

News & Notes

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HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

How is the Supermind going to act? What should be done to receive it? In what form will it manifest?

I have answered as best I could. But it so happens that in Sri Aurobindo's book *On the Veda* there is a note on a certain page, and in this note he answers these questions. I always tell people: if you were to take a little trouble to read what Sri Aurobindo has written, many of your questions would become useless, for Sri Aurobindo has already answered them. However, people probably have neither the time nor the patience nor the will, nor all that is needed, and they don't read. The books are published, they are even, I believe, generously distributed, but few read them. Anyway, here is Sri Aurobindo's answer. Try to think, and if you have a special question to ask I shall answer it. Listen:

*"The supramental world has to be formed or created in us by the Divine Will as the result of a constant expansion and self-perfecting."**

That is to say, to hope to receive, use and form in oneself a supramental being, and consequently a supramental world, there must first of all be an expansion of consciousness and a constant personal progress: not to have sudden flights, a little aspiration, a little effort, and then fall back into somnolence. This must be the constant idea of the being, the constant will of the being, the constant effort of the being, the constant preoccupation of the being. If for five minutes in the day you happen to remember that there is something in the universe like the supramental Force, and that, after all, "it would be nice if it manifested in me", and then all the rest of the time you are thinking of something else and are busy with other things, there is not much chance that it would come and do any serious work in you. Sri Aurobindo says this quite clearly and precisely. He does not tell you that you will do it, he says it is the Divine Will. So don't come and say, "Ah! I can't." No one is asking you to do it. But there *must be* enough aspiration and adhesion in the being to make the expansion of the being, the expansion of consciousness possible. For, to tell the truth, everybody is small, small, small, so small that there is not enough room to put any supramental in! It is so small that it is already quite filled up with all the ordinary little human movements. There must be a great widening to make room for the movements of the Supermind.

And then there must also be an aspiration for progress: not to be satisfied with what one is, what one does, what one knows or thinks one knows; but to have a constant aspiration for something more, something better, for a greater light, a vaster consciousness, a truer truth and a more universal goodness. And over and above all this, a goodwill which never fails. That can't be done in a few days.

Moreover, I believe that I had taken my precautions in this matter and that, when I announced that it had been granted to the earth to receive the supramental Force in order to manifest it, this did not mean that the manifestation would be instantaneously apparent, and that everybody would suddenly find himself transported to a peak of light and of possibilities and realisation, without any effort. I said immediately that it would not be like that. I even said that it would take quite a long time. But still, people have complained that its advent has not made things easier, and that even, in some cases, they have become more difficult. I am very sorry, but I can do nothing about it. For it is not the fault of the supramental Force, the fault lies in the way in which it was received. I know instances in which truly the aspiration was sincere and the collaboration complete, and in which many things that had seemed very difficult in the past at once became infinitely easier.

However, there is a very great difference, always, between a kind of mental curiosity which plays with words and ideas, and a true aspiration of the being which means that truly, really, it is that which counts, essentially, and nothing else – that aspiration, that inner will because of which nothing has any value except that, that realisation; nothing counts except that; there is no other reason for existence, for living, than that. And yet it is this that's needed if one wants the Supramental to be visible to the naked eye. And mark that I am not speaking of a physical transformation, for this everyone knows: you don't expect to become luminous and plastic overnight, to lose your weight, be able to displace yourself freely, appear in a dozen places at the same time and what not... No, I believe you are reasonable enough not to expect this to happen right away. It will take some time.

But still, simply, the working of the consciousness, simply a certain self-mastery, a control over one's body, a direct knowledge of things, a capacity of identification and a clear vision – instead of that hazy and vague sight which sees only the mere appearances that are so deceptive, so unreal, so fossilised – a more direct perception, an inner perception, this ought to be able to come and come quickly if one has prepared oneself. Simply to have that feeling that the air one breathes is more living, the strength one has more lasting. And instead of always groping like a blind man to know what should be done, to have a clear, precise, inner intimation: it is this - not that: this. These are things one can acquire immediately if one is ready.

** This note occurs in Sri Aurobindo's commentary on the fourth hymn to Agni in the fifth Mandala of the Rig Veda, "The Divine Will, Priest, Warrior and Leader of Our Journey": "O Knower of the Births, the man perfect in his works for whom thou createst that other blissful world,* reaches a felicity that is peopled happily with his life's swiftnesses, his herds of Light, the children of his soul, the armies of his energy." (The Secret of the Veda, p. 375)*

** The footnote occurs here.*

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS, 27 June 1956

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What the psychic being brings with it
always is light and happiness,
an inner understanding and relief and solace.
Sri Aurobindo
ref. Letters on Yoga, vol.24, The Triple Transformation, p.1113

Non-Aurovilian usage of Auroville assets

In 2016, FAMC had started this exercise to document all formal or informal land use agreements (excepting approved leases) with outsiders. Additionally, in 2017, the Secretary of Auroville Foundation has requested information on any non-Aurovilians occupying Auroville (building) assets on a long-term basis. The reason for collecting data on both land and building assets arises from the fact that FAMC, WC, and Auroville Foundation had to deal with difficult conflicts between Aurovilians and non-Aurovilians who were using AV assets.

Apart from putting out generic appeals to the community at large via News & Notes, FAMC specifically solicited this data from:

1. The Farm Group
2. The Forest Group
3. Unit executives (via ABC listserv)
4. Residential Communities

As of date, here is the data received:

1. Out of 23 farms, 21 responded.
2. Out of 42 forest stewards, 13 responded.
3. Out of 357 active units/trusts, 0 responded.
4. Out of a call to 40 communities, 5 responded

Non-Aurovilian occupancy in 4 communities was reported.

We would like to bring this round of data collection to a close by April 15. So, if you have any information on any non-Aurovilians occupying Auroville (building) assets or land on a long-term basis, please send us an email to adminfamc@auroville.org.in by April 15, 2017. We assume that the communities / units that have not responded do NOT have non-Aurovilians using AV assets."

Thank you for your collaboration,
FAMC team.

Report Forest group meeting in Baraka on 3/3/2017

Present: Hans Abri, Vengatesh, Christoph, Michael Pitchandikulam, Nathalie Revelation, Agnes Darkali, Alyona, Marie Angel, David Aurodam, Sandeep, Achilles, Yuval, Marti, D.Segar, R.Kumar, Kannyappan, Fabian, Krishna Annusuya, Laurence, Rita, Julia, Satyajji, Eric, Sri, Bee, Shivaraj, V.Boobalan, Glenn (partially),Thannajayan, Quentin, Ennea

- 1/ /Glenn gave an update on Bliss forest. Christoph, Dominik, Michael, Satyajji, Manolo and Glenn have started working there. The first initiative is to have community work sessions on Friday mornings. The group is not closed and any member who is interested to be involved at any level is welcome.
- 2/ Agnes presented Alyona to the group. Together with her partner Anatoly they have been working and living in Darkali for one year. They would like to build a small house (45m2) there. It would be in the storeroom compound. Very basic plans were circulated but due to the severity of the next topic we didn't get back to this for approval.
- 3/ Krishna and Christoph gave a long report of their very serious trouble and violent encounter with their non-Aurovilian neighbour. The relevant Auroville groups are dealing with the situation as best as they can.
- 4/ Fabian attended the general meeting regarding the solar plant. There were only 3 other members from the forest group to voice their concern. This was very unfortunate and

disturbing because in a forest group meeting last year a lot of opposition was voiced towards this project.

5/ Segar from Nedal requested the group to inform the landboard that the stewardship of certain plots was given to him. The landboard does not seem aware of this transfer as they are getting ready to lease the cashews on the land. Hans will send the exact plot numbers to the landboard and FAMC.

6/ Kumar from adventure has a settlement issue with a watchman who worked for him for 10 years. It was explained to him that even if the worker had wished not to participate with SEWA he is still entitled to gratuity payment.

7/ it was reported by Marie Angèle that 10 houses are being built on private land in front of Dana. This land is in fact "farmland".

8/ Rita communicated that her live fence is not very efficient anymore. A lot of drinking and partying happens around her place and she would very much like a chain link fence, this is the type of fence most people on private land have. It was pointed out to her that chain link fences are not advisable; it is very 'unfriendly' for the wildlife.

Next meeting in Darkali on 7th of April.

Report from Auroville Litter Free "PICK IT UP" - Neighbourhood Clean Up Action

It was inspiring to see - in spite of the simple and spontaneous preps and communications - that more than 200 people mostly from the units and a few residents came together on Sat 25. morning to tackle the litter problem in the Ganesh Bakery - Saracon - Imagination - Isai Ambalam area of the western section of the Industrial Zone.

A BIG THANK YOU to all who willingly participated and offered their labour for this great and necessary action!

There were more than 200 bags gathered and delivered for processing at the AV Eco Service, totaling 2400kg of mainly plastic and bottles!

It was a great success to have so many helping people joining together and offering our employees an opportunity to work and care together for the environment.

Bamboo Center, Svaram, some residents from Windarra and Angiras Garden, Auromics, Amando from Isai Ambalam GH, Colours of Nature, Atmasangha, Imagination and Life Education Center brought together more than 200 people working for the whole morning, selflessly and with good fun!

Special thanks for Auroamritam for the refreshing Kambucha, and the guys rounding and delivering it to the volunteers out in the sun, to Palani from the Eco Center providing the bags and gloves and the Svaram craft folk having made the useful pickup-sticks.

If you have any feedback, pics, or follow up suggestion, so that we can also sustain a clean area, bring in awareness and guard against illegal dumping and the drinking rubbish in the bush, please bring it forward.

This was a good first step and we want to be able to build on it and hopefully also inspire other areas of Auroville to follow suit.

Looking forward for your sustained interest in our collective well-being and a healthy, beautiful and safe neighbourhood and community!

Auroville Litter Free Team



ANNOUNCEMENTS

From the Entry Service - N&N No - 693 dated 01.04.2017

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

- Amos Zadik COHEN KHALLAS (Israeli) Staying in Evergreen, Working at Prakrit
- Osnat SHIFMAN (Israeli) Staying in Evergreen, Working at Santé

CHILD OF A NEWCOMER:

Avigail COHEN KHALLAS born on 22-04-2014

Roni COHEN KHALLAS born on 20-10-2010

AUROVILIANS ANNOUNCED:

Simona SAVARDI (Italian) Staying in Grace, working at MGEcoDuties and Dolce Vita Bistro.

Sivakumari KANNAN (Indian) Staying in Certitude, working at Udavi School.

Camille DELOBEL (French) Staying in Auromodel, working at Integral Health.

Rosanna ZIGONI (Italian) Staying in Horizon, working at Health Services.

Margarita Isora GONZALEZ (Spanish) Staying in Realization, working at Aire.

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 Bed room & 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. **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

5. **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
6. **Auromodel Anu & Pierre workshop and residence** (2 separate buildings) - 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.**
7. **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

-**Kalpna** - 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*, E-mail: satyakam@auroville.org.in

-**Auromodele Orchard** - Several houses are still to be built. 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

Submission of AV health Scheme for community feedback.

Dear Community, the Auroville Health Scheme which was earlier called "The Auroville Health Fund" has been amended and after the feedback from different working groups, including FAMC, AVCouncil and BCC, is now awaiting feedback from the community.

The office bearers of Auroville Health Scheme are Paula and Lakshmi.

The support/care group of Auroville Health Scheme are Carel for working committee, Ulli for the FAMC, Afsaneh, Vani and Sourya for the BCC, Paula and Hilde for the Auroville Health Scheme and Sumeet and Ruslan for Santé.

The document is on Auronet for your perusal: <https://www.auroville.org.in/article/62445>

The last date for submitting feedback is 15th of April. Please send your feedback to ras@auroville.org.in

Thanking you in advance for your collaboration.

Warm regards,

For the Auroville Council (Elisa, Enrica, Martin, Marc, Matriprasad, Mita, Renuka, Sandrya and Sundar)

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Information for Aurovilians about last wills & testaments

Dear Community,

The Auroville Council would like to offer a reminder and some valuable information about last wills and testaments. Many of us set this question aside without realizing that doing so can create complex situations for the ones remaining when someone leaves his/her body.

Most Aurovilians are not aware of the legalities involved in making a will and what the consequences may be for a partner or young children left behind if there is no legal will. Below is a brief summary of an article from *Auroville Today* (December 2015, no.317)

For more details consult the main article on Auronet: <https://www.auroville.org.in/page/about-last-wills-and-testaments-2013>.

As this is the time of year when many Aurovilians visit their home countries, we encourage you to clarify your intentions and to complete these formalities while you are in your country of origin.

1) Last Will and Testaments

- For Aurovilians of foreign origin:
 - It is important to have a will made in accordance with the laws of your country of origin to ensure that all legalities are being observed. If there are also assets in India, they need to be included. Be sure to make it clear that the house where you live in Auroville belongs to the Auroville Foundation. If there is no legal will, your money or assets may go to a distant relative and not to your partner here in Auroville or to the Auroville projects of your choice.
 - If you have no intention or possibility to return to your country of origin, a testament can also be made in India. (The process is outlined in detail in the article mentioned above)
 - A testament can also contain bequests (donations) to Auroville or to specific projects within Auroville. It makes sense to do such a donation through the Auroville International Center in your country as many Auroville International Centres qualify for tax-free bequests. Contact the AVI centre in your country for more details.

- For Indian nationals
 - The system is simpler here in India as there are no inheritance tax laws. Your beneficiaries will not pay any inheritance tax. Auroville does not pay inheritance tax on bequests it receives from Indian nationals.

2) Other complementary actions

- Designate a nominee for Indian bank accounts and other investments so someone can easily access your accounts upon your death. If there is no legal will though, the money may have to be handed over by the nominee to the one who is the inheritor according to the law of your country of origin. If there is a legal will, the nominee will have to hand the money over to the executor. Most banks can give a standard form which needs to be filled and be countersigned by the bank manager.
- File your last will with the Financial Service along with other useful personal information. This will be stored in the safe and made available when it is needed. Also, Inform the Auroville Financial Service in writing about who will manage your account at that time. Again, if there is a legal will, this money will have to be handed over to the executor.
- Fill in the Farewell form to specify your wishes about how the body will be treated between the time of death and burial or cremation. Link to the Farewell form: <https://www.auroville.org.in/file-download/56336/17085>.

AVCouncil

STS: Our Recent Success Story!

In collaboration with Auro Cabs, Shared Transport Services (STS) was able to complete its first 6-person sharing trip! 3 passengers were dropped at Chennai Airport and 3 passengers were picked up on the way back to Auroville. Each passenger was able to make up to Rs1,800 in savings and as a community we were able to cut carbon emissions by approximately 240kg. Thank you for your support. We can further reduce cost of travel, environmental impact and traffic congestion, if more taxi bookings are done through STS.

To book a taxi please visit: sharedtransport.auroville.org/ or dial +91 413 2623 200, +91 413 2623 201, +91 8270512508

Thanks, Vijay for STS - sharedtransport@auroville.org.in

Enjoy reading!

House of Mother's Agenda offers you gratis about 30 books by Sri Aurobindo in English and 15 by Mother in French, also a certain number of books by Satprem in English, in French and in German. They are used, but exist since the beginning of H.O.M.A. in December 1989.

Claude de Warren is available at H.O.M.A. Mondays and Thursdays between 10 and 12 am, Gangalakshmi afternoon from 3 to 6 pm every day except Sunday.

Enjoy reading, with Gratitude,

GangaLakshmi (House of Mother's Agenda - Savitri Bhavan)

On Wells #2

Why is it important to know the number of wells we have in Auroville? Perhaps it seems like an obvious question, but it's important to all get on the same page. Our main source of water right now comes from underground aquifers. If we think of the aquifers as massive, pre-historic sponges that carry various amounts of water, then we can think of our borewells as giant straws that we puncture into them. Each straw punctures at a different depth and pulls up water at a different rate. If we want to understand what's happening underground, it's crucial to know our rate of extraction, which starts with first knowing how many straws (or wells) we've got. Ideally, we're able to determine which wells are functioning and at what rate of extraction. Then we can monitor their water levels, which helps us get an idea about the overall health of the aquifers and gain understanding about what is happening under our feet.

Next week: Well monitoring

Water Group (watergroup@auroville.org.in)

Auroville Dairy Group Announcement

It has been a year since the last Dairy Group announcement, which means it's time for another adjustment in the milk prices; once again, it's a good opportunity to report back to the community-at-large on the work of the Dairy Group. Raising the standards of Aurovilian milk and assisting Group members to maintain quality is the main focus of the Dairy Group; accordingly, continually ensuring that Aurovilian milk is free of medicine residues and comes from happy, healthy cows requires buy-in from each of the dairy farmers. The Dairy Group has decided to "go public" in the form of a chart detailing the minimum dairying standards to which members aspire, against the progress individual farms in the group have achieved towards attaining them. These hopefully self-explanatory charts will be displayed at sales/delivery points (Food Link and PTDC) so that discerning Aurovilian consumers can make better-informed purchase decisions. The charts will be updated when necessary and the Dairy Group will value feedback on the initiative as time goes on.

A further development since this time last year has been the initiation of the pasteurised milk pilot project through PTDC. Members have had access to Aurovilian pasteurised milk packed in returnable containers since January this year and the aims of the project have been 3-fold; to reduce the amount of milk purchased in Tetrapaks, to reduce the amount of disposable milk packaging in Auroville, and to support Aurovilian dairy farmers. So far the feedback on the quality of the milk has been very positive, but there hasn't been enough milk to satisfy demand. Managing a herd to coincide with consumer milk requirements is complicated; demand in Auroville traditionally spikes during guest season between October and April and dips again between May and September coinciding with schools closing and Aurovilians largely seeking cooler climes. Being able to extend the shelf life of milk through pasteurisation will hopefully help farmers deal with market ups and downs more effectively and encourage the increase of Aurovilian milk available over time. The next stage in the project is to decide on whether dedicated pasteurising equipment should be installed at PTDC. Again, your feedback on the project will continue to be valued.

The pricing structure for Aurovilian milk for 2017/2018 will be as follows;

1. Annapurna certified organic raw milk at Foodlink - Rs.62.00 per liter (unpackaged)
2. All other Auroville dairy farms at Foodlink - Rs. 56.00 per liter (unpackaged)
3. Pasteurised Aurovilian milk - Rs. 66.00 per liter (packed in 500ml reusable containers) + Rs.90.00 per 500ml container (refunded on return to PTDC)

Thanks to all who have supported Aurovilian dairy farmers so far, we shall endeavour to keep you as happy customers!

Short Theater Festival

Dear friends, last week we posted in News & Notes an announcement for a Short Theater Festival that will take place in Auroville later this year.

The key words of this event are: "Simplicity" and "Unity". Or better even, "Diversity in Unity".

Simplicity because the focus will be on the event itself and it will be open to Aurovilians and Newcomers only. We will keep the organisation of this festival simple and feasible. The first step towards creating this festival is to write an original short theatre play. The script needs to be written for a play that can be performed on stage and which is between 10 and 15 minutes long. To give you an indication: one page of text usually equals one minute on stage.

Diversity in Unity because the theater groups and the creative people in Auroville are many and diverse nowadays. All interesting and each with a definite "touch". So we thought how beautiful it could be that so many people and groups participate to the same event bringing together so many different styles and expressive qualities in the same event!

But what is also important is that we would like that people new to theater could be involved. We would like to meet Aurovilian's creative writing skills! To uncover the hidden creative talents still lurking in Auroville. Please creative people of Auroville step out!

The idea arose after we came across an article on "The Hindu" regarding a short theatre script contest and thought on participating to it. But then we said: why don't we do the same thing in Auroville? So the initial idea was divided in 2 parts: a script contest and the staging of the 3 winning scripts. But, to put it short, such a contest proved at this point in time to be too complicated to realise. We then opted for the idea of creating a Theatre Festival where everyone involved or interested in theatre can share the same space for a single event.

Here you are. That's all. We won't tell you "you HAVE to participate". Please, just listen within yourself if this is the right experience for you and then let us know.

More information about the festival:

- 1) The first stage is to write a short script and submit it to the email address mentioned below.
- 2) Then the writer will take care of contacting the people needed to stage the play (director, actors, makeup artist, costume designer etc.. *please notice that the Festival won't have any funds to give for costumes, props and everything*).
- 3) This event is only open to Aurovilians and Newcomers of 14 years and above.
- 4) The script has to be an original one (no plagiarism!) and never been staged before.
- 5) The contents of the script can be about any subject.
- 6) **The deadline submission for the script is the 15th of September 2017.** Please email the script to: avshorttheaterfest@gmail.com [Notice that this is a new email. The email published in last week's N&N is wrong].
- 7) The staging will take place in CRIPA between September 2017 and February 2018. Cripa will know its availability for this event only at the end of September 2017.

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Please contact us for any clarification or doubt.

May Imagination and Creativity always delight our lives!
Elke and Francesca

"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 already started 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 get our carry bags for free. Our beautiful cloth bags have received 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 up. Please come and visit us and we will offer you beautiful saree bags for your support. Our opening hours: From 9.30 am to 12:30 pm and then 2 pm to 5 pm.

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

Or write to us: kuilaiculturalcentre@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.

Thanks,

The Goodbye plastic bag team.

Comm4Unity

"Comm4Unity" (Come For Unity) is an event designed to connect young people in Auroville and the region with each other and activities and perhaps work opportunities.

The event will be April 15th (5-8 pm).

The plan is to hold a festival & performance in the Youth Centre.

The purposes of the event are to:

- #1. Share with young people in Auroville and in the region activities and events that they can participate in;
- #2. Give young people in Auroville and in the region the opportunity to work together on an inspiring project;
- #3. To encourage young people in Auroville and in the region to share skills and give workshops;
- #4. To bring young people in Auroville and in the region together.

The event will be composed of on-stage performances of skills and activities that people can join if they want. People offering workshops/information/requests/researches will also have the opportunity to set up a stall at the festival to supply information and register people for the activity.

If you would like to present a skill at Comm4Unity, please a) contact Luca on [Lucamiralles@gmail.com]/+918270710327; b) keep performances to a maximum of 10 minutes in duration, c) supply us with the time, location and special needs of your performance/stall, contact details and d) indicate whether you charge for the activity or whether it is free.

We hope for your participation! Warmly, *the YouthLink Team*

Management Training and Development (Mt&D)

Programme 2017 - Call for Applications

Since 1988, the "Management Training and Development (MT&D) Programme" has been offering training, research and educational opportunities through financial support given to Aurovilians who wish to attend a seminar, workshop, conference, short training course etc. provided the activity is related to their field of work for the community.

This year, with funding generously offered by the Foundation for World Education, Aurovilians are invited to submit their applications **latest by Monday, 17 April 2017.**

Participants will be selected on the basis of the following criteria:

- o The programme is for Aurovilians.
- o The activity proposed should be for educational, training or research purposes, and should relate to the work you do in Auroville.
- o The activity is preferably a short training programme, conference, seminar or workshop.
- o The activity takes place in India or while you are visiting another country.
- o The MT&D Programme may pay for tuition, course, conference fees and/or reasonable in-country travel costs for getting to and from the activity. It will not pay for intercontinental travel expenses.
- o An application form has to be completed and submitted to the Project Coordination Group.

Applications are evaluated on the basis of priority of skill acquired for Auroville, relevance to the work of the Aurovilian applicant, clarity and consistency of budget.

NB Additionally, for the first time, a grant of USD 1,000 has been given specifically to meet requests from youth for training. Therefore, **youth between 15-25 years of age** are also invited to apply for financial support to attend training programmes, seminars, conferences, workshops and, out of the box experiences.

It is important to understand that all participants who receive funding are expected to fill in a reporting form once their programme is completed (describing the educational programme attended, the learning objectives and how they

were or were not met; how this learning experience affected the participant's current activities in Auroville; along with a statement of income and expenditure). If you have received previous funding and have not filled in an evaluation form, please do so before applying for further funding. You may ask for an electronic copy of the application form via e-mail at: pcg@auroville.org.in or [download one from AuroNet at this link](#).

Please remember that all applications are to be submitted as an attachment to: pcg@auroville.org.in on or before **Monday, 17 April 2017**. In the meantime, if you have any questions or need further information, please write to us!
PCG

POSTINGS

A Call about Summer House Sitings at Auroville: Dear Residents, I request the residents who are traveling out of Auroville during the summer to support all our registered volunteers and interns that give their time and knowledge to our units, services and activities throughout Auroville and Greenbelt. I urge you to provide the house you are stewarding to these persons at a very affordable cost or even welcome them to steward your place for free in gratitude for supporting Auroville. The funds for the stay is best channeled via the units, services and activities so that we all consciously make a joint effort to take us one step closer to inviting the young persons in our community. With regards, *Chandresh*

Red Beard - share your memories: Hello Early Aurovilians, Some of you may remember our early Auroville School teacher and mechanic Micheal (Red-Beard, as he was fondly known as), who recently passed away in the Ashram. He arrived with his

family at the Ashram in 1965: Shanta (his wife, and a bird expert) and Amra (his daughter).

Please share your memories, recollections, a story or a note of Micheal Red-Beard. Please do write to share our history and thoughts for a small write up in his memory, along with a tree planting ceremony for him and his friends in Auroville (Date to be announced). To share your story please write to: Rama@auroville.org.in. Submitted by *Renu*

Announcement from Bharat Nivas: Dear Auroville Community Members, we would like you to know that the Sri Aurobindo Auditorium has only 558 seats. For reasons of safety, we would like to restrict the entry of spectators to 558 seats - Advance booking facility: we are in the process of finding an adequate system and we will keep you informed. Until then, for each program, we will inform you whether booking is required. *The Bharat Nivas Group*

AVAILABLE

Cellphone: Micromax x970 dual GSM including all accessories. Almost new, only 5 days in use. Dual SIM, very long lasting battery. Fixed contribution. Contact *Felix*: 09823603475 or aragohorn@gmail.com.

Washing machine: Samsung, front door. still under warranty - Contact *Julie*: 9787628294

Fridge servicing: My friend Ashok gives fast and reliable service for fridges and AC's. Call him on 9787667691. *Lieve*

Office space: Office space in the making is available for rent at AuroAnnam, contact us at: mawite@auroville.org.in, 8523915031 - *Mawite*

Mattresses needed: Hey, the energetic and potentially energetic people here at the YC might lose their spunk from sleeplessness due to a lack of mattresses.... If you want to sell for a friendly price or donate your mattress to the YC, contact us at (0) 709-428-5556. Thanks! *The YC Crew*

2 kittens: Two kittens are looking for a home. They are well potty trained. If you are interested in adopting them please call or message me. Phone: 9443619903 - Thank you, *Mira*

Slab cushion available: If anyone can make use of a slightly aged (but OK if re-covered) flat silk-cotton-stuffed slab cushion approx 90 x 70 x 9 cms, please contact me. *Tim* (timwrey@auroville.org.in or 0413-2622296 or 381)

LOOKING FOR ...

Play Things for School Kids:

Hello everyone! Our Kindergarten needs some play things for the children. We were wondering if you have:

- Some old "Legos"
 - Puzzles of the insert type for small children.
- Please feel free to call the office if you wish us to come and pick up items.

Thanks for your help!

Akiyam School Support Group (Office number: 0413-2622-358)

Big Puzzle: Hi, anyone having a big puzzle (minimum 1000 pieces) that you wish to give away? If you happen to have one, and wish to pass it on, please contact me at nadiacordi@hotmail.com - *Nadia*

Lilaloka needs a table: Dear friends, would you have an old table lying around? As we are now running a few activities on the premises, we would need at least one more table to play / create on :-). We can come and pick it up of course. Please call Rajan on his cell phone 7639845821. "Lilaloka, the place where Play transforms, where Joy opens the path". With Love, *Lilaloka's team*

Models: We are looking for female/male models for our Life Drawing Sessions at Creativity, every Tuesday, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Prior modeling experience will be helpful but is not mandatory. If required, we can provide a financial contribution for your services too. Interested? pls. call *Lakshay* on 9810052574. Thanks!

Humvee: Dear Community, I am looking to buy a Humvee from anyone who has one that was made here. If by any chance you want to give it up please call 2622641 and let's talk. With very hopeful regards, *Audrey*

Audio-recorder: Dear Auroville Community, I am looking for an audio-recorder to borrow for one or two weeks (Max. till April 16). I am doing a research in Aurovillian Schools and making some recording for my school's radio back in Portugal. It would be an important tool to enable me to share the knowledge I am gathering in this inspirational township. Thank you, *Christiana*: cristianasantos.eres@gmail.com / 8901958779

Looking for London Connection: Dear friends, My 11 year old granddaughter and I got invited to visit England in June. It would be so awesome to stay a few days in London while being there. Does anybody have contacts which are able to provide or find free or cheap place to stay. I would be extremely grateful as it is my first time in England and I would be so happy to show my granddaughter amazing London. Please contact: sandyra@auroville.org.in, phone: 944 3619 403, with love & gratitude, *Sandyra*

Volunteers: To help clean up the garden, make compost - builders, carpenter etc. at AuroAnnam. Contact us at: - mawite@auroville.org.in, 8523915031 - *Mawite*

LOST & FOUND

Missing Moped (exchanged): our Guests (Dr. Jan & Dr. Bem) from Australia had parked their TVS Moped (Registration No. PY-01 - AN 7736) at Solar Kitchen on 26th of March, 2017. By mistake somebody has taken their TVS and has left the mistaken vehicle behind. This vehicle is still standing at the Solar Kitchen. Please contact *Sandjivy for Atithi Griha Guest House* (atithigriha@auroville.org.in) or 0413-2622445.

Key (Found): Single key (m'cycle???) found outside Solar Kitchen last Friday with number TCF 7433 on it. *To collect contact SK reception.*

Sunglasses (Found): Found a pair of Black Sunglasses on 18th March at Certitude; if it's yours please call me on 9655696982. Please tell me the brand name of the sunglasses :) *Abhimanyu*

Phone 45 (Lost): On the road towards Alankuppam - an old model 45, orange floral cover with fruits, visible crack on the left corner of the screen, a Sankalpa logo sticker on the back. If found please leave a message or call *Marichelle* at International Guesthouse: 91 78688 60539 - Thank you.

THANK YOU

Red Earth

The *Auroville Youth Activities* wish to thank Anna of Red Earth for her excellent and very professional training in injuries and first aid. All coaches who attended the 2 weekend workshops felt they developed skills that will be very useful in case of injuries.

Thank you Anna - your professionalism and work has been much appreciated :)!!

Thank you Savi - especially Carmen!

On Monday the 27th we had a volunteer talk, where we shared our volunteer experiences in Svaram. We talked about our work in Auroorchard and Svaram as well as our together ship at our home. We want to thank Savi for the space, which they gave us to share our experiences for the last 8 months and Carmen for the organisation and the open composition, so that we were able to create something unique and personal.

Julie & Matthias

On behalf of the Savi team

On behalf of the Savi team, we would like to thank the Volunteers Matthias Hochholze & Julie Beaute who gave us a

very inspiring volunteer presentation on the 27 th March - "Volunteering in Auroville, Sharing of Experiences at Svaram.

Julie Beaute's opening with play performance on the big xylophone had a wonderful effect and brought the people together.

The volunteer presentation was held in the Swaram classroom and the atmosphere was very intimate with around 30 listeners, including Aurovilians, guests and volunteers. Matthias and Julie shared their success and academic background in their home country and their motivation to arrive in Auroville. The presentation ended with how they developed a great friendship bond, knowing, learning and living together. Matthias concluded by introducing a very wide variety of innovative musical instruments; everyone was invited to experience and gain a personal experience with sounds.

We want to give also many thanks for everyone who came to listen to the volunteer's presentation; without you this beautiful experience was not possible...☺

The Savi Team (Dominique, Carmen, Boomi, Sara, Saranya, Pranshula, Shraddha)

APPEAL

Face painting

Dear Community,

The past years I have been offering face painting all over AV, with the materials I brought with me upon my arrival.



There were happy kids with painted faces in several kindergartens, primary schools, during fairs and festivals, also on stage during circus performances, plays and theatre, all of which I offered happily simply for the joy of it, or to help

the fundraising of the cause where I was present.

I am really happy that this year some people got inspired, and we grew into a "face painting team", which means queues during festivities got a lot shorter and we can be present on even more occasions!

Our materials (which are professional and skin-friendly theatre makeup) are getting finished though, so we had to order some new colors from London to refill. We need quite a bit of help to fund these... if you feel you could contribute we would be grateful to receive **your donation on 252500**, our new PT account dedicated for face painting materials purchase.

With colorful love and joyful gratitude,

Jo for the Facepainting Team.

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-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

House available for house-sitting: I am looking for a house sitter for our house in Happiness (opposite Hotel Mango Hill) for May- June. We have a dog and 3 cats (They stay outside!) a huge garden and a small swimming pool to cool in the hot days and nights. Basic expenses are being requested. Please contact: efratdevir@gmail.com. Thanks, *Efrat*.

Home stay in a private room: In a very spacious room with a garden, attached bathroom with 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*

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

House-sitting.2: Dear Aurovilians, I am looking for a house-sitting opportunity for the next few months. My name is *Ra Predrag*, 36 years old artist from Europe, Serbia. I am responsible, clean and eco-aware person. Long-term volunteer

at Auroville Art Service. My plan is to apply for newcomer at the end of June. I have enough time to take care of the house in the best way and a lot of energy to keep the garden fresh. Recycle and other demands are welcome to request. Please contact me at: ra.auroville@gmail.com. Or call me: 9487201510. Thank you. Ra

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: Available for house-sitting 1 house with garden in Auromodele. No animal to take care of! I will be away from 24th April to 3rd July. Contact *Fred* C: fred1@auroville.org.in, 9626017247.

TAXI SHARING

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

March 31st: Share taxi will pick me up at Chennai airport 3.30pm and go to Auroville. Sharing is possible in either direction. Please contact *Lesley* on lesleybra@yahoo.com or 08860079496

April 5th: Leaving Auroville around 7 am to Chennai airport. Contact *Felix*: 09823603475 or aragohorn@gmail.com

April 7th: Leaving Auroville at 10:30 pm to Chennai airport, call *Elisabetta*: 8489752165 or eliseqala@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. Can be used also to pick up someone arriving at the airport on the 11th April evening and going to Auroville - Please contact *Krishna*: 78679 66069 between 6 to 8 pm.

April 12th: Wednesday , I will leave Chennai airport at 9.30 am for Dubai - my taxi starts around 5 am from AV - taxi sharing in both ways possible... pls send SMS: 8940 567857 or sigapro@web.de - Thanks, *Sibylle*

April 12th: Wednesday - Leaving Auroville (Arati) 15.30 pm to Chennai International airport, Taxi can be shared, only 1 Person is going. Contact *Ingrid*: ingridt@auroville.org.in / 9443843976

April 13th: Taxi from AV to Chennai leaving around 15:00hrs from AV. Contact *Anand* (+919677111881, anand.krishnaswamy@gmail.com) to share.

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:

Steve captured [How Do We Human's Communicate](#), and after inspiring interaction with Celestine he created [Future Art Poetry by Celestine](#), was present at CHIRU conversations [Joy of Impermanence](#),

Neha Bajjiya recorded [Art and Culture Workshop](#), and within LFA2017 [Talk by Ribhu and Marc](#),

Romel and Mimansa covered [CAT13: Auroville is Volunteerland](#).

The French Pavilion shares with us [Mini Festival du Film](#), and [Dance of Shiva](#).

Stephen Anuragh has captured [International Women's Day 2017](#). You can also listen to an interesting interview with [Marc and Ribhu on LFA2017 and 3R](#), and [Raju updates us on Auroville](#)

[Vehicle Service](#), and other projects of collective transport he is involved in.

From our regular programs:

Loretta reads [Savitri. B.II, C.XI., Part 1](#), and [Mother's Q&A - June20, 1956](#).

Marlenka continues with [Synthesis of Yoga Pt.1 Ch7](#), by Sri Aurobindo, and Gangalakshmi with [Selections](#) of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother texts in French - uncut version on the request of listeners!

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

Music lovers will be thrilled by a rare collection of pre-war (and some even never heard out of the country before) sounds of Somalia done by Nicolas Sheikholeslami [Somali Sounds Mogadishu Djibuti](#), and a new mix of [Top of the World, Part3](#)

Happy listening,

Your AV Radio Team (www.aurovillerradio.org)

SPORTS

Change in Darkali Fitness Track opening hours

Starting 1st April Darkali Fitness Track is open every day - From 6.30 am to 8.00 am and from 4.30 pm to 7.00 pm.

Please remember to come 30 minutes before closing time. Please note, in case of rain the Fitness Track will be closed until the path is dry. To be aware when the Fitness Track reopens after the rain please visit Auronet group «[Darkali Fitness Track](#)».

Way to the gate in Google Maps: goo.gl/dpdTgf. *Darkali Team*

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

Latest News from Airlines:

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has issued a security directive.

As per the directive, except for medical devices, electronic devices which are larger than a cell/smart phone cannot be carried in the cabin of the aircraft. This is applicable to all USA-bound passengers from BELOW MENTIONED Airports, whether originating or transiting through. The new requirement only affects flights departing or passing for the United States through the following Airports:

Queen Alia International Airport (AMM) / Cairo International Airport (CAI) / Ataturk International International (IST) / King Abdul-Aziz International Airport (JED) / King Khalid International Airport (RUH) / Kuwait International Airport (KWI)

/ Mohammed V Airport (CMN) / Hamad International Airport (DOH) / Dubai International Airport (DXB) / Abu Dhabi International Airport (AUH)

Something similar exist for flight to the UK, please check with us for details.

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

Insurance: We highly recommend to avail 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

EATING OUT

Naturellement Garden Café closed on Sunday 02/04

Dear community,
We would like to inform you that Naturellement Garden Café will be closed on Sunday 2nd of April.
Garden Café team

TerraSoul Community Lunch

Sunday April 9th, 12:30 to 2 pm

Hi dear everybody, TerraSoul's joyous team of cooks is happy to invite all the hungry gourmets for a unique experience of flavours that comes directly from the rich culture of the Kathmandu Valley.

Venue: TerraSoul community, Windarra farm, near Ganesh Bakery, Sunday

To book: Francisco 9159676139, francisco@auroville.org.in
Come and enjoy

Bharat Nivas the Pavilion of India Presents 1) "Maharashtrian" Lunch

At Atithi Griha Guest House Bharat Nivas - The Pavilion of India - For Aurovilians and Newcomers only

On Sunday the 2nd of April, 2017 between 12:30 to 1:30 pm

For reservations, please write to: atithigriha@auroville.org.in

You can call us at 0413-2622445 before 4:00 pm on Friday the 31st of March, 2017.

2) UP (Uttar Pradesh) Food

At Atithi Griha Guest House Bharat Nivas - The Pavilion of India - For Aurovilians and Newcomers only

On Sunday the 9th of April, 2017 between 12:30 to 1:30 pm

For reservations, please write to atithigriha@auroville.org.in.

You can call us at 0413-2622445 before 4:00 PM on Friday the 7th of April, 2017.

GREEN MATTERS

Sunday walk Farms & Forests

Passing Dana, following the green belt road going down to Bomayarpalayam. Pass Rajeshwari College on your right, after 400m you will see a sign for the entrance to Udumbu on the left side of the road - By cycle only! You can pass by Gaia, Anusuya or Meadow at your choice. In this case, you arrive behind the college, turn around and turn right at the road (20 min from Solar kitchen).

Sunday 2th April, 9.30-11 am

Udumbu

with Gijs, Yves and Natacha,
Phone: 89 40 22 10 71.

Directions: Udumbu is located on the northern Green Belt Road.

Green column

In this edition we publish a testimony by an Aurovillian who spent nearly a year living in a dome-tent under a banyan tree. Where this particular tree stands does not matter - it could be anywhere in Auroville... Neither does it matter who the writer is, as it could be the experience of anybody who is open to the enchantment of the Nature surrounding us in this magical place called Auroville!

The Banyan tree community

When we searched for a spot to put up our temporary home - a 'Johnny's' geodesic dome, which later came to be nick-named the Fairy House - the place that naturally suggested itself was under the great old Banyan tree. We knew and we felt, it was a privilege to take shelter beneath its green shade; after all, normally one finds a temple there, mostly dedicated to Ganesha. Someone asked us later if we had obtained permission from the tree. I had to admit that we hadn't asked it explicitly. Traditionally one does not live under banyan trees, and we were to discover some practical reasons for this. But a volunteer who helped building the dome had shared with us that she perceived the tree very happy to host us. I hope we are living up to the hospitality!

The banyan has a powerful, pervading presence indeed, and we feel safe and happy under its protection. One of the first things we noticed was the quality of our dreams, which became unusually vivid. (The round living space and the absence of electricity may also contribute to this, but I feel the main merit goes to the tree.)

The next thing we realised is that we are part of a great and lively community which keeps surprising us. It's a busy, humming, drumming, pulsating world, or rather multiple worlds, from the earth level with all its creepy-crawlies to the successive storeys of the canopy, which are quite beyond our reach except for occasional glimpses. During the banyan's fruiting season, this life intensifies even further, as the many small orange fruits attract seasonal guests. For two weeks

there is an unceasing rain of fruits and dry branches, many of which drop as a result of the parties going on 'up there'.

In the daytime, the banyan is host to a large bird population; most commonly we hear koils, crows, mynas, babblers, tree pies, wood peckers, drongos, bulbuls, but there are innumerable others joining the enthralling concerts, which keep changing with the time of the day. There is the white Paradise Flycatcher, a seasonal visitor from Kashmir, who seems ever so keen to show us his graceful dance and has even ventured inside our dome. Apart from the ubiquitous squirrels, occasional visitors are snakes, and exceptionally some monkeys who not only feast on the fruit, but have attempted to raid our small kitchen, nearly running off with a bag of flat rice!

Dawn and dusk are marked by the relay calls of the shy, colourful pitta birds, also known as 'Six-o'clock birds' for the punctuality of their call. They are here only during the winter season and head north as soon as the temperatures rise.

Night life is no less busy; apart from nocturnal birds and the calls of the brainfever cookoo, we hear the wing-beats of the vavals - giant fruit bats or 'flying foxes' - and the sweet barking of a family of civets that move from canopy to canopy and look down on us with their big golden eyes. On ground level, we've met with a krait (they aren't aggressive and prefer to avoid humans), a bandicoot and a porcupine displaying its majestic needled glory.

Inside the dome-home we are in good company too. While the cow dung floor not only makes for pleasant living but seems effective at warding off many insects and snakes, it does attract some termites, and is not quite ant-free. Butterflies visit, spiders and geckos enliven the walls; the yellow-golden lizard who resides behind the drawer cabinet has grown to an impressive size, and the little grey pointed-nosed shrews simply can't resist a cup of milk...

It took months before we discovered the king of the place: an impressive cobra, which subsists on the wealth of toads and other small creatures, and is at home in the rugged main trunk of the banyan. We are quite in awe knowing that we are living a mere few metres from his/her residence, and grateful for good neighbourliness!

Oh, talking of eyes glowing in the dark - did you know how many creatures have eyes reflecting the light? Walking at night, at every step we see little jewels lighting up in all colours, which are mostly the eyes of spiders, as well as some other insects: Again a world of incredible diversity, of which we were hardly aware until we were led here to join this amazing community that keeps enchanting us every day...

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The Green Center team likes to hear from you on any green / environmental topic. Do write to us at avgreencenter@auroville.org.in. The Green Column is published bi-weekly in the News & Notes and on Auronet.

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

INVITATIONS

LFA2017 Litter Free Auroville 2017 presents

Special Trashion Event at Visitors Center

Saturday 1st April

The Giant Puppets Parade by Unicorn Collective 7:30pm to 8pm

AND

The Trashion Show at 8pm!





Litter Free Auroville 2017

WEEK THREE: PROGRAM WORKSHOPS & PERFORMANCES & MOVIES & DEMOS

Time	Workshops – Talks – Performances – Movies - Demos	Participants	Venue
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 baskets. 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: "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
SUNDAY 2ND APRIL			
10.00 to 16.00	Workshop by Upcycling Studio. Upcycling furniture out of tetrapack with Marc . Contact info : marc.barandard@gmail.com	Drop in # max 5	Kalakendra
14.00 to 16.00	Workshop Trash to Origami with Emiko . Contact info : ekinoko@gmail.com	Drop in # max 10	Kalakendra
MONDAY 3RD APRIL			
09.30 to 16.30	Workshop by Auroville Papers. Create with "papier mâché" with Herve Contact info : aurovillepaper@auroville.org.in	Drop in # max 7 for children	Auroville papers
10.00 to 12.00	Workshop Trash to Origami with Emiko , Contact info : ekinoko@gmail.com	Drop in # max 10	Kalakendra
TUESDAY 4TH APRIL			
14.00 to 16.00	Workshop Play with Leather with Emiko and Maggie . Contact info : ekinoko@gmail.com	Drop in # max 10	Kalakendra
16.30 to 17.15	Talk with Natacha from Free Store. About free store activities.	All welcome	Kalakendra
17.15 to 18.00	Talk with Margarita from Eco Duties. About a resource Center Project.	All welcome	Kalakendra
THURSDAY 6TH APRIL			
15.00 to 16.30	Workshop Let's move to Green and Homemade Cosmetics with Mathilde and Maggie Contact info: mathilde.truchot@gmail.com	All welcome	Kalakendra
16.30 to 17.15	Talk with Ok from Upcycling Studio. About material ant truth.	All welcome	Kalakendra
17.15 to 18.00	Talk with Anandi from PTDC.	All welcome	Kalakendra
SATURDAY 8TH APRIL			
11.00 to 12.30	Demonstration by Shradhanjali. From seeds to Jewelry.	All welcome	Kalakendra
14.00 to 16.00	Demonstration by Bamboo Center. How to work with bamboo roots?	All welcome	Kalakendra
17.00 to 17.30	Performance by Bamboo Center. Mohanam Trashband	All welcome	Kalakendra
17.00 to 18.00	Parade by Unicorn Collective	All welcome	Kalakendra

Music
recitals

Sport
demos

Auroville Youth Activities

youthactivities.auroville.org.in

Dance
performances

Art
presentations

6.30 PM

Saturday, April 8th

Bharat Nivas Auditorium

Around 100 children and youth
demonstrating their progress
in dance, sport, art and music



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.

*for all the events happening for the LITTER FREE AUROVILLE 2017 Campaign,
see the Program in this N&N!*

CULTURAL EVENTS

We are happy to invite you all to:

"Fool's Day Celebration" at Well Café, Sve Dam community

Saturday 1st of April

19:00 - Dinner

20:00- Movie screening-comedy (name of movie will be announced soon)

21:30- Soundtracks Party-Famous tracks from famous movies

23:00- World Dance

Dj Priscila

PS: If anyone has a laptop with a good sound card that I can use for this event ,please contact me: 9489969875.

With much Love and Gratitude,

Priscila

Tales of Twenty Dodgy Fingers

Sunday, 2nd April - 7 pm

Venue: Adishakti Theatre

"Tales of Twenty Dodgy Fingers" is a chronicle of Cinematic Movement.

It is a series of Dance Theatre pieces, short episodes transforming the art of cinema, live on stage.

What if movies were seen as choreographies?

Film art has a tangible specificity in details that absorbs the spectator in its world.

It creates environments with visual virtuosity and distinct soundscapes.

The "Tales" researches cinema's possibilities of "worldness" on movement art.

Presented by: Karoliina Loimaala & Maya Olivia



Wednesday event at Pavilion of Tibetan Culture

Starting on WEDNESDAY 5th of April

Tibetan Dinner at 7 pm followed by a documentary on

"A Journey of Non-Violence" at 7.45 pm

Venue: Pavilion of Tibetan Culture - International Zone.

We request everyone to register for the dinner by calling us @ 041 3 2622401 or

@ 8489067332 or send an e- mail to: Kalsang@auroville.org.in

All are invited.

CLASSES, WORKSHOPS



LFA 2017. Litter Free Auroville 2017-
workshops!

Plenty of workshops until 9th of April

See full program in this N&N - Open to all!

Somatic Explorations with Maggie

(change of venue in April).

Wednesdays 5-6 pm in the Pavilion of Tibetan Culture
(Please note change of venue for April as Vérité is closed).

Somatics is a system of slow mindful movements (in the tradition of Thomas Hanna). Each week we will explore a different theme with the aim to unwind habitual holding patterns in the body, and increase flexibility, balance, coordination and wellness. Open to all.

For further info please call Maggie on 94866-23465 or 0413-2622320

Dance on Land & in the Water

Dear Lovers of Dance, our Mondays weekly sessions of Dance Offering in Verité are over for the time being as Vérité is closing earlier for a summer break. Restarting after the summer or maybe a couple of session in the 2nd half of April & beginning of May, if I find easily a suitable place.

If you would like to explore dance as a form of self-expression, self-discovery, non-verbal communication & fun and in depth connection with others; and if you want to explore similar , combined with some tips from Aquatic Body work in the embrace of a warm water; Welcome to the 2 days workshop WATER & DANCE at Quiet Healing Center, on 10&11 April.

You need to contact Quiet@auroville.org.in or 0413-2622-329 for registration.

The same for our other couples of short courses at the closing of the season; Couples in Flow & WOGA 1&2. Dariya&Daniel

"Let's enjoy ORIGAMI"



Bharat Nivas in collaboration with the Japanese Pavillion invites you to participate in "Let's enjoy Origami" workshop:

Date & Time/ Friday 7th April 3 pm-4 pm
Place/ SAWCHU (Bharat Nivas)

This month, we will create a Rabbit ('Easter') and Cherry blossom ('Sakura, as a symbol of Japanese spring).

Special thanks to UpCycling for recycled papers!

Bookings not needed, all are welcome!

Contact Tomoko or Emiko on: letsenjoyorigami@gmail.com

Habits for Happiness

"Chains of habit are too light to be felt until they are too heavy to be broken." Warren Buffett

In this 3-part series of workshops, we will be looking at how we as individuals can understand how to identify the good and the bad in our daily usual routine/habits, and then focus on habit-building to create the shift for a happier life via iterative exercises, collaboration among peers etc. We will be having three-hour sessions fortnightly designed to help you move from a theoretical understanding to being an effective practitioner, and also set out a roadmap to measure this progress for a month.

Date: 1st April 2017 (follow-ups on 15th and 29th April)

Venue: Auromode Conference Hall

Contact Ishan at: ishngrwl@gmail.com, +91 96664 73641

Participation on contribution

Bioclimatic Earth: Design Workshop

Organized by the Earth Institute and Conducted by Omar

With Lectures by Omar, Lara and Satprem

And Project Review and Guest Lectures Including Mona, Fabian, Peter and Arnout

3 April to 15 April

The immemorial tradition of building with earth proves the capacity of versatile earth construction techniques to adapt to varied bioclimatic regions. This two-week design workshop will reinvestigate earth architecture predominantly through environmental reasoning. During the first week, students will:

- 1) Be introduced to the characteristics of the different climatic zones.
- 2) Establish an understanding of the principles of bioclimatic architecture.
- 3) Study examples of vernacular earth architecture acclimated for environmental comfort.
- 4) Practice methods and use tools of weather analysis, establishing initial design guidelines for different environmental conditions.
- 5) Gain a basic understanding of a few environmental design simulation tools.

Then, through the second week of the workshop, students will apply the gained theoretical knowledge and practical skills in a design project; a challenge to design examples of innovative earth architecture adapted to the environmental conditions of different regions. The intensive design workshop aims at providing designers with the knowledge needed to evoke their

sensibility to simultaneously design with earth and with climate.

For more information, please see: www.earth-auroville.com/bioclimatic_earth_en.php or contact: training@earth-auroville.com - Submitted by Earth Institute

Inner-Work-Workshop

Introduction to the Integral Yoga of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother

4th April (Tuesday)

Focus this week on: 'The Divine Mother'

- 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

Capoeira (Grupo Gingado Capoeira) is stopped

This is to inform the community that until further notice, Grupo Gingado Capoeira, led by Instructor Camaleao (Jeremy) will not be offering classes in Auroville. Thanks for your continued support and understanding. Submitted by Jeremy

Workshop on advancing research in Auroville

Saturday April the 8th, 2017. 9 - 12:30 am at the Unity Pavilion

- ✓ Do you have an interest in developing your own research capacities?
- ✓ Would you like to find out more about ways to bridge the gap between research theory and practice?
- ✓ Did you ever wonder how Auroville could become more aware of itself through research and get better at learning as a community?

⇒ Then this workshop is for you!

The workshop will focus on developing common plans for advancing research in Auroville, both at an individual as well as a collective level.

The Research Collective, an ad hoc bunch of individuals not representing any group, has taken the initiative for this event.

Submitted by Dave (dave@auroville.org.in)

SCHEDULES

QUIET

Somatic Movement Workshop with Maggie

Saturday 8 - Sunday 9 April 2017 (2 days)

9.30 AM - 5.00 PM (12 hours)

Quiet Healing Center (tel. 2622329 / 9488084966)

A 2-day neuro-muscular re-education (mind-body training) workshop in the tradition of Thomas Hanna.

Somatics is a system of slow, mindful movement. It improves the function of the nervous system, creating more ease and freedom within ourselves. Somatics teaches us to recognize and release holding patterns, resulting from pain, injury, stress or habituated posture, and enhances any kind of exercise such as yoga, dance, sport or just moving through life.

You will also learn a daily practice in order to maintain better flexibility, coordination, balance and wellness, resulting in a

decrease of aches commonly attributed to stress, injury and ageing.

Maggie is a certified Somatic Movement Educator and graduate of the International Institute for Somatic Movement Education (IISME). She is also a highly experienced massage therapist, and has been working in the field of pain relief for over 15 years.

Couples in Flow with Dariya & Daniel

Saturday 8 - Sunday 9 April 2017 (2 days)

9.00 AM - 6.00 PM (15 hours)

Quiet Healing Center (tel. 2622329 / 9488084966)

A 2-day journey for couples to relax, connect and celebrate. We offer a safe space and simple explorations on land and in water, where you can rediscover one another in new ways of

intimacy. You will also learn easily applicable skills to hold space for each other, fun ways to be together, and connect with others in the group.

This workshop is inspired by aquatic bodywork (Watsu, Liquid Flow etc.), Tantsu (simple ways of holding and massaging on land), free dance, deep listening... and our innate longing to play, connect and simply be.

Space is limited to 6 couples. No previous experience required; also no need to know how to swim!

Water & Dance with Dariya & Daniel

Monday 10 - Tuesday 11 April 2017 (2 days)

9.00 AM - 6.00 PM (15 hours)

Quiet Healing Center (tel. 2622329 / 9488084966)

A 2-day workshop for lovers of movement, dance and flow. We will playfully explore and express ourselves on our own, with partners and in group, on land and in water,. From self-connection to allowing movements to unfold -- no one deciding where to go, while opening doors for non-verbal communication and sharing.

Connecting on land with our deeper longings, we give the body permission to find its own ways of expression and possibly contact others. Warm water with its sense of weightlessness and fluidity invites us to let go and experiment with our own organic, flowing way of moving.

Water & Dance gives 15 hours of credit for registration as a supplemental class with Watsu India. No previous experience required!

VÉRITÉ PROGRAMMING SUMMER BREAK



Vérité will be closing all programming activities (classes, workshops and therapies) from 1 April, 2017; we expect to resume in mid-June (Vérité Guest House remains open until 30th April 2017)

We welcome proposals for future programming activities. Please contact us (programming@verite.in) for the programming application materials.

We wish you a very happy summer,
Vérité Programming team

ARKA WELLNESS CENTER APRIL - 2017

Phone: 0413-2623799 / Website: www.arka.org.in

THERAPIES

WHAT WE PROPOSE	WITH WHOM	WHEN
Cranio sacral, Lomi Lomi massage, Bare foot body massage & Thai yoga massage.	SILVANA by appointment 9047654157	Monday to Saturday
Body Logic, Soft Massage And Deep Tissue Massage	PEPE by appointment 9943410987	Monday to Saturday
Holistic Reflexology, Full body massage and Face Massage.	MEHA by appointment 9443635114	Monday to Saturday
Yogic Healing Therapeutic Massage	BASU by appointment 9443997568 or 9843567904	Monday to Friday 8 to 9:30 am & 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Saturday & Sunday any time.
Deep core intensive massage	SUMIT by appointment 07839062619	Monday to Saturday
Acupuncture	Dr. MOHAMMED SAHEL by Appointment - 9994208068	Tuesday, Friday And Saturday
Psycho Spiritual Tarot, Deconditioning Self-Inquiry & Innervoice Dialogue	ANTARJOTHI by appointment 0413-2623767 or Email : antarcalli@yahoo.fr	Also in French.

BEAUTY PARLOR

WHAT WE PROPOSE	WITH WHOM	WHEN
Face Massage, Cleaning, manicure, pedicure, threading, waxing, henna & hair coloring.	MEHA by appointment 9443635114	Monday to Saturday
Hair Dressing	ONGKIE by appointment 9843930178	Monday to Friday
Hair Dressing	MIMI by appointment-9489694626	Monday to Friday
Hair dressing	YUVAL appointment 7639291546	Monday to Friday

REGULAR CLASSES

WHAT WE PROPOSE	WITH WHOM	WHEN
Pilates Classes	TERESA - 7867998952	Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri & Saturday
Acro-yoga	DAMIEN - 9047722740	Saturday-Beginners class 8:15 am to 9:45am. Wednesday-Intermediate class at 4:00 pm to 5:15 pm

Internet facility is available in Arka Monday to Saturday 9:00 am to 4:30 pm.



April 2017

Exhibitions

In the Picture Gallery

Meditations on Savitri Books Four to Seven

Paintings made by Huta with the Mother's guidance and help.

In the upper corridor

Sri Aurobindo: a life-sketch in photographs

In the Square Hall

Glimpses of the Mother: photographs and texts

Films

Mondays 6.30 pm

April 4: *The Integral Yoga and Other Paths - Part 1*

Dr. Alok Pandey speaks about the essence of spirituality and about the need for the feminine, the dynamic side of the Divine, to step into the forefront. Duration: 30min.

April 10: *The Integral Yoga and Other Paths - Part 2*

Dr. Alok Pandey speaks about the Integral Yoga, the 'Synthesis of Yoga' and the future Yoga, the Supramental Yoga where soul and nature are in union. Duration: 50min.

April 17: *Meditations on Savitri - Book 2 Canto 5-6*

Film by Manohar of Huta's paintings illustrating passages from *Savitri* read by The Mother and accompanied by her own organ music. Duration: 40min.

April 24: *The Four Aspects of The Mother - Maheshwari, Mahakali, Mahalakshmi, Mahasaraswati*

24 April 1920 was The Mother's final arrival in Pondicherry to work with Sri Aurobindo towards a Life Divine on Earth. Duration: 26:00min.

Regular Activities

Sundays 10.30-12 noon: *Savitri* Study Circle

Mondays, Tuesdays 3-4 pm: *Yoga and the Evolution of Man*, led by Dr. Jai Singh

Mondays 5-6pm: *The Greek myths in relation with the yoga of Sri Aurobindo*,

led by Claude de Warren in the House of Mother's Agenda

Tuesdays: 9-12 noon: *Introduction to Integral Yoga* led by Ashesh Joshi

Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays 4-5 pm: *L'Agenda de Mère*: listening to recordings with Gangalakshmi

Tuesdays: 5-6pm: *Let us learn Savitri together in Tamil* led by Buvana

Tuesdays 5.45-7.15pm: OM Choir (*see details below*)

Wednesdays 5.30-6.30 pm: Reading *The Life Divine*, led by Shraddhavan

Thursdays 4-5 pm: *English of Savitri*, led by Shraddhavan

Fridays 3-4 pm: *Exploring the Bhagavad Gita*, led by Dr. Jai Singh

Fridays 5.30-7.00pm: *Meditations with Hymns of the Rig Veda translated by Sri Aurobindo*, led by Nishtha

Saturdays 5-6.30 pm: *Satsang* led by Ashesh Joshi

OM Choir

In 1961 the Mother gave the *adesh* to Narad to bring down a new music. She said that one must go far above words and bring down the pure Music. Mother told us to sit in a circle and have no preconceptions as to what we would sing but to be silent and let the music descend in us. The OM Choir aspires to bring down the New Music for the New World in a collective body. We sing only OM, the creative and effectuating Word, after starting with warming-up and voice exercises given by Narad.

Full Moon Gathering

Monday 10, 7.15-8.15 pm in front of Sri Aurobindo's statue

The Library and Digital Library are now located in the Main Building

The Reading Room is open Monday to Friday from 9 - 4.30

The Digital Library can be accessed on request Monday to Friday 9 - 12.30

Exhibitions, Main Building and Office are open Monday to Saturday 9-5

Everyone is welcome



 LEARNING ACTIVITIES PROGRAM - APRIL 2017	
Hatha Yoga By Sakshi Drop in Classes Monday and Friday from 4:30 to 6 pm	The classes will be geared towards achieving a balance in our energies. Education about the body, mind, breath and yoga asanas, sequencing and their benefits will be an integral part. We will also do a little chanting and pranayama practice. First class starts the 3rd of April.
Traditional Mantra Chanting By Sonia <u>Beginners:</u> Thursday 6:15 p.m to 7:15 <u>Regular students:</u> Friday 6: 15 p.m. to 7:15 pm	Chanting Sanskrit Mantras is performing an ancient prayer. Through the harmonic rhythm, repetition, and participation in the chant, the mind gains clarity, the ability to concentrate increases and a person becomes more tranquil. Through daily chanting the mind gains qualities which are essential for students of Yoga and Spiritual Scriptures. The specific pitches and rules of intonation and syllabic length will be learned in the classes in the traditional way.
Sanskrit Classes By Appointment with Sonia	Sanskrit is the key to enter into the wide world of Indian Traditional Culture. The Sacred Scriptures as well the Secular Scriptures are found to be written in Sanskrit language, thus a fundamental knowledge for students of Yoga and Spiritual Scriptures.
50 % discount for Savi registered Volunteers. Multiple classes discount available. On donation basis for Aurovilians and New Comers.	
Joy Community is located in Center Field, after Nandanam School, next to Center Guest House For info and reservations, please contact us at: 9487272393 Email: joycommunity@auroville.org.in https://www.facebook.com/joycommunityquesthouse	



Pitanga: Programme for April 2017

Y o g a I y e n g a r

Āsanas	level 1	Mon (from 17 th)	07.30 - 09.00	Tatiana
Asanas for the spine	drop in	Mon	09.30 -10.30	Angela
Āsanas	level 2	Mon (from 17 th)	17.00 - 19.00	Tatiana
Āsana- open practice	all levels	Tues	07.00 - 10.00	Angela
Āsanas	drop in	Tues	11.00 - 12.00	Angela
Āsanas	drop in	Tues	15.30 - 17.00	Angela
Pranayama	level 2	Tues (from 18 th)	17.30 - 19.00	Tatiana
Āsanas for women	drop in - all levels	Wed	07.30 - 09.00	Angela
Āsanas for the spine	drop in	Wed	11.00 - 12.30	Angela
Āsanas hormonal balance	level 3	Wed (from 19 th)	17.00 - 19.00	Tatiana
Āsanas for women	level 2	Thurs (from 20 th)	07.30 - 09.15	Tatiana
Āsanas restorative	drop in	Thurs	15.30 - 16.30	Angela
Āsanas	drop in	Thurs (from 20 th)	16.30 - 18.00	Tatiana
Asanas	drop in - all levels	Fri	07.30 - 08.45	Angela
Āsanas hormonal balance	level 3	Fri (from 14 th)	09.00 - 11.00	Tatiana
Pranayama	beginners	Fri	17.30 - 18.30	Angela
Āsana- open practice	level 2-3	Sat (from 15 th)	07.30 - 09.30	Tatiana
Āsana for the spine	drop in	Sat (from 15 th)	09.45 - 10.45	Tatiana
Āsanas	beginners regular students	Sat (from 15 th)	11.00 - 12.30	Tatiana
Āsanas for the spine	drop in	Sat	16.30 - 18.00	Angela

Note: For Iyengar classes, please come to a drop in class first and talk to the teacher about appropriate level.

Y o g a - m i x e d s t y l e

Yoga Therapy	drop in	Mon, Wed, Fri	08.30 - 10.00	Gala
Vinyasa Flow	drop in - restorative	Mon	10.00 - 11.30	Bebe
Vinyasa flow	drop in - all levels	Mon	17.15 - 18.30	Andres
Āsanas (*)	for teenagers	Mon, Wed	16.00 - 17.00	Natacha/Bebe
Vinyasa Flow	drop in - beginners	Tues	09.00 - 10.30	Bebe
Vinyasa Flow	drop in - all levels	Weds	17.00 - 18.30	Bebe
Svastha yoga	drop in - all levels	Weds	17.00- 18.00	Jani
Svastha yoga	drop in - all level	Fri	10.30- 11.30	Jani
Vinyasa Flow	drop in - all levels	Fri	18.00 - 19.30	Bebe
Āsanas	for children 7-9 yrs.	Sat	10.00 - 11.00	Gala

O t h e r E x e r c i s e s

Kick Boxing	drop in- all levels	Thurs	18.00 - 19.30	Antonello
Aviva exercise	drop in - for women	Thurs	16.30 - 17.30	Suriya/chitra
Discover energy body	for children, 7-9 yrs.	Sat	11.00 - 12.00	Gala

D a n c e

Odissi Dance (*)	Regular practitioners	Tues	16.00 - 17.15	Rekha
Odissi Dance (*)	Regular practitioners	Fri	16.00 - 17.15	Kanchana

H e a l t h C a r e a t P i t a n g a

For the following therapies & treatments please book your appointment on phone, 2622403/2622994

Ayurvedic Massage	with Kumar, Marie	Thai yoga Massage	with Andres, Bebe, Juan, Kumar, Mar
Craniosacral & osteopathy	with Elena	Awakening the intelligence of the body	with Vani
Reflexology	with Audrey	Releasing through Awareness	with Rosa
Naturopathy in French	with Audrey	Journey through the memory of the body	with Vani
Physiotherapy	with Osnat	Life Coaching	with Vani

Exhibition: Painting Exhibition by Carla Sello "ENERGIES OF THE CHAKRAS" from March 25th to April 8th 2017

Note: (*) Denotes classes for those willing to commit for a minimum of 3 months

Pitanga Cultural Centre, Samasti, (0413) 262 2403/2622994 - pitanga@auroville.org.in.

Auroville Language Lab - APRIL 2017

- New students are requested to fill out the forms and register BEFORE attending any classes.
- We have excellent university-level video and audio study materials and software in our mediatheque, which enables self-study in various languages.
 - Here is a reminder about the Open House on Saturdays. All are welcome!
 - The Language Lab is looking for a French teacher. Please contact us.
- We are also looking for an Aurovilian, computer literate, with excellent English, preferably multi-lingual, to join the team and work at both secretarial and project development tasks.



ALL SCHEDULE OF CLASSES (as of 28.03.2017)

LANGUAGE	CLASS/LEVEL	TIMING	DAY
ENGLISH	Beginners	04.30 - 5.30pm	Tuesday Thursday
	Pre-Intermediate	05.00 - 6.00pm	Monday Wednesday Friday
GERMAN	A1 Certification Course (Beginners)	04.30 - 6.00pm	Monday Tuesday Thursday
	Advanced Conversation	01.30 - 3.00pm	Tuesdays
HINDI SANSKRIT	All Levels	01.00 - 4.00pm	Wednesday Friday
ITALIAN	All Levels	05.00 - 6.00pm	Monday To Friday
TAMIL	Beginners (Group 1)	11.00 - 12.00pm 02.00 - 03.00pm	Tuesday Thursday
	Beginners (Group 2)	03.30 - 04.45pm	Wednesday
SPANISH	Beginners	4.00 - 5.00pm	Monday Wednesday

The Language Lab is open Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Open House on Saturdays

Location: International Zone, next to Unity Pavilion,
Phone: 2623 601/602/603, 9585207962 Email all@auroville.org.in

REGULAR EVENTS IN APRIL

Note from the editors

The *Regular Events* column is printed once a month, and sent via pdf/published online weekly. Guest-houses are kindly requested to put this section up on their notice boards for their guests.

Kindly inform us of any changes/cancellation of your event, or if you want your regular event to be added to the listing

NEW: now online Regular Events! <http://www.auroville.org/contents/4201>

Online Auroville Events Calendar

(no need to log in for guests! - just scroll down the page)

The schedule of events for the week can be accessed by all, including Guests and Visitors, on the Auronet login page: www.auroville.org.in

AcroYoga for Beginners: Saturdays 8:15 to 9:45 am at Arka. - Partner flow: warming up with asanas and stretching with a partner - Inversions: flying and playing with partners. Damien 90 47 72 27 40

African Pavilion's regular events: By Popular Demand the African Pavilion is happy to announce, every Monday from 6pm to 9pm, a new event to host African Cooking, Music, and Dancing. Every Thursday enjoy the drumming circle together with dinner from 7 pm till 9 pm. Every Friday at 4.30pm: Transformational yoga.

ANIRVEDA classes: Posture, confidence and psychology in self-defence. We learn: - 7 movements of self-defence. To do them with precision, power, presence and relaxation. - To discern what is a real danger and what is not, and to act accordingly.

-Techniques to calm the mind and body.

Anirveda means self-reliance, confidence, being non-depressed. Open to all above 16 yrs. Every Thursday 16.30-1745 in Butterfly Barn, Sve Dam. The course is facilitated by Hans (bodyawareness@auroville.org.in, tel 0413-2623663)

Auroville Aikido at Auroville Budokan (Dehashakti): *Beginners:* Monday and Wednesday evening 6.00-7.00 pm with Surya, and Saturday morning 6.30-7.30 am (mixed levels) with Murugan /John/Surya. *Advanced* (morning classes) with Murugan/John: Tuesday & Thursday 6.00-7.30 am, mixed levels as above. Please be at the Dojo/Budokan at least 15 min. before class starts. We welcome beginners seriously considering joining but

no drop in for the sake of it... Beginners may wear long loose pants & t-shirt with sleeves for the start (no tight fitting please) then a white "keikogi" will be required. For all activities at the AV Budokan: Health Fund or private insurance necessary. Contribution required for the Dojo. For Children classes & general info, please write to budokan@auroville.org.in or contact Surya: 0413-2623-813 or 9655-485487

Alcoholics Anonymous: meeting (open) every Saturday 6pm, Centre Guesthouse (Merriam Hill Centre). Contact: Ingrid 9443843976 or Shankar 9442010573.

Argentine Tango: Mondays: Beginners' class 6.00pm to 7.00pm and intermediates 7 to 8 pm @ New Creation Sports Resource Center, Kuilapalayam. Wednesdays: Practica (tango dance space open to all) 7.30pm @ Sawchu, Bharat Nivas. Fridays: 'An hour to study' 8.00pm @ Naturellement. For milongas or further information please contact: tango@auroville.org.in Bring socks or dance shoes.

Art & Yoga with Asha: *Mondays, 5-6:30 pm, Sankalpa Art Center (behind Pavilion of Tibetan Culture, International Zone).* Explore breath, movement and energy in your body, while deepening self-awareness, balance and intuition. Our tools of understanding include the chakras, the Mother's 12 qualities, colors, mandalas and sound. Asha (Aurovillian from Spain) weaves the wisdom of 35 years of healing and balancing practices into her offering. Her training and experience

include Hatha yoga, Pranayama, Vinyasa, Tai Chi, and Qi-Yo Yoga, Naturopathy, Hypnotherapy, and Acupuncture Massage.

Astrology, its holistic approach: Astrological Chart by Uma Gimenez. You are welcome to call and fix an appointment at 0413-2623080 or 9443697972 (Surrender). The reading can be held in English, Spanish, French and Italian.

Authentic Tamil culture: Meena, a Tamil Aurovillian, offers courses every Sunday morning to explore the beauty of the authentic Tamil Culture. Meeting point: Courage Gate. The course can be tailored to your choice including: 1. Cooking lessons, 2. How to make kolam, 3. How to wear a sari, 4. Henna design on hands and feet, 5. How to make flower garlands 6. Tailoring. If you are interested, please call Meena to talk about the details of your class and fix the time. During the day call: 9787702180, after 5 pm you may use the landline: 0413 2623263.

AVYA Auroville Youth Activities: a brand new website presenting the regular Youth Activities available in Auroville: youthactivities.auroville.org.in. The primary goal is to provide the Auroville community (especially children/parents), with an organized and simple overview to become aware of the Activities available in Auroville, for the AV Youth. If you wish to add your activity to the website, kindly send your contact details (sport, name, phone number, email) to youthactivities@auroville.org.in.

Bharatnatyam classical dance classes At Yatra Arts Foundation

Every Saturday evenings 4.30pm to 5.30pm and on Sunday mornings 9.00am to 10.00am.

Bhrahmanaspati kshetram: The Mother and Sri Aurobindo Centre is launching regular activities: Every Thursday meditation 6:00-6:60 pm - Every first Sunday of the month reading circle from 5:30 pm led by Bhuvana Sundari in Tamil and English (for directions kindly consult Google maps at this link: [here](#))

Body Care in Auromode: Facial treatment - cleaning, scrubbing, massage, moisturizing mask, rejuvenating mask, deep cooling mask. Exotic SPA - Scrub, Wraps (chocolate, Tropicana). All used materials made from natural and organic products. Body Treatment - Cup massage. For more information contact Svetlana +919344639707

Buddha Garden Activities: 1) Introductory tour: every Monday at 10.00 am until lunch time. For further details contact Priya: priya@auroville.org.in. 2) Demonstration vegetable garden: at the back of the Visitors Centre. Come and help us every Tuesday 4.30 - 5.30 pm. Meet at the Visitors Centre back entrance at 4.30 pm and ask for Spiros (8531913924). 3) Adventures in Cooking and Eating: every Thursday at Buddha Garden, starting at 10.30am and finishing with lunch. For further details contact Sivakala 9585975292

Capoeira (Group Ginga Saroba): Join our Capoeira family! Classes open to all levels, led by Prof. Samuka da India and his students

- ADULTS >> Monday: 5.15 PM - SAWCHU (Bharat Nivas) | Tuesday & Thursday: 6.00 PM - Deepanam School
- KIDS >> Monday & Friday: 1.15 PM - Deepanam School - Contact us prior bringing a new kid
- CONTACT >> 9488328435 (Prof. Samuka) | info@ginga-saroba.com | www.ginga-saroba.com

Children Activity Garten: in a friendly home-environment for all children from 2 to 6. Open Monday to Friday from 9 to 3:30 and during the whole year & school holidays. Contact: egle@auroville.org.in or 94880 47368.

Coaching and Personal development based on NLP with Christine P. At Prayatna (Integral health center): 9489805493 / or contact@auroville-holistic.com. See details and comments on our website (on the workshop pages www.auroville-holistic.com)

Creativity Atelier - Life Drawing Circle: Time: Tuesdays, 5.30pm to 7.30pm. Venue: Creativity Atelier. Creativity

Community. Fees: Voluntary Contributions to Materials and Model. All are welcome to immerse themselves in our intense and inspiring session of life drawing. The idea is to explore one's creative self in a friendly and fun environment. This is not an instruction based class. A model and basic drawing materials will be arranged for.

We seek your generous donation to maintain the well-endowed studio and sustain the enriching experience. We also welcome those who would like to model for our artists. You need not necessarily have prior experience to pose for few drawings. Moreover, you get to enjoy many creative manifestations of yourselves while you indulge yourself in a quiet and meditative sit-in moments. For more information or to book yourself, please contact Lakshay on 9810052574. Cheers!

Cuban Salsa: Learn and practice Cuban Salsa, every Wednesday, 6-8 pm, at African Pavilion. Class is Free and all are welcome.

Instructors: Mouhsine & Camilla. For questions, email serrar@gmail.com

Dance Fitness: classes have started again in New Creation with Elodie. Tuesday and Friday from 5pm until 6pm. If you want to have fun and be active see you there!

Darkali Fitness Track open hours: New, redesigned Darkali Fitness Track is open every day from 6.30 a.m. till 8.00 a.m. and from 4.30 p.m. till 7.00 p.m. Please remember to come 30 minutes before closing time. Please note, in case of rain the Fitness Track will be closed until the path is dry. To be aware when the Fitness Track reopens after the rain please visit Auronet group «Darkali Fitness Track». Way to the gate in Google Maps: goo.gl/dpdTqf.

TLC "Dewdrop inn" tea-shop is 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 1:00-3:30pm.

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 (TLC)

Eco Femme open session: Eco Femme welcomes you on every Thursday from 10.30 am to 11.30 am for a small talk about our work, sustainable menstrual products and menstruation experiences. Contact number: 9487179556

Farmers Market: The Saturday Market is ON! Every Saturday at the Youth Center, 10 am - 2 pm. A community celebration of local food & creativity. Yummy organic veggies and hand-processed food from AV Farms, eco-green products, fantastic jewelry, snacks and kefir, handmade clothes, music, and Delicious Dosai lunch! See you there. YC 0413-2622857

Feminine dance for all women: in Cripa, Kalabhumii: Tuesdays at 4 pm. An additional class is held by Priscila on Fridays at 7:15 am. Feminine Dance has historically been a mystical art, a dynamic method to experience the energies of the Universe. We will create an opportunity to reconnect joyfully to our body, reawaken the flow of feminine energy, move to the living pulse of life and have fun in the loving presence of other women. Bring comfortable dance clothes. A flowing skirt and hip scarf are recommended. galit@auroville.org.in

Flamenco In Cripa Every Wednesday: From 3:15 to 4:45 pm. We will practice the flamenco position and attitude for dancing, the movements of hands, arms, body, legs and foot. We will listen to flamenco music to understand the roots of this dance. We will create a flamenco choreography. Come and enjoy with us, Flamenco team.

Foot reflexology: A massage that applies pressure to the feet with the thumb, fingers, and hand techniques. Approx. 60 min. Call 9843948288 or email vikram@auroville.org.in for an appointment.

French classes at Savitri Bhavan, House of Mother's Agenda: French classes at House of Mother's Agenda, every Monday and Friday from 5 pm to 6 pm.

From the Food Lab: Horizon. (In front of Sve-dame). Mon., Tues., Thurs. 4.00 to 6.00pm. Call *Lorenzo* before coming at 09443362274. All relevant information about the after effects of food on your body for e.g. allergies, intolerance, chronic pathology. Homeopathic Immunopharmacology is available.

Hatha Yoga classes @ JOY GH: The classes will be geared towards achieving a balance in our energies. Education about the body, mind and breath and yoga asanas, sequencing and their benefits will be an integral part. We will also do a little chanting and pranayama practice. The classes will be on Mondays and Fridays from 4:30 to 6:00 pm. First class will be on the 3rd of April. Thought by *Sakshi*. For more info: 9487272393, *Joy Team*.

Heartbeats - Dance Therapy with Julie. Thursdays from 5-6:30 pm, Sankalpa Art Center (behind Pavilion of Tibetan Culture, International Zone). Come explore your inner rhythm and move to the beat of your heart. Be guided through movements and music that will bare your soul while letting go of dancing to impress, instead dancing to express. *Julie facilitates private coaching and dance therapy sessions, workshops and retreats across the world, combining her strategy consulting background with a passion for yoga, dance and meditation.*

Hindi & English Class: Learn to speak, read and write Hindi at New Creation every Sunday at 1.00 pm to 2.30 pm. Contact *Shiv:* 9884035536 at *Reach for the Stars.* shiv.godi007@gmail.com

Hiphop classes : New in New Creation Dance Studio! By *Vijay*, for young students from 8-18 years Tuesdays from 6-7pm. Saturdays from 4-5pm.

Quantum Shiatsu Massage With Sami A. Latzke
Regression Therapy with Sigrid Lindemann
www.auroville-holistic.com
Contact us by mail for more info: contact@auroville-holistic.com.

Theatre improvisation games: Learn how to improvise a scene on the spot and share a lot of fun together. You don't need to have any stage experience, just a fair dose of imagination! Join us every Friday afternoon at Sawchu (Bharat Nivas compound) from 4.30 - 6.00 pm. You can just drop in, or give a call beforehand. *Elke* (9486520868), *Ema* (9943970834).

Informative talks about Auroville: At the Guest Service, Above Solar Kitchen. **Questions and Answers:** In French every Wednesday at 10.30 am with Krishna / In English (and German) every Friday at 10.30 am with Roswitha. **Introduction on Mother's Agenda:** In English and French every Thursday 10.30 am with Pavitra. -2622675

Leela, the Game of the Self Knowledge (a 2000 years old game!): Come and play the Game of your Life! Sundays, 9.30am to 12.30 (above 15 years old), in SVEDAME, at the Butterfly Barn. English, Spanish, French, Italian, German and Russian versions all available. Contribution kindly asked. Always better to call before to confirm, please contact: *Veronique J.* 948 85 12 678 www.leelathegame.blogspot.in

Mandala & Meditation: *Daily practice from 4:30 to 5 pm, at Art Cart (VC) on Tuesdays/Fridays, Sankalpa Art Center on Mondays/Wednesdays/Thursdays.* A simple co-creation and affirmation practice, bringing awareness within community through metaphor of an impermanent artform. Open to all.

Meditation for Peace and Healing: Join us from 5:00 to 5:45pm every Thursday around the Peace Table at the Unity Pavilion to build and 'hold' a Collective Space for Healing and Peace. Please offer your Presence to help in this collective experiment, whether you need healing yourself or simply want to support others in their healing and well-being.

Mudra-Chi Workshop: A body Prayer in a Tai-Chi Form. First Sunday of each month, at 5 p.m. At Savitri Bhavan. Facilitator: *Anandi*. For further information or Special Classes, contact me, anandi7@auroville.org.in

Nada Yoga: Tuesdays 2 to 4pm - In Creativity hall of light. Nada Yoga or Yoga of Sound teaches us to perceive sounds in different parts of the body that are connected to the central energetic channel. These ancient Yoga techniques re-align the energy flow and give peace and quiet serenity. In addition to these techniques, during the classes we will also learn many devotional songs. Contact *Hamsini:* 9487544184. She has been a perpetual student of Nada Yoga for 14 years and has been teaching it for 5 years.

Nonviolent Communication (NVC): workshops, practice groups, facilitation, mediation, coaching. Contact *L'aura* (NVC Certified Trainer): 9442788016, joylivinglearning@gmail.com, www.joylivinglearning.org, www.facebook.com/JoyLivingLearning

Odissi & Semi-Classical Bollywood Dance Class With Tejas: Private Dance Classes at the Shakti Dance School in Felicity. Learn grace, discipline, and the beautiful temple dance of east India. +91-8489477222. tejas@shaktidancetroupe.com.

OM Choir: "The voice that chants to the creator Fire,/The symbolled OM, the great assenting Word" Every Tuesday at Savitri Bhavan, 5:45/6:00pm - and at the OM Choir in the Ashram School, opposite the Ashram Entrance, Pondicherry, Fridays at 7:00pm.

New: 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)*

Pitchandikulam Forest - Nature Walks: Fridays at 4 pm. Led by our resident wildlife expert, Dr. Bubesh Guptha, we walk through Pitchandikulam Forest to identify birds, insects and other wildlife, and to talk about birdsong, habits and their environment. We invite you to come and enjoy this unique forest sanctuary! Meeting place: **At the bike parking place inside Pitchandikulam Forest.** Please do not bring larger vehicles inside the forest gate. The walk will start promptly at 4 pm.

If you have binoculars, please bring them, but this is not essential. The walk will last for about an hour. Free for all. Registration is required as numbers are limited. Please register online by visiting our website <http://www.pitchandikulamforest.org/PF/nature-walk-registration/> email pitchandikulam.outreach@auroville.org.in or call our office +91 (0)413 2622431 - Donations to help us continue our work are warmly welcomed.

Pilates with Savitri: at New Creation Dance Studio on Mondays at 5pm, basic level - on Tuesdays at 7.30am, intermediate level - on Saturdays at 7.30 am, basic level. savitri@auroville.org.in

Pilates with Teresa: At Arka. All classes last one hour. Tuesdays, 7:30am: focus on breath & use of the core - Tuesdays, 10am: General class - Wednesday 5:30pm: General class - Thursdays, 7:30am: focus on alignment - Thursdays, 10am: general class - Fridays 5:30pm: advanced class only for regular practitioners - Saturdays, 10:00am: General class. ****Advance, medium, beginner...everyone is welcome!**** Teresa: 7867998952 / teresa@auroville.org.in

Psycho-spiritual work, tarot and other sessions: To bring more clarity and freedom on life issues where there was confusion and entanglement in order to allow new steps in life. Tarot, deconditioning self-inquiry, "inner personalities" discovery and balancing, guided meditation and other tools...by *Antarjyoti* in English or French, tel(land): 0413-262 37 67 or email: antarcalli@yahoo.fr

Quantum Shiatsu Massage: With *Sami A. Latzke*. www.auroville-holistic.com. Contact us by mail for more info: contact@auroville-holistic.com

Réception Francophone: Tous les mardis de 17:00 à 18:30 à La Terrace, en haut de la Cuisine Solaire, Ananda et Michiko sont à la disposition des visiteurs francophones qui voudraient poser des questions sur Auroville. Les Auroviliens et Newcomers francophones peuvent aussi participer.

Regression Therapy with Sigrid Lindemann. www.auroville-holistic.com. Contact us by mail for more info: contact@auroville-holistic.com.

Restorative Circles (RC): workshops, practice groups, calling a live Circle, and other questions. Contact *L'aura*: 9442788016, restorative@auroville.org.in, joylivinglearning@gmail.com, www.facebook.com/RestorativeAuroville

Salsa in CRIPA: Salsa dance class led by *Vijay*, followed by practice time. Every Tuesday 6pm-7:30pm. At CRIPA in Kalabhami. Open to all: Aurovilians, Volunteers, Newcomers, and Guests! (on contribution)

Sankalpa Art Cart (parked on the Visitor's Center stage, next to cafeteria) Tuesdays and Fridays from 4-6 pm, Wednesdays from 10 am-12 pm. An open and welcoming space for creative expression and connection through various media, for all ages and no art experience necessary.

Sanskrit Mantras: at Joy Community GH Hall, Centre Field. Drop in classes on Thursday at 6:15 to 7:15pm and Regular Classes on Friday from 6:15 to 7:15pm. Chanting Mantra is performing an ancient prayer. Through the harmonic rhythm, repetition and participation in the chant, the mind gains clarity, the ability to concentrate increases and a person becomes more tranquil. Through daily chanting the mind gains qualities which are essential for students of Yoga & Spiritual Scriptures. The specific pitches and rules of intonation and syllabic length will be learned in these classes in the traditional way.

Satsang: a sharing for spiritual upliftment; Savitri Bhavan, Saturdays 5-6:30 pm

Singing & Dancing Celebration around the fire in Yatra 2017 Joyful spiritual songs from all over the world - keyboard and drums - Bring your instruments and join us! Every Thursday at 7.30 pm. at Yatra - Near NewVreation Sports ground/La Piscine. *Osiva*: 919629832216

Skyworks: Tree Climbing Workshops: RECREATIONAL. You want the experience without learning all the knots? The ropes are already positioned in the trees. The knots are tied and tested before you hook on. After being fitted with your saddle and some short instructions on safety and climbing techniques, you are off and climbing! Kids of all ages welcome. ADVANCED You want to learn the ropes and get off the ground. During class we teach both the double and single ropes techniques plus demonstrate many of the new climbing devices available. You will learn to install the ropes in the trees, tie and use several climbing knots and ascend and descend both with the knots but also with ascenders and descenders. For conditions&appointment call *Satyajji* 8531033545

Solitude Farm activities:

- Explore permaculture together - plant, water, mulch, harvest - we meet at the Town Hall Community garden outside Cinema Paradiso, Wednesdays 3.30 pm
- Weekly farm tour with *Krishna* - Saturdays 11:30am
- Cooking workshop to learn how to use local, traditional ingredients and their nutritional benefits - Saturdays 3pm
- Volunteers welcome! Drop by to visit or call *Krishna* 9843319260

Somatic Explorations with *Maggie* - every Wednesday from 5-6pm **CHANGE OF VENUE FOR APRIL:** Please note that in April classes will take place in Pavilion of Tibetan Culture. A gentle, easy and effective way to gain more ease in the body, better posture, flexibility, coordination, wellness, and balance, resulting in a decrease of the aches and pains commonly

attributed to stress, injury and aging. Open to all, for further info call 94866 23465.

Sound Bath - Unity Journey: *Take a shower of soothing waves & vibrations.* Every Wednesday 5.30- 6.30 pm in **Unity Pavilion.** *Aurelio & team* will create and share an experiential space of deep relaxation through a basic tuning process and an exposure to the soothing waves and vibrations of pure acoustic instruments. Gongs, bells, chimes, strings and diverse new & archaic sound sources will invite the listener into a sound journey through inner landscapes and synesthetic contemplation towards a Unity experience. Contact 0413-2622220. - svaram@auroville.org.in - www.svaram.org

Sound Massage And Bath With Tibetan Singing Bowls: Lying on a mat with bowls of different pitches, sound energy flows right through your cells forming a beautiful OM harmonic cocoon of peace, melting away tightness and discomfort while tuning you up to its healthy grounding vibrations. The powerful bronze bowls take us deep inside into our true home.... Info & booking for guests: *Antarjyoti*, tel (land)(0413)262 37 67. Mail: antarcall@yahoo.fr

Sound Therapy and Exploration in the Body for Self-Healing: Harmonizing and restoring healing sessions through the magic of the sounds from a specially designed sound bed and other music instruments that enhance the self-healing powers of your being...The aim is to put you in a state of relaxation which enables you to see or feel yourself deeply according to your own awareness. In addition to the sound journey, you will be guided through your body to explore new dimensions which has an action and a benefit on the 3 levels: Physical, Energetical and Mental. This exploration based on the concepts of Chinese Medicine will help you reconnect with your organs and holistic being. In case of emergency I may help releasing sciatica pain ("Ischias" in German). To book your appointment, please call *Isha* at: (0413) 2622192 / (+91) 99433 05092

South Indian Classical Dance (Bhratnatyam): Bhratnatyam dance classes offer by Bhratnatyam Dance classes offered for beginners. Weekly twice. The classes are offered for children and adults. If you are interested please contact me after 4pm on my mobile. *S.Caveri*:7598368514

Spanish Tertulia: A gathering for cultural exchange, every Friday from 4pm to 6pm at La Terrace. We welcome anyone interested in Spanish culture and those who practice colloquial language.

Spiritual coaching with Sitara: tools: Bach flowers, mandala and affirmation work, spontaneous writing, hypnosis, meditation, visualization and yin yoga. For appointment contact *Sitara* 9751798408 tara@auroville.org.in

Spontaneous Singing with Antoine: Creativity - Hall of Light. Every Wednesday, 5 pm - 6:30 pm. Max 10 people - Please come on time 8940740529.

Sunday Farm & Forest Walks: (see weekly details in the "Green Matters" section of the N&N). Each Sunday, the steward of a Farm/Forest will guide through the place and its history. Organised by avgreencenter@auroville.org.in

Svastha Yoga in Pitanga: Svastha Yoga, a holistic non-standardized yoga practice & teaching methodology as taught by Sri T Krishnamacharya. Gentle classes accessible to a broad spectrum of students, adapted to individual needs & abilities. *Jani* is a long-standing student of AG Mohan & Indra Mohan, Svastha Yoga & Ayurveda Chennai. **Wednesday evenings 5-6 pm & Friday mornings 10:30-11:30 am.** With thanks, *Jani*. 8531-021586 / Email: cjani4@gmail.com

Tamil Literary Classes and Craft Lessons: Ilaigarkal Education Centre organizes Tamil Literary Classes every Thursday evening 5 pm-6 pm. Regular attendance is appreciated. Lectures by seasoned professors in Tamil Literature, History and Culture are opened to all Monday through Friday any time Also classes on languages, sewing, drawing, painting and simple handicrafts for Auroville workers and Aurovilians interested. Contact us to organize classes

according to your schedule. Phone No: (0413) 2623 773. Email: tamil@auroville.org.in. R. Meenakshi (Ilaigarkal Education Centre)

Tai Chi Hall @ Sharnqa: Monday 7.30am-9am Chi and 24-form; Tuesday 7.30am-8.30am Chi; Tuesday 8.30am-9.30am 24 form; Wednesday 7.30am-8.30am 127 form; Thursday 7.30am-8.30am 108 form; Friday 7.30am-8.30am 108 form; Saturday 7.30am-8.30am 127 form.

Tanseikai Aikido in the Auroville Budokan: A new group of Aikido has started a regular practice at the Auroville Budokan. The instructor is Sep, 6th dan Tokyo Aikikai. Hours of practice: Tuesdays from 7.30 pm to 9 pm and Thursdays from 7 pm to 8.30 pm. Classes are open to people from all levels. Minimum age is 15.

For further information contact Sep: overlaet@gmail.com - Tel. 848 975 5035 -For all activities at the Auroville Budokan, please note: Health Fund or private insurance necessary - Reasonable contribution required -for the Budokan.

Tea Gathering: Experience and learn the East Asian way of drinking and serving tea - The art of sharing joy and peace through a cup of tea with your friends will change your perspective towards tea - Every Saturday 2 pm to 5 pm. Booking is required. Approx. 1 hour for each session, please choose your time slot. Book at: 7868825918 - 04132622192 - 04132623918 / francesco@gelatofactory.in . Venue: Gelato Factory main Auroville road (near Auroville Bakery and Farm Fresh), Kuilapalyam [www.artfood.in]

Thai massage to re-harmonize the energy and heal with Christine P. Registration & infos: contact@auroville-holistic.com, Christine: 9489805493/ www.auroville-holistic.com

Therapies with Vani:

Journey to the memory of the body: 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, Radical Healing, Self Inquiries.

Awakening the intelligence of the body: 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: 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.

For appointment contact Pitanga: 2622 994/403 or Vani: [9488818072](tel:9488818072)/vani@auroville.org.in
Reiki and Reflexology courses possible on request

Tibetan Dinner: Wednesday Dinner at Pavilion of Tibetan Culture from 7 pm onward, followed by a documentary on "A Journey of Non-Violence" at 7.45 pm. We request everyone to register for the dinner by calling 041 3 2622401 or 8489067332 or send an e- mail to: kalsang@auroville.org.in. All are invited.

Transformational Yoga: at Creativity Hall of Light. Every Tuesday from 5 pm to 6.30 pm with Lakshmi. Transformational Yoga gives you the tools you need in order to make a difference in your everyday life. In depth focus of asanas, the chakras, mantras and breathing and meditation techniques gives you the knowledge you need to purify your body, stabilise your emotions, focus your mind, and increase your spiritual well-being. Transformational Yoga aims to awaken all five bodies and seven chakras in order to experience a continuous state of physical health and stamina, emotional balance higher mental guidance, unconditional love and faith, and spiritual bliss consciousness.

Ultimate Frisbee: Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at the Gaia Sports Field 4.30 pm to sundown (turn left before Gaia community gate). Helps improve stamina, hand/eye coordination, and focus through running, throwing, & catching the disc; along with patience & teamwork and Spirit of the Game. Bring running shoes if you have them. Contact avultimate@auroville.org.in with any questions or just come ready to play!

NEW! Ultimate Frisbee women's team training: Sunday 4-6 pm

UpCycling Studio: Make your LFA cushion at UpCycling Studio. You will Up-cycle PVC and have one cushion free. Every Saturday, from 10:00 am, UpCycling Studio will conduct workshops for the composing of Cushion. If you need more detail, please contact OK: 9344002972 or email okjeonglee@gmail.com. Call for info about new workshops happening!

Vedic Astrology: Chart reading and interpretation. Call 9843948288 or email vikram@auroville.org.in for an appointment.

Veena Musical Classes: One of India's most ancient string. Regular veena musical classes by Ravi for everyone, Children & Adults, at Yatra Arts Foundation, near New Creation sports ground. Every Friday evening from 5pm to 7pm. Contact: 0413- 2623071 / 9786772209

Vocal Coaching and Sacred Chanting: We will explore and learn how to develop your vocal instrument. The second part of the class will be dedicated to : learning Mantras, Kirtans and Bajhans. (devotional and peace songs). Mondays From 2pm to 4pm at Creativity at hall of light. Contact Hamsini 9487544184.

WARAKU Practice in Auroville Budokan: Waraku is a Japanese Budo based on ancient Shinto wisdom. The ancients taught the "Kototama", the power of sound. The universe is made of sound. During Waraku keiko (practice) we enter into the ancient spirit of Japan; we learn to activate and coordinate our body, mind and spirit through powerful spiral movements and through sound; we celebrate this awakened energy in partner practice using a wooden sword, the Tsurugi. The practice will be directed by Sep and Yoko, direct disciples of Maeda Hiramasa Sensei, the founder of Waraku.

Hours of practice: Mondays from 7 pm to 8.30 pm / Fridays from 7.30 pm to 9 pm. Minimum age is 15. For further information contact Sep: overlaet@gmail.com/8489755035 -For all activities at the Auroville Budokan, please note: Health Fund or private insurance necessary - Reasonable contribution required -for the Budokan.

Yoga classes - traditional style: Classes at sharnqa GH (yoga hall) with Christine P. on Monday/Tuesday/Thursday from 4.30 to 6 pm. On mon/tues/thurs from 4.30 to 6 pm.. Guest can drop in. For Aurovilian and Newcomer registration must be done by mail previously. Private classes on request

Youth Entertainment Program presents the YEPweek: a program especially designed for guest kids, to enjoy their stay, and discover Auroville. We will take them from place to place, where the kids will participate in various activities facilitated by Aurovilians. This program (Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm) offers a good balance between visits, activities and free playing time. Joyfully, *Yep Team* (+91-9626565134)

The Youth Center Pizza Nights are on Fire: And so is the fire wood oven, so when Saturday evening 7 00 pm comes around, get your chappals on and kick your bike to life (or jump on your cycle), follow your nose and you'll end up at the right place! We have pizzaiolos rolling out doughs by the second and a precisely highly trained group of hands sprinkling the pizzas with all kinds of toppings and tasty Auroville cheeses. And lots more, so see you there!

Vinyasa Yoga: - at Creativity Hall of Light, every Thursday from 4 pm to 5.30 pm with Bebe Merino. This style is sometimes also called flow yoga, because of the smooth way that the poses run together and become like a dance. Please come and enjoy the classes.

ACCESSIBLE AUROVILLE PUBLIC BUS - APRIL 2017



We remind you that the bus is Accessible to All, it means that everybody will be able to use it. People who have no physical problems, wheelchair users, mothers with buggies, people with temporary or permanently reduced mobility included. The differently able residents and guests who want to use the bus must call us one day or one hour in advance and they will be picked up at their communities.

For those who would like to contribute more to support the Accessible Auroville Public Bus here is the account number 251675 - With Gratitude, AV Bus Team (- Email contact: avbus@auroville.org.in)

Pondy Trips

Morning Trips: MONDAY to SATURDAY

8.20 am - Vérité
8.25 am - Matrimandir office gate
8.30 am - Solar kitchen
8.32 am - Certitude
8.40 am - Kuilapalayam
(New Creation Junction)
8.42 am - Kuilapalayam(SBI Bank)
8.45 am - (Former) Last School
8.50 am - Quiet
9.00 am - Lotus Hotel
9.05 am - Ashram Dining Hall

12.00 pm - Ashram Dining Hall
12.05 pm - Lotus Hotel
12.15 pm - Quiet
12.20 pm - (Former) Last School
12.23 pm - Kuilapalayam(SBI Bank)
12.25 pm - Kuilapalayam
(New Creation Junction)
12.33 pm - Certitude
12.35 pm - Solar Kitchen
12.40 pm - Matrimandir Office Gate
12.45 pm - Vérité

Afternoon Trips: WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

4.20 pm - Vérité
4.25 pm - Matrimandir office gate
4.30 pm - Solar kitchen
4.33 pm - Certitude
4.40 pm - Kuilapalayam
(New Creation Junction)
4.42 pm - Kuilapalayam(SBI Bank)
4.45 pm - (Former) Last School
4.50 pm - Quiet
5.00 pm - Lotus Hotel
5.05 pm - Ashram Dining Hall

8.10 pm - Ashram Dining Hall
8.15 pm - Lotus Hotel
8.25 pm - Quiet
8.30 pm - (Former) Last School
8.33 pm - Kuilapalayam(SBI Bank)
8.35 pm - Kuilapalayam
(New Creation Junction)
8.43 pm - Certitude
8.45 pm - Solar Kitchen
8.50 pm - Matrimandir Office Gate
8.55 pm - Vérité

Short afternoon Trips: MONDAY & SATURDAY

2.50 pm - Vérité
2.55 pm - Matrimandir office gate
3.00 pm - Solar kitchen
3.03 pm - Certitude
3.08 pm - Kuilapalayam
(New Creation Junction)
3.10 pm - Kuilapalayam(SBI Bank)
3.12 pm - (Former) Last School
3.18 pm - Quiet
3.30 pm - Lotus Hotel
3.35 pm - Ashram Dining Hall

6.00 pm - Ashram Dining Hall
6.05 pm - Lotus Hotel
6.17 pm - Quiet
6.23 pm - (Former) Last School
6.25 pm - Kuilapalayam(SBI Bank)
6.27 pm - Kuilapalayam
(New Creation Junction)
6.33 pm - Certitude
6.35 pm - Solar Kitchen
6.40 pm - Matrimandir Office Gate
6.45 pm - Vérité

Sunday Trips to Srirama beach (Tanto Far beach)

9.00am - Vérité	11.30 am - Vérité	2.30pm - Vérité	3.30pm - Vérité
9.05am - Matrimandir Office	11.35am - Matrimandir Office	2.35pm - Matrimandir Office	3.35pm - Matrimandir Office
9.10am - Solar Kitchen	11.40am - Solar Kitchen	2.40pm - Solar Kitchen	3.40pm - Solar Kitchen
9.12am - Certitude	11.42am - Certitude	2.42pm - Certitude	3.42pm - Certitude
9.17am - Kuilapalayam/New Creation Junction	11.47am - Kuilapalayam/New Creation Junction	2.47pm - Kuilapalayam/New Creation Junction	3.47pm - Kuilapalayam/New Creation Junction
9.19am - Kuilapalayam/ SBI Bank	11.49am - Kuilapalayam/ SBI Bank	2.49pm - Kuilapalayam/ SBI Bank	3.49pm - Kuilapalayam/ SBI Bank
9.21am - Old Last School	11.51am - Old Last School	2.51pm - Old Last School	3.51pm - Old Last School
9.30am - Sri Ma Community	12.00pm - Sri Ma Community	3.00pm - Sri Ma Community	4.00pm - Sri Ma Community
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9.30am - Sri Ma Community	12.00pm - Sri Ma Community	3.00pm - Sri Ma Community	5.30pm - Sri Ma Community
9.39am - Old Last School	12.09pm - Old Last School	3.09pm - Old Last School	5.39pm - Old Last School
9.41am - Kuilapalayam/SBI Bank	12.11pm - Kuilapalayam/ SBI Bank	3.11pm - Kuilapalayam/ SBI Bank	5.41pm - Kuilapalayam/ SBI Bank
9.43am - Kuilapalayam/New Creation Junction	12.13pm - Kuilapalayam/New Creation Junction	3.13pm - Kuilapalayam/New Creation Junction	5.43pm - Kuilapalayam/ New Creation Junction
9.48am - Certitude	12.18pm - Certitude	3.18pm - Certitude	5.48pm - Certitude
9.50am - Solar Kitchen	12.20pm - Solar Kitchen	3.20pm - Solar Kitchen	5.50pm - Solar Kitchen
9.55am - Matrimandir Office	12.25pm - Matrimandir Office	3.25pm - Matrimandir Office	5.55pm - Matrimandir Office
10.00am - Vérité	12.30pm - Vérité	3.30pm - Vérité	6.00pm - Vérité

FILMS



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

- Reminder: Friday 31 MARCH "The Day of the Jackal" by Fred Zinnemann - uk, france, 1973
- FRIDAY 7 APRIL: "The Red Shoes"
Director: Michael Powell, Emeric Pressburger - UK, 1948
With: Anton Walbrook, Moira Shearer, Marius Goring
English version with English Subtitles, Duration: 2h.16'

Synopsis: The Red Shoes, the singular fantasia from Michael Powell and Emeric Pressburger, is cinema's quintessential backstage drama, as well as one of the most glorious Technicolor feasts ever concocted for the screen. Victoria, a rising star ballerina is torn between an idealistic composer and a ruthless impresario intent on perfection; she has to choose between his career and her love... Based on the fairy tale "The Red Shoes" by Hans Christian Andersen. The film stars renowned dancers from the ballet world, featuring outstanding performances, blazingly beautiful cinematography, Oscar-winning sets and music, and an unforgettable, hallucinatory central dance sequence; it is a beloved classic.

THE ECO FILM CLUB



Sadhana Forest, April 7th, 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!

WHAT IF WE CHANGE

50mins / Multilingual w/ English Subtitles / 2013 / A Loefflab Foundation Film.

All across the world, people are making efforts to restore and protect the ecosystem they are part of. Video reporters of the initiative What if we change followed the work of local communities and organisations in India, Bolivia, Mali and Bonaire for two years. This documentary is compiled from over 1,000 video stories they produced which shows both the challenges and the solutions when it comes to offering nearly 7 billion people a healthy life on earth.

(Reminder: Friday 31/03- The Secrets of Water: the Work of Viktor Schauberg)

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VISITOR CENTER MOVIE SHOW

6th April Thursday & 7th April Friday - NO SHOW

AT SAVITRI BHAVAN

Monday, 3rd of April 2016 at 6:30 pm

"THE INTEGRAL YOGA AND OTHER PATHS - Part 1"

Dr. Alok Pandey speaks about the essence of spirituality and about the feminine, the dynamic side of the Divine. In times of transition from the old to the new the dynamic side of the Divine needs to step into the forefront. It is The Mother "Aditi", the undivided consciousness which gives impulses for the evolutionary process.

Evolutions happened and are happening on the whole Earth. And evolutionary processes of the past showed that human beings don't like to stay within limits. Something exists in men that want to transient boundaries and limits. We are programmed for this. For the world and God has to be uniting always anew.

The Isha Upanishad expresses the reconciliation of the world and the spirit, the foundation for a Life Divine. And Sri Aurobindo wants the illumination for the whole being: When the soul can unite with the infinite, then the finite mind, the limited heart and the body can also unite with the love, the freedom, the power of the infinite.

There is the call in Savitri in 'The Book of the Divine Mother: "Assent to thy high self, create, endure. / Cease not from knowledge, let thy toil be vast. / No more can earthly limits pen thy force;" - Duration: 30min.

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.

Wednesday, April 5, 7:45 pm at Unity Pavilion:

BILLIONS IN CHANGE

The world is facing some huge problems. There's a lot of talk about how to solve them. But talk doesn't reduce pollution, or grow food, or heal the sick. That takes doing. This film is the story about a group of doers, the elegantly simple inventions they have made to change the lives of billions of people, and the unconventional billionaire spearheading the project.

All are welcome. Voluntary contribution for refreshments.

Contact: new.av.economy@gmail.com

KINO AUROVILLE

As every first Saturday of the month, the next Kino screening will be on: **Saturday April 1st at 10 am at Cinema Paradiso.**



Please come and enjoy the latest short films of last month. If you have a film to screen (no less than 30 seconds, and no more than 6 minutes) then please arrive with it on a USB stick 15 minutes early.

Watch the films of our last screenings that have been uploaded to our Vimeo group and to check the guidelines here:

vimeo.com/groups/kinoaurovillemonthly

The FRENCH PAVILION presents

"LOW-TECH EXPEDITION"

An adventure into self-sufficiency at sea

Documentary and Discussion

Introduced by the JOI project and discussed with the "Nomads of the Seas"

Saturday 1st April 2017 at 5 pm

Cinema Paradiso (French subtitled in English 52min)

In Bangladesh, a young engineer called Corentin de Chatelperron decides to be the first to test the sailing boat that he has created - with the help from his team 'Gold of Bengal' - from jute material. He has one ambition: to achieve complete self-sufficiency at sea. He sets off on his journey with two egg-laying hens, a small greenhouse to grow potatoes, and various other handmade contraptions for 6 months' sailing around the deserted islands of the Gulf of Bengal.

This astonishing seafaring adventure is also a perfect opportunity to reflect, both alone and as a team, on the potential of so-called 'low technologies', simple tools, built with whatever materials are available, that help people to meet their basic needs in difficult circumstances.

Then a short video will be presented: in 2015, after this adventure, the team Gold of Bengal launched the 'low-tech lab - a sail boat laboratory to find and spread local innovations which answers to basic needs all over the world. They are now in Auroville!

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Important information about News & Notes (Absolute deadline for submissions or 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).

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.**

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Cinema Paradiso

Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium
Film program 3 April 2017 to 9 April 2017

Indian diaspora - Monday 3 April, 8:00 pm:

- **LION**

Australia-USA-UK, 2016, Dir. Garth Davis w/ Dev Patel, Nicole Kidman, Rooney Mara, and others, Biography-Drama, 118mins, English-Bengali-Hindi w/English subtitles (for non-English part), Rated: PG-13

In 1986, Saroo was a 5yrs old boy in India from a poor but happy rural family. On a trip with his brother, Saroo finds himself alone and trapped in a moving train that takes him to Calcutta, miles away from his home. Totally lost and too young to identify either himself or his home to the authorities, Saroo struggles to survive and ends up in an orphanage. Soon, he is adopted by the Brierley family in Tasmania, where he grows up in a loving, prosperous home. However, for all his material good fortune, Saroo finds himself plagued by his memories of his lost family. His quest made him realize the steadfast love that he has always had in both worlds. *Being rescreened by popular demand.*

Italian- Tuesday 4 April, 8:00 pm:

- **L'ATTESA (The Wait)**

Italy, 2015, Dir. Piero Messina w/ Giuliette, Lou de Laage, and others, Drama, 110 mins, Italian w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR

Among the large rooms of an old villa marked by time, Anna spends her days in solitude. All of a sudden Catherine appears, a young woman who claims to be the girlfriend of Giuseppe, Anna's son. He invited her to Sicily to spend a few days' holiday together. The two women do not know each other. Anna did not even know of Jeanne's existence. And Giuseppe is not there. Where has he gone? His things are all there, in his room. The days pass, the two women slowly get to know each other, they learn to wait. Easter is coming; in the village the traditional procession is being prepared. Will Giuseppe return one night?

Cultural - Wednesday 5 April, 8:00 pm:

- **ANDREA CHENIER: opera by Giordano**

UK, 2015, Dir. Jonathan Hashwell w/Jonas Kaufmann, Eva M. Westbroek and others, A. Pappano, Opera, 123mins, Italian w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR

Bringing the French revolution to life by portraying the tragic end of Andrea Chenier, a poet sent to the guillotine in 1794 for criticizing France's post-revolutionary government, this opera presents a perfect realization of this turbulent time. Costumes and scenery are wonderful, the cast is excellent and we could not find a better Chenier than Kaufmann. His romantic look, an astonishing range, a tone of molten gold and a charismatic intelligence that allows him to command any operatic stage on earth - are the reasons why he is considered the best tenor of our time. Wonderfully tragic performance!

Russian - Thursday 6 April, 8:00 pm:

- **UTOMLENNYE SOLNTSEM (Burn by the Sun)**

Russia, 1994, Dir. Nikita Mikhalkov w/ Oleg Menshikov, Ingeborga Dapkunaite, and others, Drama-War, 135 mins, Russian w/ English subtitles, Rated: R

1936: revolutionary hero Colonel Kotov is spending an idyllic summer in his village with his young wife and 6yrs old daughter Nadia and other assorted family and friends. Things change dramatically with the unheralded arrival of Cousin Dmitri from Moscow, who charms the women and little Nadia with his games and pianistic bravura. But Kotov isn't fooled: this is the time of Stalin's repression, with telephone calls in the middle of the night spelling doom - and he knows that Dmitri isn't paying a social call...

International - Saturday 8 April, 8:00 pm:

- **MOONLIGHT**

USA, 2016, Dir. Barry Jenkins w/ Mahershala Ali, Shariff Earp, Duan Sanderson, and others, Drama, 111mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated: R

Adapted from a short play called "In Moonlight Black Boys Look Blue" by Tarell Alvin McCraney, this film charts the life of a black gay youth named Chiron as he grows up in a rough neighborhood in Miami. In the first segment, Chiron is 10yrs old nicknamed "Little" - raised, abused, and neglected by his mother Paula. Chiron is taken under the wings of a kindhearted Cuban-American drug dealer and his girlfriend Teresa In the middle installment; a teenage Chiron explores his sexuality as he falls in love with a close friend. The final chapter follows Chiron in his twenties - beating all odds he manages to reconnect with his own past. *Being rescreened by popular demand.*

Children's Film - Sunday 9 April, 4:30pm:

- **NORM OF THE NORTH**

USA, 2016, Dir. Trevor Wall, w/ Rob Schneider, Heather Graham, Ken Jeong and others, Animation, 90mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG

When a real estate development invades his Arctic home, Norm and his three lemming friends head to New York City, where Norm becomes the mascot of the corporation in an attempt to bring it down from the inside and protect his homeland.

Peter Sellers Film Festival @ Ciné-Club

Ciné-Club - Sunday 9 April, 8:00 pm:

- **THE PINK PANTHER**

USA, 1963, Dir. Blake Edwards w/Peter Sellers, David Niven, Robert Wagner and others, Comedy-Crime, 115min, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG.

Set in a fashionable resort in the Italian Alps, the story centers on Litton's attempt to steal a magnificent gem from the visiting Princess Dala. Unknown to the others, Litton is actually the legendary Phantom, a notorious thief whose myth is adored by women and envied by men. For years, French Inspector Clouseau has been pursuing to capture him but he manages to escape because his mistress and accomplice is Clouseau's wife!

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