

News & Notes

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HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

IMPORTANT DATES IN THE TERRESTRIAL CONSCIOUSNESS

2012

And I made a date with you for fifty years from now. I was very serious: I was laughing. When I laugh I am being serious. I said it was for those who love me. That's the point. For those who have loved me, well, it's all right, I give it to them; even if they forget me, it will make them remember. But it's my gift to those who continue to love me. And I don't intend to give them a worthless gift. No, no, I must really have expressed myself very poorly, because it was quite the opposite. I deem this Agenda far too intimate, far too near and dear to me, to be thrown as fodder to a bunch of idiots! 13.3.62

What I say is becoming more and more difficult....Perhaps fifty years from now people will understand! 12.6.62

2022

In fifty years the whole world, all the receptive section of humanity (I am not saying intellectual, I am saying receptive), all the receptive section of the world will be embraced - not "embraced": ABSORBED in the power of Sri Aurobindo's thought. Those who already are have the good fortune of being the first ones, that's all. 16.2.72

2060

[Sri Aurobindo or The Adventure of Consciousness]

There is always the sense of it needing a hundred years to have its full effect. 20.12.61

2062

It will be very easy for those who come in one or two hundred years; they will only have to choose: not to belong to the old system any more or else to belong to the new. But now....13.2.62

And as for what happened here in Pondicherry, there's no need to make it very long. Because from the time he withdrew to his room (to be exact, from about the time we moved from the house over there to this one), his life no longer belonged to the public. And what happened... well, it will be interesting in a hundred years. Not now. 18.8.62

2250

Actually, when people speak of transformation, they're mainly thinking of a picturesque transformation, aren't they? A beautiful appearance - luminous, supple, plastic, changing at will.... But they don't give much thought to this other thing, this rather... anesthetic transformation of the organs! And yet it's certainly what's going to happen first, long before the appearance is transformed. *Sri Aurobindo spoke of the working of the chakras replacing the organs.* Yes - 300 years, he said! (*Mother laughs.*) 6.10.62

MOTHER'S AGENDA - MOTHER



The
Ponder
Corner

January 31, 1964 - Mother's Agenda

The only hope for the future is in a change of man's consciousness
And the change is bound to come,
But it is left to men to decide if they will collaborate in this change
Or if it will have to be enforced upon them by the power of crushing circumstances.
So wake up and collaborate.

Submitted by André Tardéil

WORKING GROUPS REPORTS

What happened in the General Meeting (GM) with the Budget Coordination Committee (BCC)

The GM took place on March 17th, 2017 at the Unity Pavilion. The meeting was attended by approximately 55 residents. The BCC members introduced key points of their work, achievements and challenges. The financial situation was presented till February 2017.

Human Resource Team (HRT) gave a 7-minute talk about their working situations.

Harini (at the request of HRT) gave a short review of her ongoing survey on work participation rates in Auroville.

It ended with a question/answer session.

The Residents Assembly Service requested the BCC to share the Power Point presentation. We are still waiting for their reply. Next steps will be published from the BCC.

Please listen to the Auroville Radio recording: <http://www.aurovillerradio.org/bcc-presents-auroville-accounts/>

Love, Inge and Isha from the Residents Assembly Service

Update on the General Meeting on restructuring the Town Development Council (TDC)

Dated 16th, March 2017.

Dear Community, the AVCouncil asked us, the Residents Assembly Service, to publish this update.

What Happened!

The meeting was attended by 75 residents; it started at 4:30 pm and ended at around 7:00 pm.

The AVCouncil introduced the topic along with the Residents Assembly Service.

It was followed by a presentation by Suhasini as a member of the Core Group.

Some members of the Study Group on Organisation (Jaya, Pashi) expressed their concerns regarding the presentation - in order to make it more complete and to be in alignment with the existing agreements and the Participatory Working Group Model, etc.

After the tea break, the AVCouncil facilitated the question and answers session to bring clarity and valuable inputs were collected.

We thank Wiebke, who offered her creative skills in making info graphics to capture the content of the meeting in a visual format and to understand better this complex topic. They will be shared later.

Auroville Radio recording with the PDF presentation is ready to look at: <http://www.aurovillerradio.org/how-can-we-restructure-the-tdc/>

The Next Steps as planned per now!

The AVCouncil is now processing the feedbacks from the Question and Answer session as well as from emails received. They will organise a few more internal meetings with the Core Group and Study Group. The Residents Assembly Service will attend the meetings to support the process.

The outcome of these meetings will be a final proposal of restructuring the Town Development Council (TDC), which will go through a Residents Assembly Decision Making Process (RAD). For everyone to read and study, it will be published in the News & Notes, posted in the AuroNet, massmailed and Information Sessions will be organized by the Core Group at the Residents Assembly Service desk.

Finally it will be presented in a General Meeting to start the RAD process to ratify the proposal. More details will be duly announced.

We would like to express our gratitude to the Core Team for the work done during the past year and for their presentation, and the Study Group for their support and assistance.

We will keep updating the community, as progress is made. Best regards, AVCouncil

ANNOUNCEMENTS



AUROVILLE'S LAND NEEDS EVERYONE - A CALL TO ALL AUROVILIANS! Join in Manifesting Auroville!

Dear Aurovilians,

Our collective energy is needed to create the City of Dawn.

Nearly half the land of the Master Plan area still needs to be acquired. Purchasing the land needed for Auroville is one of our greatest priorities and one of our most urgent!

We invite everyone to help to create Auroville, and make a regular monthly donation for land. Choose your own amount, from 1 Rupee upwards.

We warmly thank the 16 Aurovilians who have responded to this call in just the past week, making 100 Aurovillian donors in the monthly land-solidarity network. But Auroville's land needs everybody on board and participating!

Let us all come together to manifest Auroville.

Our land needs all of us NOW! For information, please check out LFAU's [COLAAP website](http://COLAAP.website).

We invite you to contact us at 0413-2622657 or at lfau@auroville.org.in

Update Auroville learning activities (ALA)

Dear Community members,

Over the past year, a Study Group has been working on making guidelines for informal learning activities of Auroville (ALA). The draft guidelines have been shared with you earlier, and we are in the process of finalising them this month.

The immediate next step is to form a Coordination Group (called the ALACG), that will work on implementing the guidelines and developing the ALA sector. If you wish to be a part of this group, please email us at: avcouncil@auroville.org.in and we will provide further details.

Warmly, the Auroville Council

L'avenir d'Auroville / TDC - Site and Building Applications feedback - 25th March 2017

The following Site and Building Applications (SA and BA) are announced for feedback from the community for a period of two weeks from the date of publication.

The announcement is made for feedback only and does not mean that the project has final approval. The final approval is given when L'avenir d'Auroville / TDC issues a NOC (No Objection Certificate). This happens once the feedback period is over, the feedback has been evaluated, a final decision by TDC has been reached and the necessary financial formalities have been completed. It is only after issuing a final building permission that fencing, building or any other activity on the site can start.

It has to be noted that site permission is given to reserve the site for a maximum period of two years in order to prepare a project proposal. It does not give any right to fence and clear the site unless, for practical reasons, there is a special permission of the TDC.

Individual Projects

- **Site Applications:** No New SA
- **Building Applications**

1. Rasu, La Ferme, House Extension for 22.35 sq.m.
2. Kindergarten - Meha & Ravi, Semi open shed for Parking and Storage for 114 sq.m. built-up area
3. Samba, Douceur, Fencing on plot no between BO 137/6A and 134/1 (West of cultural building) Semi-Temporary dismantlable - cement slab for about 30m).

Collective Projects

- **Site applications**

1. Recreational Sports Park - Andre Deplechin, Edgar Iglesias, infrastructures such as water access, electricity, bathrooms, potable water points, sitting spaces, cow gates (cycle path already being developed by TLC), kids playground, bouldering climb wall, and more non permanent construction Optionally, semi-permanent/dismantlable structures on plot no BO10/1 and BO9/6 for an area of 5.8 acres

Project write-up given by the project holder

Project title: Recreational Sports Park.

Proposed site: Forest land between Transition and Dana.

Project Holder: Edgar Iglesias & Andre Deplechin

Architect: Eric Reboul

Contact person: edgar@auoville.org.in

Description: The proposed Recreational Sports Park in the cultural zone aims to serve as a buffer zone, and as a platform for integral education through physical education, in a structured, supervised, and safe environment, where users and organisers work together to create a community space for parents, youth, and children.

The Recreational Sports Park will be a structured, organised and supervised space/infrastructure allocated for sports and social/cultural activities such as outside fitness, obstacle course for parkour, bouldering climb wall, mountain bike, skateboarding, jogging, walking, recreational space, baby playground, where parents can bring their children or wait for them to come from school. At present, Certitude is the only playground close to the residential zone. Not only does it not provide for the needs of all but it also presents a safety concern as there is a lack of supervision and is in close proximity to the busy road. The other existing recreational/sports parks and centers are far from the cultural and school zone and do not offer the types of activities mentioned above. Today, the skate park has a plaza area that serves as a social platform where children, parents, and youth already meet regularly, making this a perfect area to develop in order to support more social and cultural events. In order to achieve this, however, it is necessary to develop the minimal infrastructures such as water access, electricity, bathrooms, potable water points, sitting spaces, cow gates (cycle path

already being developed by TLC), kids' playground, bouldering climb wall, and more.

The proximity to the Auroville schools of the proposed project enhances the safety aspect. Children can directly access the proposed project site after school by cycle or walking (Transition, Future School, Last school, Lilaloka, TLC). Ultimately, collaboration with Dehashakti is envisaged, in order to strategize sports activities for children in a collaborative spirit.

Plot no: BO 10/1 - BO 9/6

Total area: 5.8 Acres

Target group: Students from the surrounding schools and Aurovilians who want access to a recreational park in this green multipurpose park.

Background: The developer, Edgar Iglesias, was part of the group of young people who originally materialised the skate park in 2001, along with Juan, Samai and Eric. He has been actively engaged in the area ever since, and he recently came back from abroad, where he sought a way to find financial income. Now, he is in the process of becoming the caretaker of the skate and park area, which would imply living in the caretaker house together with his child and wife. This will happen as soon as the current house-sitter vacates the house. Grown up in Auroville since 1996, he is familiar with the life in AV and already engaged with the youth as a teacher of martial arts and skateboarding since December 2015. His aim is to contribute to Auroville's ideals of integral education for all. The project holder, Andre Deplechin, is equally involved since the beginning of the project, by being a mentor to the youth who started it. This land was allocated to the activity in 2001 because the youth were using public buildings for the purpose of skateboarding and new age sports. Now, since more and more well-wishers/users and kids are attending the regular weekly skateboarding classes and events we see the need to reactivate the surrounding park as well. The current

Triggers: Motivated by the community, we wish to further develop in harmony with the initial project and to see a place much loved by many in an inactive state.

Goals: This project for the park area aims to have low impact on the surrounding forest. No initial funding is needed in order to materialise the project, as it is mostly manual work that can be accomplished and maintained by the caretaker the users and well-wishers. Any future funding will be raised internally and externally through PCG, the funds for infrastructures water and electricity will be funded by the caretaker and project holder. The proposed project and its environmental impact will be assessed and is currently supported by Auroville's Tree Care, which has agreed to and is already doing work in this regard on a monthly basis as well as the skaters/users and young green beltters interested in this project.

- **Building Application: NO News BA**

For additional information, please write to avenir@auoville.org.in, call 2622-170 or come directly to L'avenir d'Auroville/TDC office in the Town Hall.

For more information on the location of the plots mentioned above, you can find this same announcement with map(s) on the AuroNet page of L'avenir d'Auroville/TDC [\[https://www.auoville.org.in/article/62349\]](https://www.auoville.org.in/article/62349)

Change of and/ or Renewal of term of Executives of Matrimandir

Dear members of the community,

This is to inform you that the term of office of the present team of executives of the Matrimandir, Elumalai, John, Srimoyi, and Pierre, has come to an end.

The present team has informed us that it is willing to step down as soon as a new team of executives will be in place.

They also informed us that all four of them, in whatever position, will remain at work at Matrimandir and will be on hand to facilitate the handover of responsibilities to the new team.

Like the present team, the new team of executives will have to deal with the areas of labour, finance, project development and visitors' access. Regarding visitors access, the existing Access Core Group will continue to take overall care. However, all Matrimandir executives are linked to this group and participate in decision making on major issues. The new team will be appointed for a period of 4 years.

Apart from the general management and maintenance of the Matrimandir, the team will be specifically responsible for:

1. Completion of the rooms being built beneath the Amphitheatre
2. Completion of the four entrances to the Matrimandir building
3. Completion of the Oval Island, with particular reference to the completion of the 12 gardens
4. Completion of the oval road surrounding the gardens
5. Constructing the New Service Facility for the future support of Matrimandir to replace the existing old offices and facilities. (Site permission for this new Service Facility has already been given by TDC)
6. Constructing the new Matrimandir Visitors Reception Centre
7. Collaborate in the project of the building of the Matrimandir Lake (in close cooperation with the TDC and the community)

The new team will need to be knowledgeable about the Matrimandir and the Mother's vision of the Matrimandir project, and have the required skills and qualifications to take up this work.

Especially, the new team should be known for their spirit of service and dedication to the Auroville project and for their commitment to the vision of Mother and Sri Aurobindo for Auroville.

Process:

1. We request the community to propose names for the new team latest by April 5th, 2017 to the RAS.
2. Existing executives are eligible for re-appointment.
3. The RAS will contact the persons proposed to see if they are willing to serve.
4. The RAS will publish the names of those proposed and willing to serve.
5. This will be followed by a 2-week period feedback in which community members can give feedback to the RAS on the names proposed. This feedback can be in the form of support or objections. The feedback will be shared by the RAS with the persons concerned and the Auroville Council and the Working Committee.
6. This will be followed by the appointment of a new team of executives by the Working Committee jointly with the Auroville Council, in consultation with the former Matrimandir executives.

Please send your proposal for new names to the RAS at: raservice@auroville.org.in

The Working Committee and Auroville Council

From The Entry Service - N&N No - 692 dated 25.03.2017

Our team is happy to recommend the following persons as Aurovilians, Newcomers and Friends of Auroville. We will wait one month for Newcomers and Aurovilians from this publication for your feedback before confirming.

NEWCOMERS ANNOUNCED:

Eve JENKINS (Israeli), staying at Courage, working at Ha Ha Kindergarten

Mousumi MUKHERJEE (Indian), staying at Certitude, working at Deepanam School

CHILD OF A NEWCOMER:

Anisha MUKHERJEE (Indian), born on 19-05-2003

Aria MUKHERJEE (Indian), born on 15-08-2008

Aliya MUKHERJEE (Indian), born on 12-01-2006

AUROVILIANS ANNOUNCED:

Deepa MANIKANDAN (Indian) Staying in Dana, working at Deepanam School.

Begona MERINO (Spanish) Staying in Maitreye, working at Pitanga.

Arati KUMAR (Indian) Staying in Maitreye, working with Kalvi.

Revathi DAMA (Indian) Staying in Inspiration, working in Unlimited Tamil Nadu.

Nilendra JHA (Nepali) Staying in Maitreye, working AV Arts service.

AUROVILIANS CONFIRMED:

Pierre COT (French)

Cyril BERCHER (French)

Krishna LESCURE (Swedish)

Island Bernard LESCURE (British)

FRIENDS OF AUROVILLE:

Jean Claude BIERI (French)

Marye Jose BIERI (French)

Christian FEUILLETTE (Canadian)

Andree Gagne FEUILLETTE (Canadian)

Thierry DURAND (French)

Marie Jo BOUDAREL (French)

Krishna Kumar MARANGANTI (Indian)

Gita Kumar Brigitte MARANGANTI (German)

Errata: Corrections for N&N 690

RETURNING AUROVILIAN:

Aurosatyam Frigidel Karuna BREMER (German) working at Aurovelo

AUROVILIAN:

AuroJina ALLEN (Australian), staying and working at Fertile

People will be confirmed as Aurovilians ONLY after signing the B-Form, which is the last step in order to be included in the Register of Residents of the Auroville Foundation

The Entry Service is open to the public Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:30 to 12:30.

B-Forms and Recommendation letters: on appointment only.

At your service, *The Entry Service team*

Houses available for transfer

1. **Francis Malan house - Realization:** Area: 51.90 Sqm. Apartment - Ground floor - Constructed with Compressed Stabilised Earth Blocks with uncovered front verandah, living cum Kitchen Bed room & Toilet. Community shared parking shed, aqua dyne water and washing machine. Suitable for single or couple
2. **Alice House -Realization:** Area: 121.55 Sqm. Apartment - Ground floor - Constructed with Compressed Stabilised Earth Blocks with uncovered front verandah, living cum Kitchen Bedroom & Toilet. Community shared parking shed, aqua dyne water and washing machine. Suitable for couple/family.
3. **Velu & Suguna House - Promesse:** Area 72.33 Sqm. Single standing house residential building with inner and outer plaster brick wall, RCC roofing with covered for front verandah, living cum Kitchen Bed room & Toilet. Suitable for Family.
4. **Grace community- Mauna's House:** Area: 58.83 Sqm. Double storied RCC framed structure Residential building with Brick walls plastered in cement mortar, RCC flat roofing with covered terracotta tile roof consisting of front verandah, living cum Kitchen Bed room & Toilet with Inside Precast stair. Suitable for Single or Couple.
5. **Veronique House - Swedam:** Area: 39.28 Sqm. Single storied load bearing structure Residential building with Brick walls plastered in cement mortar, Bamboo roofing consisting of front verandah, Living cum Kitchen & Toilet with open stair.

Re-announced

1. **Creativity E-block First Floor Hemant's House:** Area - 111.20 Sqm. Three bedrooms apartment with kitchen, passage, toilet, open terrace and a balcony - **Available in April 2018**

2. **Auromodel Anu & Pierre workshop and residence** (2 separate building)
Area - 330SqM + 90 Sqm. The place as a whole could accommodate a professional, such as artist, architect or a quiet unit with residence, or it can be split into 3 to 4 parts to be shared by friends, as a semi collective set-up. **Ready now.**
3. **Quiet Hilde's House:** Area - 100.36 Sqm. Semi-permanent structure with sloped thatched roof, supported on granite pillars with unplastered brick walls in cement mortar. Living cum kitchen, toilet, sit out and mezzanine.

Housing Project under construction

-Kalpana - 26 apartments of different sizes available.
Studio - 8 nos, **1BHK** - 10 nos, **2 BHK** - 5 nos, **3 BHK** - 3 nos.
Will be ready next year 2018. Contact Person: Satyakam,
Email: satyakam@auroville.org.in

-Auromodele Orchard - Several houses are still to be build.
Will be ready in 2018. Contact person: Padmanabhan,
Auromodele. Mobile: 8940220333

For more information contact: Housing Service (Town Hall) -
Phone; (0413) 2622658 / e-mail: housing@auroville.org.in

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Good bye Plastic bags

Kuilappalayam Cultural Centre (kcc) - Auroville started a new project: "GOOD BYE PLASTIC BAGS" - We, children, youths, men and women, from KCC are fed up of all these plastic bags, who are demolishing our environment. We think, it is not enough to clean up, because people just throw them again and again. Because of that we will create awareness programs of preventing plastic bags. Our idea is to stitch bags from old sarees and clothes instead of using plastic bags. We started already the production. For this, we request for old clothes, sarees, lungies, nighties, bed sheets, and blankets, all things which you don't need any more and participate with us to create NO MORE PLASTIC BAGS in our world. We will sell these recycling bags to the shops for the same prize which they paid for the plastic bags from the store. Everybody who buys from the shops they get our carry bags for free. Our beautiful cloth bags have a lot of interest already. Please support us for:

GOODBYE PLASTIC BAGS!

You can bring your cloth to KCC which is in front of the Auroville bakery or you can call us for picking them. Our opening hours: From 9.30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and then 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Thanks

The Goodbye Plastic Bag team.

For further information, please contact: 9843195290 or 9843467061 (*Selva and Parthi*)

Or write to us: kulaiculturalcentre@auroville.org.in

We also need big card board boxes for storage of clothes and bags.

We will inform you also about our awareness program which we will start in summer.

Correction of last week's Eco-Service announcement

Please note that in last week's News and Notes there was an error in our announcement. The waste items that we send to landfill do not get burnt. Landfills deposit waste in the ground and then cover them over with soil, burying the waste so that it is not exposed to the atmosphere. We at Eco-Services do not burn any waste as this is a highly polluting method of disposal.

Kali and Palani.K

Water Photography Contest Winner!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the water photography contest! We received 67 photo submissions and were impressed with the quality and thoughtfulness of the photos. They depicted all different types of water in Auroville - from monsoon downpours to children in mud pools, from Matrimandir garden fountains to goats munching next to the side of a pond. It was certainly not easy to come to a decision! We finally agreed on a photo that we appreciated for its light and texture, as well as for its vivid depiction of the soil of Auroville. The photo was also taken on an Auroville farm, which helps us remember the intimate relationship between water, our farms, and the food we eat. **Congratulations to the photographer, Ramanan, 26, a Newcomer** staying at Pitchandikulam! In his own words, "Water is a wonderful element which gives life and brings beauty to everything...This photograph was of running water giving life to the plants." You can see Ramanan's photo on Auronet (Water Group banner), on our FB page: [Water at Auroville](#), or by visiting our website: www.aurovillewater.in

Water Group (watergroup@auroville.org.in)

POSTINGS

Connecting available House-sittings with House-sitters:

Dear Community, the Housing Service would like to ask any one leaving Auroville for some months, to give their house for house-sitting. We can help to connect the people looking for a place, who are newcomers, volunteers or interns and people who need persons to take care of their house. Kindly write to the housing service with your telephone number and when you can be available to contact. Thanks, *the Housing Service*

Sustainability: What role does sustainability play in your life? Did your perception on nature change while living in Auroville? What is the link between your body and nature? I am looking forward to talk with you! Please contact me at: ndejonge@outlook.com or +91 7867899040. Warmly, *Nine* (anthropology student)

Free Store Announcement: The Free Store is welcoming: Aurovilians, Newcomers, Friends of Auroville, Long term Volunteers (6 months to 1 year. Please bring your volunteer card each time you visit).

Dear Free Store users:

- We often receive smelly, dirty and waste clothing which will be sadly discarded. With a little effort from your side these clothes can be recycled if you bring them **Clean** and in **Good condition**. The same counts for children toys, books, shoes or anything you plan to donate to the Free Store. Electronic equipment, wires, phones etc. should be brought only when it

is functioning. Please remember we are here to share our second hand items, not our waste.

- Tailoring Section is open from the 1st to the 15th of each month. Please bring from now on the clothes you want repaired **washed** and in a bag.

Thank you, *the Free Store Team*

Short Theater Festival: Dear actresses and actors, Directors, choreographers, performers, writers, costumers, producers, musicians, lights and sound technicians and whoever wants to be involved, would you be interested in participating in a collective theatre experiment? We are organizing a **Short Theater Festival that will be performed between December 2017 and February 2018**. For this we need your creative skills to write a script for a play that should be between 10 and 15 minutes long. It can be about any subject and should be submitted before the 15th of September 2017.

Soon we will publish details of this project on Auronet. Any Aurovilian or Newcomer above 14 years old can participate. Send your scripts to: AVShorttheatrefestival@com
Love, *Elke and Francesca*

Auroville Artists: Please visit artservice.auroville.org - We feature all artists residing in Auroville including visual artists, plastic artists, media artists, performers...We also feature cultural venues and projects. To join, go to the website and click on 'join!!! AVArtService (0413-2623187)

Auroville Authors: Have you published a book since 2014 that is not yet in the online catalogue of Auroville published books? Please email us the following details so that we can update our information: Title / Description / Author / Number of pages / Cover image in jpg - You can check your book entry at: <http://artservice.auroville.org/auroville-catalog/> Please email: <aurovillearts@auroville.org.in> with the subject line 'book for catalogue'.
Artservice

Eco-Femme - Menstrual Hygiene Management: Dear Auroville Units, we at *Eco Femme* are happy to host Menstrual Hygiene Management sessions for the women working in your units this summer. We are offering subsidised reusable cloth pads for economically disadvantaged women. We also have options if you are interested in the same for ammas in your community/elsewhere. Please contact us for more information. Contact: nikethana@ecofemme.org, 7094716136 (requested to call Tues-Fri between 9 am - 5 pm)

AVAILABLE

2 puppies: Two little dogs were born in the Quiet Compound. Both of them are male, playful and cute and would need a loving home. They look a bit like there was a German shepherd in the family. Anyone interested and wish to have a lively puppy? Please help! Phone the Reception (0413-2622329 or 9488084966) during working hours. Best is to ask for *Dodo* or *Agnes*. Thank you - *the Quiet Team*

Children's stuff available: (For a contribution) Lego toys, Nerf guns, also climbing equipment for kids and adults, pls contact *Jianghao* at: jianghao@gmail.com, thanks

Veena: I want to pass on for a contribution my classical veena which I have rarely used. It is in very good condition. *Aruna (Arya community)*: 8940878665

Help for wounded birds: I am willing to take care of wounded birds and nurture them back to the wild. If you find one that may need my help, please call me at: 7598467796 (NO pets... only birds from the wild) - Thank you, *Zohar*

Home stay: Very spacious and private room with a garden, attached bathroom, and a shared kitchen available at Kipaak Home Stay, AuroAnnam. Contact us at this no or email us at: 8523915031 or mawite@auroville.org.in - *Mawite*

Sewing machine: Dear all, I have an almost new sewing machine Usha Janome - stitch magic, many embroidery program, still one year warranty, available for a contribution. If you are interested please call me: 8903546705 - *Rosanna*

Metal clothes cupboard: With attached mirror, best condition. Call *Alice*: 944 207 2835.

Motorbike Splendor Pro: The bike is in a good condition and just three and a half years old. If you are interested, please contact me at: vhauffe@gmail.com or 8870674357 Thanks, *Valerian*

Stringing service now in Auroville for limited time: You don't need to go to Pondi to leave your racquet and again to pick it up. Here in Certitude you can get your racquet strung (only tennis racquets) with your own string if you desire or one is provided at small cost. Contact: perziano@yahoo.com

A cycle (Hercules 26x21): One year old. If interested contact *Nadia* per sms at 9943307817 or e mail: nadia@auroville.org.in

House-sharing for volunteers: Dear volunteers, we are looking for a new person to share our house with from the 12th of April onward. *Muyarchi* is a house for youth Aurovilians between ages 21 to 35, located in Surrender community. You will have your own room with shared bathroom, kitchen and living room. As we have only one room dedicated for volunteers it can be a good opportunity for you to experience something else than a guest house/house-sitting and meet new people. If interested please send us an email and we will give you more information about the house. Cheers! Contact: muyarchilist@auroville.org.in

2 sweet small kittens: around 3 weeks old, looking for a home - Love and Light, *Priscila*: 9489969875

LOOKING FOR ...

Someone going to France or Guadeloupe: Someone who has made a donation to 'Art for Land' needs a person to carry 3 small ceramic pieces of art either to Guadeloupe where the donor lives or just part of the way to France. If not, she will have to cancel her donation. Is there anyone? Please contact *Mandakini* of A4A. With thanks! mlucienbrun@wanadoo.fr

2 Bikes: I'm looking for 2 bikes (1 lady bike called SIMPLE 7) in good condition. If you have one please contact me on: itaskovski@gmail.com & 70 94285552 (*Irena*) and 8489818523 (our friend *Dani*)

Second hand car: Dear community, I am looking for a second-hand car to buy or rent or take care of (car sitting!?). Please contact me on 9910813943 or mahimabhatnagar11@yahoo.com in case you have any leads. Thank you, with much gratitude, *Mahima*

A second-hand TVS: For our amma. Please call *Tine*, Aurogreen - mobile: 890 3938 649. Thank you.

Powerful blender/grinder: Dear ones, I need urgently a more powerful blender/grinder (750W with 2 or 3 different containers) - If anyone wants to give away his old but still good

model, I would be very grateful. In exchange or otherwise available as soon as I have the other one...a very good big size fruit/vegetable juicer from Italy, hardly used and a very good quality "Oster" hand-blender with add. cup to chop harder stuff. Please call 2623 038 - *Schima-dorit*

Humvee electric bike: Does anyone have a Humvee electric bike for sale? My wife and I need transport, and we'd love it to be green. Yours in hope, *Matthew*: m.b.tildesley@gmail.com or 827 0405 287.

Sun-roof for a bike: In order to protect my fragile skin, I am urgently looking for a sun-roof from Korea or China for my new bike. I am interested to buy a new one, or use an old one that needs some repair. Equally helpful would be to get in touch with someone who could purchase abroad the sun-roof and bring it back to Auroville. Please contact: Shivaya@auroville.org.in, 948 960 1312 - In gratitude, *Shivaya*

Bicycle: for a 4-year old girl - Contact *Prem Shakti* 9489244823

Some work: Experienced amma is looking for full or half time work - Contact *Prem Shakti* 9489244823

LOST & FOUND

Reading Glasses (Lost): Lost in Bharat Nivas/Auditorium area after movies. Maroon metal frame, hexagonal lenses, in a pink box. Please leave a message for *Laurence* at Humility Guest House 0413-2622395 / 9443617940 or call me at 8270710694. Thank you! *Laurence*

Glasses (Found): For 15 Days we have had two pairs of glasses at our office (*Yatra Nova - Kuilpalayam*). 1. Eye Glass / 2. Sun Glasses - Brown Color

USB key (lost): Black USB stick (16 GB) holding important work documents, please bring it back to the Visitors Center Cafeteria or call us at 0413-2622248, we would very much appreciate it!

THANK YOU

Thank You BCC and HRT ! Thank You Units and Services!

After the last weeks general meeting on BCC and HRT, I felt sad that we as so often fell into criticism of each other's work. I want to express my GRATITUDE to the BCC and HRT, and all the people who presently and in the past worked in the field of maintenances and distribution of resources. These are very challenging jobs! It is true SERVICE to the Auroville community and everyone tries to do the very best in the given circumstances.

I also want to THANK our COMMERCIAL UNITS who give their energy to create financial wealth for the community. And it feels great to hear that the contributions in general have gone up.

We have a lot of WEALTH of a different kind in Auroville. Art, music, dance, theater, concerts, every day a film show, many meaningful activities and learning possibilities, all that is offered in the field of healing and well-being and more.

Let us acknowledge and celebrate that.

With our LOVE for Auroville we strengthen our community. The ACTIVE COMMITMENT from EACH of US brings us closer to an Auroville of Abundance also in the field of COLLECTIVE FINANCIAL WEALTH. *Shivaya*

Thank you, Youth Link

Thank you, Youth Link, for inviting a series of sessions to practice English while exploring the spiritual bases of Auroville and for your hospitality.

In our final session, the word 'rely' appeared. To illustrate 'rely', our easiest example was Youth Link: When your space was scheduled for a workshop during the same hours as our final class session, the 'reliable' Youth link team arranged for another space nearby and we arrived to find it already set up with everything needed. Your organized, disciplined commitment to providing for this class, even in your busiest weeks, was another example for us of the true Auroville way of initiative, creativity, detailed attention and good cheer. Special thanks to Kavitha, Luca and Kowsalya for their support.

Patricia Henry

APPEAL

Tamil New Year Celebrations - 13 April 2017

Dear all, Vanakkam,

This year, the Tamil New year, falls on 14th April 2017. A team of Aurovilians is organizing a cultural event.

About 100 children along with some adults are going to act and dance in a drama titled "Life in Hundred Year" - a brief look at the impacts in social, cultural, environmental and spiritual life in India. The drama is written and directed by Yatra Srinivasan and Thambidurai. The drama is to be enacted at Sri Aurobindo Auditorium in Bharat Nivas 13th April 2017.

As it is a big production, we request your support to cover the expenses involved.

Our Financial Service acc no is 3877

For any additional info, the following persons may be contacted:

-Thambidurai on 9442485455 (Drama) / -Dawn on 9786626958 (Accounts) / -Sarasu on 8940185119 (Dance) / -Sundar K, Ganesh, Priya and Sundaramurthy (Coordination Team)

What Can We Do for AV group?



A Call for pre-orders for CD book about Auroville birds

We are pleased to announce the upcoming publication of a children's soundbook:

"Sita and the chanting forest"

A radio-ornithologist tale by Chloé Sanchez; Illustrated by Marie Demont - In French

As she walks through the forest, Sita listens to the birds and realizes that she can dialogue with them ... On her way, five birds convey to her the secret of their songs. This initiation leads her gradually to discover her own song.

A poetic and pedagogical tale of initiation to learn to recognize five well-known birds from Auroville.

Have a look at the teaser: <https://youtu.be/QU2BJOCMTns>

For this book to be born we need your help. The publication of the book is scheduled for August 2017.

Pre-orders: India: Rs 690 / France / Europe: 17 Euros (transport included). Please contact: chloe@auroville.org.in

ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE AND NEEDED

Connecting available House-sittings with House-sitters:

Dear Community, the Housing Service would like to ask any one leaving Auroville for some months, to give their house for house-sitting. We can help to connect the people looking for a place, who are newcomers, volunteers or interns and people who need persons to take care of their house. Kindly write to the housing service with your telephone number and when you can be available to contact. Thanks, *the Housing Service*

House-sitting opportunity 1: Big house with garden and keet roof near the sea in Quiet available for a reliable quiet person from April 20th onwards for a long term house-sitting. Expenses needs to be taken over and there is a dog to take care of. Commitment will be stated in a contract through the Housing Service. For more details please call *Laura* mobile 948 6366 413

House-sitting opportunity 2: I will be away from 13th April to 2nd May and am looking for a house-sitter for my house in Quiet (on the beach) and animals. My house is best for a single person and at most a couple. If you are interested please send an email to nandita@sharan-india.org or SMS 9488483286 - Thank you, *Nandita*

House-sitting opportunity 3: Available for house-sitting one house with garden in Auromodele, for a single person who loves gardening. For a period of 4 to 6 months. Contact *Krishna* 78679 66069 between 6 to 8 pm.

House-sitting 1: Hi I'm *Roberto* (Aurovillian) and I am looking for a house-sitting for three months from April onwards. Please call 8940299415 or email: roberto@auroville.org.in

House-sitting 2: From July 2017 long term (6 months to 1 year) - We are a young family of 3, starting our newcomers' process in July 2017 and looking for some accommodation. We are responsible, very tidy people with a great sense of humour, and would be very happy to take good care of your home. Would be great to be part of a community that is interested in dance and creativity as well ecology and nature. We can offer evenings of great films. We're in Auroville till 29.03.2017 and we would be very happy to meet you and see your house. Please contact us on: itaskovski@gmail.com & +91 8489818523 - *Irena*

House-sitting 3: Hi, my name is *Sathya* and I am currently staying at Unity Pavillion. I am looking for a house-sitting opportunity starting from beginning of April, for a few months. I am an Aurovillian and I pursue art. So, if you see this and have any possibility please contact me. I am willing to share my art skills and techniques in return. I look forward to hearing from you. Thanks, *Sathya* - Contact: +91 9486145072. Email: sathyacolour@auroville.org.in

House-sitting 4: Dear All, My Name is *Nimmi Joseph* and I am 26 year old, full time long-term volunteer at Auroville.com. I am looking for house-sitting from the month of April. Am flexible for the house-sitting period, I love taking care of animals and am very responsible too. Kindly let me know if there are any houses available. Thanks in Advance. Please contact me: nimmi.joseph1@gmail.com

TAXI SHARING

Please note that there is a new Auroville service of taxi sharing available with STS at: <http://sharedtransport.auroville.org/>

March 24th: [sharedtransport](#) STS Taxi is leaving from Chennai Airport with one traveler around 6-7 pm - Sharing is possible only from Chennai. Please email *Dmitri*: astgat@gmail.com or call / sms: [+919873599030](tel:+919873599030) Thank you! Merci

March 25th: Taxi sharing from Thiruvannamalai to Auroville. Leaving at 10 am (flexible timing). Please contact *Sinn* via whatsapp +60163353770 or email pippips77@gmail.com.

March 26th: On Sunday 26th March, leaving Auroville at 2 pm, 2 people in the car already. Will be nice to share the trip with one or two people. Contact: *Daniel*: 9843318884 / da@auroville.org.in

March 26th: [sharedtransport](#) STS Taxi is leaving Djaima Auroville at 1:00 -2:00 am on 26th of March to pick up two people from Golf Air flight at 3:20 am. And leaving Chennai from 4:00-5:00 am. Time is flexible. Sharing is possible both ways. Please email *Igor* yafarov.i.n@gmail.com or call / sms: +919047239092 Thank you!

March 29th: Wed. at 9.30 pm a taxi is leaving from AV with 1 person to Chennai international airport. If you want to share

any direction, please contact *Franziska* on phone: +91 9786 599 848.

April 4th: Tuesday Taxi going to Chennai Airport leaving from Auroville 2.45 PM (time flexible) please contact: *Vera* at 9159108192 (vanhees.vera@gmail.com)

April 7th: Leaving Auroville at 10:30 pm to Chennai airport. Call *Elisabetta* 8489752165 or elise gala@gmail.com

April 9th: Taxi will leave AV for Chennai airport around 11 pm. Can be shared going or for airport pick-up. Perfect share for someone coming in on the Emirates flight from Dubai (if anyone still does that in April!). SvahaUS@gmail.com or 0413-262-3898. *Swaha*

April 10th: Monday Taxi going to Chennai Airport leaving from Auroville around 3 / 4 pm (time flexible) please give me a call at: 9159108192 - *Rosa* (rosaajjevaar@gmail.com)

April 11th: Taxi going to Chennai airport, leaving Auroville around 10 pm (time flexible), should be at the airport latest at 1.30 am. Please contact *Krishna*: 78679 66069 between 6 to 8 pm

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

At the Auroville Pre-Crèche: Dear Friends, the Auroville Pre-crèche is looking for a volunteer to help us during the 2017 - 2018 school calendar year. The work is to work with small children aged 1.5 to 3 years old. Working hours are from 8:30 to 1:30 p.m. Interested parties are kindly requested to contact *Auroprem / Marie Angele* at the school between 9:30 to 11. Call (2623161) us or come by.
Regards, *Pre Crèche Team*

Junior Accountant: Auroville Consulting is looking for a full time Junior Accountant. The person will be accountable for keeping the cashbook, managing inventory, handling payments, undertaking bank errands, and other accounts and admin related work. S/he will work in close collaboration with the existing Accounts and Admin team. S/he must be proficient in written English, have a thorough working knowledge of Tally ERP with prior experience in financial reporting. Maintenance is available after a trial period. Contact *Martin*

at: hr@aurovilleconsulting.com along with a CV and a brief motivation letter.

Seeking Volunteers for Botanical Gardens: Hello everyone, this is Noel and I am seeking volunteers who can help in a newly developing Japanese Garden as well as our Labyrinth at the Botanical Gardens. Anyone is welcome for any amount of time to help in a variety of areas including watering, weeding, pruning, some planting and a lot of heavy digging and soil-moving work (and stones!). If interested please contact me at earthyyoga@hotmail.com. Thank you and Happy Summer Heat to All!

Noel Parent ([Visit Noel's Blog Website](#) - [Say Hello on Facebook!](#))

Male EN-UK Narrators needed: Avitra is looking for male EN-UK (British accent) native speakers for voice-over work. If you're interested, please email us and we will provide the relevant details, thanks. *Avitra - Auroville international translators* (avitra@auroville.org.in)

HEALTH

Auroville Ambulance Service

Dear Auroville residents and registered guests,
The Auroville Ambulance Service team would like to share some information on the Service till now, as well as provide a few basic points on 'when and how' to use the service.

Overview: The ambulance service started operating on the 15.08.2012, it runs under the Auroville institute of Integral health, and is supported by Santé Clinic. The vehicle and some of the medical equipment was funded by the government of India.

To date the ambulance has been utilized 330 times, which is an average usage of one trip every five days. This figure includes medical transport to and from hospital for people whose condition makes them unable to sit in a car, as well as emergency transport to hospital. About two thirds of the calls received by the ambulance dispatch are not emergencies and don't require ambulance transport, in these cases the dispatcher provides information on how best to manage the situation.

The Auroville Transport Service provides support in terms of a parking place as well as occasional back up of the ambulance driver.

Team: The ambulance service first started with a team of eight, presently the team consists of four members and includes two nurses, one doctors and one driver. The medical

staff has specific additional training and qualification in the management of heart related emergencies and trauma care, continuous education in the field of emergency management is being pursued. The ambulance driver has training in basic life support and assists the medical staff. An ideal team would consist of five medical staff, two drivers and two dispatchers. We welcome qualified Aurovillians to join the team, part or full time, in the fields of dispatcher, driver and medicals staff.

Service outline: The AVAS provides the following scope of service to residents and registered guests of Auroville:

1. 24/7 availability of emergency response with an equipped and staffed ambulance vehicle, which arrives at the scene of emergency, within AV city area, in under thirty minutes.
2. First aid and treatment on site and during transport.
3. Providing information, over the phone, on what to do in urgent medical situations which don't require ambulance transport.

When to use the Auroville Ambulance service:

Call the Auroville Ambulance, tel: 9442224680, if you, or anyone around you, experience any of the following situations.

1. Unconscious person: if breathing apply rescue position, if not breathing start CPR till ambulance team arrives.
2. Difficulty breathing
3. Sudden changes in level of consciousness (disoriented, difficulty speaking)

4. Heavy bleeding
5. Strong pain
6. Major or multiple injury
7. Chest pain
8. Seizures
9. Signs of stroke: Speech difficulty, facial droop, one sided weakness in limbs
10. Severe allergy
11. Call the Ambulance dispatcher if you are unsure

How to use the Auroville Ambulance Service

Tel: 9442224680

To avoid delay we request you to support the AVAS team in the following manner,

1. When dialing the Auroville Ambulance first provide the dispatcher with your name and location, provide all further available information as requested by the dispatcher. This is essential for the medical staff and for documentation of the case.
2. Follow over the phone first aid advice as given by the dispatcher.
3. Organize for someone to accompany the patient and stay with them in hospital if required.
4. Pack and take along personal items, money, current medication and all relevant medical reports.
5. Being calm and supportive towards the patient and the ambulance staff facilitates the best outcome.

Trip cost: The price per trip for AV residents is Rs:1,500, to or from Puducherry and Rs 10,000 to or from Chennai, the cost of

ambulance services is covered by the Health Fund for members. The price per trip for registered guests is Rs:5,000 to or from Pondy and Rs:15,000 to or from Chennai.

Contact numbers:

Note: For people without Auroville resident or registered guest status please use the free government ambulance service or any of the locally available ambulance services listed in the contacts below:

Other Ambulance Services	Government	108
	PIMS hospital	18004259009 (toll-free), 8903204400 8903404400
	Apollo hospital (Pondy based ambulance service)	9994983840 0413-4205678
	JIPMER Casualty Medical Officer	0413-2272381/89

First Aid courses, including CPR training, will be available for Aurovilians from April 2017 onwards.

Feedback: We welcome suggestions and constructive criticism; please send an email to sante@auroville.org.in with ambulance as the subject.

In service to Auroville,
The Ambulance Team

AUROVILLE RADIO

Dear listeners!



Our live streaming can be heard on:

<http://radio.garden/live/villupuram/auroville-radio/>

Here is an update from AV Radio with programs made this past week

Our volunteers have recorded:

Neha Bajiya covered the book launch

[Talking about Flux](#),

Stefano recorded [Human Journey Across the Ages](#),

Romel and Mimansa captured [CAT11 Progressive Economy](#),

Romel did [BCC presents Auroville Accounts](#), [How Can We Restructure TDC](#),

Steve [AV Education Survey 1968 -2013](#), B's Experience on Sunlith Path, and [AV Women's Health Survey](#)

Stephen Anurag has managed to catch glimpses on AV Birthday with Julian Lines... [49th Foudnation Day of Auroville](#),

Neha and Apoorva were covering Litter Free Auroville 2017 opening day with [Chloe's Performance at LFA](#), [Interview with Ok on Upcycling](#), and more to follow.

From our regular programs:

Loretta reads [Mother's Q&A - 6/6/56, Part2](#), [Savitri, B.II, C.X, Part4](#), [Mother's Q&A - 13.6.56](#)

Marlenka continues with [Synthesis of Yoga Ch7](#) by Sri Aurobindo and Gangalakshmi with her [Selections](#) of Sri Aurobndo and The Mother texts in French - uncut version on the request of listeners!

Rosa shares [Relaxation, Body of Light](#) in Spanish

Out of our regular programs are here [Thursday](#) and [Monday](#) news

For those of you who love music - musical editions [Jazz, Jazz, Jazz](#) and [Orchestra Baobab](#)

Happy listening, *Your AV Radio Team*

SPORTS

Ultimate Frisbee Defending Champions

Dear Community, we are happy to share that we, the Auroville Frisbee Team, returned last week from Mumbai Ultimate Open as defending Champions. Both last year and this year we have won first place in this national tournament.

It is one of India's bigger tournaments with 28 teams competing this year from across the country and around 400 players.

We were 20 players from Auroville including youngsters from Transition school, Future School and Last School.

We would like to say a very big thank you to those who supported us for this tournament and also all the others who always help us...

We are very grateful...

We invite you to come and play, practice team work at a smaller scale, and have fun... *Av Ultimate*

Ultimate Frisbee Women's Team

Since a few months we have started practicing as a women's team as well. We do a combination of fitness and Frisbee training. **We would like to invite any women or girls who are interested to join us on Sunday evenings from 4-6 pm at the Gaia sports field. All are welcome. Hope to see you there...**

Ultimate women's team

(Exceptionally next Sunday 26th will be from 6-8 am)

EATING OUT

Bharat Nivas the Pavilion of India presents "Bengali Lunch"

At Atithi Griha Guest House Bharat Nivas - The Pavilion of India, on Sunday the 26th of March, 2017 - Between 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm. For Aurovilians and Newcomers only. For reservations, please write to: atithigriha@auroville.org.in

You can call us at 0413-2622445 before 4:00 pm on Friday the 24th of March, 2017.

A refreshing and delightful lunch at Terra Soul: To start the summer in a joyful way we are creating a rich fusion of tasty dishes from around the world.

Sunday 26th of March at Terra Soul community, Windarra Farm - 12:30 to 2 pm.

Book by phone 9159676139 or by e-mail: francisco@auroville.org.in. Come and enjoy!



TLC "Dewdrop inn" tea-shop is now open regularly!!:

The Learning Community (TLC) would like to invite you to drop in to our community tea shop "Dewdrop Inn",

open every Thursday and Friday afternoon between 1:00-3:30 pm.

This is a project run by the children of TLC so...

DO DROP IN!

... For delicious bakes - fresh from our wood-fire oven, teas, juices, all prepared by the students themselves.

Looking forward to seeing you there! TLC's base-camp is situated just before the gate of Dana community...

Much love,
The Learning Community

TRAVEL

Latest News from the Travel Shop

(located at Inside India in Auroshilpam) We are open from 09:00 to 13:00 and from 13:30 to 17:00

Oman Airways has a special offer for minimum 2 persons traveling together to Europe. Travel duration maximum 1 month.

Unfortunately the only news is that prices are going up every week as flights starting from Chennai are in high demand.

Most domestic Airlines offer extreme discounted flights similar to the pricing of train tickets.

Hotels: International and Domestic Hotel bookings can also be done at discounted rates through us.

Insurance: We highly recommend availing of a Travel Insurance for all foreign travels.

Please check with us in advance regarding flight schedules & baggage policies of airlines.

International Flight Tickets / International Hotel booking:

- 0413 - 2622078, travelshop@auroville.org.in,

Domestic Flight Tickets / Trains / Bus / Travel Insurance:

- 0413 - 2623030, domestic@inside-india.com,

Tours and Domestic Hotel booking:

- 0413 - 2622047, insideindia@auroville.org.in

GREEN MATTERS

Sunday 26th of March - Pichandikulam

Sunday walk Farms & Forests

6 am with Joss (tel; 2622 387)

An early morning walk with potluck breakfast, please bring some organic food to share!

Pichandikulam Forest was established in 1973 as a pioneering greenbelt community, working to bring the indigenous forest back. Pichandikulam foresters work throughout the bio region helping people to plant indigenous trees, spread know-how and are involved in Restoration Ecology (Nadukuppam and Adyar park in Chennai, Mangrove Forests), Environmental Education, Nature Art, Medicinal Plants, a Herbarium, Walks and Courses.

Directions: From the Solar Kitchen take a right, past Certitude, take a left at the crossing, follow the tar road till you come to small culvert/ bridge, take a left here and follow the winding road into Pichandikulam forest.

NEXT! Sunday walk 2nd April Udumbu with Natacha (timing and directions in the next News & Notes)

Probiotics House Tip Series # 9 - Probiotics Ceramic Bracelets And Necklaces

They emit Far Infrared that Aid to Structuring Body Fluids, Increases Circulation & Vitality, Better Sleeping and Relaxation, Decreases Stress & Fatigue, Reduces Muscle & Rheumatic Pain, Boosts the Immune System & Provide an Overall Sense of Well-Being.



Far Infrared Waves are the longest rays in the light spectrum. This wavelength is highly compatible with human tissue. The body can absorb them easily at depth up to 3 inches (7.5 cm), where they can do lots of good work. Far Infrared waves remove blood cell clusters and this improves blood circulation. Because the infrared rays penetrate the tissue, they work deep into body tissue, not just on the surface of the skin.

Probiotics Ceramic BRACELETS & NECKLACES are made from a combination of PROBIOTICS CERAMICS Rings and glass beads. Wear the bracelet and /or the necklace as often as possible for the best benefit. Regularly wash them with Natural soap after a daily usage.

Margarita for MGEcoduties - Probiotics House [Reve - Auroville]
Phone: 0413 - 2623774 / Email: mgecoduties@auroville.org.in / www.probioticshouse.com

Notes

Unity in the Close Embrace

If you ever listened to tango music, you probably noticed its multiple layers, its dramatic aspect that might be coming from the emotion in the voice, the sudden change of dynamics or the staccatos, for example. Just like the music, with 2 to 3 group classes per day, 2 practice times, 5 milongas with three different DJs and private classes for those who wished to go deeper, Auroville's 6th Holi Tango Festival was highly intense and colourful.

The festival kicked off at CRIPA with lots of beautiful hugs as tangueros and tangueras from almost all of the tango communities in India (Delhi, Mumbai, Pune, Bangalore, Hyderabad, Pondicherry and Auroville) were happy to meet one another again. This year, there were also dancers from USA, Canada, France and Korea. Aurevan, one of the amazing organizer, asked us to reflect on what we wanted out of this festival and what tango wanted from us, to be generous, to take care of each other in and out of the dance floor; and so the tone was set.

Twice during the festival, the teachers conquered the heart of Auroville with their very different styles, one couple performing stage tango that is very dynamic and spectacular, the two others dancing salon tango which is danced socially in milongas.

The teachers, Pino and Caterina from Italy, Marianna and Vaggelis from Greece, and the newcomers to the festival, Judith and Christophe from France all gave us so much with such generosity. We learned a lot more than steps during these five days: we learned

about the etiquette of tango, how to share the dance floor in a flowing manner, some principles of tai chi for better balance and connection, and how to really listen to the music and understand its different elements and subtleties. We were exposed to three very different approaches and styles, allowing us to eventually find our own tango.

The festival ended beautifully with us reflecting on our generosity, how we could let it flow even more, and the possible improvements for next year. What makes this festival even more special, apart from the charming surroundings, is the excellent organization carried out by Aurevan, Rima, Mahi and Lisa, and the fact that the tasks were shared amongst the local tango community and some amazing young Aurovilians who gave a lot of their time to decorate, set up and clean the venues. So it is a time where we truly come together and make it all happen. With a lot of emotion in the air, each participant thanked and hugged the teachers and the organizers. The festival is over, but images and sensations of a deep connection, of the warmth of an embrace and the melodies will linger with us for a long time. I hear a few people are ready to embark on the tango journey, and I think this is exactly what we need: more beauty and close embraces.

By Marie-Pierre for Auroville Art Service

The Entry Process: Judging, Filtering, and Difficult People

The new Entry Policy once again has highlighted the most basic questions about the Entry Process: Who belongs in Auroville, and how do we decide who to let in? Despite the years of Entry Policies, there has never really been clear Guidelines decided upon by the community for the Entry Service members (or Mentors) to make decisions about whether or not a person should be allowed to live in Auroville. We invoke the documents given by Mother - the Charter and To Be a True Aurovillian, among so much more information given by Her - yet it has been left in the past to a small group of people to determine the fate of new members of Auroville by their own personal preferences, opinions and judgments, with a very incomplete understanding of Mother's wisdom regarding this subject.

It is interesting, however, that the Mother was directly asked questions about admissions for Auroville, despite She being the one making the decisions at that time. Here was a part of Her answer to one question, so revealing and powerful:

"..... I told her that naturally, the essential condition to be able to select people [for Auroville] was that preferences, attractions and repulsions, likes and dislikes, all moral rules, all of that must have completely disappeared - not that one should be on the way to overcoming it, it's not that: it must have disappeared (laughing), there must be no more ego! Then I told her, 'It's not a judgment, it's not that you look at people and judge whether they are fit to be there or not, destined to be there or not, it's not that at all - you don't 'judge'.....THEY are the ones who classify themselves; it's not that you decide that such and such person goes here or there or here: And everyone classifies himself, by himself, according to his own receptivity and the quality of that receptivity - or else his refusal or incapacity.....The true thing is that NATURALLY, according to his own receptivity, his own capacity, his inner mission, everyone takes up the post which in the hierarchy he truly and spontaneously occupies, without any decision. What can be done to make the organization easier is a sort of plan or general map, so that everyone need not build his position but will find it ready for him - that's all." - (Mother's Agenda, Oct. 11, 1967 - see the entire quote on AVnet at: <https://www.auroville.org.in/article/62324>)

Yet in our community there are people who argue that we must have 'filters' to stop certain types of people from entering the Entry process, even without knowing anything about the person and before they have had the opportunity to reveal who they are as a person, as a Soul. This was the reason for making the New Entry Policy much more open and flexible. Any 'filter' implies some kind of judgment, again something that does not reflect the Consciousness we are meant to engage newcomers with, and something Mother obviously saw as a mental intrusion on accepting newcomers and allowing a more flexible and Divine way of sorting those who are meant to be in Auroville and those who are not. Our ideas about 'filters' are simply caught up in, once again, our fears and need to control everything. People are afraid of the 'wrong' people coming into Auroville and do not have the Faith that Mother has asked us to have in the quote above - to Trust in the Divine, in a Power that is beyond our own personal, or even collective, capacity to judge other Souls and their place in the Whole, or in Auroville.

(To read the rest of this article, please see it on Avnet at: <https://www.auroville.org.in/article/62324>. The article continues with more about how Mother saw the challenge of dealing with 'difficult' people in Auroville, how this relates to Entry Guidelines and our community weaknesses, along with the full quotes of Mother's statements on this subject.)

In Truth and Light,
Noel

For your calendar



AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR



Meditation with Savitri read by Mother to Sunil's music
Every THURSDAY at sunset

We follow the sun and the timing changes with the season...

6.00 to 6.30 pm

Enjoy the beautiful open space, an immense sunset, heavenly music in the very center of Auroville!

Reminder to all:

The Park of Unity is a place for silence, meditation and inner work and is to be used only as such.

We request everyone: please **do not** use cameras, I-pads, cell phones, etc. No Photos.

Dear Guests, please carry your Guest Card with you

Access only for the Amphitheatre from 5.45 pm.

Please be seated by 5.55 pm.

Thank you,
Amphitheatre Team

Water Ceremony
For Auroville's 50th Anniversary
(An appeal for collecting water)

Dear Friends,

There will be a water ceremony after the early morning meditation of 28.2.2018, in the Amphitheatre. It is proposed that water from different water bodies of the world be collected and brought to Auroville.

The bringing together of water from all over the world in a symbolic ceremony at the centre of Auroville would not only mean a prayer for unity but also a prayer for this diminishing resource for the whole world.

We need the collaboration of the peoples of the world to make this event come true.

We invite Aurovilians, Newcomers, Guests, Visitors, Friends of Auroville representing different parts of the world to help us in our endeavour.

Please bring us a little water from your place.

If you wish to participate in this attempt then this is what we propose:

1. The water must be from a lake, river, spring etc from your part of the world.
2. The amount can be anything between 500 ml to 1000ml from each water source. Can be a smaller quantity if bringing it over pauses a problem.
3. To be bottled in a leak proof bottle preferably made of glass and carried in the luggage that is checked in.
4. Each bottle must be labeled with:
 - 1) The name of the county
 - 2) The source of the water.
 - 3) In our last announcement, we had said that the water should be sterilized or boiled but we have been informed since that it is neither needed nor a good option. So please do not boil or sterilize the water just bring the water as it is. We will take care of it in Auroville.
5. The water must reach us anytime between November 2017 and 18th February 2018 or earlier. We have already received two water samples.

We are open to suggestions. Please contact us at: worldwater@auroville.org.in

Looking forward to a collaborative effort with all

Sincerely, *Matrimandir Events Team*

INVITATIONS

Trashion Show
At the Visitor center on April 1st... 7.30pm

Auroville designers
transform trash
into fashion
on the catwalk

Contacts:
okjeonglee@gmail.com
arletrochini@gmail.com
milla@auroville.org.in

**LITTER FREE
AUROVILLE
2017**

Savi is pleased to invite you for
Volunteering in Auroville: *Sharing of experiences*

Monday 27th March from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
At Svaram

This evening, two Savi long term volunteers and friends will give a presentation about their volunteering experience in Auroville. From their own background, Julie and Matthias will present their involvement in the life of the community, which is based on the sharing of experiences: their work at Auroorchard and Svaram, their activities in Auroville, as well as their interest in Indian culture.

- Matthias volunteer in Svaram, is an Austrian Servant Abroad and industrial engineer. In Auroville, he experienced the technical side of constructing and building instruments in the workshop, and the managing side by organizing different projects like the arch harp.
- Julie volunteer in Auroorchard is a French student of eco-philosophy. Her experience of farming comes from the practice, and from the philosophy, due to her research on the ecological relationships between living beings.

Volunteers' input is contributing a lot to Auroville Units.

Their enthusiasm and energy bring progress and creative solutions in many areas.

SAVI is happy to share with the community the beauty of their involvement.

Everyone is welcome: Aurovilians, volunteers, newcomers, residents and guests...

Tea will be served...No previous registration. Contact Savi at: 0413 262 2121 for more info.



BRAHMANASPATI KSHETRAM
The Mother and Sri Aurobindo Centre
Edayanchavadi, Auroville

All are invited to following programs:

Wednesday 29th of March

the date of fist meeting of The Mother and Sri Aurobindo is also our center's birthday and we celebrate the 3rd year.
Open from 5 pm - 7 pm, Meditation 6 pm-6:30 pm

Sunday 3rd of April

the regular monthly reading circle of The Mother and Sri Aurobindo's works in English and Tamil, led by Bhuvana Sundry and Sudarshan.
Open from 5 pm, reading starts from 5:30 pm

Monday 4th of April

Sri Aurobindo's arrival in Pondicherry, the Centre is open for meditation.
Open from 5 pm - 7 pm, Meditation 6 pm-6:30 pm

Every Thursday!

Open from 5 pm - 7 pm, Meditation 6 pm-6:30 pm

See google map [here](#) / Write to us if you need a transport: kshetram2014@gmail.com

EXHIBITIONS




**LITTER FREE AUROVILLE
LFA 2017 Campaign**

Art exhibition, workshops, demos & information

from 17 of March to 9 of April
Exhibition: 9am to 5pm in Kalakendra.

*See the Full Program at the end of this N&N,
for all the events happening for the LITTER FREE AUROVILLE 2017 Campaign*

***Volunteers and ideas needed – contact marc.barandard@gmail.com ***



**Stained Glass Exhibition
by Robert l'Heureux**

Opening at 5:30 pm March 22

AF Maison Colombani
March 22 to March 30
Closed on March 26



CENTRE D'ART – CITADINES / AUROVILLE

March 25 - April 8, 2017 / Open 3.00 – 5.00 pm.

INAUGURATION: Saturday 25 March 2017 / 5 pm

Opening the exhibition, the singer Carla Rosa Gileno, and the video of Carla Sello with music from Composer Gheorghe Iovu

 Painting Exhibition by Carla Sello
ENERGIES OF THE CHAKRAS
 March 25th to April 8th, 2017
 Open daily except Sunday 8am - 12.00pm and 2pm - 6pm



Pitanga Cultural Centre, Samasti - Pitanga@auroville.org.in -0413-2622403

TALKS, SEMINARS

The Greek myths in relation with the yoga of Sri Aurobindo

Every Monday, from 5:00 till 6:00 pm, House of Mother's Agenda at Savitri Bhavan, by *Claude de Warren*

Topic of Monday 27th March: Jason and the quest of the Golden Fleece (the beginnings of the spiritual journey, 7th part: Circe, the Sirens).

The aim of these talks is to present the deep meaning of the Greek myths.

These myths illustrate the spiritual journey up to the point where Sri Aurobindo and the Mother started the yoga of transformation.

Everyone is welcome!



HUMAN JOURNEY ACROSS THE AGES

Ecology, Culture & The Self

A Series of Four Lectures about Man's Place in the Universe
By Prof. Sehdev Kumar



Session #4: Thursday, March 30, 2017
Jacob's Ladder: Where Must it Lead to?
The Future of Man

Unity Pavilion, 7:30-9:00 pm

CULTURAL EVENTS



The French Pavilion Presents

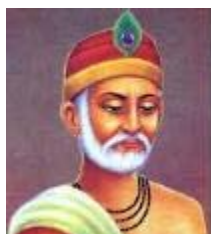
LA FORTERESSE MENTALE - "THE MENTAL FORTRESS"

A selection of French Texts from Mother and Satprem, read in FRENCH ONLY

Friday 24 & Saturday 25 March 2017
8 pm at Visitors Center

With *Céline, Christophe, Frédéric and Vers'Haut*
Directed by *Céline* - Duration: 45 minutes

Four bodies, four voices, four personalities are offering to your understanding the first chapter of "La genese du Surhomme" by Satprem mixed with the prayer of the Mother dated from 24/05/1915. The set-up, a succession on stage of pictures, scenes and motions is an intuitive evocation of the text, an invitation to "escape from the mental circle" to allow yourself to go into a deep, sensitive and integral exploration of the mental fortress' evolutionary message.



पंक्ति बाद बदे सो झूला।
राम कहे जगत नही पावे,
खानक कहे मुख मीठा।
"जैसे मीठा मीठा कहने से
मूँह मीठा नही हो जाता
वैसे ही राम राम कहने से
मनमान नही मिलते"
www.kabir.org.in

The Canadian Pavilion & The Pavilion of Tibetan Culture present

SONGS & VISION OF KABIR

Friday, March 31, 2017 - 7:00-8:30 pm
At the Pavilion of Tibetan Culture, International Zone

Author of THE VISION OF KABIR, Prof. Kumar will present the songs of the great 15th century poet-sage in original and in his English translations, with commentary on the Bhakti Yoga.



LFA 2017: Litter Free Auroville 2017- workshops!

Plenty of workshops until 9th of April
See full weekly program at the back of this N&N - Open to all!

Classes at Joy - update

Dear Friends, some classes at Joy have been cancelled; please note it for your information: On Wednesday and Friday no more Hatha Yoga classes in the morning and the Prana Vashya class on Wednesday at 4 pm is also cancelled.

The classes for regular students on Monday and Friday at 16:30 is still on going and our Acro Yoga on Thursday (same time) is also happening.

Sanskrit Mantra Chanting as usual on Thursday and Friday from 18:15.

From Next Month we'll have a new schedule.

Have a Good Day, Joy Team

Preparatory Voice Training for the Om-Choir
Saturdays 4.30 pm - 5.30 pm at Savitri Bhavan

Especially meant for those who are new to the Om-choir, but everyone is welcome.

We shall work/play with our breathing faculty and inherent consciousness of the body. In this way we shall prepare our instrument as well as we can to chant the sacred OM in the most beautiful way. We shall start with a relaxation so kindly be in time! *Schima-Dorit (ex-Kayananda)*

Training in first aid and injuries

The Auroville Youth Activities in response to the outcome of a questionnaire run among its Activities is offering a training in first aid and injuries to coaches, tutors and facilitators working with the youth.

The course happens twice in March:

- 1) On 18th and 19th afternoon (4 + 4 hours) -fully booked
- 2) On 25th and 26th afternoon (4 + 4 hours) - still places available. Would you be interested, kindly mail to:

youthactivities@auroville.org.in

Leadership and Capacity Training in Tamil - Stewardship for New Emergence - Amma & Appa program

Building on the positive feedback from the 2016 Stewardship for New Emergence Leadership and Capacity Training in Tamil, we are very happy to share with you that there is another opportunity to foster growth and full potential for your team through this program that will be delivered fully in Tamil.

The program builds confidence, capacity and a shared language at the workspace and community leading to improved efficiency and integrity. It is designed at three levels 1) enhances self-awareness and personal potential 2) enhances ability to see underlying patterns in self and society that result in recurring problems and 3) enhances ability to find solutions.

The program is accessible to all and **does not** require a capacity to be able to read or write. It gives participants a felt sense that their daily work is beyond just making a living and recognises them as valued and active participants in a movement towards human unity.

Amma & Appa Program 2017

Stewardship and capacity building workshop in Tamil for full potential in the workplace, home, and community.

A workshop, (two days in April and two days in May) at Unity Pavilion, 9am-4.30pm each day that is designed to allow units to easily send team members by splitting teams between:

Workshop part 1 - Sunday April 2nd and either on April 3rd or Tues April 4th (or both days with one session per day if preferred.

Workshop part 2 - May 28th and either Mon May 29th or May 30th, (or Mon and Tues, one morning and one afternoon, if preferred).

In between, there will a weekly practice group held by a stewardship practitioner coach usually at the workplace or a central location close by so that the tools can be integrated and that a learning environment is fostered at work.

Context

The program helps participants to get in touch with their individual potential/greatness, building efficacy, clarity, and harmony in work and family related environments and provides tools for participants to solve problems with value based solutions while addressing underlying patterns that give rise to the problems.

The tools explored in this program will help to:

1. moves from resignation in work place towards action producing results toward common goals.
2. builds capacity for increased personal confidence and drive for inspired-action.
3. fosters a wider mindset of inter-community sustainability and well-being forall.
4. fosters workplaces to become spaces of learning and unfolding where action become integrally directed towards common goals.
5. transforms a culture of blame, complaints, and gossip towards responsible speaking and actions.
6. cultivates accomplishment.

The World Education Fund has kindly sponsored 130 places, these will be allocated on first come first served basis. Once this quota is full, subsequent places will be given against a contribute of 950Rs per worker for the four days, over two months, to cover lunch and tea.

Agenda: Two, 2-day programs 9-4.30pm each day delivered by professors Suriya and Sri Lata - see bio's below. The Sunday is for all, participants have a choice of coming on Monday or Tuesday where the sessions will be repeated so that workplaces can split their teams to ensure the unit can function.

Facilitators:

Sri Lata is a professor at Tata institute of social sciences, trained social worker and of the state board for inclusion who is deeply interested in transforming the narrative of alcoholism, mental and disability from that of stigma and being diminished to one that includes and exercises one's full potential.

Suriyaprakash is Professor of Organisational Behaviour with Jansons School of Business, Coimbatore. He is a certified organisational transactional analyst and Master Practitioner in NLP. His specialities include Organisational Development, Applied Behavioural Sciences and Human Relations Development. He is partner facilitator at Relations institute of development and former president of the International Transactional Analysis Association.

For more information or support with registration, please, contact stewardship4newemergence@auroville.org.in

Inner-Work-Workshop

Introduction to the Integral Yoga of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother

28th March (Tuesday) - Focus this week on: 'The Supermind'

- 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

These Workshops are conducted every Tuesday, 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 Noon

(For those who are new to Yoga, from 8.45 to 9 am there will be a brief presentation on Yoga and Spirituality.)

Led by **Ashesh Joshi** (Contact: 9489147202, 0413 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

Connection as Life Energy

Introduction to Nonviolent Communication With *L'aura Joy*, NVC Certified Trainer.



Do you long for more joy, authenticity and depth when connecting with yourself and others?

Do you wonder what gets in the way of connecting and relating the way you truly want?

April 1-2 (Sat-Sun)

9.30 am-5 pm (with lunch break)

A path of Nonviolence (based on Nonviolent Communication, NVC) offers both a deeply-rooted consciousness of oneness, as well as very practical tools to live this more and more in our daily lives. In re-evaluating some of our habitual and conditioned thinking, we see how much of it is life-alienating and based on a culture of scarcity and separation. We'll learn the skills to be able express ourselves with more clarity and to hear others' true (and harmless) message, which in turn leads to more connection between us. When we're connected as human beings, we're in our natural state of wanting to give and collaborate with others.

More info & register (and for venue info): contact *L'aura*: joylivinglearning@gmail.com. Limited seats. Registration

required. Full participation required (2 full days). [Other upcoming NVC events: joylivinglearning.org]

Awaken the Goddess within

Through guided meditation and visualization, writing, drawing and chanting.

March - Monday 27th to Thursday 30th

4 Mornings from 10.30 am to 1 pm

Space available for 9 women

Registration required

Call *Sitara*: 9751 798 408 or email: tara@auroville.org.in

Vocal-Nada-Yoga & Sacred Chanting

Friday 31st March - 9 am to 5 pm

In Creativity Hall of Light I- n English and French

What is Vocal-Yoga? Explore and strengthen your Vocal instrument and discover your unique voice.

What is Nada-Yoga? This ancient technique teaches us to Feel sound's vibration in your energetic centers, tuning our inner instrument and helping tone deaf to sing in tune

Sacred Chanting; Mantra; Kirtans and Bajhans

Quiet our mind & Open our heart to the Divine within

Register with *Hamsini*: 9487544184

SCHEDULES

Workshop and Therapy in Pitanga



Thai Yoga Massage Workshop (principles, foundations & dynamics)

11 Days workshop

From Wednesday 29th March to Saturday 08th April 2017

9.00 am - 12.00 pm and 02.00 pm - 05.00 pm

9.00 am - 12.00 pm: Instruction and massage practice and 2.00pm - 5.00 pm: massage practice

60 hours theory and practice of the principles of foundation and dynamics of Thai Yoga Massage with *Itzhak Helman*, senior teacher at Sunshine Massage Network, Chang Mai, Thailand.

www.thai-yoga-massage.org. Please register with us in Pitanga reception & come in loose comfortable clothing

Journey to the memory of the body with Vani

Journey through the trauma memories in the body, emotional blockages and belief systems in order to release and heal these traumas, by getting aware & deprogramming these past believe systems put in place in the past, which keep you from living a very joyful life in the present. Fusion of Hladina Method, Hypnotherapy, Radikal Healing, Self-Inquiries.

Awakening the intelligence of the body with Vani

Awakening your own healing power, experiencing the Presence within by quietening the thought process and contacting the body. Discovering the Self healing power and natural intelligence of the body. Fusion of deep guided relaxation, visualisation, energy work, pranic healing, acupressure and foot & cranial reflexology.

Life Coaching: Using awareness, visualization & imagination techniques with Vani

Life coaching is very useful in period of changes and doubts in order to get in contact with your intuitive self and find the creative & dynamic thread of your life again.

Pitanga Cultural Centre, Samasti, Auroville, TN 605101, India (0413) 2622403/2622994, Pitanga@auroville.org.in

QUIET

Wednesday 5 -- Friday 7 April 2017 (3 days)

9.00 AM -- 6.00 PM (24 hours)

Quiet Healing Center (tel. 2622329 / 9488084966)

In this course, you will practice basic techniques and qualities of being (grounding, presence, stillness, movement, attention) while moving another person in water. You will experience floating other people and being floated, on the surface and under water, thereby creating space for deep relaxation and nurturing body, mind and spirit.

Watsu & OBA offer a great opportunity for profound relaxation and letting go, building trust, being nurtured and held, expanding inner and outer boundaries, releasing emotions and traumas - ultimately, for freeing body and mind in a flow unique to each client and each session.

No previous experience required to attend this course!

ARKA

Hormonal yoga 4 days workshop - by Brigitte

Monday 27/03 and Tuesday 28/03 - mostly for beginners.

Wednesday 29/03 and Thursday 30/03 - for all.

Timing: 11 am to 12:30 pm - Place: Arka MultiHall - 1st Floor

Please contact me by email: Brigitte@auroville.org.in or cell: 9443283980 to confirm your participation before Sunday.

For those who don't know about Hormonal yoga, it is a natural treatment, combining postures, movements and breathing techniques from different yoga, which reactivates hormone production in a natural way and eliminates most symptoms of hormone problems (menopause and other problems). As it increases estradiol level, it also helps in the prevention of cardio-vascular diseases and osteoporosis.

With energetic exercises of dynamic yoga, specific pranayamas and Tibetan energy techniques, Yoga-Therapy acts directly on the hypophysis, thyroid, ovaries and adrenal glands. All are welcome (young and ever young women) -

For more information about the technique: www.dinahrodrigues.com.br

FILMS

AT SAVITRI BHAVAN

Monday, 27th of March 2017 at 6:30 pm

"MEDITATIONS ON SAVITRI - Book 2: THE TRAVELLER OF THE WORLDS - Canto 1-4 : The World Stair, The Kingdom of Subtle Matter, The Glory and the Fall of Life, The Kingdom of the Little Life"

"A miracle of the Absolute was born; / Infinity put on a finite soul, / All ocean lived within a wandering drop, / A time-made body housed the Illimitable. / To live this Mystery out our souls came here." (Savitri, p.101)

A Film by Manohar of Huta's paintings illustrating passages from Savitri read by The Mother and accompanied on her own organ music. *Duration: 46min.*



C I N E M A - Bharat Nivas - AUDITORIUM
(Film starts at 7:45 pm SHARP!)

Reminder: Friday 24 MARCH "Live at Montreux" (Filmed Concert) - Thierry Amsallem - 2005

Friday 31 March: "The Day of the Jackal"

Director: Fred Zinnemann - uk, france, 1973

With: Edward Fox, Terence Alexander, Michael Lonsdale, Delphine Seyrig, Michel Auclair

Synopsis: The Day of the Jackal is based on the 1971 novel "The Day of the Jackal" by Frederick Forsyth. In this involving political thriller, the OAS, a secret French paramilitary organization plans to assassinate French President Charles De Gaulle in the summer of 1963, because of their disagreement with his policies during the Algerian War... Fred Zinnemann presents the story, faithfully adapted from the book by Frederick Forsyth, with precise, dramatic flair. There were many such attempts and the film closely follows the plot of the book.

English version with English Subtitles, Duration: 2h.23'

THE ECO FILM CLUB



Sadhana Forest, March 31st, Friday.

Schedule of Events:

16:00 Free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Tour

16:30 Tour of Sadhana Forest

18:00 Free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest

for the Eco Film Club

18:30 Eco Film Club begins with "previews" of short Sadhana Forest films

20:00 Dinner is served

21:30 Free bus from Sadhana Forest back to Solar Kitchen

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

THE SECRETS OF WATER: THE WORK OF VIKTOR SCHAUBERGER

75mins / English / German w/ English Dubbing / 2008 / Directed by Franz Fitzke

An excellent documentary on the genius of Viktor Schauberg and his son, Walter Schauberg, who spent their lives researching and utilising water's hidden qualities. A fascinating exploration of their groundbreaking discoveries and water's secret qualities, it begins with Schauberg's early work in the forest with log flumes in Austria. It goes on to explain how creating vortexes in water can cleanse the water and benefit our health and explores his free-energy devices. Extraordinary that much of this work was kept secret for 50 years. Fascinating documentary that we guarantee will stimulate!

(Reminder: Friday 24/03- PressPausePlay II ▶)

The bus service is operated by Sadhana Forest: [+91-413-2677682](tel:+914132677682) / [+91-413-2677683](tel:+914132677683) / or sadhanaforest@auroville.org.in / Or visit us online: sadhanaforest.org / <https://facebook.com/sadhanaforest>

VISITOR CENTER MOVIE SHOW

STAR WARS: ROGUE ONE (2016)

2 screenings:

30th March Thursday 8 pm - AND 31st March Friday 8 pm

Genre: Sci-Fi/Adventure/Action / Rated: PG 13 / Language: English/Subtitle: English / Dur:2.13 mins

Dir: Gareth Edwards / Cast:Felicity Jones, Diego Luna, Alan Tudyk

Story Line: All looks lost for the Rebellion against the Empire as they learn of the existence of a new super weapon, the Death Star. Once a possible weakness in its construction is uncovered, the Rebel Alliance must set out on a desperate mission to steal the plans for the Death Star. The future of the entire galaxy now rests upon its success.

The FRENCH PAVILION presents

"BABETTE'S FEAST"

Saturday 25th March 2017 at 5 pm - Cinema Paradiso

In French subtitled in English 1h40min

A film full of Love, an ode to the French Cuisine

Director: Gabriel Axel, from the novel of Karen Blixen

Babette, a renowned chef in a large Parisian restaurant, "Café Anglais", flees the repression of the Paris Commune in 1871. She finds refuge in the service of two unmarried sisters, daughters of an austere pastor in a small Lutheran village in Jutland, in Denmark. Each of them had a love story without a future. The youngest for a young officer, the eldest for a French tenor in a holiday resort. Neither of them knows Babette's past and her talents.

Each year Babette buys a lottery ticket. After fifteen years, she wins the big prize of 10,000 francs and, instead of improving her lot, secretly devotes all her money to reconstitute, on the anniversary evening of the centenary of the late pastor and for twelve covers, the pomp of the great Parisian cuisine...

A New Economic Paradigm

A series of movie screenings covering various aspects of the economy and giving new perspectives on the economy in the broadest sense, setting the stage for creating a new economic paradigm in alignment with the Mother's vision.

In celebration of the Zeitgeist Day, on Wednesday, March 29, 7:45 pm at Unity Pavilion: ZEITGEIST: MOVING FORWARD

(2h41min) A feature length documentary work, which presents a case for a needed transition out of the current socioeconomic monetary paradigm which governs the entire world society. This subject matter will transcend the issues of cultural relativism and traditional ideology and move to relate the core, empirical "life ground" attributes of human and social survival, extrapolating those immutable natural laws into a new sustainable social paradigm called a "Resource-Based Economy".

All are welcome. Voluntary contribution for refreshments.

Contact: new.av.economy@gmail.com

The News&Notes is available for all to download from the Auroville website at <http://www.auroville.org/contents/4186>

The archives are found at <http://www.auroville.org/contents/186>

And regular events at <http://www.auroville.org/contents/4201>

Important information about News & Notes (Absolute deadline for submissions/corrections/ cancellations: Tuesday 5pm)

The contents of News & Notes are a reflection of the growth process of this community towards its ideals of harmony, goodwill, discipline and truth. Editing of submissions, mainly for reasons of space and clarity, is done according to an established policy.

How to submit material: Material (no pdf files, please) may be sent (in English only) to the N&N email address (below).

Please try your best to send your announcements, reports, film schedules whenever they are ready.

The Tuesday deadline (5pm) is absolute as the News is given to the printers on Wednesday

Any modifications of the submitted News items have to be sent to the editors before Wednesday.

We regret not being able to attend to visitors on Wednesdays due to work pressure.

Articles for the Notes section should ideally be no longer than 500 words. All articles and reports need to reach us by Tuesday noon.

Visiting hours: Mondays, Tuesdays 9am to 11.45am and 1pm to 3pm; No visitors on Wednesday.

Soft Version: We encourage you to ask us for a soft version of News&Notes sent directly to your own mail or to download from the above links.

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News & Notes, Media Centre, Town Hall. Phone: 0413-2622133, email: newsandnotes@auroville.org.in



Cinema Paradiso

Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium
Film program 27 MARCH 2017 to 2 APRIL 2017

Indian - Monday 27 March, 8:00 pm:

- **ADHE KANGAL (SAME EYES)**

India, 2017, Writer-Dir Robin Venkatesan w/ R. Aravindraj, Janani Iyer, Kalaiyaran, and others, Thriller, 120mins, Tamil w/ English subtitles, Rated:NR (PG-13)

Varun is blind. He is also a young award winning chef in Chennai. One night a woman named Deepa comes to the restaurant while it was about to close asking for food for a homeless person. Their meetings gefit regular and they fall in love. Meanwhile Sadhana a journalist friend who Varun knows for a while seeks his hand in marriage. Sadhana eventually realizes Varun's affection for Deepa and gets upset. As the event turns following an accident when Varun is in a hospital it was revealed that he could actually see if he gets an operation. With Sadhana and his family on his side Varun gets back his eyesight but he still wants to find Deepa. The plot thickens.

Potpourri - Tuesday 28 March, 8:00 pm:

- **HISTORIA MINIMA (INTIMATE STORIES)**

Argentina, 2002, Dir. Carlos Sorin w/ Javier Lombardo, Antonio Benedicti, Javiera Bravo, and others, Comedy-Drama, 92 mins, Spanish w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (G) Near the provincial town of San Julian, three vibrant characters undertake seemingly mundane journeys that turn out to be subtly life changing. A lonely, fastidious traveling salesman quests for the perfect cream cake to win the widow of his dreams. A grizzly grandfather hitchhikes to town to find his forgotten lost dog and seek forgiveness. A poor young mother hopes to win the grand prize--a microprocessor--as a contestant on a TV game show. In the end, the three will get more or less what they set out for, but it will come to them in ways that they never expected.

Interesting - Wednesday 29 March, 8:00 pm:

- **KEITH RICHARDS: UNDER THE INFLUENCE**

USA, 2015, Dir. Morgan Neville, Documentary, Biography, Music, English, 81 mins, Rated: G

A portrait of Rolling Stones guitarist and pop culture icon Keith Richards. As Richards records his first solo album in two decades, he reflects on the hard-living celebrity life that has made him an indelible fixture in rock'n'roll history.

East Asian - Thursday 30 March, 8:00 pm:

- **ZEN**

Japan 2009, Writer-Dir. Banmei Takahashi w/ Kankuro Nakamura, Yuki Uchida, Ryushin Tei, and others, Biography-Drama, 127mins, Japanese-Mandarin w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (G)

'Zen' Buddhist teacher Dogen Zenji is a very important religious person during the Kamakura period, 750 years ago. After his mother died, he decides to move to China and settle as a Buddhist teacher. One bright morning, enlightened, Zenji returns to Japan as a devoted evangelist of the 'new' Buddhism. However, this new form of Buddhism is not accepted in all communities.

International - Saturday 1 April, 8:00 pm:

- **CAPTAIN FANTASTIC**

USA, 2016, Writer-Dir. Matt Ross w/ Viggo Mortensen, George MacKay, Samantha Isler, and others, Comedy-Drama, 118mins, English-Esperanto w/English subtitles, Rated:R

Ben Cash, his wife Leslie and their six children live deep in the wilderness of Washington State. Isolated from society, Ben and Leslie devote their existence to raising their kids -- educating them to think critically, training them to be physically fit and athletic, guiding them in the wild without technology and demonstrating the beauty of co-existing with nature. When Leslie dies suddenly, Ben must take his sheltered offspring into the outside world for the first time.

Children's Film - Sunday 2 April, 4:30 pm:

- **PETE'S DRAGON**

USA, 2016, Dir. David Lowery, w/ Bryce Dallas Howard, Robert Redford, Oakes Fegley and others, Fantasy, 104mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG

The adventures of an orphaned boy named Pete and his best friend Elliot, who just so happens to be a dragon

Peter Sellers Film Festival @ Ciné-Club

One of the greatest comic talents of his generation, Peter Sellers had an exceptional gift for losing himself in a character. He was known for fondness for playing multiple roles in the same film may have seemed like a stunt coming from many other actors, Sellers had the ability to make each character he played seem distinct and different, and while he was known and loved as a funnyman, only in a handful of roles was he able to explore the full range of his gifts.

Ciné-Club - Sunday 2 April, 8:00 pm:

- **THE LADYKILLERS**

UK,1955, Dir. Alexander Mackendrick w/Peter Sellers, Alec Guinness, Cecil Parker and others, Drama, Comedy-Thriller, 91min, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG.

London, 1955. Professor Marcus plans to rob two armored cars with the help of a gang of crooks, but none of the men have previously met each other, but join together for the single heist. Their strategic planning takes place in the upstairs of a Victorian home owned by Mrs. Wilberforce, a somewhat eccentric older woman who is under the impression that Professor Marcus and his "friends" are part of a music orchestra and unite daily to rehearse. The movie is undoubtedly one of the finest comedies ever made. 'A film from the golden age of British cinema that will forever amuse and entertain.

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.

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Litter Free Auroville 2017

WEEK TWO: PROGRAM WORKSHOPS & PERFORMANCES & MOVIES & DEMOS

Time	Workshops – Talks – Performances – Movies - Demos	Participants	Venue
SATURDAY 25TH OF MARCH			
09.00 to 12.00	Litter Free Auroville Pick It Up Campaign. Cleaning up of the Swaram/Ganesh Bakery Kottakarai Area	All welcome	Swaram
10.00 to 12.00	Workshop by Upcycling Studio. Do a unique LFA cushion with Ok. Contact info : okjeonglee@gmail.com	Drop in # max 10	Kalakendra
11.00 to 13.00	Workshop by Upcycling studio. Let's have fun creating puppets with Gabriel Contact info : bellonig@hotmail.com	Drop in # max 8 Child & grown up	Kalakendra
14.00 to 17.00	Workshop by Unicorn collective. Create fairy river and fishes out of trash. Contact info : unicorncollective@auroville.org.in	Drop in # max 15	Kalakendra
14.00 to 16.00	Workshop Trash to Origami workshop with Emiko Contact info : ekinoko@gmail.com	Drop in # max 10	Kalakendra
16.00 to 17.30	Movie screening "Addicted to plastic". 1h25. 2 guys, 2 cameras; 2 years. Plastic problems and solutions.	All welcome	Kalakendra
SUNDAY 26TH OF MARCH			
10.00 to 16.00	CANCELLED - Workshop by Upcycling Studio. Upcycling furniture out of tetrapack	CANCELLED	
14.00 to 17.00	Workshop Create Trashion Accessories with Fabiola - Contact info : Fabiwave@hotmail.com	Drop in # max 10	Kalakendra
TUESDAY 28TH OF MARCH			
16.30 to 18.00	2 Eco Talks! - 16.30: with Cathy from Eco Femme : "Sustainable menstruation, good for your body, good for earth" - 17.15: with Dr Lucas from Eco Pro : "Eco prosperity"	All welcome	Kalakendra
THURSDAY 30TH OF MARCH			
16.30 to 18.00	2 Eco Talks! - 16.30: with Rene from Sacred Groves: "Waste use in construction". - 17.15: with Kali, Ribhu, and Marc - from Eco Service, Wasteless and Upcycling Studio: "Resource center project".	All welcome	Kalakendra
SATURDAY 1ST OF APRIL			
11.00 to 13.00	Workshop by Upcycling studio. Let's have fun creating puppets with Gabriel Contact info : bellonig@hotmail.com	Drop in # max 10 Child & grown up	Kalakendra
14.00 to 17.00	Workshop by Unicorn collective. Bring to life the fairy river & fishes & giant puppets for the 8 th April's parade . Contact info : unicorncollective@auroville.org.in	Drop in # max 15	Kalakendra
14.00 to 16.00	Workshop by Wellpaper. Upcycling old newspapers into functional woven basket Contact info : wellpaper@auroville.org.in	Drop in # max 10	Kalakendra
14.30 to 16.00	Workshop by Eco Pro about dry toilets. Please come.	All welcome	Kalakendra
16.00 to 17.40	Movie screening "Wasteland". 1h34. A Brazilian artist is meeting the pickers of the biggest landfill in the world.	All welcome	Kalakendra
19.30 to 20.00	Performance by Unicorn Collective. Parade with amazing giant puppets	All welcome	Visitors Centre
20.00 to 22.00	Show LFA 2017 Trashion show	All welcome	Visitors Centre