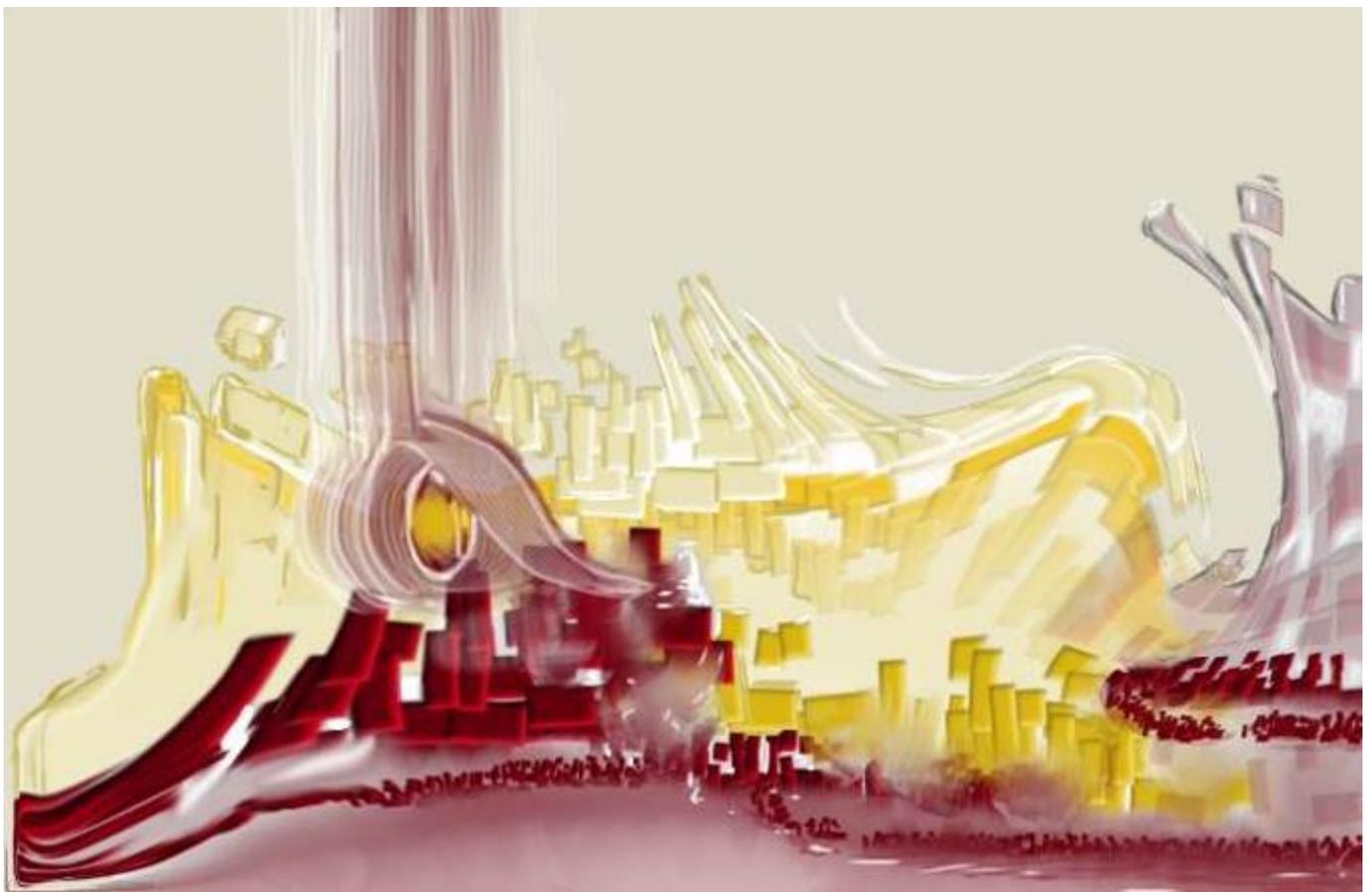


News & Notes

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HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

Unlike human love which is for some and not for the others, my love is for the Supreme Lord alone, but as the Supreme Lord is all, my love is for all equally. The Lord's love is equal, constant, all-embracing, immutable, eternal.

(The second note:)

Unlike in human beings, the action is not governed by feelings or principles, but by the "dharma" of each being or thing, known through identity.

Human love, what people call "love," even at its best, even taking it in its purest essence, is something that goes to one person, but not to another: you love SOME people (sometimes even you love only certain qualities in some people); you love SOME people, and that means it's partial and limited. And even for those who are incapable of hatred there is a number of people and things that they are indifferent to: there is no love (in most cases). That love is limited, partial and defined. It's unstable, moreover: man (I mean the human being) is unable to feel love in a continuous way, always with the same intensity - at certain times, for a moment, it becomes very intense and powerful, and at other times it grows dim; sometimes, it falls completely asleep. And that's under the best conditions - I am not speaking of all the degradations, I am speaking of the feeling people call "love," which is the feeling closest to true love; that's how it is: partial, limited, unstable and fluctuating.

Then, immediately, without transition, it was as if I was plunged in a bath of the Supreme's Love ... with the sensation of something limitless; in other words, when you have the perception of space, that something is everywhere (it's beyond the perception of space, but if you have the perception of space, it's everywhere). And it's a kind of homogenous vibratory mass, IMMOBILE, yet with an unparalleled intensity of vibration, which can be described as a warm, golden light (but it's not that, it's much more marvelous than that!). And then, it's everywhere at once, everywhere always the same, without alternations of high and low, unchanging, in an unvarying intensity of sensation. And that "something" which is characteristic of divine nature (and is hard to express with words) is at the same time absolute immobility and absolute intensity of vibration. And That... loves. There is no "Lord," there are no "things"; there is no subject, no object. And That loves. But how can you say what That is?...It's impossible. And That loves everywhere and everything, all the time, all at the same time.

All those stories, those so-called saints and sages told about God's Love "coming and going," oh, it's unspeakably stupid! - It's THERE, eternally; It has always been there, eternally; It will always be there, eternally, always the same and at the highest of its possibility. It hasn't left, and now it won't be able to leave.

And once you've lived That ... you become so irrevocably conscious that everything depends on the individual perception, entirely; and naturally, that individual perception [of *divine Love*] depends on the inadequacy, the inertia, the incomprehension, the incapacity, the cells' inability to hold and keep the Vibration, anyway all that man calls his "character" and which comes from his animal evolution. *(silence)*

It is said that divine Love doesn't manifest because, in the world's present state of imperfection, the result would be a catastrophe - that's a human vision. Divine Love manifests, has manifested eternally, will manifest eternally, and it's the incapacity of the material world ... not only of the material world, but of the vital world and the mental world, and of many other worlds that aren't ready, that are incapable - but HE is there, He is there, right there! He is there permanently: it's THE Permanence. The Permanence Buddha sought is there. He claims he found it in Nirvana - it is there, in Love *(silence)*

Since that experience came, there has no longer even been in the consciousness that sort of care I took for years not to concentrate too much Force or Power, or Light or Love, on beings and things for fear of upsetting their natural growth - that seems so childish! It's there, it's there, it's there - it is there. And it's for things themselves that it's impossible to feel more of it than they can bear. *(silence)*

As soon as I have one minute to meditate, that is to say, as soon as I am not assailed from every side by people, things, events, as soon as I can simply do this (*gesture of drawing within*) and look, well, I see that the cells themselves are beginning to learn the Vibration. It is obviously the agent of the creation.

And I said that that sort of "rain of Truth-Light" which came a few months ago [See *conversations of January 29 and March 4, 1964.*] announced something - it has obviously prepared, started this kind of permeation of a superior Harmony into the material vibrations. It has prepared not a "new descent," but the possibility of a new perception, a perception that allows an outward and physical action.

MOTHER'S AGENDA, 22 July 1964

MOTHER

*The
Ponder
Corner*

*Deliver me from anger,
ingratitude and foolish pride.
Make me calm, humble and gentle.
Let me feel your divine control
in my work and in all my action.*

Sri Aurobindo

ref. Letters on Himself and the Ashram, p.843

ANNOUNCEMENTS

General Meeting of the International Zone Group

At the Unity Pavilion on Monday Sept 15th from 3 to 5 pm

Come to share in the development of the International Zone of Auroville. Welcome to this meeting for an update on the work in the Zone and plans for its future. The Mission Statement for the IZ Coordination Team will be presented along with the progress reports. This zone has been neglected. Mother offered it as a key component in realizing the ideal of our Charter. It needs your participation and support.

Thank you,
The International Zone Coordination Team

General Meeting at Unity Pavilion: 27th September 2014, 4.30 to 6 pm.

Presentation of the results of the Workshop on "feedback & code of conduct".
(Preparation for the RA Event (vote) that will be held from 5th to 12th of October 2014)
Presentation of the amendments made by the Study group on "Participatory Working groups".

AV Council

Housing Board extension by 3 months

Dear Community,

On Wednesday 3rd of September 2014, the Auroville Council met with the representatives of Housing Board / Service (Joseba, Satyakam and Sonja).

The term of Housing Board comes to an end in September 2014. The Auroville Council is starting work to form the next Housing Board. Until the next Housing Board is formed, the AVC is extending the term of the current Housing Board, by three months till end of December 2014 so that the day to day work can continue uninterrupted.

The current Housing Board members are:

Joseba, Satyakam and Sonja (Housing Service)
Aurovici, Karin and Sundhar.K (Community at large)
Ishita (Entry Service)
Anbu (L'avenir)

As per the policy 11 members are needed:

- three (3) representatives from the Housing Service
- one (1) representative from L'avenir d'Auroville Building Application Group
- one (1) representative from the Entry Service
- one (1) representative from the Auroville Council
- one (1) representative from the Green Group
- one (1) representative from the Human Resources Team
- three (3) representatives from the 'community at large'

The Auroville Council will hold an interactive meeting in October with "Housing" as focus.

This is for your information.
Sincerely, *AV Council*

Call for Resource persons to finalize Conflict Resolution policy

Dear Community,

On August 27th there was an interactive meeting between the Auroville Council and the Community, where Koodam presented the Conflict Resolution Policy in a draft form. We need knowledgeable resource persons to finalise this CR policy before bringing it to the Residents Assembly for ratification.

Kindly write to the Council @ avcouncil@auroville.org.in
subject: resource person for CR policy with CC to Koodam@auroville.org.in by September 30th 2014.

Thank you, looking forward,
AV Council

TDC - L'avenir d'Auroville

TDC - L'avenir d'Auroville has decided to bring the following Site/Building Applications to the News & Notes for feedback.

INDIVIDUAL PROJECT:

1. Site application for Benito, Christine, Muna Sombray close to Meadow plot no. BO17/11 for a house and a cottage.

COLLECTIVE PROJECT:

1. Site application for Auroville Archives, next to SAIER building in the Administrative Zone.

INDUSTRIAL PROJECT:

1. Site application for Svaram Musical Instruments, Production and Research (IR 362/8, 9).

Description: Svaram Musical Instruments, Production and Research, as one of the growing Auroville craft units, following an increasing international interest, is projecting to expand its present facilities and scope of work. The allocated land will allow to create a model integrative craft campus with appropriate production and training facilities, design, research and development studios, exhibition and information space, sound healing and music therapy studies and a sound garden.

The planned development is driven by the need for more knowledge and activity based income generating activities for Auroville, which can create a harmonious interface with the local community through its participatory organizational model, as well as offer innovative opportunities and participation of a new generation of socio-cultural entrepreneurship.

The map of the proposed area will be published on Auronet.

TDC asks for feedback from the residents of Auroville within two weeks from the date of publication. If anyone wishes to have detailed information, feel free to contact TDC - L'avenir d'Auroville office: 262-3568 or come personally to the Building Application section.

Access policy for Aurovilians and Newcomers - Reminder to Aurovilians

1) Matrimandir Viewing Point

The Matrimandir Viewing Point is the garden located at the southern border of the Park of Unity. Aurovilians and Newcomers have free access to the Matrimandir Viewing Point at all times provided they do not bring their motorised vehicles up to the Visitors' Gate.

2) Park Of Unity

"The Park Of Unity must be surrounded by some kind of isolating zone so that it is solitary and silent..."

The park of Unity is the oval area marked by the road surrounding the Matrimandir, the Gardens, the Banyan Tree and the Amphitheatre. Aurovilians and Newcomers (the latter may have to present their Newcomer card on request) have free access to the Park of Unity at any time between 6 am and 8 pm.

3) Inner Chamber

"A place to learn to concentrate... a place to find one's consciousness..."

The Inner Chamber is open for Aurovilians and Newcomers ONLY, during the following hours every day: 6 am to 8.45 am, 11.30 am to 12.30 pm, Sundays until 2 pm and 4.30 pm to 8 pm.

9.30 am to 11.30 am is the visitors hour and very busy therefore kindly avoid this time.

4) Petal Meditation Rooms

The 12 Petals are open for Aurovilians and Newcomers daily from 4.30 pm to 6.00 pm.

5) Tuesday Morning: a special time for Auroville's children

Schools of Auroville who wish to bring children and students to the Matrimandir may do so on Tuesdays between 8.30 and 11 am. The children must be 14 years of age or below. Children above the age of 14 are expected to come on their own to the Matrimandir during the Aurovilians' hours. This time is also open to young Aurovilian children accompanied by an Aurovilian parent. Parents and teachers have to ensure that cleanliness within the structure is maintained and that the children are able to remain quiet. It is recommended that parents and teachers alike take the opportunity to make their children aware of the special purpose and function of the Matrimandir and to teach their children to respect the atmosphere of silence and concentration in this particular space.

Outreach schools under SAIHER may bring their children to the Matrimandir only with a prior appointment. They have to call 0413 2622579 between 10 and 11.30 am or send an email to mmconcentration@auroville.org.in, at least two days in advance with all details of their planned visit.

Access policy for Aurovilians with quests

Matrimandir Viewing Point

This is the place where first-time visitors can come to have an outer view of the Matrimandir, the Amphitheatre and the Banyan Tree with a pass, to be obtained from the Visitors' Centre. Aurovilians can also freely bring their relatives or friends to the Viewing Point, on condition that they do not bring their motorised vehicles up to the Visitors' Gate and stay with their guests during the time of the visit. In such cases, the relatives and friends do not require a pass.

Opening Hours: Monday to Saturday 9.30 am to 5 pm / Sunday: 9.30 am to 12.30 pm, Sunday afternoons closed.

Park Of Unity

Aurovilians who wish to access the Park of Unity with a close friend or family member, may do so between 9.00 am and 11.30 am or from 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm. The Aurovilian must be 18 years of age or above and can bring up to two relatives or close friends along with him/her, provided s/he stays with

them during the whole visit. Newcomers who wish to do the same should contact the Access Group of Matrimandir between 10 and 11.30 am to make an appointment.

Concentration in the Matrimandir

Aurovilians, of 18 years and above only, who wish to bring family members or close friends into the Matrimandir for concentration may do so at 8.45 am (see below*) any day except Tuesdays under the following guidelines:

1. All visits with guests must be booked at least a day in advance to avoid disappointment, by calling 0413 2622579 between 10 and 11.30 am or by email to mmconcentration@auroville.org.in Please be reminded that all mail are checked before 12 noon every day except Tuesdays and that the Access Office of the Matrimandir remains closed on Tuesdays. However, it is highly recommended that Aurovilians and Newcomers make an advance booking for their guests who are first-time visitors and who wish to concentrate in the Matrimandir, into the B group which is a guided visit for concentration in the Matrimandir. They are requested to take their guests to the Visitors Centre Booking Office in person any day except Tuesdays between 10 and 11 am or 2 and 3 pm to make their bookings. Please note that bookings are given only to those who turn up at the Booking Office and for a subsequent day. The Booking Office at the Visitors Centre is closed on Tuesdays.
2. Aurovilians must reach with their guest(s) the Access Office of the Matrimandir at 8.45 am (see below*) when passes are issued. Last pass is issued at 9 am.
3. Their time of concentration in the Inner Chamber is from 9 to 9.20 am.
4. They may bring only very close friends or family members, not more than 2 at a time.
5. They have to remain with their guests during the whole visit until they depart from the Park of Unity. Please note that Aurovilians may not leave their guests and visitors on their own inside the Matrimandir or the Park of Unity and leave.
6. Visits to the Petals for meditation may be made by collecting a Petal's pass of the guest's choice from the Access Office.
7. Aurovilians must take care not to bring along children with them who are below the age of 10 years during the visitors hour of 9 am to 11.30 am, including Aurovilian children.
8. Please note that the above facility is not open to Newcomers.

It has been brought to our attention that there are more and more vehicles coming up to Matrimandir for the 8.45 am concentration although all efforts are being made to prevent this from happening during the rest of the day. In order to reduce the traffic also at this time of the day, it has been decided to extend the policy for 'Visitors to Matrimandir', also to the guests of Aurovilians.

*We, therefore, request that from now on, all friends and family members of Aurovilians coming from outside Auroville in their cars (for the 8.45 am visit), reach instead the Visitors Centre at 8.30 am. Members of the Access Team will wait there to receive them. They will make sure that all guests of Aurovilians are taken from there to the Matrimandir in the Auroville bus in time for their concentration. After their concentration, they will be brought back to the Visitors Centre in the same way. The Aurovilians expecting their friends and family members from outside can wait for them at the Matrimandir Office Gate at 8.45 am, as usual.

Aurovilians who have their family members staying with them in their house in Auroville or in one of the Auroville guest houses are to come directly to the Matrimandir Office Gate at 8.45 am as usual.

Please note that the above arrangement takes effect from Wednesday, 1.10.2014.

General conditions for access

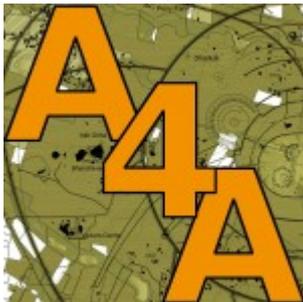
A very special atmosphere of silence and concentration in the Matrimandir and the Park of Unity must be maintained. For this the collaboration of all is essential:

- **Absolute silence** is required inside the Matrimandir and the 12 meditation rooms in the Petals, around the 'Lotus Pond' below the Matrimandir, and in the area under the Banyan Tree. Please help us maintain the atmosphere at the highest level.
- **Cleanliness:** the cooperation of all is requested to keep the Matrimandir and its twelve Petal rooms in immaculate condition. Touching any surface inside the structures is to be avoided. Cleanliness of body and garments is indispensable.
- **Bringing friends or relatives** for "showing off" is not in the right spirit and is not acceptable.
- **The Park of Unity** is not a place for jogging, cycling, walking dogs, talking on a cellphone, chatting, having a picnic or taking snap shots.
- **Passes may be issued** - on an exceptional basis and for a limited period of time - to non-Aurovilians to access the Inner Chamber during Aurovilians' timing. Those concerned will be very close friends of Auroville, AVI active members, long term guests who work for Auroville etc...who come regularly for concentration.
- **Aurovilians organising workshops** or tours for guests should not include a visit of the Matrimandir in their programme. This must be a matter of individual choice and approach.
- **Children below the age of 10 years**, including Aurovillian children, are not allowed in the Park of Unity during the visitors' hours of 9 am to 11.30 am any day except Tuesdays.

Matrimandir Team

Acres for Auroville - News from the campaign

The Acres for Auroville (A4A) campaign was formally launched on 15th August 2014, marking a new chapter in the history of Auroville's unified and harmonious development. It was a calm and happy takeoff at Auroville's Town Hall with about 25 people attending. Special invitees Mahalingam and Sinduja



together did the honors by unveiling the campaign kick-off poster. Mahalingam, who had Sri Aurobindo's Darshan in November 1945 and had received an autographed photo from him in 1944, represented Auroville's senior generation; Sinduja, an Auroville architect, represented the youth of Auroville. Together, they were

the founders and the future!

With his beautiful simplicity, Mahalingam declared *"I pray to the Mother and Sri Aurobindo to bless this beginning."* Such an invocation, coming as it does from him and all he represents, was of special importance to us. Sinduja expressed her wish to contribute actively to the A4A campaign: "I am behind this project 100%," she said. "We all know and sense the danger of not acquiring the land for the physical manifestation of Her dream, our collective dream! Community participation is essential, and I'll be happy to help in any way I can to get people to concretely plug in to this initiative."

Three of Auroville's senior-most members, Frederick, Joss, and Alain Grandcolas, were in attendance. LFAU's guiding spirit Aryadeep, who organized the kick-off ceremony, told Fred that he'd wanted to invite him as a featured guest but didn't succeed in contacting him. In any case, Fred replied, he'd somehow "heard the call" - and there he was at the ceremony!

Sigrid, COLAAP's driving force, shared: "It was a wonderful moment to see committed old timers, and completely new ones who are just as committed, around one big table! The effect of teaming up for fundraising for land purchase as a common goal brought us together. The feeling that the A4A campaign is sustained by a wide section of the community was so palpable. It was beautiful ... this is Auroville!"

The A4A team thanks Ireno, one of Auroville's foremost photographers, for capturing the event. All friends and donors can share in the spirit via the link: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/69452023@N04/sets/72157646534091146/>

Auroville's Loretta Shartsis has generously donated her beautiful 2-hour documentary DVD *The Teachings of Flowers - The Life and Work of The Mother of the Sri Aurobindo Ashram* to be given to each donor along with the Certificate of Contribution and Auroville earth card. We ask you all to please share our A4A fundraising materials with your friends and contacts by downloading them from www.colaap.org

There has been enthusiastic support since the kick-off -- internationally, within India, and from inside Auroville - and our gratitude goes to all! Particular thanks go to devotees who attended the Sri Aurobindo Integral Yoga Retreat in South Carolina & the Sri Aurobindo Center Southeast (USA), to Aurore, and for the dynamic solidarity of AVI-USA, AVI-Kazakhstan, and AVI-Germany. One particularly moving contribution came from a young German AV volunteer who has no regular income. She found €10 in a cupboard, and instead of keeping it for her own needs, she donated it to A4A!

We already see the possibility on the immediate horizon of securing one of the 7 plots, and look forward to reporting tangible progress in the next few weeks!

In solidarity for the City of Dawn,
Mandakini, on behalf of the A4A team

LOE-CHU news

The Laboratory of Evolution (which became also the Centre for Human Unity in 1985) is having internal meetings as well as email discussions regarding its own organization, while at the same time having talks with Helmut, who is kindly willing to help us with the preliminary task of estimating the total surface that will be needed for all our various activities in the new buildings we must now ask for; then the estimate for these new spaces can be calculated and presented to SAIER for funding.

We want the Research aspect of our work to be more known to the community at large - starting with those members of our own team who are more involved in the Library work and not necessarily aware of what the others do in the Research section. This sharing will strengthen the feeling of togetherness within the team, as well as our collective sense of purpose.

Anyone interested in getting a first idea of the very vast scope of the Research we have been doing, can do so already by having a look at my own Research Blog, 'Lab of Evolution' (labofevolution.wordpress.com), started in 2011 as a way to connect with other people in the world involved in some form of Conscious Evolution.

Bhaga

From Entry Service

Dear Auroville Community,
Please be informed that the process, for Youth turning 18 applying to sign the B-Form, has been put on hold. We are in the process of revising the procedure and the status will remain on hold until the status has been revised, presented, and approved by the community as there have been too many discrepancies. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Warmly, The Entry Service Team
(Chitra, Ishita, Kavitha, Kripa, Muthu, Umberto)

From Auroville Community Transport

Dear Community,

Since 2008 ACT is maintaining a community transport by running regular trips to Pondy throughout the week, every week. Since Day one, ACT's accounts are an example of transparency by being published twice a year on Auronet, and

it has managed to run the services on Personal and AV community (users) contributing funds and goodwill only.

At this juncture due to an extreme financial void and the operational/running expenses going in the red, ACT is compelled to take cost cutting measures and reschedule its operations with immediate effect so that we could prolong the inevitable end of the services.

Therefore, from September 15th, ACT endeavours to function with only one bus instead of two. This decision was reached for obvious economic reasons. The consequence of this change is that the service needs to be curtailed. This is reflected in our new timetable printed at the back of News & Notes or in the file attached to the Auronet announcement (please download onto your computer.)

Let us quickly review the new time table:

1. Early trip unchanged - starts from Transport Service (not on Tuesday) 7:45am 12 Noon
2. Morning Trip scheduled once a week on Tuesday - starts from Vérité 8:50am 12 Noon
3. Monday is back to being an early afternoon - starts from Vérité 2:50pm 6:00pm
4. Wednesday & Friday afternoon trip - starts from Vérité 4:30pm 8:00pm

In summary, 2 trips have been discontinued - Thursday and Saturday morning trips. The logic being that there is a 7:45AM departure from Transport Service every day except on Tuesday, we assume this can somewhat fulfil the need for the 9:00 AM trip on these days. We have maintained the 9:00 AM trip on Tuesday when the 7:45 AM is not available. In addition the ACT bus is on duty Saturday (and Sunday) mornings for shuttling visitors from the Visitor Centre to Matrimandir viewing gallery. These trips are a stable generator of income and stopping them would amount to closing ACT altogether, so we regret that the Saturday morning trip has to be discontinued.

We look forward to your continued support,

Taj for ACT team

Security Advice:

Dear friends,

This is to inform you that during the month of August, 2014, 5 thefts (Reve, Adventure & African house), 2 burglaries (Vikas & Certitude), 1 attempt harassment case (near 2 banyans), 2 accidents (Kuilapalayam & Certitude corner), 1 physical assault and 1 nuisance (Town Hall), occurred in different areas of Auroville.

We request all Aurovilians/Newcomers/Guests to be more conscious of their valuable belongings and use additional locks for their vehicles and houses to lower the risk of thefts.

We recommend that women avoid travelling alone at night, and to store our security numbers in their phones to report any incidents as soon as possible.

Women of all ages and modest dress codes have reported harassment, so be on your guard at all times. Be wary of three boys on a bike and do not stop for local men asking for directions. For post-incident support and counselling you may call the Women's help line (open in the morning) at 262-2425 or email AV health services: avhs@auroville.org.in.

For escort (for people with bikes/cycles only), call Ramesh.V at 9443090107/9443362691. Please note that the guards cannot

leave their posts without prior permission from Security management.

To those who are leaving town: please inform your neighbours to keep watch over your houses/apartments. Kindly inform your watchman /gurkhas or house sitters to contact us immediately when there are any people / incidents to be reported.

We recommend all residents and guests to travel in and around Auroville:

- 1) *With Xerox copies of your documents only. Leave the originals in your guest house safe.*
- 2) *Not to carry large amounts of cash or valuables on your person unless absolutely necessary.*
- 3) *To secure/ tie up your bags properly or to keep bags on your person instead of in cycle baskets.*

We would like to remind the community residents and guests to remain alert to the dangers of forest fires. We request residents and guest not to light any fires and to keep sand and water nearby in case of emergency.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!!

AV Security Service (Day & Night Security: 9443090107, 9443362691)



This week just two tidbits, both dealing with features that enable people to become aware of Auroville, its aims, vision and approaches to life.

RUSSIA - Vlad, currently one of Russia's AVI Liaisons, informs us that the opening of the vegetarian Art Cafe,

АУРОВИЛЬ ('Auroville' in Russian language) in St. Petersburg's Radishchev Street, will take place on Friday 12th of September. The four member team, supported by long-term friend Ruslan Bayramov, intends the space to become something like a club where people come together to have a bite to eat, read books & other info material on Auroville, discuss etc. Photos of the opening will be posted on Auronet. We thank the team for their courage and enthusiasm, and hope that **АУРОВИЛЬ** become a vibrant and animated foothold of what Auroville stands for in St. Petersburg.

GERMANY - Friederike sends us the following tidbit on the outgoing and incoming weltwaerts groups:

The 16 weltwaerts volunteers from Germany, who stayed and worked in different places for a full year, have left Auroville in August. Now they all have to struggle with the reverse cultural shock back in Germany...! One of them has shared the following beautiful feedback:

"After nearly 12 months in India and Auroville I am incredibly grateful for all the experiences I could make here. My thanks go especially to AVI Germany and the weltwaerts programme, which made all this possible; many thanks also for the excellent mentoring by the Aurovilians on site! You have all contributed to bringing me closer to the human being I would love to become."

Meanwhile the new group of 15 weltwaerts volunteers has arrived in Auroville and was welcomed by their Aurovillian tutors. They will certainly appreciate a friendly smile or any kind of assistance in learning to navigate through the thickets of Auroville!

For all AVI matters, please refer to Vani via vani@auroville.org.in. This column is maintained by mauna@auroville.org.in

POSTINGS

Message from AVC

Dear Community, the Auroville Council requests you to send your communications to avcoffice@auroville.org.in only and not any more to avcouncil@auroville.org.in. Thank you, the AV Council

Return of life...bee swarms come to settle in AuroOrchard



Recently, 3 bee swarms have come to settle in AuroOrchard. We hope this is a sign showing that the farm is slowly becoming more organic, more attractive for wild life. Maybe, it's a consequence of the fact that we stopped plowing orchards and that we are now maintaining them as pasture-orchard, full of an exuberant and diversified vegetation. You should also see the dance of butterflies...

Ah...If you have skills regarding local bees, we would be happy to share with you!

Christian 89 40 87 20 19

New Website on Savitri

There is a new website on Sri Aurobindo's poem, Savitri. Its main feature is that one can choose to read any line (or a few lines) of the poem and simultaneously listen to its recitation. At: <http://savitri.net.in> Happy reading! Ashesh

Singing for the climate: reminder

Dear all, this is to remind you that we will sing for the climate at the farmer's market (Youth Center) on Saturday 20th of September at 12:30. All are welcome. Jo, Minseon and Ananda.

Regarding mosquito hotspots

Dear reader,

For a project on vector borne diseases, it would be helpful to have feedback from the community regarding mosquito hotspots. If you or another community member experiences nuisance from mosquitoes, kindly write a mail to: ingevanalphen@gmail.com and specify the location and at what time of the day they are most bothersome. This way, a mosquito nuisance map can be created, and coordination with Vector Control Research Centre can be improved.

Thank you for your help,

Inge

AVAILABLE

Space for Office

A well protected building opposite Aurelec (ex-telephone service), North side space (around 47 sqm.), which is ideal for office, workshop and show room, is available for rent with generator back-up, 24-hour security, parking and canteen facilities. Interested people may contact Mr. Siva at Aurelec in person, or by phone to 2622293/294 or e-mail: adps@auroville.org.in

Bike Hero Honda, model: CBZ

Very good condition, fully serviced, please contact Mahesh 09786444354, email: nmaheshvaram@gmail.com

Go Slow!! Watch out the Cows on the Road!!

In the public interest, I request all the people who travel on motorbike/cycle between the Kulappalayam pond to the Pitchandikulam bridge to drive slowly and watch out for the cows on the road that cross suddenly. We have noticed too many accidents happening within the last 4 months on the specified junctions. Please be safe on the road!!!

Pugazh

Special Sale at Wellpaper

If you look for gifts or if you need some baskets and accessories, we would like to offer you Wellpaper's products at very low prices!

Timings: from Monday to Fridays - from 09:30 am till 16:00 pm. Directions: The sale will take place in Well Cafe Sve-Dam and in the Wellpaper workshop in Kottakarai. The Wellpaper workshop is located close by the Bamboo Center in the Mangalam site. Midway from the town hall "mushroom" towards Ganesh bakery, turn left toward the Kali temple. Follow the road till the Wellpaper arched building. Please call us on 2622219 for any assistance or additional information. You are all welcome, Wellpaper team

Cheese for Future School fund-raising event

At the fund-raising open house event at Future School on the 19th of September, from 10 to 1:30, La Ferme's Cheddar cheese will be sold for 60% of its normal price, proceeds being for the fund raising event. Just sign the blue sheet at the event's tea stall (or at the school kitchen), get a chit from the student at the stall, and pick up the cheese at La Ferme - a few hundred meters after Pour Tous Aspiration, opposite the Ayurvedic Centre. Happy eating! Benny and Arumugam, La Ferme Cheese

Singing Festival opening show

Dear Parents and children,

We would like to call for your children over 10 years old to participate in a dance for our Singing Festival opening show. It would be a very beautiful experience for your children to open a stage. We will practice every Friday from 3.45 to 4.45 pm in CRIPA. Alice, a professional modern jazz choreographer will train the children. Please contact: avsingingfestival@auroville.org.in 2014 AV Singing Festival.' One Community One family'. Community Cultural Colors (See See See)

Roma's kitchen

Roma's kitchen will be closed for lunch and dinner on Thursday the 11th of September. The inconvenience is regretted.

Attention Musicians

A brand new originally packed digital metronome to be sold under price. Contact: Dorothee @auroville.org.in

A beautiful Black Guitar

A beautiful Black Guitar is looking for a new home. One year old, hardly used - Ashton SPC44BK. Please contact: leela5656@gmail.com, Leela.

Auroville-App for Android

Auroville-App for Android-Users available. You can download from here: <https://sites.google.com/site/aurovilleapps/> The application has been tested by several people for more than one month already. One bitter pill: to upload it to Google-Play-Store and make it easier to install for everybody, Google asks a

single payment of 25 USD. If you want to support here somehow, please get in contact with me: gerhard@auroville.org.in. If you know how to develop apps for iPhones, I can send you the source-code (JAVA) to reprogram it for the Apple-Store. Enjoy! *Gerhard*

Canon Video Camera

Hi everyone! I have a Canon video camera with mini DV for sale! Bought it couple of years ago but rarely used, it comes with the bag! If you are interested please call me at 9442395774 Alice

Oster Juicer Extraction

3157 Machine with 1/2 year guarantee. Very strong quality juice maker for carrots, pineapple etc. Contact *Gilles*: 94 86 144065

Bike and Apple Mac

Yamaha FZ16 25,000kms, well maintained with new tyres - Apple Mac Mini Core2Duo - 4GB RAM - 250GB HDD (upgradable)

Contact *Bobby (Prarthna)*: bobby@auroville.org.in

One Coconut Mattress,

In good condition, almost new, size 1,5 X2,0. Call *Olesya*- 915-905-2743

Steel Bird

Good quality Steel bird silver helmet from Sri Rexine House for safe driving to Pondy. Contact *Gilles*: 94 86 144065

Classic Yamaha RX100

I'd like to sell a classic Yamaha RX100. It's in great condition with all the original parts, , papers and insurance. This particular bike is from 1987 (the launch date of Yamaha in India) and the engine was built in Japan. If interested contact *Ribhu* 9488483871 or 2623 445

LOOKING FOR ...

Group activities for a 9-year old boy.

Looking for group activities for a 9-year old boy. We are long-term guests at Auroville. Please contact me at akshay.kota@gmail.com for any information. Thanks, *Manisha Sharma*

Motorcycle

I'm looking for a motorcycle in good condition. robby.long@yahoo.it. *Roberto*

Joy Guesthouse needs furniture

The new team in Joy Guesthouse is starting up and welcoming all kind of furniture (chairs, tables, sofas, shelves, gas oven...) to freshen up our guest rooms, office, meeting room, kitchen etc. We are ready to pay in cash and kind. Please contact: 9790 582 139, 9443 617 308, 2622 584, guesthousejoy@gmail.com

One or two cane bed or Sofa and a small wooden tea table

If you have any and you wish to part with it and sell it to me...it would be great! 9443617308 - *Sara*

LOST & FOUND

A black Nokia phone (lost): With duct tape around it and a T chiselled at the back of it. If found, please contact my dad, *Eric* at 9442646250. Cheers, *Tenzin*.

ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE AND NEEDED

House-sitting 1

Hi, we are a family with three children (7, 9, 11 years) and we live in the Netherlands. We would like to come to Auroville for a year on the 1st of May 2015 and we are looking for housing. During our stay in Auroville we will do some volunteer work in Arts and teaching. When Aurovilians are planning to travel or leave AV for a while, we hope for a house-sitting possibility. Please contact us, *Georges* is in AV right now and can make an appointment till the 18th of September - phone number: 978 6259 322 or write an e-mail to: georges@laheijvolders.nl

House-sitting 2

Hi everyone, I'm Margaux, daughter of Yves and Natacha (Udumbu community) and looking for an affordable house-sitting for me and a friend of mine. We both are psychomotor therapists and long-time volunteers in Auroville, so we are looking for it from the middle of October. We are really serious, used to taking care of pets and we'll take care of your house. You can contact me at: margaux2laborde@gmail.com or [9943312196](tel:9943312196). A lot of gratitude for your attention, *Margaux and Azélie*

TAXI SHARING

September 14th: A taxi will leave Auroville on the 14th night to be at Chennai airport at 1.30 am on the 15th. It can be shared both ways - contact: 2622943, *Mauro* or 9655422346, *Mukta*.

September 16th: Leaving Auroville 2.30 am from Svedam to Chennai airport, arriving Chennai 6.40 pm going back to Auroville. If you would like to share please call or sms *Manuela* 8098900471 - manuela.auroville@gmail.com. Thanks, *Manuela*

September 17th: Auroville to Chennai Airport on 17th Sep at 9am. Contact *Bobby (Prarthna)* +91-9443223598 / bobby@auroville.org.in

September 17th: A taxi will leave Av around 1:30 pm to Chennai airport for a pick up, will return with 2 available seats.

If you want to share, please contact *Hedia* (95 85 97 53 81, hhedia@gmail.com)

September 20th: Returning from Chennai airport around 9 am on Saturday September 20th. Contact *Jan(Gaia)* by e-mail: sabaki@auroville.org.in

September 21st: Leaving for Chennai airport late night on Sunday, September 21st, around 11:00 pm for a 4:00am flight. Please call *Kirti* at 2622393.

September 27th: Chennai Airport to Auroville on 27th Sep at 2 pm. Contact *Bobby (Prarthna)* +91-9443223598 / bobby@auroville.org.in

September 28th: Auroville to Chennai Airport. Start 4.30 am - airport 7.30 am. Contact: *Michael O.* 9443752847/2623489
mychello@auroville.org.in

October 1st (or Sept 30th): Hello, I'm looking for a taxi share to go to Chennai to catch a flight on October 1st at 8 am. I'm also open to going on September 30th. perineaualexia@gmail.com or 76 39 374738. Thanks! *Alexia*

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

New member to help the school in Fundraising, Communications and Secretarial Support.

Dear Community,

The New Era Secondary School Team is looking for a new member to join us to help the school in Fundraising, Communications and Secretarial Support. The work includes keeping in touch with potential sources of funding, writing brochures, and if possible, updating and maintaining the school Website (using Wordpress). Tasks vary during the course of the year, and depending on your interest, there are many other areas where we could use your help by working with students or organizing events as well. Maintenance is available.

We look forward to hearing from you,
Warmly, *The NESS Team* (0413 2622662, 9443459067,
ness@auroville.org.in)

A the House of Mother's Agenda

We would like to receive help from an Auroville volunteer during an unspecified period for a certain computer related work. We would be happy to meet that person at House of Mother's Agenda at Savitri Bhavan, Monday to Saturday between 3 and 6 o'clock, or by phone, Gangalakshmi: 21623041.

With Joy for the Service,
Gangalakshmi, H.O.M.A., Savitri Bhavan

RADIO



Dear Listeners,

So far our September fund raising campaign month has achieved approximately a third of its goal!

Of our total of Rs 356,626 for staff support and operating costs for the year we received Rs 57,100 and a pledge of Rs 5000 monthly for the year.

We like the title "Auroville Media Lab" which is shorter than "Art and Science of Communication School" (thanks Chloe). At present we are working on a trial curriculum for this project and will send a budget to PCG.

Soon we will add an answering machine so you can leave a message 24/7 with your suggestions, encouragements or topics to explore. Renu is interested to record dreams or experiences of Mother, Sri Aurobindo or Auroville, to share these contact Renu. The Auroville Radio is always looking for Auroville residents to join the team and take up any aspect of the work.

Meanwhile we are still waiting for a reply from the Auroville Council with regard to the sound barrier division and from L'Avenir d' Auroville for a spot for the Media lab.

Did you know it costs approximately Rs 1,000 for an hour of recording, editing, uploading, storing and sharing of a content? We thank the following donors: On Sep 1st someone in Auroville gave Rs 6,050, Sep 2nd ICITI project Rs 5000, Sep. 3rd Chloe and Luca benefit concert 6,550 (minus speakers charges), Sep 6th Auroville Campus Initiative Rs 500, Sep 8th AVI France Rs 39,000. Remember when you hear you're here! Thank you for listening and supporting the Auroville Radio.

These are the latest programs published by AurovilleRadio this week. All the recordings are available in CD or ready to be copied on your memory stick at the AurovilleRadio premises in Town Hall, opposite the Financial Service.

Thullal - Kalamandalam Suresh (Culture 04/09/2014)
Thullal by Kalamandalam Suresh Kaliyath was presented at the Sri Aurobindo Auditorium in Bharat Nivas - Auroville - [Music, 58 Minutes]

The History of Communication (Radio Drama 03/09/2014)
A one minute sound cartoon on the history of communication - [Music, 0 Minutes]

Journey Trough Tradition Inquiry (History 04/09/2014)
For Kerala Festival Manoj presented glimpses of Kerala history through story of Avatars with aspect on evolution. - [English, 50 Minutes]

Bose Krishnamachari in Auroville (Visual Arts 03/09/2014)
Bose Krishnamachari in Auroville. He speaks about Contemporary Art & Kerala Biennale. - [English, 88 Minutes]

Art, Plants, Kerala (News from Auroville 04/09/2014)
Featuring Krupa inviting us to Art Break Day 5.9. - [English, 18 Minutes]

Where the Art Starts? (Culture 03/09/2014)
Featuring Bose Krishnamachari, known contemporary artist, curator, originated from Kerala - [English, 24 Minutes]

Medicinal Plants & Consciousness (Medical Research 03/09/2014)
Plants allies of our Health: Prevention, Nutrition, Care - Costanza Giunti, Herbal Doc & Mariuccia Sofia, Medical Doc. - [Italian, 12 Minutes]

Selections by Gangalakshmi-4 (Integral Yoga 03/09/2014)
Selections by Gangalakshmi-4. This is a weekly series (In French) of selected works by the Mother or Sri Aurobindo. - [French, 14 Minutes]

Power of Chenda Melam Drums (Music 02/09/2014)
Chenda Melam Dr.ms by Kalanilayam UnniKrishnan yesterday at SAWCHU to celebrate Onam Festival/ Kerala Fest - [Sound, 74 Minutes]

Domestic Radio Orchestra- (Music 01/09/2014)
Experimental Concert of Transistors performed by Chloe and Lucas - [Sound, 34 Minutes]

Andrea and Renu on fund raising (Multimedia 01/09/2014)
Andrea discusses the fund raising drive and the future Media Lab/Art and Science of Communication school project. - [English, 16 Minutes]

You can listen to all of the programs and more on www.aurovillradio.org. For more info call 0413-2623331 or email contact@aurovillradio.org

TRAVEL

Latest News from the Travel - Shop - Inside India

In mid - September we shall relocate our office to Auroshilpam, Inside India office - behind Auromode. Our contact information remains the same as given below:

Our office hours: Monday to Saturday 9:00 - 12:30 and 13:30 - 17:00 travelshop@auroville.org.in, domestic@inside-india.com
Kuilapalayam, Tel: 2622 604, 2622 078 A member of our team is already available at Inside India office in Auroshilpam, Tel: 2623030, same timings doulat@inside-india.com

EATING OUT

Roma's kitchen

Roma's kitchen Sunday 14th of September - buffet lunch at 12.30 pm. A la carte menu will also be available. Reservations at: 2622032.

GREEN MATTERS



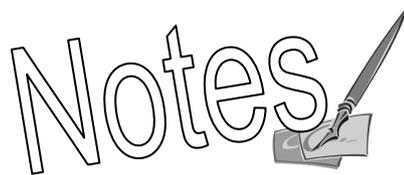
Dear friends!

THANK YOU once again for making our second Farmer's Market at the Youth Center such a success! We had local food, farms, handicrafts, music, songs, and fun! It is nice to see the community coming together this way...

Our next Farmer's Market is on Saturday - September 20. Please save the date, and if you'd like to participate, please email localiciousav@gmail.com or show up at our Prep / Setup meeting that we will have Thursday at 3 pm at the Youth Center.

This time, we also look forward to having a group from the AV Singing Festival singing the song for the climate - "Do it Now" :)

Love, light, and abundance...*Localicious Auroville*



Private Cars in Av

If a person has some extra money to get a car it means that he/she is ok and has no problem with wasting it. The vital feels happy! If the person can waste money to buy a rusted piece of metal (a temporary item), why not then, instead of this, invest it into buying some lands for Auroville (an eternal item)? Does the vital feel unhappy?
Furthermore for how many years is it possible to use an AV taxi when compared to the price of a car with every year a tax payment? And what about the additional noise pollution?
It is clearly visible in Auroville that a personal car is like a luxury club member card!

Sergei (Maitreye)

Dogs and Aurovillians

We are house-sitting in a house where the owner has a dog, Panda. We notice after the owner left that he never obeys us. We should walk for a while everyday with the dog, this is an everyday challenge. It's a very difficult daily job, there is no safe pathway to walk because it's impossible to cross some communities. For this and other reasons we decided to walk always with a leash and a wooden stick in case we find any problems as other dogs can be very violent.

I didn't see any well trained dog in Auroville, it's supposed to be nice to walk around Auroville but it's scary, always the dogs come to you in a very aggressive way, instead of welcoming you, only in Auroville, first time in my life I see 5 times people bitten by dogs and 2 times extreme attacks between dogs. We don't want the police but we have aggressive dogs and it must be the responsibility of the owners, even more now that the population of dogs is increasing and the variety of races too.

Unluckily 3 weeks ago, was too much for me to tolerate as we found one community's dog in our way and so we immediately tied our dog. We suggest dogs' owners to please tie their dogs too. We suggest them that it's better for all to carry a leash or train the dog, we explain to them that we have difficulties to cross the pathways near their house because the dogs fight a lot.

I understand respect, I understand education for all, humans and dogs, I understand effort to make Auroville better and be flexible but we are supposed to work to increase the population of Auroville and for this we require a good understanding, face the situations and act, what more is required to be an Aurovillian?

Anna and Alberto

Ps: It's a call for Aurovillians to solve this problem, Thank you very much!

Art Break Day 2014: Wish!

Art Break Day is a community art event which occurs in 29 locations around the world on the first Friday in September, including Mexico, Netherlands and the US. It is sponsored by the US-based non-profit, Art is Moving.

"All art requires courage." -Anne Tucker

For the second event in Auroville, we saw dozens hesitating to sit down, particularly adults claiming they are "bad at this kind of thing". With encouragement, many were able to gradually open up and express themselves. In the morning, school groups of children (including TLC, Deepanam and LEC), came one after another with creative ideas on the theme "wish". Some were personal, including many dreams of flight or flying, and a common hope to have colorful, cooling ice cream on a hot day; while others wished for peace, happiness, love, kindness and for the preservation of nature around the world.

Of nearly 300 participants, some commented on how it brought connection and concentration to the community in a very special and positive way. Throughout a day filled with activity and creation, there was actually a precious and dynamic silence. Just as last year, we saw adults and children, Tamil villagers and Aurovilians, single-day guests and long-term volunteers all sitting down together to create. This remains a very unique interaction bridged by the universality of art.

There was also a moment I looked around and saw a cat, several dogs snuggling up against tables, birds in the surrounding trees, people moving and painting, and I really felt the blissful harmony of the atmosphere on this day. And amazingly, exactly like last year, the moment we packed up the materials, heavy rain came pouring down!

My effort to share art therapy and events like Art Break Day in Auroville is called Sankalpa, which is a Sanskrit word for intention or affirmation. In the last four years here, I have helped many individuals to express wishes and dreams and combine them with creativity to help manifest them. Ultimately, Art Break Day is my own wish coming true, to be able to provide a supportive open space and access to the tools for creative expression. Community art is an important foundation for the deeper work of art therapy.

Thank you to the incredible team of volunteers including Gaurav, Rosa, Jagruti, Marisa, Lisa, Florence and Selena; to Edo for capturing the day in another form of art as photographs; to Nicole, Selvam and friends at Visitor's Center for welcoming this event for a second year; to Lauren & Lisa of Art is Moving for facilitating this art revolution in 29 sites around the world; and to each and every brave artist who came by and participated, whether for 10 minutes or 2 hours! Looking forward to offering many more bridges through art in our community.

With colorful gratitude, *Krupa* [krupa@auroville.org.in]. sankalpajourneys.com. facebook.com/sankalpajourneys]

From fear to trust; from lack to abundance

The Economy is the currently the hot topic in Auroville. Everyone is talking about it - individually and in group meetings. There is an overall concern regarding the sustainability of the current system. Many Aurovilians are not finding their maintenance enough to cover their basic needs. As Aurovilians have less money available to them, the costs of being in Auroville are increasingly being passed on to guests, volunteers, and applicants to the Entry Process. While this may bring in more money in the short term, in the long term we risk having less guests, volunteers, and Newcomers. We also risk changing the type of people who join Auroville, depending on their ability to pay. As money becomes more important here, Auroville slowly becomes more like the very world that it was created as an alternative to! So, what can we do? :)

You can think of the financial system like your water supply:

There is plenty of water being pumped from the wells (money coming from sales of goods and services), the occasional rains (donations), and your water tap at home (PT account) is turned on; yet there is very little or no water (money) coming in. What does this mean? There are leaks or diversions in the pipes (channels) that deliver to your home. People have either accidentally punctured the pipes, or diverted the water for their own perceived benefit. Additionally as some people are over-using it in their homes (accounts), you then have less available to you!

Every time you use your Aurocard or PT account to buy something from an outside supplier, money leaves Auroville. Remember that our dependence on money is proportional to our dependence for goods and services on the outside world. The World Economy is not picking up, so let us take this *hit* as a *gift* - as an opportunity to support everything grown and made in Auroville - to feed and clothe our bodies, and stock our homes. Let us channel funds to incubate new AV industries that can supply even more of our needs.

Let us be conscious of signing on blue sheets when we don't have money in our accounts. If we leave the tap on all day even when we're not at home, it leaves less water for our neighbors. Let us practice the equivalent of 'rainwater harvesting' for money - to ensure that all the money that is donated from various sources stays within Auroville and gets used well, and doesn't seep through the cracks.

This is the outer work we can do - to streamline our resource use as individuals and in committees; to fix the leaks in the system and distribute the money better. However, there is something even more important that we have to do on a subtle level. We can start by asking ourselves this:

In difficult times, have we lost our resolve and strayed from our founding vision to submit to the ways of the world that surrounds us? In the time that you have been here, have you seen a shift in the group consciousness - from surrender to control, abundance to lack, trust to fear, and from heart to mind? If it is so, don't worry - it is quite normal in these times :) You will find this pattern in most spiritual communities in the world, in the years after the enlightened founder has left their body. If you are aware of it, that is already a big step.

Fear is like - the deposits that clog the pipes and block the flow of abundance. What is the opposite of fear? It is an unshakable trust in the divine and in destiny - that you will become everything you ever wanted to be (individually and collectively), and that everything you need will be provided to you at the right time. Trust is the solvent that dissolves fear.

Try making this inner shift to a consciousness of trust and abundance, like when you were a child or when the Mother was here in her body, and just watch how - almost magically, the outer phenomenal world responds - more money will flow in for the lands and other projects, bills will get settled, accounts will refill, and there will be less conflicts at meetings :)

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What next?

I have nothing to say except a sincere prayer.

Mother you have had the Supreme vision to create Auroville in order to prepare the cradle of a New World to take birth.

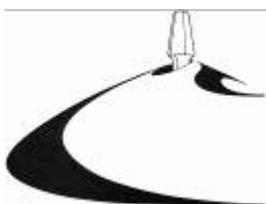
Let our heart be receptive to Your Force, the New Consciousness. Is It too bright that it blind us or so deep behind to feel it? The whole world could deny it but its reality is so concrete, so working, so tangible, that only a little faith can drill a tiny hole in our carapace. Then the real Adventure could start, no need of anything else, the work we do, the thoughts we have, can't dissipate its Presence. If in this Presence we could be 10, 50 and more and more, than it would manifest the Auroville the Mother wants us to do and the earth needs. It would spread, it would convince without a word, Harmony would be at work and visible to all. This collective aspiration would overcome all difficulties.

Mother right now we are suffering in our small collective, putting all kind of protections in all aspects of life. Fear (not admitted) shrinks the life of Auroville to a small village, overcrowded with rules. We have lost the ambition to serve the Great Adventure and have fallen into an ordinary life.

Mother, the entrance of Auroville is built with so many barriers and handicaps that all sincere souls, pray to break all those limitations. Unless we reconsider and come back to the real "why of Auroville", Mother, it will be a dead end. Hear our call for the Divine Grace, or Kali, who could free all our aspiration to embrace the infinite diversity of life with simplicity and love, but collectively.

Andre. New Creation

For your calendar



AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

Welcome to the Thursday weekly meditation
Listening to Mother's reading of Savitri on Sunil's music

Timing still from 5.30 pm to 6.00 pm

"Please note the change of timing for the new season: 5.30 to 6.00 pm -instead of 6 to 6.30 pm"
(From Thursday 18 Sept.)

Let's enjoy the beautiful open space under the vast sky, the special light of the setting sun
and heavenly music in the very center of Auroville!

(Dear Guests, please carry your Guest Card - please no photos there.
Access only for the Amphitheatre from 5.15 pm to 6.15 pm. Thank you!)

Amphitheatre Team

INVITATIONS

"PACHAMAMA CEREMONY"

Ceremony to the Mother Earth in the Circle of the Latin American Countries in Auroville, The City of the Human Unity, we will do an offering to the Mother Earth, thanking her for all that she gives us and finishing with a bonfire.

21st of September at 5 pm.

At the Latin American Circle, opposite the Canadian Site, near to the International Guest House and the Tibetan Pavilion.
Bring some food or drinks to offer to the Pachamama (the Mother Earth)

EVERYONE CAN BUILD! Reminder

(See previous News for more info)

What to expect? Cob work / earth work / Fun activities, Murals and paintings for children / Recycled tetra-pack furniture making and more.

When and where? September 13th 2014 from 10am to 5pm At SacredGroves, Auroville. Contact: Asha -9443069335

ART CORNER

Just a reminder that every Tuesday & Friday from 6 to 10 pm, there is an open space for creative expression upstairs at Le Zephyr Café in the Visitor's Center. There are different themes each evening, and a special opportunity to be part of a global art exchange to be exhibited in Chiang Mai, Thailand. The prompt for this postcard exhibition is: "Art can bridge cultural differences and languages and be used to promote positivity and peace worldwide. Use art to share with us what it is that you imagine for our world, should you be given

the opportunity to create it from a blank canvas. You are the artist, you decide." Please join us on either of two Fridays, Sept 12 & 19 to create a postcard to be included in the exhibition. -Krupa (krupa@auroville.org.in)

ENTRIES INVITED FOR ART CHAKRA, A BIWEEKLY OPEN ART EVENT

Art Chakra is an interactive space for everyone to **express their artistic side** in an informal and non-judgmental environment. Whatever is your medium of artistic expression - **photography, painting, short films, sculpting, singing, performing arts, storytelling, yummy recipe etc...**you can share it all with your fellow volunteers, here at Art Chakra. One need **not** necessarily be a professional artist or an art student to participate in Art Chakra. Of course, it would also provide a great **networking opportunity** for skill-exchange and to initiate participatory art projects. **So, come participate and open your Art Chakra.**

Registration: The participants who wish to share their works must register beforehand through email. We have a limited number of slots of 10 min each for each session of ART CHAKRA. No registration required for being an audience.

Venue: AV Room, Kala Kendra, Bharat Nivas | **Time:** 10:30 am -12:30 pm, Sunday, 14th of Sept

Entry: Free and open for all - For more details: *Gaurav*, Email: medimedia@gmail.com, or SMS to 9787897947 / Join us on FB: www.facebook.com/AurovilleArtChakra



World Bamboo Day - 2014

To celebrate the spirit of bamboo, ABRC is organising an event which comprises workshops, educational tours and a cultural night on occasion of World Bamboo Day on the 17th and 18th of Sept, 2014.



Highlights of the event would be:

- 4 day Bamboo Construction Workshop (15-18th Sept)

Day 1

- Exhibitions (Bamboo Craft)
- School Visit
- Bamboo Cafe

- School Visit

- Farmers Convention (10.30am to 11.30am)
- Bamboo Plantation (11.30am to 12pm)
- Cultural Night (7.30pm to 8.30pm)
- Bamboo Themed Dinner

Day 2

We would like to invite Volunteers and Guest alike for the same and make this day a grand success. Event starts at 9am.

Venue: Auroville Bamboo Centre

For more info and registration call 0413-2623806 or email aurovillebamboocentre@auroville.org.in

Auroville Weekend Farmers' Market - Saturday, Sept 20

Come on all to the Weekend Farmers' Market in the Youth Centre this coming Saturday, Sept 20!

Featuring:

- Live performances on stage
- Organic fruits and vegetables from Auroville farms
 - Home-made jams, pickles and cakes
 - Hand-made jewelry
- Johnny's delicious tea (served in a clay cup)
 - and much, much more

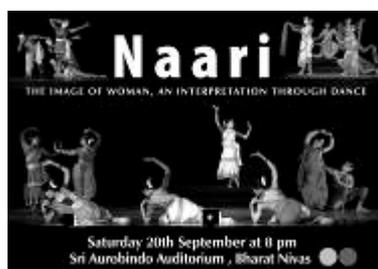
Call for Performers

The Auroville Weekend Farmers' Market invites all performers of all ages (singers, jugglers, lion-tamers, whatever...) to bring a short performance to the market stage for the wonderment and entertainment of all. We'll have a sound system, microphones, leads for instruments and an MC to introduce your act!

WHERE: Youth Centre / **WHEN:** 10.30am, Saturday Sept 20

For more information, or to register you act, call Jesse on 948 6623 749

CULTURAL EVENTS



NAARI

The Image of Woman, an interpretation through Dance
Saturday 20th September at 8 pm
Sri Aurobindo Auditorium - Bharat Nivas

YOGA INDIVIDUAL CLASSES IN CREATIVITY

Class Timings: Monday and Wednesday - 5 to 6.30 PM
Hall of Light - Creativity
Maximum: 10 students
Starts on Monday September 15th.

About the yoga teacher: Sergio Martinez has been practicing Yoga for the past 16 years. From 2002 to this very day, Sergio has been an ongoing devoted student of Acharya Venkatesha, founder of Atma Vikasa Yoga Institute in Mysore. He got the approval to teach Yoga in the year 2003 and since then, Sergio has been one of the best ambassadors of this system of Yoga. He has taught Yoga to students from all around the world.

Sergio's teaching takes you deep in the understanding of every aspect of Yogasana. His classes are inspiring to help you overcome your limitations and go further to grow into a better practitioner. He guides every one with care, dedication and loving attention. Even as the classes are in group, you get an individual sequence adapted to your needs. In this style of teaching, anyone can come from beginners to advanced practitioners and fit into the group, getting the required attention and the right guidance.

Welcome.

INNER-WORK-WORKSHOP

Introduction to the Integral Yoga of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother

17th September (Wednesday)

• Overview with multimedia presentation • Questions and Answers • Practice in Daily Life • Complimentary Concentration Exercises

• Creative Arts, Interactive Games • Life of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother • Introduction to the Reference Books

Focus this week on: 'The Vision and the Way'

These Workshops are conducted every Wednesday, each week with a different focus. Study, play and creativity go hand in hand with various inner exercises.

Place: Savitri Bhavan. Time: 9 am to 12.00 Noon. (pl be present by 8.55 am)

Led by Ashesh Joshi

Contact: 9489147202, 2622922. No Registration required (except for groups)

Fees: Voluntary Contribution. All are welcome

For details on the Integral Yoga and the upcoming workshops: please visit www.integralyoga-auroville.com

AWARENESS THROUGH THE BODY

Mini-workshop with Francesco

These small monthly workshops are open to everyone who is interested and already acquainted with ATB or similar work, and who would like to spend a few hours in their week-end to enjoy and appreciate moments of deepened and expanded awareness. The themes that are going to be explored are: parts of the being, breath, sensory awareness, connectedness and form.

The workshops are going to take place in Transition School in the ATB hall on:

Saturday 4th October, afternoon 15.00 to 18.30

Sunday 2nd November, morning 8.30 to 12.00

Saturday 6th December, afternoon 15.00 to 18.30

Sunday 11th January, morning 8.30 to 12.00

If you would like to participate to any one of the workshops please contact Francesco at: 9626895370 or at Sghilli@hotmail.it.

HEALTH & HAPPINESS

A 2-day interactive and experiential retreat, to learn a integrated Yogic program that can be practiced in about thirty minutes to improve your health and wellbeing. You will learn tools and techniques to manage stress, let go of toxic emotions, and boost your productivity. It will enable you to lead a happier life through a fusion of ancient wisdom and modern scientific research. This weekend retreat will be facilitated by JV. Email info@aurovilleretreat.org or call 9843948288 to register. Dates: 13&14 September, 9 am - 5 pm. Venue: Saracon (near Ganesh Bakery). *Vikram*

ONE WEEK INTENSIVE COURSE ON SANSKRIT

Dr. Sampadananda Mishra, noted Sanskrit teacher from Pondicherry, has kindly offered to hold an intensive course on Sanskrit especially for Auroville. It would take place from 20 to 25 October 2014, 9am to 5pm daily, at Savitri Bhavan. If you are interested to participate, for more details please e-mail savitribhavan@auroville.org.in, mentioning 'Sanskrit Course' in the subject line, or phone 2622 922 during working hours (9-5 daily except Sunday).

LOCALLY GROWN VEGETABLES - SESSION 4 - GREEN COOKING BANANA

The first three sessions discussed in detail, various recipes about Banana stem both in its raw and cooked form.

The fourth session will discuss in detail how to use the green cooking Banana.

It will be held on 20th of September 2014 (Saturday) at 10.30 am, at Life Education Centre, opposite Isaiambalam School.

Raw banana or green banana is a store house of minerals, vitamins and carbohydrates. It contains potassium, calcium, magnesium, iron, zinc etc. Vitamins A, B, C, B-6 etc., are also available in plenty. Potassium helps to reduce high blood pressure.

It is one of those local vegetables that is easily available throughout the year and especially in our area; we will learn unique but very simple methods of cooking it to retain its properties and savour, in a very short cooking time and using very mild spices and less oil.

For those of you interested in having recipe notes, we will make them available to you.

These bi-monthly sessions are offered by *Buvasundari*.

The aim of these classes is to make you confident enough to prepare by yourself for your consumption at home. Allowing us to become aware of and using locally grown vegetables, the optimal use of mild spices and oil with good cooking techniques, will enhance the taste and savour, besides helping in getting familiar with using vegetables available where we live.

Looking forward to see you there on 20th of September, where we will see, learn, do, eat and ask questions!

Life Education Centre team

TRY KERALA AYURVEDIC & HAWAII LOMI LOMI MASSAGE!!

Free for Aurovilian, Newcomer and Guests of Auroville.

Ayurvedic Panchakarma massage combined with Lomi Lomi is an experience NOT to be missed!

Come experience the 5,000 years old tradition of one of the oldest, time tested healing modalities, and feel the power of total relaxation.

Work out your muscular tension, relieve your pain, and improve your skin tone and circulation with this profound

technical combination of Kerala Ayurvedic Massage & Hawaiian Lomi Lomi massage.

Contribution welcome!

Please call for Booking and Appointment: 99343 77198 or 814840 8520

Elumalai V, Fraternity.

ASKING FOR WHAT YOU WANT - REQUESTS

1/2-day Nonviolent Communication Deepening
Saturday, September 20 - 2.00-6.00 pm at L'aura's house, Joy Guest House, Centre Field

- Do we dare to ask for what we want?
- Do we actually know what we want?
- How do we receive the moment when we don't get what we want?

All levels welcome! Pre-Registration required! Maximum participants: 12

For more info and to register, contact: joylivinglearning@gmail.com

L'aura Joy, CNVC Certified Trainer: L'aura has been sharing and living NVC for the past 7 years, and has traveled and shared in different countries and contexts. She is passionate about exploring how we can live our lives in empowered and co-creative ways. Nonviolent Communication offers such a clear, yet deeply powerful and transformative, framework within which to explore both our inner realities as well as outer relationships.

EXPLORING MEDITATION

With the help of techniques from different traditions we will bring awareness to the now.

No need for previous meditation experience but if you have none please come 5 minutes before we start.

Venue pavilion of Tibetan Culture, International Zone -
Wednesday 16:30-17:30 Friday 8:30-9:30
Yahalom Djaima

SCHEDULES

VERITE PROGRAMS

Please contact Vérité to register for the following workshops (0413 2622045 or programming@verite.in / Contributions requested from guests/volunteers (volunteer reduction by advance application only)

YOGA CLASSES with Patricia

Only Tue, Sept 16 through Fri, Sept 20th from 6:30 to 8 am
This class is only open to Spanish-speaking participants.

INTEGRAL HEALTH & HEALING with Dr. Geeta Auropremi

Wednesday workshops: Sept 17th & 24th from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

A holistic approach to understanding the self and maintaining health, including yoga, Ayurveda, diet, pranayama, meditation and naturopathy. Lifestyle guidance is also available for managing specific health issues such as diabetes, hypertension, arthritis, obesity and any type of pain.

Dr. Geeta auropremi has 30 years of experience in Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy. She has an MD in Gynaecology and Paediatrics, a YTTC certificate and diploma in Yoga, and Post-Graduate degrees in Yoga & Naturopathy. She specialized in prenatal and couple education in the government of Gujarat, has offered seminars all over India and in Brazil including the teachings of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother, massages, meditations, purification methods and more.
Also available for individual consultation in AYURVEDA, YOGA & NATUROPATHY by appointment: 9443288156

SOUTH INDIAN ORGANIC COOKING with Rajaveni & Suba

Friday, Sept 19th from 10 am to 12:30 pm
Participants will pick some fresh organic vegetables from the garden with a local team then learn how to cook them with traditional recipes, and enjoy eating the results!

Rajaveni has been working in the Vérité kitchen for 20 years, and SUBA for the last 10 years. Both are Tamil women from the neighbouring villages, happy to share the local culture with all.

YOGA & CARE IN DAILY LIFE with Simantini

Saturday, September 20th from 9 am to 12 noon (by registration)

Personal care of health through yoga, diet, nutrition and tropical beauty care in daily life. This workshop will include practical asanas, discussion, theory of beauty care and a facial care demonstration.

Simantini Gaekwar has an MA in Philosophy & Psychology and a diploma in Beauty Care with Shehenaz Hussain.

ART THERAPY with Krupa

Individual sessions by appointment: krupa@auroville.org.in (preferred) or 9486287495

Creative empowerment sessions with a variety of media to explore; improving self-esteem and a sense of mastery by generating original self-expression in a safe and supportive space. Discover insight and awareness through the art you create, in the reflection of stories, patterns and symbols from the unconscious. Explore non-verbal processing of emotions related to trauma, grief, aging, illness, conflict, stress, etc. Enjoy art as a path to deeper self-connection.

Krupa is an Aurovillian and International Art Therapist, bridging communities and facilitating insight through creativity. With a graduate degree in Art Therapy from NYC, and experience with children/women with HIV/AIDS, she is currently working with young women from the surrounding villages. She is also trained in Trauma-Informed practices and the combination of Art & Yoga.

PITANGA NEWS

KAYA BODHA WORKSHOP - Tue, Sept 16th, Wed 17th & Thur 18th - 10.00-12.00 am with Hans. Gentle movements of contraction and loosening that release tension and improve agility, relaxation and mental calm.

ANIRVEDA POSTURE AND CONFIDENCE IN SELF DEFENSE WORKSHOP - Tues, Sept 16th, Wed 17th and Thur 18th - 16.00-18.00 with Hans.

Registration for workshops: Pitanga (0413) 2622403 or pitanga@auroville.org.in

FILMS



C I N E M A - BHARAT NIVAS - AUDITORIUM

FRIDAY 19 SEPTEMBER - 7:30 PM (Film show starting at 7.45 sharp)

"BELLE AND SEBASTIEN"

Director: Nicolas VANIER - France, 2013

With: Félix Bossuet, Tchéky Karyo, Margaux Châtelier...

Synopsis: In a remote corner of the Alps, Sebastian, 6 years old, tame a stray dog he calls Belle. The film tells the story of an unbreakable friendship, the extraordinary story of a resourceful and touching child in the midst of World War II. In

spite of the presence of German soldiers settled in the village, smugglers help Jews to cross the Franco-Swiss border...

Film adaptation of Cecile Aubry's eponymous novel and following a famous French television series "Belle and Sebastian" from the 60s. General Audience.

Original version in French with English Subtitles - Duration: 1h.44'



"THE ECO FILM CLUB

Sadhana Forest, September 19th,
Friday at 7.00pm

THE DAY AFTER PEACE

2009 - 82 minutes. Director: Jeremy Gilley, English
Winner of the Visionary Award at the Washington DC Indep. Film Fest

September 21st is the International World Peace Day. Join us and our friend Ashoka Bhoopathy to celebrate this coming day with food, film, music and dance. Please bring your family and friends, musical instruments and your own messages of peace for a night of celebration!

Film synopsis: Against all the odds an individual manages to create an annual global 'Peace Day'; but can he inspire an actual ceasefire and silence the cynics by proving the day can actually save lives? This is the story not only of Jeremy Gilley's personal quest to establish a world recognized day of peace but also of the success the world has made in achieving this goal.

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!!

Free bus service to the TOUR OF SADHANA FOREST and the ECO FILM CLUB - DEPARTURE SOLAR KITCHEN: 16:00 and RETURN FROM SADHANAForest: 21:30

Free bus service to the ECO FILM CLUB - DEPARTURE SOLAR KITCHEN: 18:00 and RETURN FROM SADHANA FOREST: 21:30

The bus service is operated by Sadhana Forest. For more information about the bus service please contact Sadhana Forest at 2677682 or 2677683 or sadhanaforest@auroville.org.in

LE ZEPHYR @ VISITORS' CENTRE upstairs

HINDI MOVIE SHOW - THURSDAYS @ 8 PM

Thursday the 18th

RAANJHANA

Time: 2hrs 15min, Hindi(English subtitles)

The pundit's son Kundan (Dhanush) has fallen for the girl at first sight. That they're both kids makes us dismiss it as a meaningless crush. But a few years later, the boy is still in love with the girl, Zoya (Sonam Kapoor). When she's in school, he follows her around holding her hand and getting slapped in the process. Finally, she relents because of his "consistency". The film shifts cities when Zoya gets into JNU (Jawaharlal Nehru University), and through her, we are introduced to the idealistic and political culture of the place. She discovers a long-lost strength as she confronts and then falls for student leader Akram (Abhay Deol). The film takes a turn when Zoya returns to her hometown after eight long years only to find some things changed and others surprisingly the same.

VISITORS' CENTER MOVIE SHOW

18th Thursday September 8 pm

PARANOIA (2013)

Genre: Drama/Action - Dur: 1.40min / Rated: PG13 /

Language: English / Subtitle: English

Dir: [Robert Luketic](#) / Cast: [Liam Hemsworth](#), [Gary Oldman](#), [Harrison Ford](#)

Storyline: An entry-level employee at a powerful corporation finds himself occupying a corner office, but at a dangerous price: he must spy on his boss's old mentor to secure for him a multi-billion dollar advantage.

19th Friday September 8 pm

UPSIDE DOWN (2012)

Genre: Sci-fi/Romance/Action

Dur: 1.47min / Rated: PG13 / Language: English / Subtitle: English

Dir: [Juan Solanas](#) / Cast: [Jim Sturgess](#), [Kirsten Dunst](#), [Timothy Spall](#)

Storyline: Adam and Eden fell in love as teens despite the fact that they live on twinned worlds with gravities that pull in opposite directions. Ten years after a forced separation, Adam sets out on a dangerous quest to reconnect with his love.



Cinema Paradiso

Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium

Film programme 15 September 2014 to 21 September 2014

Kindly do not bringing food, drinks, snacks, munchies or your pets into the auditorium.

Indian - Monday 15 September, 8.00 pm:

WAR CHOD NA YAAR (Quit the War, Dude)

India, 2013, Writer-Dir. Faraz Haider w/ Sharman Joshi, Soha Ali Khan, Javed Jaffrey, and others, Comedy-War, 119mins, Hindi-Urdu w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG-13 (U/A)

This M*A*S*H comes to India story is about a situational, satirical comedy, full of funny dialogues and tries to show a new side of war. Two characters are having a fun time as army captains of Pakistan and India respectively until someone declares a war. Let's find out what happens next. *Comedy-War seems to be an oxymoron; certainly a new genre for Indian films.*

German - Tuesday 16 September, 8:00 pm:

ADOPTED

Germany 2013, Dir. Gudrun F. Widlok, & Rouven Rech, Documentary, 89mins, German w/English subtitles, Rated:NR
In collaboration with Goethe Institute/Max Mueller Bhavan

A documental utopia about an extraordinary intercultural exchange: African extended families adopt European grown-ups, which are disaffected by their families. The film follows three Europeans, who have been adopted by families in Ghana.

Special - Wednesday 17 September, 8.00 pm:

DISRUPTION: Climate.Change.

USA, 2014, Dir. Kelly Nyks & Jared P. Scott, Documentary, English, 53mins, Rated: NR

'When it comes to climate change, why do we do so little when we know so much?' The film takes an unflinching look at the devastating consequences of our inaction. This is the story of our unique moment in history. We are living through an age of tipping points and rapid social and planetary change. We're the first generation to feel the impacts of climate disruption, and the last generation that can do something about it. The film enlarges the issue beyond climate impacts and makes a compelling call for bold action

that is strong enough to tip the balance to build a clean energy future. *This film was released on 7 September 2014 and will be screened worldwide between 15-21st. The screening is organized here in collaboration with AV Green Center.*

French - Thursday 18 September, 8.00 pm:

- **DIPLOMATIE**

France-Germany, 2014, Dir. Volker Schlöndorff w/ André Dussollier, Niels Arestrup, Burghart Klaubner, and others, Drama, 84mins, French WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES, Rated: PG Night of the 24th to the 25 August.

The fate of Paris is in the hands of General Von Choltitz, governor of the great Paris; under Hitler's order, he is preparing to blow up the capital. Using all the arms of the diplomacy, the Swedish consul-general Nording will try to convince the General not to execute the order of destruction.

International - Saturday 20 September, 8:00 pm:

- **ET MAINTENANT ON VA OÙ? (Where Do We Go Now?)**

France-Lebanon-Egypt-Italy, 2011, Dir. Nadine Labaki w/ Claude Baz Moussawbaa, Leyla Hakim, Nadine Labaki, and others, 110mins, Arabic-Russian-English w/ English subtitles, Christians and Muslims lived peacefully together for years in this small Lebanese village, but animosities begin to build among the men as a result of slights and misunderstandings. The women of the village conspire to avert sectarian strife through a series of harebrained plans, none of which succeeds in slowing down the escalating spiral of violence. When a tragedy strikes, the women find themselves driven to make a deeply personal sacrifice - for the sake of peace.

Children's Film - Sunday 21 September, 4:30 pm:

- **THE ANT BULLY**

USA, 2006, Dir. John A. Davis w/ Paul Giamatti, Nicolas Cage, Julia Roberts, 88 mins, Animation-Family, English, Rated: G After Lucas Nickle floods an ant colony with his watergun, he's magically shrunken down to insect size and sentenced to hard labor in the ruins.

John Cassavetes Film Festival @ CINECLUB

Ciné-Club - Sunday 21 September, 8:00 pm:

- **LOVE STREAMS**

USA, 1984, Dir. John Cassavetes w/Gena Rowland, John Cassavetes, and others, 141mins, Drama-Comedy, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG The electric filmmaking genius John Cassavetes and his brilliant wife and collaborator Gena Rowlands give luminous, fragile performances as two closely bound, emotionally wounded souls who reunite after years apart. Exhilarating and risky, mixing sober realism with surreal flourishes. This is a remarkable film that comes at the viewer in a torrent of beautiful, erratic feeling. This inquiry into the nature of love in all its forms was Cassavetes's last truly personal work.

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, or Rating not available.

As a curtsey to fellow viewers please be sweet and stop chatting after the film starts.

For scheduling programs at MMC/CP venue: please email us at

mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in .

We appreciate your continued support. Thanking You, MMC/CP

Group Account# 105106, mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in

SOME ESSENTIAL SERVICES

Some Auroville Acronyms: ABC Auroville Board of Commerce; ABS Auroville Board of Services; AVC Auroville Council; BCC Budget Coordination Committee; FAMC Funds and Assets Management Committee; FS Financial Service; HRT Human Resource Team; LCC Land Consolidation Committee; LMTF Land Management Task Force; LRM Land and Resources Management; PTDC Pour Tous Distribution Centre; WC Working Committee

The Essential Services will now be published once a month. So please keep this page with you.

[Kindly let us know of any change with the opening/closing hours for the services, Eds]

Auroville Ambulance: 9442224680

Auroville Library, Crown Road: May and June opening hours:

Monday - 9:00 to 12:30 and 14:00 to 16:30

Tuesday; Wednesday; Thursday; Friday and Saturday - 9:00 to 12:30.

AvHC: This is to inform you that due to popular demand, from 3rd June onwards, we are extending our Doctors' consultation hours from 8.30 to 1pm and 2 to 5.30 pm daily except Saturday which remains a half day. The Pharmacy will maintain its present timings (8 am to 5 pm). *Av HC*

City Transport: Quick "Pick up and Drop" Shuttle Service in Maruti Omni 4-seater van, with per passenger fares, from Rs.60/- for 1 person single trip inside the city area, destinations up to Aspiration/Auromodele and Repos/Quiet. Phone Visitors Centre main gate 262-2611 or to the driver directly 94876-50951 daily 9.30am-6.00pm and Fri-Sat-Sun evenings up to 9.30pm (10.00pm for return trips). Please note that it is not a taxi that will wait for you for onward or return trips, but if needed will come back to pick you up again when called.

Day/Night Guard: Auroville Security: Please call Ramesh.V at 9443090107/9443362691 in case of emergency or if you need an escort (for people with bikes/cycles only) or assistance. You can also contact us at avsecurity@auroville.org.in

Eco Service, Kottakarai: Jayamurthy - 904 701 5812 / Gillian - 9442067481, email: ecoservice@auroville.org.in / Auralice - 763-965-5954

Entry Service, Multimedia Center: 1st floor, Town hall Complex: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays: 10.00am to 12.00pm for enquiries/applications. Thursdays: 2:00 to 3:30pm. B Form filling for newly resident Aurovilians and youth turning 18.

Financial Service, Town Hall and Aspiration: Mon to Sat, 9 to 12.30 and 3 to 4.30pm

Free allopathic medical treatment by Dr. Amarnath in Arati One. Tel.: 262 24 92; email: amarnath@auroville.org.in

Free Store: We will be open every morning except for Thursdays. We will not be open in the afternoons. Mon-Sat 9am - 12.30pm (closed Thurs)

Free Store Tailoring Service: Repair work will be received only from 1st to 15th of every month. Timings will be same as Free Store.

Auroville Gas Service, Service Area: Near Tele Service" and BSNL Telephone Exchange. Monday to Saturday: 9 to 1 and 2 to 4 pm

Guest Service Solar Kitchen: 1st floor. Open every morning (including Sunday) from 9.30 to 12.30. Afternoon from 1pm to 4pm (except Sunday)

Housing Service, Town Hall: Public hours are Monday & Friday 2:30 to 4:30pm, and Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 9:00 to 11:30am. No public hours on Wednesday.

Integral Health: Classical homeopathy, hypnotherapy, midwifery, counselling, Shiatsu, energy work /

integralhealth@auroville.org.in - 2623669 / Mon-Sat 9 am - 5 pm, preferably on appointment.

Kailash Clinic, Kailash: Call 2622803 for an appointment during morning hours from 8.30am to 12.30pm

LOE, Lab. Of Evolution, Bharat Nivas: Mon to Sat 9am-12 noon and Monday to Friday 2.30pm to 4.30pm.

Matrimandir: The Inner Chamber is open for Aurovilians daily

06.00am to 08.45am. 11.30 am to 12.30pm (02.00 pm on Sunday)

04.30 pm to 08.00pm

Please keep the Chamber neat and tidy. Straighten your mat and put back all extra cushions neatly by the door. Please refrain from rearranging the cushions which are laid out for you.

To bring family members and personal friends please book by calling 2622579 from 9.30 to 11.30 am any day except Tuesday. Be at the office gate of Matrimandir by 8.45am on the day of the visit.

Please remain with your guests throughout the visit.

Matrimandir is closed to visitors on Tuesday.

Aurovilians wanting to bring their children to the Matrimandir are recommended to do so on Tuesdays between 9 am and 11.15am.

Midwifery care in Auroville: 24/7 for emergencies and birth. pregnancy consultations and preparing for natural gentle birth, consultations for breastfeeding and post-natal care. by appointment phone 8098900471. Manuela

Music library, Town Hall: Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat from 9 to 12.30 and Tues, Thurs, Sat from 2 to 5:30pm.

Nandini Tailor section: (Auroshilpam): Open to public on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday full day. No new order taken last week of the month.

OutreachMedia Services: The services provided by OutreachMedia include: dealing with all media that come to Auroville for filming, writing, photographing - reporters, journalist and writers. 2622-098 or 9443602194 or 9952463904 Or Robert at 8940 568 305. Multi-Media Centre. Office hours: Monday-Friday: 9.30am to 12.30pm. Afternoons and Saturdays by appointment.

Puncture service, service area: next to gas bottle service, opposite road service; Monday to Saturday 9am to 4 30pm; phone 2622741, cell 9442891235.

Auroville Residents Service timings: Please note that the Auroville Residents Service office will be open from Monday to Friday morning's from 9:00 am to 12.00 pm and afternoon Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30 to 4:30.

Thank you, Residents Service Team

Savi: facilitates voluntary services and internships in Units & activities of Auroville; clarifying your needs of long term volunteers, helping with visa, and following-up these external resources to make their stay mutually beneficial. Opening hours in Unity Pavilion for visits, waiver forms signing and welcome Monday to Friday 10 12am. Phone 262 2121 - email study@auroville.org.in

Skyworks: Tree pruning, removal of hazardous trees and branches over fragile structures, power line cleaning. SatYaaji 958 516 58 82

Vehicle Service, Town Hall: Monday - Friday : 09.00am - 12.30 pm, 02.00pm - 4.30pm. Saturday: 09.00am - 12.30pm

Video library, Town Hall: Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat from 10 am to 1 pm and Tues, Thurs, Sat from 3 to 6pm.

Women's Helpline - For women needing assistance after an incident of violence on Auroville roads. Please call 262 2425 (mornings) or email avhs@auroville.org.in

ACT OVERVIEW OF SERVICES

EARLY TRIP (daily except Tuesday): This service is conditional to MM being open to visitors. Usually not running on rainy days (enquiries: 2622235)

7:45 AM from Transport Service near Certitude Corner, opposite Gas Service

12:00 Noon from Pondy rue St Louis (beach end of J.N. Street) opposite Ashram playground

SHOPPING TRIP

Tuesday

8:50 AM from Vérité

12:00 Noon from Pondy Manakula Vinayagar Street (Ganesh Temple Street)

AFTERNOON TRIP

Monday

2:50 PM from Vérité

6:00 PM from Pondy Manakula Vinayagar Street (Ganesh Temple Street)

Wednesday and Friday

4:30 PM from Vérité

8:00 PM from Pondy Manakula Vinayagar Street (Ganesh Temple Street)

Please Note: In case the ACT bus is not available as per the time table please be on the lookout for a replacement by Auroville Jeep or Van, we will ensure that a small white and orange sign is visible on the replacement vehicle.

All trips are paying trips and ACT welcomes your contribution everyday on every trip. ACT maintains its voluntary contribution policy aligned with Auroville's utopia, ideals and aims. At present it is YOUR contribution ALONE which keeps the service afloat. Travel passes are available from Financial Service (Town Hall & Aspiration) and Guest Service (above the Solar Kitchen). For more information contact ACT (0413) 2622962 or act@auroville.org.in

Important information about News & Notes

(Absolute deadline for submissions or cancellations: Wednesday 11 am)

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News & Notes, Media Centre, Town Hall. Phone: 2622133, email: newsandnotes@auroville.org.in

Please find the draft of the revised mandate for the Funds and Assets Management Committee attached with the News&Notes file for your consideration.

This document is provided here as support material for the upcoming General Meeting to discuss the revised mandate (4.30, Friday Sept 12) and the subsequent Residents' Assembly Decision-Making process (10am - 3pm, Friday Sept 19) to either ratify or reject the draft mandate. Please read the document and bring any questions and/or suggestions you have to the General Meeting on Sept 12.

For More Information: please don't hesitate to email the Residents' Assembly Service at: raservice@auroville.org.in, or call us on any other our numbers: Inge 8870 288 502 .Jesse 948 6623 749. Selvam 994 3911 149