platforms for information and discussion.

Doors Are Open for Aurovillians and Newcomers to join Aware. Roles open: Filmmakers; Cinematographers; Editors; Content Creators

Contact: +91 73965 57993 WA, aware@auroville.org.in
awareauroville.com

Shift towards a culture of multilateral perspectives and an attempt to bridge the aspiration/ideal and current human condition & external organisations.

Sajiv for Aware Auroville

Animal Care

RABIES-FREE AUROVILLE CAMPAIGN UPDATE

We are happy to share an update on our Door-to-Door Free Rabies Vaccination Campaign.

Last Saturday, the campaign successfully started in the Aspiration Community: 14 dogs were vaccinated.

We sincerely thank the Aspiration community for your support and cooperation in making this program a success.



Next Campaign:

- Saturday, 18 April, 10am—12pm from La Ferme to Shakti Community
- Contact: 9443203092

Please feel free to reach out for any questions or concerns. Thank you all for your continued support, encouragement, and lovely wishes.

Dr. Kumar for Auroville Dog Shelter Team

URGENTLY SEEKING VOLUNTEERS for Dog Shelter

Aurovilians & Newcomers Welcome

We are seeking dedicated volunteers to assist in the ongoing care and management of our dog shelter.

Areas of support required:

- Medical assistance (qualified professionals or students)
- Provision of essential supplies
- General shelter maintenance and animal care



Interested individuals are encouraged to get in touch at the earliest:

- 9443203092,
aurovilledogshelter@auroville.org.in

Dr. Kumar, Sugar, Shanthi

JOIN AUROVILLE DOG SHELTER TEAM

Auroville Dog Shelter is seeking a dedicated Aurovilian to join our team.

- Skills Required: Basic computer knowledge, accounting skills
- Support Provided: Half maintenance
- 9443203092, aurovilledogshelter@auroville.org.in

If you are interested in supporting our work for community dogs, we would love to hear from you.

Dr. Kumar
for Auroville Dog Shelter Team

Ecology

UPCYCLING OPEN STUDIO

Open Studio Mornings
Every Tuesday from 9 am to 12.

- Discover the fundamentals of upcycling
- Tour the studio
- Purchase or place orders for upcycled items
- Join our "Make Your Own Upcycled Item" workshops

Location : Recentre, Ok Upcycling Studio
Tel : 6384043908

Tuesdays, 10am—12pm @ Ok Upcycling Studio, Recentre

- Discover the fundamentals of upcycling
- Tour the studio
- Purchase or place orders for upcycled items
- Join our "Make Your Own Upcycled Item" workshops

Come explore, learn, and get inspired!

6384043908, Veronese

REPAIR IT. SORT IT. SAVE IT.

Tuesdays, 9:30—12:30, Road to Vérité
before The Sprout Cafe turn



Every week, a small crew gathers at EcoService to give electronics and household goods a second life—and honestly, it's one of the best mornings of the week. Open to everyone.

Darren, 9600263842

INFORMATION ON THE SERVICING OF SEPTIC TANKS

Septic tanks function as settlers for biowaste solids in wastewater. They are sealed at the bottom and on the sides and have an overflow outlet to the next part of a sewage treatment system. The bacterial breakdown of the settled sludge is the first step in sewage treatment.

The settled sludge needs to be removed at regular intervals (to permit continuous settling of solids), that is between a few months and a few years dependent on septic tank size and number of wastewater generating users. When sludge sediment fills about half the height of the tank, suspended solids get less time to settle and increasingly flow above the sediment into the next treatment modules—where they inhibit subsequent treatment functions.

The operation of sludge removal does not need to empty a septic tank from all wastewater—this would be a waste of work and of costs; it is only meant to remove the sludge sediment. A small mass of sludge left at the bottom of the tank serves as a starter for optimum performance, as it contains the microbiota that decompose the biowaste.—Please avoid dropping non-biodegradable waste into toilets and drains.

The dry months of the year i.e. the current season till late July is the best time for this service; monsoon times and heavy rains will make it difficult or impossible.

- Please call Pour Tous Water Team, who can arrange for the service: 2622899 or 9843644308.
- In case of questions, please contact ecopro@auroville.org.in. Lucas, EcoPro, 2622469

A NEW SERVICE FROM ECO SERVICE

As we all have noticed of late there has been a growing amount of litter being dumped along the roads, pathways and in the bushes within the city, we are pleased to announce to the community a much needed extension of our regular waste pick up service.



Auroville has a dedicated service to clear the litter and waste from the areas that are hard to reach by our larger vans.

A three wheeler has been acquired for the purpose and will begin the operation in two shifts 3 days a week to start with. The service will largely concentrate on within the designated City Area only (and not along the tar road) and may gradually extend to the greenbelt.

This Service will be totally run by Citizen Volunteers (Aurovilians and Newcomers) along with an Eco Service member as it may need more than one person (and maximum two) to do the task. In Kind remuneration will be provided.

- If you are one of the inspired ones who shares similar concerns, are interested to help keep Auroville litter free and can dedicate some time, please get in touch with us either by dropping into our office or connecting with us by email or on the number provided below.

Lets Keep Our City Clean Together.

Sumit for Eco Service,
ecoservice@auroville.org.in, 6379669034

Poetry

DEW DROPS

Dew drops
on a fallen petal
Rays stray away
from the sun
and cast down
on these strangers
Doomed separations
Destined union

Anandi Z.

SISYPHUS AND THE ROLLING STONE

What is this stone, O Sisyphus
That you have forever been condemned

To roll up the hill?
Is it a heap of your illusions
A cacophony of your denials
An absurd theatre of your despair
An intricate web of your own dare?
What meaning, what purpose
Do you yearn to discover
In the petals of a rose
In the hum of a bee
In the bite of a mosquito
In the wild roars of the sea?

Let Go, O Sisyphus, Let Go of the unwieldy stone
Open your hands, Raise your arms
Behold the Sun circle the Earth
And see this rolling ancient stone

Of despair and desolation crumble before your eyes

And turn into a heap of golden dust,
Into rolling pregnant soil heaving with a new birth

Engulfed in light and ecstasy
In the scintillating womb of Mother Earth.

O Sisyphus, Let Go

Open your clenched hands
For an Eternal Embrace
In the waiting arms of God of
Of all that you are
And of all your simmering hidden glow.



Sehdev Kumar

Voices & Notes

ONLY THOSE CHILDREN

The Mother passed a very important statement:

"According to what I see and know, as a general rule, children over 14 should be allowed their independence and should be given advice only if and when they ask for it. They should know that they are responsible for managing their own existence."

Furthermore, in January 1972 she stated:

"We want here only those children who want to prepare themselves for a new life and who put progress before success in life. We do not want those who want to prepare themselves to earn a living and to achieve worldly success. They can go elsewhere."

The children—to understand what we expect of them, they should be over ten years of age—who are ready for a new adventure, who want a new life, who are ready for a higher realisation, who want that the world should change and no



longer be what it has been for so long, these are welcome. We shall help them."

Isn't this the type of youth we should breed in Auroville?

Kireet Joshi, celebrating the over fifty years of existence of the Ashram's Sri Aurobindo International Centre of Education, explained how this evolved "quite organically, as a necessity of life". He wrote:

"The teachers were requisitioned by Mother from the diverse body of sadhaks. Those selected suddenly found themselves with a wholly new element introduced into their sadhana. From the beginning, the school was rooted in the spiritual ethos of the Ashram. The children bloomed in that rarefied atmosphere, created by the seeking for a highest perfection in all the planes of the being from the most physical to the highest spiritual. And brooding over all these developments was the luminosity of Sri Aurobindo and Mother's effulgent presence. The children were given the best—the finest in music, the arts and poetry, the humanities and the sciences, the education of the body—no domain of human knowledge was excluded from the scope of their study and all was infused with the deepest spiritual culture. ..."

The student body ranges from nursery to advanced levels and the subjects include the humanities, languages — including Sanskrit, various other Indian and other important languages of the world, fine arts, sciences, engineering, technology and vocational training. A great stress is laid upon the perfection of the body and the physical education program of the school is deservedly famous. The Centre of Education seeks to develop every aspect of the individual, rather than to concentrate exclusively on mental training. It employs what is called the "Free Progress System" which Mother spoke of as a progress guided by the soul and not subject to habits, conventions or preconceived ideas. The student is encouraged to learn by him/herself, choose subjects of study, progress at his own pace and ultimately to take charge of his own development. The teacher is much more an advisor and source of information than an instructor. In practice, the system is adapted to the temperament of teacher and student. The Centre of Education does not award degrees or diplomas, since it seeks to awaken in its students the joy of learning and an aspiration for progress that is independent of outer motives. From the beginning the aim of the center has been to create living souls, brilliance in studentship is a secondary characteristic. This short note does not in any way claim to do justice to the enormous, robust, even radical experimentation that has been undertaken here, specially in all the years when Mother's direct guidance was always available. That story has been told elsewhere. But this great and innovative experiment has demonstrated its results in the lives of the many generations of students who can be found today, bringing to bear, wherever they are, the unique perspective they imbibed here. ..."

After entering into Mother founding Auroville, Kireet continues:

"The education that Mother envisioned was called by her 'Free Progress'—in itself a term pregnant with meaning—the accent being on the word 'progress', with 'free' as the modifier that defines the method by which one progresses. Much can be written on the term but here is one answer Mother gave to define what she meant by Free Progress:

"A progress guided by the soul and not subjected to habits, conventions or preconceived ideas."

Isn't this what should be pursued in Auroville, signpost to the ideal society that only the gnostic supramental being can manifest?

Submitted by Paulette

POLARISATION, NARRATIVES, And the Quiet Drift from Purpose

It is not just an article; it is an experiment into an integral inquiry. This is an open and evolving article. It is not meant to be complete. It will continue to grow through stories, lived reflections, and simple, real experiences of encountering and responding to polarisation. A QR code accompanying the article will lead to a dynamic space where these reflections will be added over time, allowing the work to remain alive and in movement.

[Click on this link](#) or scan the QR code to contribute to the article. You are invited to engage in your own creative and constructive way, through stories, reflections, questions, or expressions. This is not a personal narrative alone, but a shared space for collective exploration. At its heart, it asks a simple yet essential question: **What does human unity look like in our daily life?**

The purpose is not to define what is right or wrong, nor to take a position, but to pause, observe, question, and re-connect with the deeper aspiration of unity that holds the essence of Auroville.

Smriti Raj Maskeri, an Auroville resident and a catalyst, works at the intersection of education, dialogue, and systems transformation. Her work spans grassroots to policy-level engagement, with a focus on bridging perspectives and nurturing humane possibilities. Through her initiative, Soulify—Discover the Infinite, she creates spaces for self-inquiry, collective reflection, and conscious participation among youth, children, and institutions.

This is not an article to be completed and read. It is an Aspiration!

Smriti



DIVINE, UNDIVINE OR ANTI-DIVINE?

Two Questions:

1. What does Sincerity demand from the invited participants of Auroville, especially in the context of the Integral Supramental Vision-Goal of its founders Sri Aurobindo and the Mother?
2. What would be, and as experiential examples, what have been, the consequences of insincerity not just in the spiritual path, but in the most openly declared Vision-Goal as stipulated in Auroville's Integrated Three Core Ideals, namely A Dream, The Auroville Charter and To Be a True Aurovilian? ¹

Let us remember though that there is a positive counterpart to a negative consequence: a boon.

"Errors, falsehoods, stumblings!" they cry. How bright and beautiful are Thy errors, O Lord! Thy falsehoods save Truth alive; by Thy stumblings the world is perfected."

"There is however a kind of Grace which makes it possible for us to profit by the experience of others. It is something similar to the way of teaching the sciences."

Each unique plays a karmic role. Changeable. Especially when the old becomes painful. ...

Note: To read the full post and access the linked references, please scan the QR Code or go to this blogsite and open the post with the same title: <https://zechjoya.blogspot.com/>.



Zech

Foods, Goods & Services

LIVING ROOM CAFÉ

The Living Room

Wholesome meals, fresh coffee, and warm company — all waiting for you at The Living Room. Opposite Auroville Library. Breakfast, lunch & dinner served daily. Everyone's welcome.

Kalpana, Crown Rd, opp to the Auroville Library, Auroville, Tamil Nadu 605101

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VISITORS CENTRE CAFETERIA

The Right Path Café

Breakfast: 7:30-11am (Mon-Sun)
Lunch: 12:15- 4pm (Mon-Sun)
Dinner: 6:30- 9pm (Wed-Mon)
All-day snacks

Organic, wholesome, multi-cuisine food for all

Non Veg Monthly Meal Scheme

Cafeteria at Visitors Centre (Right Path Café) offers a South Indian Non Veg Lunch Scheme.

Composed of: Organic White Rice/ Brown Rice/ Millet; Organic Chapati; Seasonal Auroville Vegetable; Sambar; 3x a week with Veg Kurma & Rasam; 3x a week with Organic Chicken Curry, or Fish Kuzhambu, or Auroville Egg Kuzhambu; Home made Pickles

- Rs 3700 per month. Open to Aurovilians, Newcomers, Volunteers with Aurocard and registered Interns.

Reminder! Other monthly lunch schemes:

- Organic Vegetarian South Indian Mini Meal Rs 2,500/-
- Healthy Plate based on AV and organic products Rs 3,700/-
- a half month scheme is also available.

Conscious Catering for your Workshops!

The Cafeteria at Visitors Centre organises organic catering, with choice of South Indian, Korean and Western items.

If you wish to broaden the conscious experience you offer your participants to the realm of food and explore with us the different possibilities we offer, please contact us:

For enquiries or registration

- cafeteriaavc@auroville.org.in, 9043004919 WA Lee

GAS BOTTLE SERVICE

For Indane gas users:

- Customers with one cylinder will need to wait 21 days for the next refill.
- Customers with two cylinders will need to wait 30 days for the next refill.

Thank you all for your cooperation and support.

In the meantime, we kindly suggest using an induction cooktop as an alternative if possible.

Velu or Auroville Gas Service

PT PURCHASING SERVICE OPENING HOURS

- Shop: 8am—7pm, Monday to Saturday
- Canteen: 8am—3pm

Vishnu

AUROMODE RESTAURANT IS OPEN

Monday to Saturday, 12—3:30pm & 6—9pm

We at the Auromode Restaurant are happy to announce that we are now open!

We look forward to seeing you all.

Pavithra



NEEM TREE CAFE OFFER

Neemtree Cafe offers fresh fruits juices, wraps, dosas, parathas, tacos, salads, burgers, french fries etc:

- We are open every day **Monday to Saturday** @ Mahalaxmi park (Near Solar Kitchen). Sunday is holiday.
- Our prices are 20 to 200 only inclusive all taxes

Come and enjoy!

Parthasarathy Krishnan

GOYO KOREAN SILENT RESTAURANT



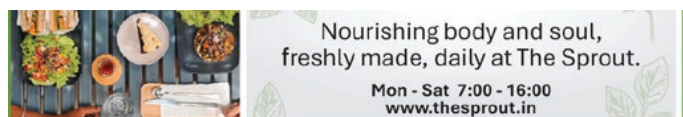
@ Luminosity Auroville, book one day in advance

Lunch: Tuesday & Saturday, 12:30pm

Tea Ceremony: Wednesday, 10am & 3pm

+91 9489693809, goyo@auroville.org.in, Won Ja

THE SPROUT CAFE & RESTAURANT



Monica for The Sprout team,
www.thesprout.in

AUROVILLE BAKERY CAFE IN TOWN HALL

7:30am—4:30pm

The Cafe serves South Indian breakfast, crepes, wraps, sandwiches, omelettes, juices, and all of your other favorites from the Auroville Bakery Cafe. The Cafe also hosts an Auroville Bakery outlet, where you can find an assortment of breads, cakes, and croissants. In addition, for your convenience, advance orders placed at the the Auroville Bakery can now also be scheduled for convenient pickup directly at the new outlet.

Auroville Bakery & Cafe Team,
from Mass Bulletin



TASTE OF YOGA: VEGAN CAFÉ



VEGAN CAFÉ

TASTE OF YOGA

Raw | Gluten-free | No added sugar

Mon to Sat

08:30 - 16:30



Open Monday—Saturday, 8:30am—4:30pm

@ Verité Integral Learning Center

Taste of Yoga, the vegan café @ Verité Integral Learning Center, invites you to slow down and enjoy a moment of nourishment in a calm, welcoming space. We offer wholesome breakfasts, light lunches, and healthful snacks made with high-quality ingredients—many prepared in-house and some harvested from our kitchen garden. Each dish is thoughtfully created to support your body, mind, and well-being.

Submitted by Hon

NATURELLEMENT GARDEN CAFE

Restarts 50% discount scheme on Thursdays

Open 9am—8pm, Tuesdays closed

The busy season is over and we are happy to restart our 50% discount scheme on Thursdays for Aurovilians, New-comers and volunteers from April onwards.

- At the same time we **discontinue the same scheme in Bella Vita.**
- Our extended opening timings upto 9pm will change to 8pm.

Martina for Naturellement team

SUDHA'S KITCHEN!

Healthy Plate monthly scheme
for Aurovilian Volunteers & Guests

- **Special Offer:** Aurovilians get 20% discount
- **Group Bookings Welcome**

Contacts: +91 8608123072 WA, +91 4133509884

Come enjoy delicious, nourishing food in a warm place with beautiful trees surrounded!

Submitted by Arun

POUR TOUS WATER FREE SERVICE

Pour Tous Water provides free service to the Aurovilians as part of the prosperity vision (service for all). This free labor service is supported through city services budget.



The parts & material costs need to be paid directly by the Aurovilians to the supplier as follow:

- NEFT through financial service or Gpay.
- Post completion of the work you will receive payment details through the PTW office.
- Hard copy of the material bill from supplier shall be sent thereafter.

For the work, please contact us at Pour Tous Water office numbers: 2622899, 9843644308 WA and Call

ptw@auroville.org.in

Please note:

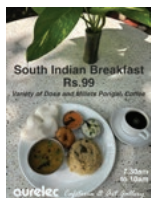
- **Do not give any cash to any team member** of PTW. We request to avoid calling our workers directly on their contact numbers.

Danny, Grace
for Pour Tous Water team

SOUTH INDIAN BREAKFAST

@ Aurelec Cafeteria, 7:30—10am
Variety of Dosa and
Millets Pongal, Coffee
Rs.99

Submitted by Shiva



KIM SCHEME UPDATE

We are excited to announce that we have included more e-cycles to expand the KIM scheme for Aurovillian and Newcomers. Members who have already registered and are on our waiting list can now come and collect their e-cycles.



In addition, we have reopened the registration for the KIM scheme. If you want to join and contribute to sustainable transportation in Auroville, you can now register online through the KIM website <https://app.kinisi.in/kim/>

Thank you for your continued support of our efforts to promote sustainable transportation in Auroville. Debo

QUTEE ELECTRIC SCOOTER SERVICE

Many in Auroville are not aware that a quality service for all brands of electric scooters, and especially the ones (Humvee) made here over the years, is conveniently available. The Qutee service center is located near the Certitude entry of Auroville across from the Road Service just off the tar road before the Puncture Service.



New and old electric scooters can be repaired, maintained or replaced. Also battery services (recycle, repair, replace), Uninterrupted Power Supplies (UPS) and solar system services can be conveniently arranged. All work is coordinated by Govindaraj (Aurovillian) with decades of experience.

- You may call Qutee
 - 9443372418/ WA 9092637055
 - or email govindaraj@auroville.org.in
- for any of your requirements. Upgrade to electric transport and solar power.

Govindaraj & B
for Qutee Electric Scooter Service

INTEGRATED TRANSPORT SERVICE



Your trust and encouragement inspire us every day to continue providing reliable and eco-conscious transport solutions for everyone: From E-scooter and bike rentals to taxi and transport services, electric rickshaw pickups and drops, electric bike maintenance and delivery services, we are honored to serve the diverse and vibrant needs of this incredible community.

Shared Transport Service

Shared Transport in Auroville is dedicated to offering cost-effective travel options by arranging shared trips between Chennai and Auroville. Additionally, we provide local trips within Auroville and Pondicherry.

- Taxi bookings can be made directly through our STS (ITS) office.

Location: ITS (Integrated Transport Service), Solar Kitchen Area, in front of PTDC, Auroville—605101

Contact: 8098776644/ 9442566256

- its@auroville.org.in

Rajesh.D



UTS TRANSPORT SERVICE



Open 24 X 7: Any Taxi bookings can be done directly to our UTS office. The contact numbers are:

- Landlines: 0413 2623586, 0413 2623587
- Cellphones: 9047015801
- Email: uts@auroville.org.in

Lakshmi for UTS

SUNRISE TAXI SERVICE
A Unit of Auroville Foundation

Book A Taxi 24/7

+91 9843880591

Office: (0413) 2220591, 2220592
Office cell: 8610915429
sunrisetaxi@auroville.org.in
www.aurovillesunrisetaxi.in

SARVAM COMPUTERS OFFERS RELIABLE SERVICE

Sarvam Computers is located in Utsav Complex. Sarvam Computer offers all types of computers sales and service, data recovery, all types of Apple device sales and services, office network and server set-up, monthly and annual maintenances etc.



- Utsav Phase—1A, First Floor, Vérité Radial, Auroville
- 0413 2622050, 9443211891, 9786953603
- FS account: 251263, sarvamcomputers@auroville.org.in

Bala

ABACUS ACCOUNTING

New Financial Year 2026–27

Greetings and Support from Abacus Accounting

On the occasion of the commencement of the new financial year 2026–27, we extend our best wishes to all units for a successful and productive year ahead.

We would like to inform you that Abacus will provide comprehensive support across the following areas:

- Accounts and Bookkeeping
- EPF, ESI, GST and TDS compliance
- Individual Income Tax Return filing
- PAN-related services
- Tally and Zoho training, along with regular follow-up support
- Ongoing operational support with a focus on strengthening administrative processes through Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)
- Taking up accounts and compliance support for Non-Auroville entities, including externally registered companies

Units interested in availing our services or seeking support are kindly requested to get in touch with us. We will review your requirements and extend the necessary support in a structured and timely manner. Should you require any assistance or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to your association.

- Saracon Campus, Kottakarai
- 9894442349, 0413 2622962
- abacus@auroville.org.in / abacus962@gmail.com

Prabhu for Abacus Accounting

HEMPLANET

Visit Hemplanet for a range of hemp-based products, including hemp oils, protein powders, hemp foods like granola bars and pasta, and body care products. All products are eco-friendly and perfect for a healthy lifestyle.



- **Location:** First Floor, Building 1, Auroville Main Road, Reve Area, Auroville
- **Opening Hours:** Monday to Saturday, 10am—4:20pm
- **Contact:** +91 8098021280/ +91 7824975821.

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SURABHI SUPPLIES

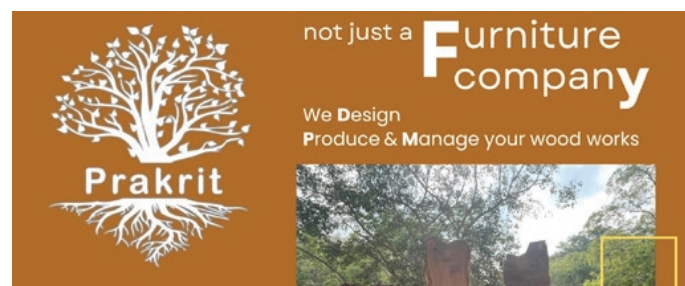
Your one-stop shop for quality materials and equipment in Auroville! We offer discounted prices on construction supplies, appliances, machinery, and more through bulk purchases, saving you time and money.



- **Contact us for all your procurement needs:** surabhisupplies@auroville.org.in

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PRAKRIT



Dear fellow Architects, Interior Designers and Developers in Auroville, we at Prakrit extend to you our expertise in working with Solid wood, primarily design and production of furniture and furnishings ensuring sustainable production, effective management and superior quality.

Head over to our website www.prakrit.org.in to check out our portfolio of projects done in collaboration with various architects and businesses over past years. Reach out to us for enquiries and collaborative opportunities.

Mehul for Prakrit, +91 9634424066

TREE CARE SERVICES

Regular tree maintenance is essential for ensuring safety, health, and longevity. Over time, trees can develop deadwood, structural weaknesses, or imbalanced growth that increases the risk of branch failure, especially during storms or high winds. Routine inspections and pruning help identify and address these issues early, reducing hazards and costly interventions later. Proper maintenance also improves air circulation, light penetration, and overall vitality, enabling trees to better withstand environmental stress such as heat and drought. Investing in regular tree care not only protects people and property but also supports a healthier, more resilient urban landscape.



TREE CARE
Arboricultural technicians
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📍 Kriya, Auroville, TN - 605101
🌐 treecareindia.com

- **Monday to Saturday, 8am—4pm**
- **9159843579 Emergency tree work**
- **office@treecareindia.com:**
Consultations, tree inspections & pruning

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FOODLINK MARKET

Monday—Saturday, 9:30am—12:30pm



We are open to volunteers, guests & visitors and we accept payments by FS account, Aurocard and UPI.

For more info: call/ WA +91 8300268804 or pass by.

Isabelle

INSIDE INDIA



Itineraries & Ticketing

Whether you're dreaming of a mountain retreat or a coastal getaway, we're here to help. Inside India offers tailor-made travel itineraries across India and Sri Lanka.

- Write tours@insideindiaauroville.com to start planning.

Inside India Timings

- Inside India is open for your next journey **Monday to Friday, 10am—5pm** at our Office in Kalpana Community (Opp. Auroville Library)
- We are open the second & fourth Saturdays of each month
- For **urgent matters or emergencies**, you may contact our ticketing agent **Ganesh: +91 9894598686**.

*Shaheen
for Inside India Team*

ANNAPURNA FARM BASKETS

Annapurna Farm offers farm baskets of produce/ products (dairy, fruits, and grains) from Annapurna to connect with the consumers directly.



Residents/ volunteers/ guests can select from the range of produce/ products to order via google form. Orders are delivered to Foodlink & PTPS on Saturdays. Some of the produce/ products are exclusively available for CSA orders.

We have a WhatsApp group to make weekly announcements for the order form links and occasional farm updates. Please scan the QR code to join the group or [follow this link](#).



Madhuri for Annapurna Farm

AVDZINES

@ Mangalam campus,
near Wellpaper & Bamboo Centre

You are also welcome to send your job via email and WA

- **Working Hours: 9am—12:30pm & 2—5pm**
- **Type of jobs that can be given:**
Printing, Layout designing, Passport Photos, Package designing & Manufacturing, Photo framing & Lamination, All kinds of boxes & paper bags and Screen printing.
- For **big works** we can deliver to your place. Please come over and support it.

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avdzines@gmail.com

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DOWNLOAD OR ACCESS DROPZY APP

Android: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=app.auroville.dropzy>

iPhone Browser Version:
<https://app.dropzy.in/public/dropzy>

Desktop: <https://app.dropzy.in/public/dropzy/desktop-version>

Sathish



RAPID CARE SERVICES

Rapid Care Services is your trusted one stop solution for repair and maintenance and ancillary works since 2022. For more information or to schedule a service, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Services offered

Category	Service
Metal Works	Channels, Doors, Piping, Fabrication
Plumbing	End to End, Job works
Furniture	Repairs, Made to order
Masonry	Repairs, Renovations and Remodulation
Painting	End to End, Job works, Floor Waxing
General Maintenance	Fumigation, All Home Utilities, Fencing
Installations	Washer and Dryer, Air Conditioner, Inverter, Water filter, Security Camera
Electrical Works	Wiring, Metre box, Lights, Switches & Sockets, Motion sensor
Cleaning Service	Deep cleaning—House, Office, Guest house etc, Bathroom cleaning, Water tank cleaning Vacuum cleaning, mopping, dusting, floor polishing, polishing mirrors.
Landscape Design	Overall design of outdoor spaces, from entrances to courtyards and community areas.
Repair & Renovation	Roof leakage, alterations to a pre-existing structure or building, upgrades to an existing building, outdoor space, or existing infrastructure.
Transport Service	Load Carrier facility

- **Contact:** + 91 8270071581
- **Primary Email:** rapidcare@auroville.org.in
- **Secondary Email:** rcsrapidcareservice@gmail.com
- **Instagram handle:** @rapidcare1 Balaji & Arun

Classes, Workshops & Healing Arts

VIPASSANA GROUP SIT

Every Sunday, 9am—12pm
@ Udavi school, near tank, Edayanchavadi

Dear Meditators, you are all very welcome to the weekly half-day Vipassana meditation course for "old students" only (meaning for those who have completed at least one 10-day course as taught by SN Goenka).

- First building to the left near the parking.
[Location](#). No registration is required.

You can come for the whole course or just drop in for some time whenever you want. Please keep your cell phones off or in airplane mode for the duration of the course.

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WOMEN'S EXERCISE AND HEALTHY FOOD CLASSES

Saturday, 25 April, 5:15—6:30pm @

Bharat Nivas, Progress Hall

The Mirra Women's Group has started classes on Women's Exercise and Healthy Food (to promote wellness and reduce hospital visits). The sessions have already begun, and the next session will be on 25 April.

These classes involve sharing knowledge and experiences led by Suryagandhi. The last session was enjoyed by the women, helping them shed shyness and creating a space to connect and share joy.

All women are encouraged to participate. Please feel free to invite your friends, neighbors, and relatives. Don't forget to bring a Yoga mat or towel.

Grace for Mirra Women's Group Team

CLOWN & PRESENCE WORKSHOP

Mondays, 2—6pm, @ CRIPA, Small hall

We are happy to invite you to Clown & Presence workshop. We will explore games and techniques drawn from Clown training, physical theater and vocal research.

Our focus will be on developing intuition, deepening body awareness as a channel for expression and communication, and cultivating presence through active listening.

Through collective and individual play we will learn to embrace spontaneity, expressing emotions with authenticity, and reveal our unique essence.

- Further info misha@auroville.org.in

Mike



MINDFULNESS WITH HELEN IN APRIL

The sessions below are guided by Helen, a qualified Mindfulness teacher certified in Trauma Sensitive Mindfulness.

Helen also offers one-on-one sessions and private group sessions in person and online on request.

For details & bookings:

- 7094753054 WA or visit innersightav.org.

Mindfulness Kindfulness

- **Half day retreat: Saturday, 18 April, 9:30am—12:30pm**

This mini-retreat weaves together mindfulness & kindness practices, creating a tender pathway to self-compassion & opening our hearts. Everyone is warmly welcomed. Participants can choose to sit on a cushion, mat or chair & will hold silence throughout the retreat to allow inner deepening.



Foundations of Mindfulness course

- **Thursdays, 7:30—9am, starting 23 April**

A five week journey into the *Satipatthāna Sutta*—the Buddha's teachings on mindfulness of breath, body, mind and mental patterns—as a foundation to modern mindfulness practices. The course will explore each foundation, weaving together context from the Sutta with guided mindfulness practices, offering both understanding and direct experience.



Introduction to Mindfulness workshop

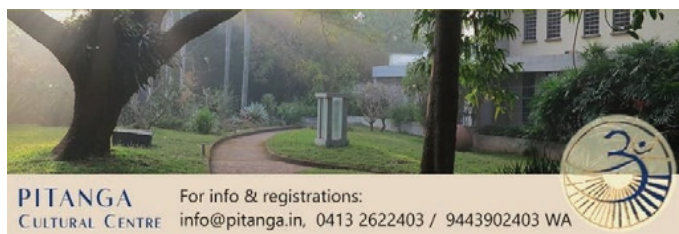
- **Saturday 25 April, 10am—12pm**

Discover how to find inner calm in the chaos of everyday life. Learn simple techniques to steady the mind and connect with presence, clarity, and joy. This workshop is perfect for anyone wanting a calmer, more present way of being, or a deeper understanding of what mindfulness is.



Helen

PITANGA CULTURAL CENTRE APRIL



Holiday closure:

Pitanga will remain closed to the public on Thursday, 23 April, for Tamil Nadu Elections

Yoga and Classes

Days	Drop-in Classes	Timings	Presenters
Monday	Yoga Therapy	8—9:30am	Gala
	Doing No-Thing Consciously	4:15—5:15pm	Mike
	Iyengar Yoga	5—6:30pm	Olesya
Tuesday	Yoga: Restore & Relax	5—6:30pm	Florina
	Kundalini Yoga, every week we explore a different kriya.	5:30—7pm	Bel
Wed	Yoga Therapy	8—9:30am	Gala
	Dynamic Yoga Flow	5:30—7pm	Florina
Thursday	Iyengar Yoga	7—8:15am	Olesya
	Prana Kriya	7:30—9am	Florina
	Aviva Exercise—for women only	4:30—5:30pm	Suriya-gandhi
	Iyengar Yoga	5—6:30pm	Olesya
	Yoga: Restore & Relax	5:30—7pm	Florina
Friday	Pranayama, for former “The Art of Living” course participants	6:45—8:15am	François & Namrita
	Yoga Therapy	8:15—9:45am	Gala
	Dynamic Yoga Flow	5—7pm	Florina
Saturday	Iyengar Yoga	7—8:15am	Olesya
	Breathing & Mudras	8—9:30am	Gala
	Kundalini Yoga, every week we explore a different kriya.	10—11:30am	Bel
	Truth Based Relationships, practical sessions, not on 18/04	2:30—4:30pm	Juan Andres
	Iyengar Yoga	5—6:30pm	Olesya

Classes by Prior Registration

Days	By appointment	Timings	Presenters
Thursday	Neurographica®—Art Therapy for adults/ families	3—5pm	Gala
Monday to Friday	Ashtanga Yoga (self-paced)	7:30—9:30am	Monica M.
Saturday	Ashtanga Yoga (led primary series)	7:30—9:30am	Monica M.

Youth Activities

These are ongoing educational programs and not drop-in classes. If a child is interested, parents need to talk to the teacher before joining the class.

Days	Drop-in Classes	Timings	Presenters
Monday, Wednesday	Teen Yoga	4—5:15pm	Lisbeth, Florina

These classes are for the teenagers from AV schools. Parents are invited to register their children with Lisbeth at the start of the school season. Florina takes the classes in Lisbeth's absence.

Healing Space

Presenter	By Appointment
Afsaneh	Bio-Resonance (with Bi-Com machine)
	Chiropractic
Anne H	Cranio Sacral Technique
Auromira	Shamanic Healing
Francesca F	Antigymnastique®
Gaspard	Sound Healing Therapy with Singing Bowls
Heidi S	Acupuncture
Olesya	Visceral Massage
	Neurology Massage
	Psychosomatic of diseases
	Women's Health Therapy
Swati R	Movement Therapy for infants and young children

Pitanga joins Auroville's journey toward a cashless economy. Contributions are digital—either by FS account, Aurocard or UPI payment. Thank you for letting your guests know!

If you wish to receive our program of activities by email or WhatsApp, please write to us. See you at Pitanga, with a smile!

Anandamayi for Pitanga Team,
2622403/ 9443902403 WA,
info@pitanga.in

LONELINESS LISTENING CIRCLE



Thursday, 23 April, 6—8pm

Most of us share the experience of coming to Auroville because we could not fit into the old culture and values. Our aspirations, joy, and pain were not seen, heard, understood, or valued enough, which created a sense of loneliness. This sense of loneliness can stay within us, often without our awareness, even after coming to Auroville, and may limit the way we live here.

Loneliness can be present even when one has friends, relationships, or spends a lot of time with people, if one is not seen and heard for who they are and what they are experiencing. Often, it remains unspoken and quietly carried.

This listening circle intends to create a space for authentic human connection through sharing without the fear of being judged, and through pure listening without thinking of a reply. All participants are required to consent to a confidentiality agreement before joining the circle.

No contribution is expected; you may offer a donation for the hall if you can. Guests are also welcome to join the circle.

- [Register here before 5pm on the day of the circle:](#)

Raamkumar, 9943211101

QUIET HEALING CENTER



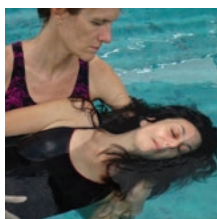
www.quiethealingcenter.info, quiet@auroville.org.in

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Liquid Flow Deepening with Dariya & Daniel

- 21—27 April, 8:45am—6pm, 50hours
- **Prerequisites:** Liquid Flow Essence and Liquid Flow Essence Integration Day.

Liquid Flow Deepening is an extension of Liquid Flow Essence with a focus on process work and refinement of flow and touch, both on the surface and under water. It also includes free movement and contact dance in water as well as acquiring tools for deeper listening and expressing yourself with the help of compassionate communication.



In addition, you'll learn connecting deeper through working with the breath, sequencing your session, and finding your own combinations and adjustments according to your personal abilities and circumstances—away from right or wrong or perfect—to accommodate different sizes, shapes, and body types. You'll also be encouraged to create your own sequences and movements, present them to other students, and learn from their creations.

Tools will be offered for deeper listening, learning from feedback, and holding your own process and that of others. All this will hopefully lead to a better understanding of yourself and allow more empathy for your client's process, thereby fostering personal healing for yourself as well as your client.

Woga® 1&2 (Yoga in Water) with Tamara

- 28—29 April, 8:45am—6pm, 12 hours
- **Prerequisites:** no previous experience required (also no need to know how to swim!).

Woga is a combination of two words: water and yoga. It is based on classic yoga poses and stretches, modified for standing in water that is waist-to-chest height. Woga focuses on Hatha Yoga in water, including asanas performed in standing position, against the wall, in floating position, and under water. The course also includes pranayama and meditation.



Classes follow a structure similar to land-based yoga: breathing exercises, warm-ups, a series of poses, and a relaxation period. The key difference is that you are in a warm water pool! Swimming skills are not required.

By reducing the effects of gravity, water allows ease of movements, unblocks joints, lengthens and relaxes muscles, alleviates negative tensions, and prevents stress, insomnia and anxiety.

Guido

NADIA LABIOD @ ARKA



Submitted by Nadia

SITARA MUNAY-KI YOGA



With Sitara:

Meditation Yin Yoga Sound Journey

- Mondays 10:30am—12pm @ Hall of Light in Creativity
- Thursdays 10:30am—12pm @ New Creation Studio

In this class, accessible to all levels, Sitara will teach her favorite combination of meditation, yin yoga and sound journey. Yin yoga uses gentle, long-held poses to release deep tension and increase flexibility. Combined with sound healing, it brings a calming and restorative experience for body, mind, and spirit.

With Munay:

Surya Kriya Yoga Tibetans Rites

- Wednesdays 11—12:30 @ New Creation Studio
- Fridays 10:30—12 @ Hall of Light in Creativity

This is a combination of ancient Yogic practices, including a full Shamanic journey during shavasana, to energize and rejuvenate body and mind, and connect with higher consciousness.

With Munay and Sitara:

Yoga Nidra & Creative Writing—A Journey Within

- Saturdays 10:45—11:45am @ Vérité

Step out of the noise and into a space of stillness, imagination, and gentle self-exploration. Through guided Yoga Nidra, you will enter a state between waking and dreaming—where the body rests and the mind opens.

From this space, we flow into intuitive creative writing, allowing words to arise naturally from within.

- No writing experience needed
- Come as you are
- Bring your own notebook & pen

Locations:

- [New Creation Studio](#) is on the second floor of the building just after La Piscine in the Auroville Community of New Creation. Stairs in the narrow pathway alongside the pool's brick walls.
- Hall of Light is in Creativity Community, in the center of Auroville.
- [Vérité](#) is an Auroville project for integral learning, living & yoga.

Other details:

- Drop-in classes, Guests Rs600, Aurovillians Rs200
- In Vérité: Guests Rs400, Volunteers Rs200
- Check our website for more info and updates: sitaramunay-kiyoga.org

Munay (Giovanni)

AUROMODE SPA

Offers Cosmetology Services

Auromode SPA, offering services like facial, pedicure, manicure, waxing, threading, haircuts and hair coloring.

Working from Monday to Saturday only by appointment call or WA: 9443635114.

Meha for Auromode SPA



VÉRITÉ PROGRAM, April

www.verite.in

- 0413 2622045, 2622606
- 9363624083, programming@verite.in,



Classes

Days	Drop-in Classes	Timings	Presenters
Mondays	Tristhana Yoga Practice	9:15—10:15am	Keshav
	Pranayama with Chanting	10:45—11:45am	Mani
	Restorative Yoga	3:30—4:30pm	Mani
	Deep Sound Bath	5—6pm	Satyayuga
	Vinyasa Yoga Flow	5—6pm	Meghan
Tuesdays	Yogasana, Pranayama & Relaxation	9:15—10:15am	Mani
	Vinyasa Yoga Flow	10:45—11:45am	Meghan
	Yin Yoga Flow for the Spine Mobility	3:30—4:30pm	Mani
	Sivananda Yoga	5—6pm	Mani
Wednesdays	Slow Vinyasa Yoga	7:30—8:30am	Keshav
	Yin Yoga	9:15—10:15am	Mani
	Yoga for Back Care	10:45—11:45am	Keshav
	Hatha Yoga	03:30—4:30pm	Ivana
	Vinyasa Yoga Flow	5—6pm	Meghan
Thursdays	Free Flow Dance	5—6:30pm	Vera
	Yogasana, Pranayama & Relaxation	9:15—10:15am	Mani
	Vinyasa Yoga Flow	10:45—11:45am	Meghan
	Meridian Yoga with Pranayama	3:30—4:30pm	Mani
	Deep Sound Bath	5—6:30pm	Satyayuga
Fridays	Sivananda Yoga	5—6pm	Mani
	Hatha Abhyasa Yoga	7:30—8:30am	Keshav
	Yin Yoga Flow for Hip Mobility	03:30—4:30pm	Mani
Saturdays	Yoga Nidra with Chanting	5—6pm	Mani
	Yoga Nidra & Creative Writing—A Journey Within	10:45—11:45am	Sitara & Munay
	Deep Sound Bath	5—6:30pm	Satyayuga

Therapies:

Pre-registration required

Therapist	Therapies (by appointment only)
Ashok	Acupressure Therapy
	Cupping Therapy
	Deep Tissue Massage Therapy
	Foot Reflexology
	Integrated Deep Tissue Massage & Acupressure Therapy
Mamta	Holistic Face & Neck Massage Therapy

Mani	Yoga Chikitsa: Personalized Yoga Therapy
	Thai Yoga Full Body Massage
Mila	Biodynamic Craniosacral Therapy
Parvathi	Food is Medicine: Lifestyle Health Practices Consultation
	Healing Facial Therapy: An 8-Step Skin Care Treatment with Indigenous Herbs
	Head Massage & Hair Care with Indigenous Herbs
Radha	Ayurvedic Massage: Detoxifying & Energy Balancing
	Swedish Massage
Raja	Integrated Ayurvedic, Acupressure, Deep Tissue & Heart Healing Massage
Satyayuga	Healing Sound Bath with Tuning Forks
Susan	Heart-Centered Resilience
Veeramani	Physiotherapy & Rehabilitation
Vyshnavi	Aromatherapeutic Massage for Face and Feet
	Energy Healing Reiki
	Holistic Foot Reflexology

Workshops. Pre-registration required

Day & Date	Workshops, pre-registration required	Timings	Presenters
Saturday, 18 April	Face & Eye Yoga: Face Your Self	9:15am—12pm	Mamta
	Panchakarma: Ayurvedic Purification Techniques	2—4pm	Dr. Geeta
Saturday, 25 April	Back Care & Posture Yoga	9:15am—12pm	Keshav

Face & Eye Yoga: Face Yourself with Mamta

- Saturday, 18 April, 9:15am—12pm

The physical & mental state of our inner world determines how we experience our outer world, and our sense organs are the tools for each experience we have. Face & Eye Yoga involves simple self-massage techniques & exercises to release tension in the facial area, stimulate blood circulation & improve the efficiency of our organs. In an era of increased screen time, our eye health may be compromised, unless we actively exercise in this area. Eye Yoga uses techniques such as palming, blinking, near & far viewing & candle gazing. You will also learn tips to prevent eye damage caused by screen time.

Panchakarma: Ayurvedic Purification Techniques with Dr. Geeta

- Saturday, 18 April, 2—4pm

For human health and healing purposes, Ayurveda has a Panchakarma, which is a set of five cleansing procedures. Through this workshop you will learn about these 5 types of cleansing and purification processes. You will learn about internal cleansing as well as external physical body cleansing.

Back Care and Posture with Keshav

- Saturday, 25 April, 9:15am—12pm

This workshop supports spinal health through simple movement and body awareness. It addresses posture and habits that cause stiffness, using gentle movements to lengthen the spine, release tension, and support alignment. The session concludes with rest and observation, offering calm, accessible practice suitable for all levels.

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REGULAR YOGA CLASSES @ SAIIR Conference Hall 6:45—8am

Suitable for all levels. Join Dev's yoga classes.

- To transform your Physical, Vital & Mental wellbeing
- Support lifestyle disorder & pain management

Our yoga classes:

- Monday: Hatha yoga class
- Tuesday: Dynamic Yoga
- Wednesday: Deep stretches, deep relaxation, OM chant
- Thursday: Intensive Yoga
- Friday: Pranayama (Awareness of breath)

For more details contact 9790171722, Dev

- Aurovilian & Newcomer: Contribution,
- Savi Volunteers: Rs. 200/class or 2000/month &
- Guests: Rs 300/class or 3000/month

Dev

WEEKLY SESSIONS IN VEDIC PHILOSOPHY

Saturdays, 3:30—4:30pm IST

I host a free, weekly live session where we explore one idea from Vedic philosophy and reflect on how it applies to everyday life.



Each week, we take a concept from the Vedas, Gita, Upanishads, Yoga Sutras, or related texts, understand it in simple language, and sit with one small question or practice for the coming days. The sessions are conversational and reflective. About 30 minutes of sharing, followed by quiet reflection or a gentle interactive activity. This free to join.

You can join any week and step away anytime.

If this feels interesting, please register here:

<https://online.allthingsvedic.in/courses/Snippets-of-Hindu-Vedic-Philosophy-by-Vikram-Devatha>

Vikram

WORLD GAME FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN

"Where contemplation meets playfulness and transformation."



This is an opportunity to be creative, to be able to express your own individuality and your unique, living soul. Tradition of Auroville since its creation, the world game is used as a tool to "know oneself", this being the core of all learning. Facilitated by Aikya.

- Duration: 1.5 Hour.
- Individual session or together with a good friend.
- Price for 1 person: Rs 1500; for 2 people Rs: 2000
- Discounts available for Aurovilians, Newcomers and Savi Volunteers.
- Languages: English, Francais, Nederlands.

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ARKA WELLNESS CENTER PROGRAM, April arka@auroville.org.in, 0413 2623799



Treatments

Therapist	Treatments, When
Pepe	• Body Logic, Soft Massage, Deep Tissue Massage Monday to Saturday By appointment, +91 9943410987
Silvana	• Cranio-sacral, Lomi Lomi, Kahuna massage, Barefoot body massage Monday to Saturday, by appointment only +91 9047654157
Antarjyoti English & French	• Psychospiritual Introspective Tarot Reading • Deconditioning Self Inquiry • I Ching oracle • Inner/subpersonalities forces awareness Monday to Sunday, by appointment only 0413 2623767, antarcalli@yahoo.fr
Niyati Thakkar	• Integral Regression therapy • Integral Reiki healing • Holotropic technique breathwork Monday to Sunday, by appointment only +91 7041391995, narayani-nc@auroville.org.in
Dr. Shruti BPT., M.P.T.— Orthopaedics	• Physiotherapy, Evidence based practice for: Neck pain, Frozen shoulder, any shoulder related pain, Low back pain, Knee pain, Heel pain, Muscle injury, Ligament injury, Sports injuries, Sciatica, Post fracture/ Surgical rehabilitation, Stroke/ Paralysis, Facial palsy/ Bell's palsy, General fitness, Ergonomic advice, Geriatric care By appointment only, +91 7904769496 auroshruthi@auroville.org.in
Nadia	• Naturopathy diet nutrition and psychosomatic Monday to Saturday 9—12 am Appointment only: 9489035457

Services

Aurokiya: Eye care center

- Monday to Saturday, 9am—12:30pm, 1:30—5pm
- +91 8012305151, aurokiya@auroville.org.in

Morning Star: Birth & women wellness

- morningstar@auroville.org.in

Maatram: Psychological & psychiatric consultation

- By appointment, +91 9087709434
maatram@auroville.org.in

Convalescence Facility: Post-surgical and care facility

- For Aurovilians only, max. stay 3 weeks
- Contact Arka 0413 2623799,
arka@auroville.org.in

Emergency Services: Ambulance & emergency service

- +91 9442224680,
ambulance@auroville.org.in

Svasti: Homeopathic consultation

- By appointment, +91 9428429642
adititva@auroville.org.in

Health & Healing Trust: Administration office

- healthhealingtrust@auroville.org.in

Classes

Teachers	Classes	When
Damien	Acroyoga	By appointment only, +91 9047722740
Teresa	Pilates	Tuesday & Thursday, 7:30—8:30am By appointment only, +91 7867998952
Aurosugan & Priyanka	Eye yoga and wellness retreat	Monday to Sunday, 7—8am By appointment only +91 8012305151/ 9704258709

For any details and queries, you can contact us at

- arka@auroville.org.in, 0413 2623799

Ramana, Arka

DAILY PRANAYAMA CLASSES WITH RAMESH

Monday—Friday, 7:30—8:30am
@ Hall of Light, Creativity

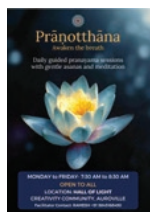
Drop in for a pranayama class Monday to Friday mornings 7:30 to 8:30am at Hall of Light, Creativity Community. We will be doing light asana, guided breathwork and meditation.

Drop-in contribution

- Rs. 400 for guests, Rs. 500 for Creativity guests, Rs. 200 for volunteers, by donation for AV and NC

For more information, contact Ramesh:

- 9845168490,
- rameshbalasubramaniam@auroville.org.in



Ramesh

Languages

NEWS FROM AUROVILLE LANGUAGE LAB



Language Lab Building Tours with Mita

The Language Lab warmly invites you to discover the Auroville Language Lab building through a guided tour highlighting its thoughtful design and inspiring approach to sustainable, healthy, and conscious construction.

- Every Saturday, 3—3:45pm, by free contribution
- Registration mandatory by Friday, no drop-ins: +91 98430 30355
- Drop-ins: Also welcome, open to everyone

Come explore this stellar example of mindful architecture and learn more about the vision behind the building. We look forward to welcoming you!

Current Schedule of Classes, 16 April

<https://aurovillelanguagelab.org/current-schedule/>

Please register through the following contact options

- +91 4132623661, +91 9843030355 WA
- info@aurovillelanguagelab.org
- <https://www.aurovillelanguagelab.org/registration>

Film Shows

Two documentary films, one on the Alfred Tomatis method (48 minutes) and one on the special features of the Language Lab building (27 minutes) are available on our new website and at the Lab, where you are welcome to come and watch them. All are welcome.

Current Schedule of Classes, 16 April

<https://aurovillelanguagelab.org/current-schedule/>

	Description/ Level/ Teacher	Duration/ Cycle	Time & Day(s) of Classes
English	Intermediate Conversation with Riki	8-Hours Monthly Always ongoing	10:30—11:30am Tuesday & Thursday
	Beginner Conversation with Ashwini	36-Hours, 3 months, Starting 18 March	4—5pm Monday, Wednesday & Friday
French	Intensive with Isabelle—NEW!	20-hours, 2 weeks Starting 20 April	11am—1pm Monday to Friday
Mandarin Chinese	Survival Conversation with Shiju Hsieh	24-hours 2 Weeks, 4 May	Monday to Friday 10—11:30am
Tamil	Beginner with Saravanan	24-Hour, 3 months, Starting: 16 February	5:30—6:30pm Monday & Wednesday
	Intermediate with Saravanan	24-Hour, 3 months, 17 February	9:30—10:30am, Tuesday & Friday
Spanish	Intermediate with Joana	12-Hour, 2 months, Started 6 January	3:30—5pm, Tuesday
German	Beginner with Verena	36-Hour, 3 months Starting: 3 March	9—10:30am Tuesday & Friday
Hindi	Beginner with Ashwini	24-Hours, 2 months, Started 6 April	5—6pm Monday, Wednesday & Friday
Gibberish	Beginner with Siddharth	12-Hour, 3 months Starting 7 February	4—5pm Saturday

Private one-on-one classes possible for all languages; please inquire.

Reminder about our free Evening Programs

The evening conversation sessions are a chance for all to practice speaking with native speakers offering their time. Barring indicated exceptions, these sessions usually happen weekdays from 5—6pm (barring exceptions) as follows:

- **Mondays:**
 - French, 5—6pm
 - with Isabelle (1st, 3rd and 5th week of the month)
 - with Coco and Gaspard (2nd and 4th week of the month)
- **Wednesdays:**
 - Sanskrit chanting with Remesh 5:30—6:30pm
- **Thursdays:**
 - English conversation with Alex, 5:30—6:30pm

Communication with the Lab:

- Service through our BSNL phone numbers: 2623661 (Lab) and 2622467 (Tomatis).
- For language-related matters: +91 9843030355WA.
- For Tomatis: please use 0413 3509932.
- [Language Lab Brochure](#)
- Register now: info@aurovillelanguagelab.org or www.aurovillelanguagelab.org/registration

Mita

Cinema

CINEMA PARADISO: LAPTOP NEEDED



How to Donate towards MMC-Cinema Paradiso Now!
Laptop Needed – Lend or Donate
 Multimedia Center Auditorium – Cinema Paradiso (MMC-CP)

MMC-CP – April 2026

Our laptop died on 13 April during special screening. 8+ years old, heavily used for films, Zoom, presentations. Needs expert check followed by a few days of refurbishment or urgent replacement.

- ❖ Can you help? As a stopgap we need a basic laptop: MS Office, media players, Zoom. Can you donate/lend so that we can avoid heavy rental charges? Email: mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in
- ❖ Ultimately, we will have to get a new one.

- ❖ **How to donate?** Specified contribution (AV Units/Activities), via Unity Fund (anyone), Aurocard (guests). You could also donate online via donate.auroville.org using any currency. Remember to select MMC-CP from drop down menu.

Running Budge Fundraise Update: We are just ₹2,750 short. Please set recurring contributions, any amount you can, to build steady support.

Together: From problem to power!!

Grateful,
MMC-CP Team

MMC/CP Group Account# 105106,

mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in Submitted by Nina

ECO FILM CLUB

Every Friday @ Sadhana Forest

Schedule of Events

- 16:00 Free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Tour
- 16:30 Tour of Sadhana Forest
- 18:00 Free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Eco Film Club
- 18:30 Eco Film Club begins with "previews" of short Sadhana Forest films
- 20:00 Dinner is served
- 21:15 Free bus from Sadhana Forest back to Solar Kitchen

Before the movie, at exactly 16:30 you are welcome to join us for a full tour of Sadhana Forest and an update of our most recent work! After the film, you are welcome to join us for a free 100% vegan organic dinner! The bus service is operated by Sadhana Forest.

- For more information about the bus service please contact Sadhana Forest at 8525038274.
- Note: Families and children are welcome! Dinner for children will be served at 19:00. :)

Friday, 17 April

A Beautiful Planet

2016, 46 minutes, IMax

This is a documentary that offers stunning, high-definition views of Earth from space. Narrated by actress Jennifer Lawrence, it showcases the beauty of our planet, highlighting its natural wonders, ecosystems, and the impact of human activity on the environment. The film provides a unique perspective of Earth from the International Space Station, combining breathtaking visuals with a message about the need for environmental awareness and preservation.



Aviram

Cinema Paradiso Presents
 On Monday, 20 April 2026 @ 8pm @ MMC Auditorium, Auroville

Dawa Lepcha's
 Dawa Lepcha presents

Dhokbu: The Keeper
 India, 2017, Dir. Dawa Lepcha w/Lhakpa Lepcha, Kikee Doma Bhutia, and others, 88mins, Lepcha-English w/ English subtitles, Rated: UA (PG-13)

Lost in the unforgiving Himalayan wilderness of Sikkim, Tina, a research scholar on fieldwork, becomes untethered from the modern world. As the vast, silent peaks close in, surreal and dark forces defy all logic. Just as the shadows threaten to consume her, she is saved by Dhokbu — a mysterious, ancient guardian deity of the land. Months later, Tina emerges transformed: no longer just a survivor, but a vessel for the myths of Sikkim, carrying secrets whispered by the mountains that now pulse through her very heartbeat.

Generously shared by the director, witness this acclaimed, award-winning masterpiece and discover the living legends of North-East India.

Don't miss it!
 Your generous support will help sustain and grow this community space.
EVERY CONTRIBUTION COUNTS!

Cinema Paradiso Presents: Earth Day Special
 On Wednesday, 22 April 2026 @ 8pm @ MMC Auditorium, Auroville

Sugandhi Gadadhar's

My Otter Diary
 India, 2025, Dir-Narrator Sugandhi Gadadhar w/ Shivana "Shivu" HB (Fisherman), and others, Nature-Documentary, 89mins, Kannada w/ English subtitles, Rated: U (G)

India's smooth-coated otters, apex predators of the river, reveal playful bonds and fragile resilience along the Cauvery. Against pollution and destructive fishing, their elusive lives unfold in a breathtaking portrait of survival and conflict. Capturing never-before-seen behavior, this heartwarming documentary immerses viewers in the hidden world of otters while reflecting on the delicate balance between wildlife and human livelihoods.

This acclaimed and multiple award-winning film, celebrated at leading international wildlife festivals, has been made possible by Sugandhi Gadadhar, Rana Behur, and the entire film team. Join us for this Earth Day Special screening, where audiences will witness a rare cinematic journey that combines extraordinary natural storytelling with an urgent call for conservation.

Cinema Paradiso Presents: Earth Day Special
 On Thursday, 23 April 2026 @ 8pm @ MMC Auditorium, Auroville

Distinguished Filmmaker's

Before the World Sees It
 Special Pre-primere Screening and Engaging Q&A
 Genre: Political thriller, Language: Indian, Subtitle: English, Duration: 105mins Rating: R

Special Pre-primere Screening
 India, 2026, 105 mins, Political-thriller, Indian language w/ English subtitles, Rated: R

Be among the first to witness an exclusive pre-primere from an award-winning director. Details remain private until its release; the film, set in rural India, is taut, atmospheric, and unsettlingly real. This gripping tale of power and its shadows is not for the faint-hearted, yet profoundly human. Layered beneath its stark narrative are currents of fear, silence, and shifting loyalties, where every choice carries a cost and every allegiance can turn fatal, evoking a world both distant and uncomfortably familiar.

The Marco-Memorial 2026 screening offers a rare chance to watch, deliberate, and share thoughtful, constructive feedback in an engaging Q&A, in the spirit of an open exchange with the filmmaker. We thank the entire film-team for this sharing.

Held in recognition of Marco's unparalleled contribution to film education and a culture of thoughtful film viewing in Auroville, this second Marco-Memorial screening, marking his birthday, continues in quiet tribute to his enduring love for cinema. This screening has been inspired and largely funded by a member of the Auroville community!

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CINEMA PARADISO

@ Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium, Auroville
Film Program 20–26 April

At the Multimedia Center Auditorium for Cinema Paradiso screenings, doors open 15 minutes before showtime and close once the film begins. Please arrive on time, avoid crossing in front of the screen or using mobile phones, and note that food and drinks are not permitted.

Cinema Paradiso continues its Eco Film tradition (April 16–22) with a curated selection of ecological and nature-based cinema. It features a rare story from Northeast India on April 13 and an equally special Earth Day screening on April 22. On April 23, a Marco Memorial Screening honors Marco (Feira)'s enduring legacy in filmmaking and screenings at MMC–Cinema Paradiso.

Indian—Monday 20 April, 8pm

Dhokbu: The Keeper

India, 2017, Dir. Dawa Lepcha w/ Lhakpa Lepcha, Kikee Doma Bhutia, and others, 88mins, Lepcha-English w/ English subtitles, Rated: UA (PG-13)

Lost in the Himalayan wilderness, university student Tina confronts surreal, dark forces before being rescued by the mysterious guardian, Dhokbu. Emerging months later, she discovers a haunting world where myth, folklore, and nature intertwine. Generously shared by the director, witness this acclaimed, award-winning masterpiece and discover the living legends of North-East India. Don't miss it!

Potpourri—Tuesday 21 April, 8pm

Soylent Green

USA, 1973 Dir. Richard Fleischer w/ Charlton Heston, Edward G. Robinson, Leigh Taylor-Young, and others, Mystery-Thriller, 97mins, English-Spanish-Hebrew w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG

In a decaying, overpopulated world, Detective Thorn's investigation into a wealthy executive's murder unveils a horrifying corporate conspiracy regarding the masses' primary food source. Alongside his researcher, Thorn uncovers a chilling, award-winning prophetic warning about ecological collapse and the dark price of human survival. Don't miss it!

Earth Day Special—Wednesday 22 April, 8pm

My Otter Diary

India, 2025, Dir-Narrator Sugandhi Gadadhar w/ Shivan-na "Shivu" HB (Fisherman), and others, Nature-Documentary, 89mins, Kannada w/ English subtitles, Rated: U (G)

Meet the apex predators of the Cauvery: smooth-coated otters. This award-winning film captures their playful bonds and fragile resilience against pollution and conflict. Join the film team who made this screening possible, for an engaging in-person Q&A for this Earth Day special featuring never-before-seen behavior. Witness a breathtaking cinematic journey where extraordinary storytelling meets vital conservation.

Marco-Memorial 2026 Special—Thursday 23 April, 8pm

Special Pre-Premiere Screening

India, 2026, 105 mins, Political-thriller, Indian language w/ English subtitles, Rated: R

Be among the first to witness an exclusive pre-premiere from an award-winning director. Details remain private until its release; the film, set in rural India, is taut, atmospheric, and unsettlingly real. This gripping tale of power and its shadows is not for the faint-hearted, yet profoundly human. The Marco-Memorial 2026 screening offers a rare chance to watch, deliberate, and share candid feedback in an engaging Q&A!

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International Film Saturday 25 April, 8pm

Kuang Ye Shi Dai (Resurrection)

China-France-USA, 2025, Writer-Dir. Bi Gan w/ Jackson Yee, Shu Qi, Mark Chao, and others, SciFi-Drama, 160mins, Chinese-Mandarin w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG-13

In a world where people sacrifice dreams to extend their lives, dangerous dreamers warp time itself. A mysterious monster clings to visions no one else can see, and when a woman enters his dreamworld, five extraordinary journeys unfold. This acclaimed and award-winning film offers a breathtaking meditation on memory, time, and human resilience.

Children's Matinee—Sunday, 26 April, 4pm

Migration

Japan-USA, 2023, Writer-Dir. Benjamin Renner w/ Kumali Nanjiani, Tresi Gazal, Elizabeth Banks, and others, Adventure-Animation, 83mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG

Mack, Pam, Dax and Gwen, a duck family, leave their safe pond for a daring journey south. Their adventure becomes unpredictable, filled with detours, challenges and hilarious encounters. This acclaimed and award-winning film celebrates courage, family bonds and discovery, inviting audiences to soar into the thrill of the unknown.

Classic World Cinema @ Ciné-Club

Ciné-Club Sunday 26 April, 8pm

Nuovell Vague

USA, 2025, Dir. Richard Linklater, w/ Guillaume Marbeck, Zoey Deutch, Aubry Dullin, and others, Biography-Comey-Drama, 106 mins, French-English w/ English subtitles, Rated: R

Nouvelle Vague is Oscar-nominated director Richard Linklater's love letter to the revolutionary magic of the French New Wave, reimagining the making of Jean-Luc Godard's *Breathless*, which ultimately cemented Godard as a pioneer of global cinema.

To organize a seminar/program at MMC Auditorium, kindly email us: mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in.

Rating codes we often use are from Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA): G=General Audiences, PG=Parental guidance suggested, PG-13=Parents strongly cautioned, R=Restricted (equivalent to Indian rating: A i.e., for Adults), NR=Film Not rated, Rating awaited.

Support MMC-CP: Every Contribution Counts: Like cultural spaces worldwide, MMC-CP relies on local financial support to thrive. If you value the films and programming we offer, consider a one-time or recurring donation via the Unity Fund to Account #105106, or contribute directly at the venue.

If you have an innovative fundraising idea and are willing to take it forward, we'd love to hear from you. Write to share your proposal and let us know how you'd like to be involved at mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in to.

MMC/CP Group Account# 105106,
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Submitted by Nina

AVI USA & SERENA AURORA:

Matrimandir & I episodes

Zoom on Saturday, April 18,
8:30pm India, 11am New York,

Join AVI USA & Serena Aurora
for a Zoom on Saturday April 18,
8:30pm India, 11am New York.

- We will screen 3 Matrimandir & I episodes, including the premiere of episode 7, featuring Serena Aurora herself.
- We will have a Q&A with Serena, episode participants and Matthew Andrews of AVI USA



Learn more about the event here: [Free Registration](#)

We look forward to seeing you there! **Ioana Boambes**

LE FABULEUX DESTIN D'AMÉLIE POULAIN

Saturday, 18 April, 7:30pm @ French Pavillon

Le Pavillon de France invites you to an outdoor screening: Le Fabuleux Destin d'Amélie Poulain (2001) directed by Jean-Pierre Jeunet. In French with English subtitles

In the charming Paris neighborhood of Montmartre, Amélie, a shy and imaginative young woman, quietly decides to change the lives of those around her. Through a series of small, thoughtful, and often whimsical acts, she brings joy to others—while struggling to find her own path to happiness.



When she encounters the mysterious Nino, Amélie must step out of her comfort zone and face her fears to embrace love and connection.

Marie

Emergency Services

Ambulance (24/7):

- Auroville—9442224680
- PIMS—0413 2656271

Security (24/7):

- Auroville Security & Emergency Services (ASES)—9443090107
- Auroville Police Station—0413 2677318
- Kottakuppam Police Station—0413 2236148
- Vanur Fire Station—0413 2677368

Health:

- Health Center—0413 2910005
- Santé—0413 2622803
- Farewell—8903836246

Mental health 24/ 7 support:

- Vandrevalla Foundation +91 9999666555

India Emergency Response Service (24/ 7):

- 108



About N&N

Visiting hours: Monday & Tuesday, 10am—12pm

Hard deadline for submissions: Tuesday 3pm

AgniJata & Alexey,

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Accessible Auroville Public Bus



Auroville TO PONDICHERRY

Monday to Saturday	Trip 1	Trip 2	Trip 3
Svaram Musical Center	7:00	8:50	14:50
Vérité Guest House—Junction	7:02	8:52	14:52
Town Hall—Main Parking	7:06	8:56	14:56
Solar Kitchen—Roundabout	7:10	9:00	15:00
Certitude Entrance	7:12	9:02	15:02
New Creation Road	7:17	9:07	15:07
SBI Bank—Kuilapalayam	7:19	9:09	15:09
ECR Junction—Aroma Guest House	7:23	9:14	15:14
Quiet Healing Center—Junction	7:26	9:17	15:17
Lotus Hotel—S.V Patel Salai	7:36	9:30	15:30
Ashram Road Junction	7:38	9:33	15:33
Ashram Dining Hall	7:40	9:35	15:35



Pondicherry TO AUROVILLE

Monday to Saturday	Trip 1	Trip 2	Trip 3
Ashram Dining Hall	8:00	12:15	18:10
Ashram Road Junction	8:02	12:17	18:12
Lotus Hotel—S.V Patel Salai	8:07	12:22	18:17
Quiet Healing Center—Junction	8:17	12:32	18:27
ECR Junction—Aroma Guest House	8:20	12:35	18:30
SBI Bank—Kuilapalayam	8:25	12:40	18:35
New Creation Road	8:27	12:42	18:37
Certitude	8:32	12:47	18:42
Solar Kitchen—Roundabout	8:34	12:50	18:44
Town Hall—Main Parking	8:38	12:54	18:48
Vérité Guest House—Junction	8:42	12:58	18:52
Svaram Musical Center	8:45	13:00	18:55

Submitted by Raju, avbus@Auroville.org.in