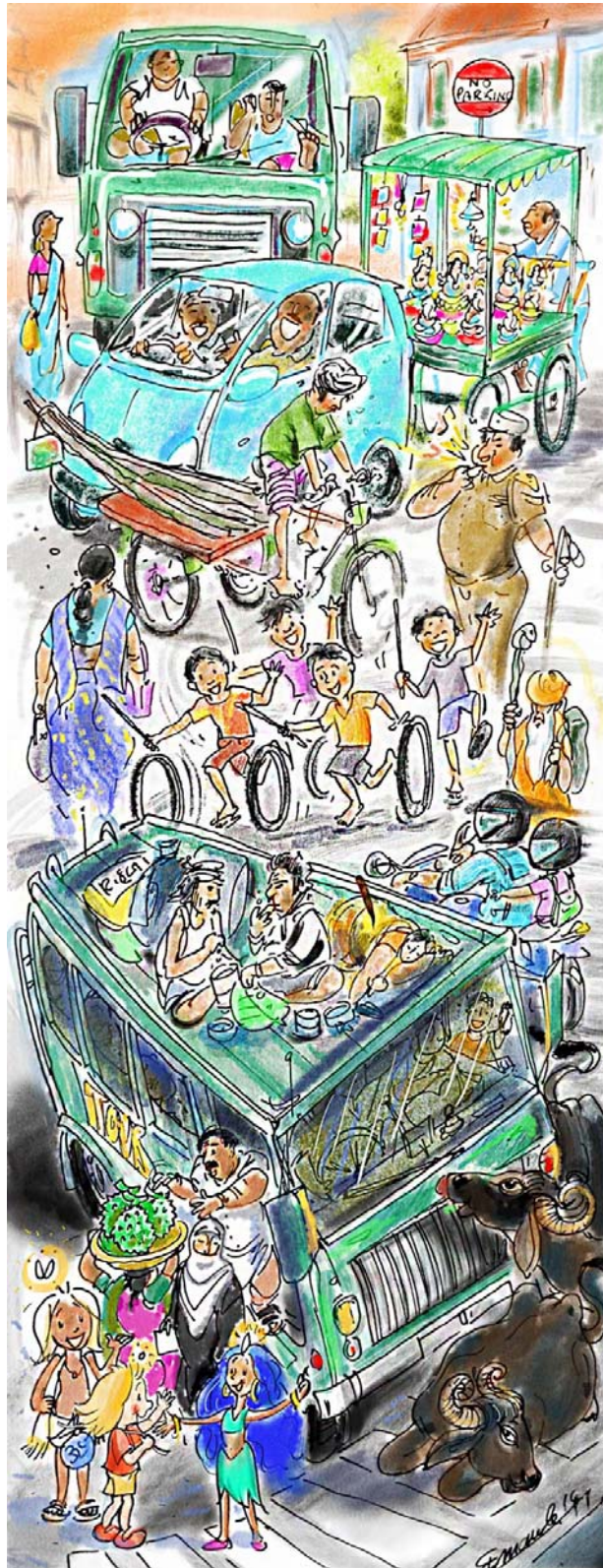


News & Notes

3rd June 2017.....A weekly bulletin for residents of Auroville.....Number 700



HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

Liberation

I HAVE thrown from me the whirling dance of mind
And stand now in the spirit's silence free;
Timeless and deathless beyond creature-kind,
The centre of my own eternity.
I have escaped and the small self is dead;
I am immortal, alone, ineffable;
I have gone out from the universe I made,
And have grown nameless and immeasurable.
My mind is hushed in a wide and endless light,
My heart a solitude of delight and peace,
My sense unsnared by touch and sound and sight,
My body a point in white infinities.
I am the one Being's sole immobile Bliss:
No one I am, I who am all that is.
27.7.1938 / 22.3.1944

The Cosmic Spirit

I am a single Self all Nature fills.
Immeasurable, unmoved the Witness sits:
He is the silence brooding on her hills,
The circling motion of her cosmic might.
I have broken the limits of embodied mind
And am no more the figure of a soul.
The burning galaxies are in me outlined;
The universe is my stupendous whole.
My life is the life of village and continent,
I am earth's agony and her throbs of bliss;
I share all creatures' sorrow and content
And feel the passage of every stab and kiss.
Impassive, I bear each act and thought and mood:
Time traverses my hushed infinitude.
15-10-1939 / 5-11-1939

Transformation

My breath runs in a subtle rhythmic stream;
It fills my members with a might divine:
I have drunk the Infinite like a giant's wine.
Time is my drama or my pageant dream.
Now are my illumined cells joy's flaming scheme
And changed my thrilled and branching nerves to fine
Channels of rapture opal and hyaline
For the influx of the Unknown and the Supreme.
I am no more a vassal of the flesh,
A slave to Nature and her leaden rule;
I am caught no more in the senses' narrow mesh.
My soul unhorizoned widens to measureless sight,
My body is God's happy living tool,
My spirit a vast sun of deathless light.
1933/1934

SRI AUROBINDO - Collected Poems

The
Ponder
Corner

In truth, no system can on its own effect the change humanity desperately needs; for that change can only occur by developing the possibilities of one's own higher nature to the fullest. And this development depends on an inner growth, not on an external change. However, external changes can at last prepare favourable conditions for that more substantial improvement, or on the contrary lead to such conditions that Kalki's sword alone can purify the earth of the burden of an obstinately asuric humanity. The choice depends on the species itself; for as it sows, so shall it reap the fruit of its Karma.

MOTHER
Submitted by GangaLakshmi

FAMC hosts workshop on matters of non-compliance

As we all know, whether in a working group or not, in the past or present, there are many instances of 'non-compliance' of our community approved processes, guidelines and mandates.

We also know there are many reasons for this and that it is a very difficult issue to address on many levels, so it continues to happen, often resulting in polarization and frustration that continues to increase. These situations affect all of us, as individuals, as working group members and as Auroville residents each committed in his/her own way to the vision and ideals.

The FAMC has taken a first step in trying to work towards solutions and change by inviting all major working groups to a half day workshop on the issue of 'non-compliance', which took place on 13th May, facilitated by Stefan and Leena from the newly formed group of facilitators. The groups that were represented are: AV Council, Housing Board, Working Committee, Koodam, and the FAMC. Members from iTDC were invited and someone planned to attend until the schedule was moved to the afternoon and then their representative was not available.

Below is an overview of the afternoon with a summary of the questions we worked with and the responses that came up in our large and small group discussions. Although this session was with working groups, it is clear to us all that this is a topic for the community to address as a whole. We invite all of you to share your thoughts and give feedback on this report, and if you feel a call to get actively involved do let us know by writing us at adminfamc@auroville.org.in.

Additionally we invite working groups to reflect on the justifications commonly given for non-compliant behavior and how these can be addressed, by working group processes, so that an atmosphere of non-compliance is not unintentionally encouraged.

Although this is clearly a baby step, we all felt more optimistic when we left than we did when we arrived, so we hope that with a sincere and collaborative effort we can work together towards positive change.

Amy, Bindu, Chali, Chandresh, Lyle, Prabhu, Stephanie, Ulli, and Yuval (FAMC)

What is the issue?	Related Agreements, Policies, Guidelines (also Root Causes)	Results / Effects (also Possible Solutions)
Non compliance of members to visit psychiatrist / Medical non-compliance	Non-yet existing	Depression. Violence. Abnormal behaviour. Disruption of normal life
Aurovilians taking over land without Auroville process - encroachment	Stewardship allocation process	Unhappy neighbours; sets precedent for other incidents / (Land stewardship policy and land usage policy)
Individuals acting against housing policy; stewardship of 2 houses	Housing Policy	Not enough housing for everyone / (community involvement to solve this issue; list of people with many assets in N&N with request to give back excess houses)
Development / construction		
Asset stewardship / usage		
Income generation, distribution, and use		
Executive of trustee financial non-compliance	Unit and Trust Guidelines	Late submission of balance sheets to AVF
Community members not complying to Auroville ideals	Charter / True Aurovilian / Dream	
Non-compliance of working groups to communicate or to their own mandate	Mandates	
Individual freedom/collective responsibility		
Construction without NOC	Site and Building Applications	(Better communication of SA & BA to the community)
Non-compliance of project holders to inform neighbours	TDC related policies and processes	(Not accepting forms without NOC from neighbours)
Conflict resolution agreements		
	(Cultural differences - priorities, values, behaviour ...) // (Culture differences need precedence .. no consequences for action)	
	(Lack of clarity / contradicting regulations & guidelines)	(To review and consolidate and simplify all existing policies, guidelines in relation to the other)
	(As a statement against perceived lack of trust / dis-empowerment)	
	("My Auroville" different interpretations of Auroville's vision and dream - ego)	

	(Following precedences)	
	(Ignorance, lack of knowledge)	
	(Inefficiency of systems, processes, working group communication and decision-making)	
		Division. Topics that are 'elephants in the room'
		Polarisation
		(Acknowledge and support best practice, what works, is good)
		(Communication and guidelines. Imposing but giving chance the RA can understand)
		(Case-based, collective solidarity in face of escalation)
		(More open, safe communication and discussion about the issues, root causes, cases)
		(Guidelines on handling those who need emotional / mental stabilizing)
		Negative media in the outside world
		Stagnation
		(Seek help from other groups, esp. AVC)
		(Respectful and responsible leadership / clarity; deadlines after long time explaining)
	(Administrative lack of tools - data; working groups [not] supporting each other)	
		Slow growth of Auroville
		Individuals are frustrated and maybe drop out. Working groups cannot work with full potential
		Dissatisfaction with community
		(Reassign / reuse policy with community wide input)
		Neighbours objection during the implementation stage
		It will effect to future development of community structure

Entry GM Report

Dear residents,

On 11th May, 2017, an information-sharing General Meeting (GM) was held, where the Entry Task Group (ETG) presented the proposed amendments to the Entry Policy 2015.

Please click the link to access the report: <https://www.auroville.org.in/article/63277>

After this GM, the AvC, the WCom and the ETG, together with the RAS, discussed and prepared a time-line of next steps. There are 7 more steps to be taken before we can open up fully to new applications. These steps (which include cycles of preparation, publication, integration) are:

- 1) Asking some open questions to the community for seeking inputs, and integrating those inputs in the policy: from 30th May to 30th June
- 2) Publishing the proposed amended Entry Policy 2017 for community feedback, integrating the feedback, and announcing a GM: from 3rd July to 7th August
- 3) The GM and Presenting the integrated Entry Policy for an RAD process: 21st August
- 4) Starting the RAD process: from 28th August to 11th September
- 5) Announcing the outcome of the RAD process: 12th September
- 6) Selecting the new Entry Board (if the community accepts the Entry Board as an amendment): 15th September to 13th October
- 7) Auroville Entry Service opens to new applications: 16th October 2017.

You will be kept informed and involved.

Thank you for your interest and participation,

The Auroville Council, the Working Committee and the Entry Task Group.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attention Eateries and Restaurants

BCC would like to remind all executives/managers of eateries/restaurants in Auroville to share your turnover figures - starting from April 2017 with Ursula, the BCC coordinator, at the Financial Service.
Thanking you, Sincerely, BCC

New Prices for Solar Kitchen Meals

Dear All,
Kindly note that Solar Kitchen prices have changed. The new prices listed below are effective from 1 June 2017.

Price at Solar Kitchen		Current Prices (effective from 1 June 2016)	New Prices (effective from 1 June 2017)
Lunch	Individuals - Monthly	₹ 1,570.00	₹ 1,730.00
	Students	₹ 1,450.00	₹ 1,600.00
	Individuals - Daily	₹ 95.00	₹ 105.00
	Children - Daily	₹ 55.00	₹ 60.00
	Guests - Daily	₹ 200.00	₹ 220.00
	Sunday Lunch	₹ 145.00	₹ 160.00
	Sunday Lunch - Children	₹ 80.00	₹ 90.00
	Sunday Lunch - Guest	₹ 210.00	₹ 230.00
	Dinner		
	Individuals - Monthly	₹ 1,570.00	₹ 1,730.00
	Individuals - Daily	₹ 95.00	₹ 105.00
	Guests - Daily	₹ 180.00	₹ 200.00
Sports	Children Monthly	₹ 22,000.00	₹ 24,200.00

Thanking you, Regards, BCC

Consolidation of the Annual Accounts of the Auroville Foundation

Dear Unit Executives and Trustees,
This is to inform you all that for the Consolidation of the Annual Accounts of the Auroville Foundation all Balance Sheets of Trusts need to be submitted by 13th June 2017 without fail. These Balance Sheets should reflect the new depreciation method as was intimated last year.

Last year there was undue delay in the Consolidation of the Annual Accounts, which reflected badly on Auroville as a whole as CAG had to wait for the approved Balance Sheets. This year, in order not to have problems with CAG, we need to be prepared for the Audit. So please respect the deadline in submitting Balance Sheets of Trusts.

If any unit of the Trust has problems in submitting the Balance Sheets by the stipulated time-limit, it must be communicated immediately to the Trustees or Trust Auditor before the submission date.

With Regards, FAMC

FAMC - Additional 5 weeks

Dear Community,
We recently participated in a facilitated process of reflection and review, having completed an initial 6 months working together as a team. As a result of our 6 month review, we feel it is necessary to dedicate an additional 5 weeks to continue and deepen the process of reflecting on our experience of working together as a team and to explore how we can do so

more efficiently and effectively within the framework of our mandate. During this time we will only be handling routine topics and matters of urgent priority. All other matters will be held pending until our reflection as a team is completed. Thank you for understanding.

Sincerely, Amy, Bindu, Chali, Chandresh, Lyle, Prabhu, Ulli, and Yuval (FAMC)

Auroville Learning Activities

Dear Community members,

After a 1.5 year community process, the Auroville Council endorses the Auroville Learning Activities (ALA) Guidelines for a trial period of one year. The trial period starts on July 1st, when the ALA Coordination Group (ALACG) takes up their work. During the whole trial period the group welcomes feedback, inputs and co-creation for the benefit of the larger community.

The objectives given in 2015 to the ALA subgroup members, namely Vikram, Dhanya, Dominique, Guy, Joster, Daniel and Lara, were:

- Promote the growth of the non-formal learning sector in Auroville
- Promote and encourage communication, sharing and collaboration
- Encourage practices in tune with the ideals of Auroville
- Ensure these activities abide by the laws of the Government of India

The finalized guidelines for this point in time have been presented in a GM on April 29th. Several meetings and interactions with stakeholders were conducted throughout the last year. The Council would like to thank the subgroup for their great work.

The implementation phase will be facilitated / coordinated by the Auroville Learning Activity Coordination Group (ALACG). This group is being constituted by Dhanya, Dominique and Daniel from the ALA sub group and by Giji, Manas, Mike (ACI) and Sheba. Because more people showed interest to be part of it, the final constitution of the group will be announced in July when the ALACG starts their work.

We would like to ask the community for cooperation. Auroville becomes more and more complex, and we need to get organized and unified. In the long run, this may enable us to implement new economic systems and shared platforms of many kinds.

In this light we wish the ALACG every success, with joy and inspiration.

Please find the Guidelines on this link: <https://www.auroville.org.in/article/62716>

With gratitude, Auroville Council

Stephanie resigns from FAMC

Dear Friend,

This is to inform you that on May 12, 2017, Stephanie announced her resignation from the Funds and Asset Management Committee (FAMC).

Interim member possible: According to our current Selection Process, the FAMC must wait until the next Selection Process (Oct-Nov) before selecting a new member, but may (or may not) appoint an interim member (without decision-making powers) for the interim period.

For more information, please don't hesitate to email the RAS at: raservice@auroville.org.in or call the RAS Lounge on: 2623 701.

Much love,
Your RAS Team

From the Entry Service - N&N #700 - Dated 03-06-2017

Our team is happy to recommend the following persons as Aurovilians, Newcomers, Friends of Auroville and Partners of Auroville. We will wait one month for Newcomers and Aurovilians from this publication for your feedback before confirming. Send your feedback to: entryservice@auroville.org.in

AUROVILIANS ANNOUNCED

Bitna CHOI (Korean) Staying in Prarthna (WeDK) and Working at Financial Service
Christophe BENESE (French) Staying in Shranga and Working at KRIPA
Gerard ARNAUD (French) Staying in Djaima and Working at Well Cafe

Omar RABIE (Egyptian) Staying in Discipline and Working at Last School and Earth Institute
Sebastien FAGALDE (French) Staying in Citadines and Working at Aquadyn
Philippe PELEN (French) Staying in Maitreye and Working at Ritam
Thierry MOUCAZAMBO (French) Staying in Maitreye and Working at Ritam

B-Forms and Recommendation letters: on appointment only.
The Entry Service is open to the public Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9:30 to 12:30.
Wednesday and Thursday for Interview by appointment only.
We will be closed for 2 weeks from the 16th June till Monday the 3rd of July.
At your service, *The Entry Service Team*

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Closure of Matrimandir for Visitors from June 5th to July 6th

Dear Aurovilians,

This is to inform you that Matrimandir will be closed to visitors for urgent renovation and repair works from 5.6.2017 to 5.7.2017. Matrimandir reopens for visitors' concentration from 6.7.2017.

The booking services by phone, email and the Visitors Centre Booking Office will remain closed from 4.6.2017 to 4.7.2017. Booking for concentration reopens from 5.7.2017.

The Visitors Centre and the Matrimandir Viewing Point will remain open as usual from 9 am to 5 pm, Sundays from 9 am to 1 pm only.

For Aurovilians' concentration the Matrimandir will be open from 6 - 8 am and from 5.30 to 8 pm only.

However, please be informed that you may encounter scaffolding and maintenance equipment on your way to the Inner Chamber! :)

We regret very much the inconvenience caused.

With kind regards, *The Matrimandir Team*

Housing Service: Waiting list

Dear Community,

The Housing Waiting list is our method to create fairness in the house allocations.

The HS has established since years a fair waiting list where people who need housing are listed. Some have money, some have a bit and some Aurovilians have none.

We have written some clear standards under which families can ask for help. The norm is at least 4 years working for the community and having no other resources, like money in fixed accounts, or having property in the village.

We try to create housing for this group by fixing up old houses and create houses for the young people.

However it is many time a big challenge. Whenever someone dies in the community a great amount of people goes into pushing themselves or their friends to the housing service and the community.

This is not right. We try to be fair and people that wait the longest (sometimes 10 years) or who have lost their house, need to be have a chance first, not the ones that push the hardest or make the most drama. We give the names on the waiting list for the community to decide. Family units for family, and single or couples for the smaller units.

A house that would need a lot of expensive maintenance will be given for new stewardships and the funds that come from these are used to help people with some but not enough to get their first stewardship, and extension to their house when the family grows or we renovate old houses and give them for a small rental contribution (like the old health center staff quarter)

Also we ask for GOI funds for creating houses for low rental agreements.

However we have difficulties with some Aurovilians who do not accept houses near to them to be renovated.

People claim a lot of space as their right, or for their future children.

Anyway we have in the last 3 years been able to shrink the waiting list from 125 to 77 (of which still 35 with absolute minimum funds and none or insufficient housing units).

But we keep going slowly until everyone has a chance.

So please respect the process and trust that we try to be as fair as possible.

Housing Service

How to improve the cow/bike barriers on cycle paths

Recently, one resident of Luminosity has modified the existing Progress bike/cow barrier without informing anybody. Following one strong objection, Road Service has modified the pattern. Following a second strong objection from a resident of Creativity, a second modification has been done. Following a third strong objection from a resident of Prarthna, Road Service did not oblige and has decided to ask anybody who has some proposal to convey it to iTDC who will collect some opinion and will convey their advice to Road Service.

A barrier which is fool-proof against bike and also friendly for cyclists does not exist. Some barriers do not allow bikes at all but the corridor is so narrow that cyclists have to get down the cycle and push it and they lose part of their cycling rhythm and joy. Some barriers are friendly for the cyclists but some bike may take advantage. Road Service is regularly confronted with cyclists who complain that these barriers are quite unfriendly, have to be modified and with people who are not happy to see bikes which have gone through them.

The managers of Road Service have agreed with some internal instruction not to deal any longer with the design of the cycle barrier and to invite any plaintiff to address directly the iTDC. Please oblige.

Road Service

Kavunji Nature Camp - 1st Group

From 01.05.2017 - 13.05.2017

39 kids and 13 adults went for a big adventure to Kavunji - a place in the Palani Hills, where Auroville runs a camp. Kids can go for treks, explore nature and spend a 10-13 day holiday in a cool, beautiful environment.

In Kavunji there are 1 big fixed dorm and two new large tents. Others can experience their own tents for comfort and being protected against the rains.

The treks around Kavunji are amazing, adventurous and beautiful. The kids could choose the treks they wanted to do.

Three Ammas from Well-cafe took care of our well-being with cooking and preparing yummy food for us.

The daily discipline consisted of morning exercise, camp-clean-up, morning treks and camp-chores (like fire-wood collection and camp repair).

Usually in the afternoon we had rains or clouds and time for games and preparing boats for the boat-race and other games. The creative arts/crafts skills saw macramé, painting, wood-work and various entries for the final exhibition.

The children organized quiz, puzzles, card-games and acting/singing plays.

Everybody likes the nature-treks and swimming in the river, while the camp-chores and other duties were not so popular. We had lots of fun and impressions, becoming trekking experts, we got new friends, some came back with a cold, but at the end we all had a beautiful new experience for life.

Aniko/ Frederick

SAIIR Auction

We have a collection of unserviceable items lying as scrap under the following 6 categories. We would like to dispose of them. They will be put on an open tender for each category on Friday, 16th June 2017 at 10:30 am. We invite all interested parties to be there at the SAIIR Store room in Udavi School at 10:00 am for registration.

SAIIR TENDER LIST 2017-18

SL.NO	NAME OF THE ITEMS	QTY	SL.NO	NAME OF THE ITEMS	QTY	SL.NO	NAME OF THE ITEMS	QTY
	CATEGORY -A			CATEGORY -D			CATEGORY -E	
	ELECTRONICS:			FURNITURE:			COMPUTERS & PERIPHERALS:	
1	Lamination Machine	1		Wooden chairs	1		CPU	22
2	DVD player	3		lowTable	1		Monitor CRT	15
3	Audio System	5		Filing cabinet	1		Monitor LCD	33
4	Digital Camera	1		Office chairs	2		Printer	10
5	Video Camera	1		Steel chairs	5		Scanner	2
6	TV	3		Plastic chairs	14		HDD	12
7	Dehumidifier	1		Plastic stool	1		Internet modem	4
8	Ceiling Fans	2		Steel Cupboard	2		Toner brand new sealed	1
9	Pedestal fan	2		Wooden Stool	3			
10	Electronic microscope	1		White board	1			
	Water filter	2		Book Shelf	1			
	Projector	2		Pin board	3			
							CATEGORY -F	
							PLANT MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT	
							Wheelbarrow	1
							Gymnastic frame	1
							Gymnastic Bench	3
							Gymnastic multi structure bench	1
							Dumbbells	20
							Rubber plate	32
							Steel plate	30
	CATEGORY -C						Steel bars big	3
	UPS & BATTERY			CATEGORY -G			Steel bars small	2
	Batteries	4		VEHICLES:			white cylindrical light	10
	UPS System	11		Bicycle	1		LED street light head	5

POSTINGS

Water Saving Tip - Your Soaps: Be aware of what you're putting down your drain. Eliminate harmful soaps like Pril and choose chemical-free alternatives. There are plenty of options of less harmful soaps, detergents and other cleaning agents within Auroville, it's only a matter of switching over. Do you find this difficult to do? Maybe it's time to examine why. Look at the associations you have with these products and ask yourself: why do I use this product? Then do your research. Go back and read the Probiotics House Tips in past N&Ns. Learn about the impact of sudsy soaps in our water supply. Then, at the very least, experiment with alternatives - make it a summer project. *Water Group* (watergroup@auroville.org.in)

Free Store: Dear community, in the summer months May and June the Free Store will ONLY be open in the morning from 9-12.30 Monday to Saturday. See you all there, *Free Store team*

Library of Things is now OPEN: The Auroville Library of Things (ALoT) is now ready to serve the community. Through the generosity of a number of Aurovilians and a few other donors, there are a number of items available to borrow. We also encourage you to donate things, particularly home tools,

toys, games, kitchenware/utensils and camping gear. Note that there is no fee, as of now, for borrowing items; however a security deposit will be required. Opening hours: 10 am to 1 pm and 3 pm to 5 pm Monday to Saturday. Location: Container opposite PTDC - *ALoT Team*

La Piscine will be closed for the Teams' annual Tour: From Thursday June 1st. The pool will close earlier on the evening of Wednesday May 31st at 6 pm so that we can get an early start. We will re-open on Monday June 5th at 12 noon as usual.

A Big THANK YOU to all who contributed so generously! *La Piscine Team*

Our phone numbers: Dear Friends, our land line for our residence has not been working for a couple of months and we have decided to disconnect it permanently. You can reach us by mobile or guesthouse number.

Gaya: 944 266 32 82/ 733 906 4405 and Kireet: 9486144504

Gaia's Garden guest house: 2622739 / Murugan(our manager): 9486363282/ 733 906 4407

Thank you, Warm regards; *Gaya and Kireet*

Auroville Consulting Campus: In the past 6 years, Auroville Consulting has organized and hosted more than a hundred workshops and retreats, training over 3000 participants. With the growth in the number of programs, we are now planning a campus in Auroville that can host students, researchers and faculty members. We are collaborating with local and international experts of bioclimatic architecture in designing our campus at Pony Farm (Auroville), which will result in a white paper for the benefit of other campuses in tropical climatic zones.

We invite your suggestions, ideas and support. Contact us at: info@aurovilleconsulting.com to learn more, or to collaborate with us on this project.

Regards, *Ahmed* (Auroville Consulting, Saracon, Kottakarai, Irumbai, Auroville - M: +91 9146807123)

Auroville Bakery Annual tour: Auroville Bakery will be closed on Friday (9th) & Saturday (10th) June 2017. Please pick up your Friday (9.06.2017) order on Thursday (8.06.2017). We will resume service from Monday (12.06.2017). Sorry for any inconvenience caused. *Auroville Bakery Team*

AVAILABLE

Portable Scanner Equipment and more: Portable Scanner Equipment (for Windows and Mac - IRIScan Book 2), requires 2 batteries and It does not need to be connected to a computer to scan files. In perfect condition, with cables and operator's guidel. Donation / Laser Barcode Scanner. In perfect condition, with cables and operator's guidel. Donation / Adonit Jot Touch 4 Bluetooth for a digital artist. Compatible iPad 3, iPad 4, iPad Air, iPad Mini. In perfect condition, with operator's guidel. Donation. More information - contact *Umberto*: umberto.cerasoli@gmail.com.

Office space for rent: Completely newly renovated office space (40 square mtrs) very quiet and green surrounding for rent at Auromode with the following facilities: 24 hours security service. 24 hours generator back-up. Aquadyne drinking water. Car & bike parking. Best regards, *Auromode trust*, Auroshilpam, Auroville - 605101 / tel: 0413-2622193-161 or 99433 90391

TV: 81 cm Videocon LED TV. Model no VJW32. Inner dim: 902 (length) x 152 (width) x 510 (height) with a Tata Sky dish antenna. Contact *Roberto*: roberto@auroville.org.in

Kittens: Our cat Parker has delivered 3 cute white brown beige spotted kittens on Easter Monday. They are still blind but will be ready for new parents soon. Please call 7708595796 to arrange a visit for adoption negotiations *Joël UHU*

6-week old kitten (male): I am a cute little fellow of about 6 weeks old. I have a few tiger stripes but I don't roar. I run after

anything that moves and love playing with your feet. I like the company of other cats and, if they know how to behave, I don't mind the company of dogs. All I need is a permanent home and caring human to become my friend. If you are interested, call: 9486520868 (*Elke*)

House items: Furniture, fridge, washing machine, bicycles (one child and one adult). Please call *Ailly*: 7639318959

Professional photographer: Hello Everyone, I am a professional photographer and if anyone of you need help with photos please contact me, I would be happy to help. Please contact me at: evej88@gmail.com / 94 43 340126. *Eve*

Computer: Dear all, as I will be leaving Auroville soon I would like to give away my desktop computer for a fair price or for a fair exchange, laptop vs desktop. It is a high end computer which I custom built myself. For more information about the specifications contact me: leduccorbetjean@gmail.com - Kind regards, *Jean L.*

Sweaters / garments: *Auromics* would like to offer, to all Aurovilians, sweaters and garments with small defects. These will be available on Monday June 5 at Auromics showroom just below Vêrité from 10 till 5. Please come and choose something you like.

Butterfly stove: 2 rounds, 11 years old, in good condition. Please call 262-3011, *Helène*

LOOKING FOR ...

House keeper work: My name is *Aravelli*. My family and I returned recently to Auroville and we are living in Edayanchavadi. I am looking for work as a house cleaner/ house keeper (amma). I have a good experience of housekeeping. I am fluent in English and a very good worker. My husband is also looking for work. He has a good experience with farming, driving or gardening. Please contact me if you are interested in our services: 97 88 87 38 74. *Submitted by Simone*

Two desks & chairs: I'm looking to borrow two desks and chairs for the months of June and July. Thanks, *Manreet* (manreetdeol@gmail.com)

Someone coming from the US this summer: who would like to get a free taxi ride from the airport to Auroville. You would

have to bring my small (2.5 kg) laptop with you in the hand baggage. WhatsApp: +919047468594 or email: laptop@natyayoga.net - *Submitted by Ruslan D.*

Electric transformer: I'm in need of an electric transformer that will enable me to use a battery drill which somebody has brought me from the states. The transformer should convert our usual 220v ac grid power down to 110v ac power. If somebody has one lying around unused and is willing to depart with it, please let me know and I can start drilling!! *Philipp*: 9655933321

Trip partner to Bodhi Zendo: I am looking for a partner to share a taxi to Bodhi Zendo (www.bodhizendo.org) on June 11, 6am. It is near Kodaikanal. You can contact me at 262-3011 or 96558-57735 or helene@auroville.org.in; *Helene*.

LOST & FOUND

Credit card (Lost): I lost my credit card. It's black colored - if you find it please contact me. *Cengizhan*: lance19912@web.de"

THANK YOU

Congrats & Thanks N&N!
My appreciation and thanks to the current N&N team, and the ones before it, and the ones before that, for keeping up this so very important organ for Auroville's functioning. Congrats with reaching this 700th issue!
Much love, *Mauna*

Profound Gratitude
HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA at SAVITRI BHAVAN expresses its deep felt gratitude to all Aurovilians who thanked me recently for the publication of extracts of Sri Aurobindo's and Mother's writings on the first page of News and Notes since 1989.
In the Joy of Service,
GangaLakshmi, House of Mother's Agenda, Savitri Bhavan

A P P E A L

Auroville Theatre Group

The Auroville Theatre Group's performance of ALL MY SONS was created with a lot of love and care. We have been very pleased and grateful for the positive feedback from so many people!

We would like to ask those of you who came and enjoyed our show to please make a donation to our PT account # 0057/The Auroville Theatre Group. This year, we have no outside project money to cover some of our expenses: lights, costumes, and video.

Any amount would be most gratefully received. We need a total of Rs. 25,000.

PT # 0057/the Auroville Theatre Group

Love, Jill (artistic director for the Auroville Theatre Group)

A C C O M M O D A T I O N S A V A I L A B L E A N D N E E D E D

House-sitting 1: Hello, we are Siri Chand, Desiree and Devi Ananda. We have visited AV in March and April and decided to come and live in AV from July on and start our newcomer process. We are a happy young family, social, conscious and involved. We love nature, animals and meditation. Desiree will work at Eco Femme and Siri Chand will work for Matram. Devi is our beautiful daughter of 1 year. We are looking for a place to stay for a period of 6 months or longer. However, if you have a place for a shorter period, please let us know as well. Thank you! Contact: Desireekoppes@gmail.com - In light and truth, *Siri Chand, Devi and Desiree*

House-sitting 2: After two 6-months-stay in AV, first as a guest (working at PTDC's kitchen and living in Creativity), then as a volunteer (at AV Art Service and still once a week at PTDC's kitchen, house-sitting in Prarthna at Christian's place), I'll come back mid-July as a pre-newcomer and would enjoy to find a house-sitting for my newcomer year. I'm a responsible

mature woman, loving pets and plants ;-). Thank you for answering at: magalichirouze@gmail.com. Warmly, *Gali*

House-sitting 3: Dear Aurovilians, we are a couple looking for some house-sitting opportunity from the beginning of June. We are both long-term volunteers, applying for newcomer. Interested in most of options we can maintain a place with garden and pets. Since we already have some experience with house-sitting, we can dedicate enough time to keep it clean and fresh. Both of us work in Auroville units, so we can provide recommendations for long-term opportunities. Please contact *Ra*: 9487201510 or *Puja*: pujasree.burman@gmail.com. Thank you"

House-sitting 4: "Hi All! We are *Stefano and Nadia* volunteering in AvRadioTv and the New Language Lab from October 2017 to April 2018, looking for house-sitting. We are calm, reliable and open to different possibilities. Please, contact us: nadia.daf@gmail.com, thank you for your answer!!"

T A X I S H A R I N G

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

June 7th: Leaving Auroville around 9pm for Chennai airport. I am flexible with the timing and would be very happy to find someone for sharing. Both ways possible. Contact *Sarah*: 07318730724, or sarah-schoene@t-online.de

June 16th: To Chennai Airport - Leaving from Auroville at 10 pm, coming back from Chennai in the early hours of the morning. Contact: *Karuna*, 2623 024, karuna@auroville.org.in

June 17th: Saturday - leaving Auroville around 12 noon (but timing flexible) and going to Chennai. Contact *Serena*: 8489760966

June 5th: Going to Chennai Airport. I have to reach the airport by 7 pm, so leaving Auroville round 4 pm. Places available both ways. Contact *Antoine*: antoine@auroville.org.in - 8940740529

A U R O V I L L E R A D I O



Dear listeners!

Our live streaming can be heard on: <http://radio.garden/live/villupuram/auroville-radio/>

Due to malware, which was successfully resolved by our technical part of the team, and outside collaborators, our

webpage has been restored, but we did suffer outfall for about 10 days.

Here is an update from AV Radio with programs made in the past weeks.

Our volunteers and internship have recorded:

Sidharth capture a glimpse of [Festival for the Guardian Deity](#).

Renu and Andy captured [Shooting Angels - Pondy Art](#).

Gino did Vox Pop after [GM od Entry Policy](#), at Dinesh he was catching [Guest Got Talent 1](#), [Guests Got Talent 2](#).

Short interview with Weltwaerts volunteer Sarah on How [To Heal Skin Problems](#).

Uma and Torkil are informing us on [What is Petra](#).

Within our regular programs:

Marlenka continues with Synthesis of Yoga : [Pt1, Ch10](#) and another [Pt1, Ch10](#) by Sri Aurobindo, and Gangalakshmi with her [Selections 205](#), [Selctions 206](#), [Selections 207](#) of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother texts in French - uncut version on the request of listeners!

Out of our regular programs are here news: [Music and Food](#), [RAD, New MM executives](#), [Water and Heat](#), [We Said YES and Summer Closings](#).

For the summer time we have plenty of good music for you to listen - [Fresh Cuts](#) of roots & culture, reggae; [Naa Stoop](#) in dancehall, [Obiero](#) with African mix(classical and contemporary collaborations), funky grooves with [Mr. Funky Samba, Mix from 70ies](#) (produced by Dhruvad, our new internship student), [Play That Funky Music](#); two Sunday mixes - soul with [Seven Whole Days](#), and Enigma with [The Fall of A Rebel Angel](#). happy listening

Your AV Radio Team www.aurovillerradio.org/

E A T I N G O U T

Le Morgan Café: will be closed for 2 weeks from Monday June 5. It will be open again on Monday June 19. See you then, *Le Morgan Cafe*

Notes

Auroville Mobility and 50th Anniversary

The one thing that is critical and defines us is our ability to embrace the true mobility within Auroville during this 50th Anniversary of the founding of the City that Earth needs.

Residents and all stakeholders alike, volunteers, newcomers, workers have to work consciously and together to wean ourselves away from dust and polluting mode of transportation that we so simply give into.

The pioneers who greened the plateau went from bicycles to motorcycles zooming around attending meetings and working groups, went away for summers and came back again to repeat the cycles over the past decades. Now the generation is aging and they are moving into purchasing private cars or using mostly taxis for their mobility to go about their meetings and programs and work groups and projects. Their children have become adults and are purchasing the cars for their lifestyle choices while not really engaged in any working groups or projects. The grand children want to quickly move over to fast bikes and go about their events. The newcomers, volunteers and guests are emulating the mobility choices of the population that defined Auroville so far. Many new residents are coming into their retirement years and quickly adopt the car culture or the taxi culture.

There is no Auroville collective mobility plan that is seriously looked into by the community as a whole. There is little collective capability nor individual will to work towards this long pressing problem facing the Earth and Auroville is quintessentially not being able to lead itself out of this malaise. What can be done?

Individually, one can choose several things. Do not move from a petrol base two wheeler to a four wheeler. Choose an electric two wheeler for transport, and if possible, use bicycles during the cooler days when possible. Encourage your friends and family to support bicycles for children and young adults.

At a community level, discourage car parks for private vehicles. Especially those bought via unit or grant funds. Land is very precious in Auroville, and private parking for private cars is against the grain of our collective ideal of living and learning the joy of no private ownership. Support bicycle repair shop within the community. Reduce the parking for guest houses and encourage the guests to use bicycles or community transport.

Auroville wide, pioneers who went from bicycles to motorcycles and moving to cars are all urged to come together this one time for the 50th anniversary to tackle and make happen a collective community transport for all. Call goes out to all senior executives, senior residents, senior newcomers and all who have money and will to come together and solve this terrible issue that cries for attention. Bring about a collective electric fleet of vehicles, bring about bicycle service stations, bring about shuttle services, support children to bicycle and move everyone away from this dust and polluting lifestyle we continue to accept as if we were helpless. If we put together our will, we can do it.

Chandresh

100% Nutritional Security in Auroville

Drought is here. Will the rain come? Is it a pattern? Sad to say but it definitely feels like that. Anyway all over Tamil Nadu (including Auroville) more and more wells are being drilled. The only solution seems: "Dig deeper yet!" Water is a finite resource though and wells are running dry. So what to do?

Technology seems to be our only solution. There is talk of building de-salination plants in Auroville but what about water for agricultural crops? Do we really think our technologies can solve such complex problems? Is there any hope? What if the solution was really in our hands?

There is this amazing Facebook post about how 15 wolves were reintroduced into Yellowstone National Park. The presence of the wolves changed the deer population which in turn meant grasses and other plants were allowed to grow back which brought back small animals including beavers that made dams which finally meant that certain river bank plants started to thrive, erosion decreased and this stabilised the rivers. The wolves even changed the geography of the park!

Like the reintroduction of the wolves, what if we allowed the return of local plants back into our diets along with the implication of being involved in that relationship? If we see, the deep interconnectedness of everything then could it not be there is a relevant analogy here?

Food is usually bought at a shop. Our relationship to food is most often with the coin. As modern industrialised agriculture is all about economic gain (as are many of man's endeavours), the foods that we have become accustomed to eat are those which make most money within the paradigm of the petro/chemical multi-National industrialised agriculture. This has defined the nutritional profile of our society, which, in turn affects who we are culturally, socially and spiritually.

This drought is a problem for this way of farming. Questions will have to be asked. More importantly we will have to DO something if we really want to build the City of Dawn.

There are over a hundred plants that we eat at Solitude Farm. Many of them are semi wild or very hardy and easy to grow. Many of them already grow around us and if not, could be easily introduced into gardens. These plants are the very fabric of Ayurveda. They have wonderful nutritional and often medicinal properties. They have subtle flavours and hence the need for lots of salt, chili, oil diminishes. They are local and thus have no food miles, no carbon footprint. Their social relevance is obvious and for a community with a devotion to the Divine Mother at its heart, eating them is an act of Bhakti, a thank you to our Mother for such amazing gifts!

How do we get our community to awaken to this joyous possibility? As well as uplifting us nutritionally and all that that implies, discovering our relationship with our food also brings us together communally because this is not a diet or a project to join, it is a way of life. Do we choose to be involved with where our food comes from or do we keep our heads in the sand with our particular food habits until it collapses?

This change is already happening in Auroville. There are many wonderful efforts by many people (farmers included) to explore food. There are also about 8 communities that I have been involved with where they are actively eating the food they grow as part of a lifestyle.

When we see we are conditioned, when we see we have been fooled, that it is nobody's fault. When we see the mechanisms that thought creates and are responsible for the erosion of our culture and that at the root of this problem is our relationship with what we eat and where the food comes from, we may start to explore the solution that is unfolding in Auroville.

At Solitude, we have tried many ways to share this vision with our community.

So I'd like to share a new idea.

We invite people to join us at Solitude for a one week experiential exploration of how to live only from this bio region.

There will be 3 meals a day. For breakfast and dinner, participants will be invited to join in with harvesting and preparing the food. Lunch will be prepared by the café team. People can join in as much as they are able to. Saturday there will be an open meal prepared by the participants for the rest of the community along with a "jam" session - bring some instruments! We will also touch on how to start growing our own food and discuss ideas of how to bring our community together to help manifest the change.

This experience starts with eating and ends with celebration.

I personally feel the earth beneath our feet is Mother Nature and her Shakti is a powerful force that exists in the life of the soil, the plants that grow and the food she offers us. As in the story of the wolves, it is in the subtleness of her beauty that lies the possibility of our salvation. It is an active surrender!

The eating will start on Monday 12th of June with breakfast at 8 am.

The week will be run on lines of gift economy. Mother Nature is our only true wealth and her gifts are gifts to us all. Our wellbeing can only be collective. So please offer what you like. There is no expectation except that we empower each other in joy and tasty food.

I hope you will join us.

Love, *Krishna Mc Kenzie*

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

Eat only from Av

We invite you to experience a week of eating food only grown in Auroville.

There will be 3 meals a day served at Solitude Farm Café. Participants will be invited to learn how to use the local ingredients to prepare breakfast and dinner (Lunch will be prepared by the café team).

Participants will also be able to get involved with harvest and we will touch on how to make our own gardens and explore how to bring our community together to create this change.

The experiential week will start on Monday 12th June and end with a meal prepared by the participants and offered to the Auroville community with an open jam session to celebrate our collective learning.

There is space for 20 people for this eating experience and ten people have already signed up. If you want to join pls write to:

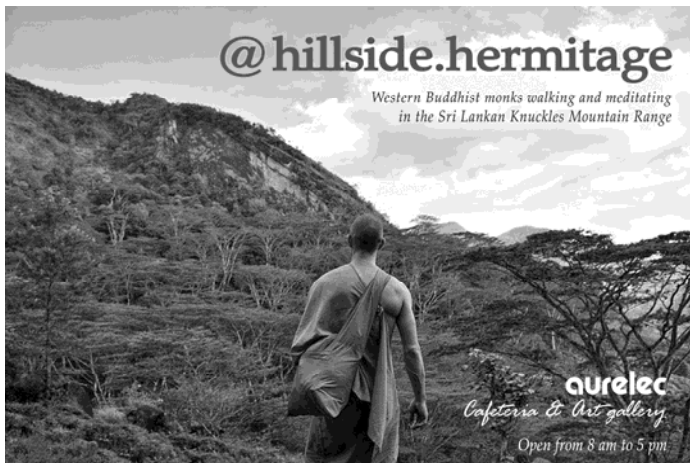
krishnamckenzie@auroville.org.in

This week is all about eating. There is flexibility however so as to include those who are inspired but have difficulty in making it to every meal.

The week will be run on lines of gift economy. Mother Nature is our only true wealth and her gifts are gifts to us all. Our well-being can only be collective. So please offer what you like. There is no expectation except that we empower each other in joy and tasty food.

With love, *Solitude team*

EXHIBITIONS



@Hillside.Hermitage

Aurelec Cafeteria & Art Gallery
Open from 8 am to 5 pm

Photos taken by Ven Nyanamoli Thero, of spirituality, nature and wildlife in Sri Lanka... and hermitage's dogs of course :-)
www.facebook.com/hillside.hermitage

CLASSES, WORKSHOPS

Feminine Dance classes

Dear All, Feminine Dance classes on Friday mornings will be cancelled till further notice.

Sorry for the inconvenience, Much Love - Priscila

Inner-Work-Workshop

Introduction to the Integral Yoga of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother

6th June (Tuesday)

- Overview with multimedia presentation
- Questions and Answers
- Practice in Daily Life
- Complimentary Concentration Exercises
- Creative Arts, Interactive Games
- Life of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother
- Introduction to the Reference Books

Focus this week on: 'Collective Yoga'

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

How to breathe with color?

Do you want to learn how to breathe with Color?

Thursday 8th of June from 9:30 to 12:30

Kolungal in Douceur (first community on your left on your way to Auromodel, then second house on your right)

With Grace Gitadelila for info: 9841412550

A three-hour session that will allow you to breathe color with the help of color pencils; mixing, shading, layering ...all basic techniques.

How every color relates to our emotional, mental and physical wellbeing.

How to create light and dark spaces of life and deep peace.

Grace will introduce you playfully to color through the use of beautiful color pencils, so no need to bring any material, just come and enjoy creating breathing with colors. A financial contribution is expected!

Systemic Solution Focused Psycho Counselling.

Something is troubling you outside - look within and you will find in yourself the corresponding difficulty. External circumstances are, without exception, the projection of what is inside yourself. Change yourself and the circumstances will change. Uschi trained and practiced systemic solution focused therapy in Germany is offering counseling in German and English language. Solutions don't care how the problem started.

Place: Arka Wellness Center

Contact Number: 9994781119 / Email:

uschi.coaching@gmail.com / Website: www.uschi-coaching.com

SCHEDULES



Bamboo Centre Training Program for June - 2017

Auroville Bamboo Centre runs many workshops throughout the year for visitors who book and pay for the courses. We do have various conditions that we hope you'll understand and agree to.

The importance of Bamboo as an Eco-friendly raw material capable of meeting many needs is gaining global acceptance among many people. Being a natural gift to mankind, bamboo is very popular due to its multipurpose use, fast growth, easy

propagation, soil binding properties and short gestation period.

Each program will consist of learning inputs: theory, instruction, demonstration, and practical work.

The Auroville Bamboo Centre offers training to individuals and groups in:

Bamboo Construction Experience

6th to 10th of June (Full Bamboo cum techniques)

Exposure Visit: Immersion in contemporary and classic Architecture (AV & Pondy)

Practicals: opt1: prefabricated wall panel (min ppl: 4) / opt2: floor truss & roof truss (min ppl: 4)

Bamboo Construction Experience

15th to 17th of June (Split bamboo techniques)
Practical's: opt1: hyperbolic bamboo dome (2 days) / opt2: star dome (2days)

Bamboo & Wood Furniture Experience

21 to 24th of June Exposure visit; contemporary & classic styles (AV)
Practicals: stools, chairs, tables (anyone)

Hands on Craft Creative Workshop:

Bamboo Jewelry: Every Thursday, Friday & Saturday of June - 9.30 am to 12.30 pm - Hands on experience on bamboo jewelry
Bamboo Toys: Every Thursday, Friday & Saturday of June - 9.30 am to 12.30 pm - Hands on experience on bamboo toys
Bamboo Musical Instruments: Every Thursday, Friday & Saturday of June - 9.30 am to 12.30 pm - Hands on experience on bamboo musical instruments

Flexible training dates offered to groups

Contact: 0413-2623806, 2623394 /
bambooworkshop@auroville.org.in /
www.aurovillebamboocentre.org

Contributions requested from guests/Volunteers, Volunteer reduction by advance application only.

Auroville & Kaluveli Bio-Region Experience Program
for June 2017

Opening the Gates to the Village

Feel; Taste; Hear; Discover; Experience

Village Tour

Saturday 03/06, Sunday 11/07, Saturday 17/06, Sunday 25/07
Meeting Point is the Lively Boutique, Kotakkarai plaza at 9.30 am (please bring your bike)
Come and enjoy the authentic village experience and celebrate cultural heritage!

Cultural & Spiritual Experience

Irumbai Legend Shiva temple Visit
Time: 11 am to 12.30 pm & 3.30 pm - 5.00 pm (Please bring your own vehicle)
Date: Special days Every Monday & Saturday but we will take whole week.

Kolam Village Walk

Spiritual and lively village experience for Women's empowerment.
Timing: Every Friday from 6.00 am to 7.30 am

Kolam Workshop

Spiritual and lively village experience for Women's empowerment.

Timing: Every Saturday from 11.00 am to 12.30 pm

Thiruvakarai Wood Fossil

An excursion into the park contains petrified wood fossils (approximately 20 million years old, scattered throughout the park, which covers about 247 acres (100 ha)).
Date: Every Friday, Time: 10 am

Pottery Ceramic Hands on Experience

Come & learn how to create your own pot
Timing: Every day Month of June except Sunday
From 10.00 am to 12.30 pm & 02.00 pm to 04.30 pm

Auromandalam Kaluveli region weekend camping with local youth

Date: Every Saturday
Time: 3 pm till 12.30 pm
Meeting point: 2.45 pm at Lively Boutique, Kotakkarai Plaza.
Begin in Perumukkal Mountain (Setup the tents on the top of mountain)
Sunset meditation
Bonfire with light music
Stay in the mountain
Take shower in the lake
Discover the village of Munnur with ancient temple (Pottery Village)
Visit a traditional family of potters who will demonstrate their craft
Visit Salt landscape, Prawn farm, Wind turbine, Mangrove forest and Sand Dune
Finish the day on the ocean side and meditate while the sun sets over the magnificent Kaluveli landscape.

The tour will only take place once a minimum of 5 bookings has been received. Transportation will be arranged according to the number of people.

Coconut Fronds Weaving

Come and learn how to weave Coconut fronds, the ancient art of weaving
Timing: Every Friday from 9.00 am to 10.30 am

Please register for all the programs in advance by contacting: 0413 2623806, 2623394 or Mohanamprogram@auroville.org.in
Please visit: www.mohanam.org or www.harmonyvillagepromenade.weebly.com
Contributions requested from guests/Volunteers, Volunteer reduction by advance application for specific activities only.
Give Time a Break: Discover Village Life!

SAVITRI BHAVAN - June 2017

Exhibitions

In the upper corridor
Sri Aurobindo: a life-sketch in photographs
In the Square Hall
Glimpses of the Mother: photographs and texts

This month NO FILMS AND NO OM CHOIR / The Picture Gallery is closed for maintenance till 01.07

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
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

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

Full Moon Gathering: Friday 9, 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

ARKA WELLNESS CENTER JUNE - 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
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
Systemic Solution Focused Psycho Counseling	USCHI - by appointment: 999 478 1119 / Uschi.coaching@gmail.com	Tuesday, Thursday at 10:00 am to 3.30 pm. German and English language
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	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.

REGULAR EVENTS IN JUNE

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.

Auroville Aikido Will restart early July. For Children classes & general info, please write to budokan@auroville.org.in.

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.

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 Aurovilian, 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.

Brahamanapati 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: We have an *Introductory tour* every Monday at 10.00 am until lunch time. Walk around the farm and see how we grow our organic food. For further details contact *Priya*: priya@auroville.org.in.

Capoeira (Group Ginga Saroba): Join our Capoeira family! Classes open to all levels, led by Prof. Samuka da Índia 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.:* 9489805493 / or contact@auroville-holistic.com 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!

NEW dance fitness class: Where - New Creation Dance studio. Timing - Tuesday and Friday morning from 8.30 to 9.30. Teacher - *Vijay*

Darkali Fitness Track open hours: New, redesigned Darkali Fitness is closed in the mornings until further notice. Track is open afternoon only from 4.30 p.m. till 6.45 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/dpdTsf.

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

***Evening* Farmers Market:** The Saturday Market is now ON in the cooler evening! Every Saturday at the Youth Center, 6pm - 8:30 pm, along with the Pizza Night. 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, etc. See you there. YC 0413-2622857

Feminine dance for all women: in Cripa, Kalabhum: 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*.

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.

GAMES! An evening of fun board games. Every Friday from 6:30 pm onwards, upstairs at le Zéphyr restaurant in Visitors Center. We have many games already! Bring yours if you have!

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, until April 27th (except April 6th). 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.

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

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.

QM Choir: Paused in May

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 Terrasse, 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 Kalabhum. 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:

- 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* - *No classes in May* -for further info call 94866 23465

Sound Bath - Unity Journey: *no session in May*

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: antarcalli@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 Terrasse. 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: *Paused until Aug 16th*.

Sunday Farm & Forest Walks: *no walks in May*

Tamil Literary Classes and Craft Lessons: Ilaingarkal 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 (Ilaingarkal Education Centre)*

TAI CHI HALL @ SHARNGA: There will be no Tai Chi classes from May 23 to August 7. The last class will be on May 22 Monday and the first class (next) will be on August 8 Tuesday. taichi@auroville.org.in

Tanseikai Aikido in the Auroville Budokan: Tanseikai Aikido will take its summer recess from May 20th. Classes will resume after July 20th with a new timetable. The new hours of practice will be announced in due time.

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* P: 9489805493/ www.auroville-holistic.com

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 0413-2622401 or 8489067332 or send an e-mail to: Kalsang@auroville.org.in. All are invited.

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

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

VocalYoga, Nada Yoga and Sacred Chanting: Mondays and Tuesdays, 2 to 4pm In Creativity hall of light. **Explore** and learn how to use your vocal instrument according to Italian Masters of the voice in a yogic approach. **NadaYoga** teaches us to perceive sounds in different parts of the body connected to energetic channels. These ancient Yoga techniques re-align the energy flow give peace and serenity. Allow people who sing out of tune to sing well **Learn:** Mantras, Kirtans, Bajhans. Contact: *Hamsini* ONLY ON APOINTMENT 9487544184.

WARAKU Practice in Auroville Budokan: Waraku practice will take its summer recess from May 20th. Classes will resume after July 20th with a new timetable. The new hours of practice will be announced in due time.

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!

Vinaya 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.

NEW! Vinyasa flow Yoga classes with So-Youn at Creativity HALL OF LIGHT. The class is based on alignment of Iyengar and flow of Ashtanga. It remains authentic to ancient yoga tradition while tackling modern challenges. After class, you will be So Young!!

Schedules, 17:30-18:30 starting in May 2017

Tuesday - Vinyasa flow lv.0

Thursday - Vinyasa flow lv.1

Aurovilians and Newcomers free of charge.

Volunteers 100 rupees. Guest 200 rupees

Please, park the motorcycle in Creativity garage.

F I L M S

THE ECO FILM CLUB



Sadhana Forest, June 9th, 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!

FOG OF BWINDI

25 mins / Mixed with English Subtitles/ 2015 / Film by Anna Bohlmark

For thousands of years the Batwa (a pygmy tribe) lived in harmony with the mountain gorillas in the Bwindi forest, south Western part of Uganda. In 1991, when the Bwindi forest became a world heritage, the pygmies were forcefully evacuated from the forest to leave space for the endangered gorillas. The mountain gorillas have become one of Africa's

biggest tourist attractions. But what happened to the Batwas? This documentary gives a frightening insight about a society that places economic interests above all others, including human dignity.

MAKING THE CONNECTION

32 mins / English / 2010 / Film by Ella Todd

This inspiring Vegan Society film explores an exciting lifestyle which combines delicious, healthy food while tackling many of the ethical and global challenges we face today and in the future. It is divided into eight chapters and features a dietitian, a parliamentarian, chefs, farmers, an elite athlete, environmental groups and the wonderful Benjamin Zephaniah. It explains how becoming vegan is good for your health, good for the environment, good for the animals and how it can help to feed a growing world population.

(Reminder: Friday 2/06 - TINARIWEN - IMADIWAN: COMPANIONS)

The bus service is operated by Sadhana Forest. For more information about the bus service please contact Sadhana Forest at (0413) 2677682 or 2677683 or sadhanaforest@auroville.org.in or visit us online: <http://sadhanaforest.org/> <https://facebook.com/sadhanaforest>

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).

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

The Tuesday deadline (5pm) is absolute as the News is given to the printers by Wednesday 2 pm.

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

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

Extra Page Requests have to reach us by Monday, and will be met only if space allows. Extra contribution requested.

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



Cinema Paradiso

Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium
Film program 5 June 2017 to 11 June 2017

Indian - Monday 5 June, 8:00 pm:

- **ANGRY INDIAN GODDESSES**

India, 2015, Writer-Dir. Pan Nalin w/ Sarah-Jane Dias, Rajshri Deshpande, Sandhya Mridul, and others, Comedy-Drama, 121mins, Hindi-English w/ English subtitles, Rated: A (R)

A sudden invitation from girl-hood friend Frieda, a photographer, to her home in Goa brings six girl friends of different background and origin together. Turns out Frieda is getting married; to whom is a mystery. But it does not stop from the gathering to be an extended bachelorette party with riotous roller coaster involving girl bonding, breakups, make ups, screw ups! As they let their hair down emotions run high and hidden secrets surface. Heady in each other's company they let their guards down when a disaster strike and the jolts them back to unavoidable reality. But they react with their newly reinforced confidence and frustration. *The film is not perfect, but it is the first ever female buddy film made in India. It is certainly bold and beautiful. Don't miss!*

Italian- Tuesday 6 June, 8:00 pm:

- **ASSOLO (Solo)**

Italy, 2016, Dir. Laura Morante, w/ Laura Morante, Piera degli Esposti, Comedy, 97 mins, Italian w/ English subtitles, Rated: G

Flavia is 50 years old, and after two failed marriages and a complicated relationship with a married man, she is now single again. Not an easy endeavor for any woman her age and for her in particular, due to her pathological lack of confidence. She depends on people around her that includes among all others her husbands' new wives, seen as unreachable role models that she tries to emulate without success. With the help of a wise and seraphic psychoanalyst, Flavia struggles to regain her self-confidence, tackling numerous driving tests and awkward approaches to auto-eroticism.

Interesting - Wednesday 7 June, 8:00 pm:

- **WHICH WAY HOME**

USA, 2009, Dir. Rebecca Cammisa, Documentary, 90 mins, English-Spanish w/ English subtitles, Rated: G

The film follows unaccompanied child migrants, on their journey through Mexico, as they try to reach the United States. We follow children like Olga and Freddy, just 9yrs old Hondurans, who are desperately trying to reach their parents in the USA; children like Jose, a 10yrs old El Salvadoran, who has been abandoned by smugglers and ends up alone in a Mexican detention center; and Kevin, a canny, streetwise 14yrs old Honduran, whose mother hopes that he will reach the U.S. and send money back to her. These are stories of hope and courage, disappointment and sorrow. They are the children you never hear about; the invisible ones.

French - Thursday 8 June, 8:00 pm:

- **HYPOCRATE (Dairy of a French Doctor)**

France, 2014, Dir. Thomas Lilti w/ Vincent Lacoste, Reda Kateb, Jacques Gamblin, and others, Drama, 112mins, FRENCH WITH ENGLISH subtitles, Rated: G

Benjamin is going to become a great doctor, he is sure of it. But his first experience as junior doctor in his father's service, the Professor Barois, does not turn out the way he hoped it would. Benjamin will be brutally confronted with his own limits, his fears, those of his patients, families, doctors and the staff.

International - Saturday 10 June, 8:00 pm:

- **MANCHESTER BY THE SEA**

USA, 2016, Writer-Dir. Kenneth Lonergan w/ Casey Affleck, Michelle Williams, Kyle Chandler, and others, Drama, 137mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated: R

After the death of his older brother Joe, Lee Chandler is shocked that Joe has made him sole guardian of his teenage nephew Patrick. Taking leave of his job as a janitor in Boston, Lee reluctantly returns to Manchester, the fishing village where his working-class family has lived for generations. There, he is forced to deal with a past that separated him from his wife, Randi and the community where he was born and raised.

Children's Film - Sunday 11 June, 4:30 pm:

- **A GRAND NIGHT IN: THE STORY OF AARDMAN**

UK, 2015, Dir: Richard Mears w/ Julie Walters, Bill Nighy, Hugh Grant and others, Documentary, 60mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG

The history of Aardman Animations Studios, the acclaimed British stop-motion animation studio.

WIM WENDERS Film Festival @ Ciné-Club

Ciné-Club - Sunday 11 June, 8:00 pm:

- **PARIS, TEXAS**

Germany, 1984, Dir. Wim Wenders w/ Nastassja Kinski, Harry Dean Stanton, Dean Stockwell and others, Drama, 147min, German w/English subtitles, Rated: R.

The Movie follows the mysterious, nearly mute drifter Travis as he tries to reconnect with his young son, living with his brother in Los Angeles, and his missing wife. From this simple setup, Wenders and Shepard produce a powerful statement on codes of masculinity and the myth of the American family, as well as an exquisite visual exploration of a vast, crumbling world of canyons and neon.

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

For scheduling programs at MMC/CP venue: please email us at mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in. We appreciate your continued support. *Pl make a contribution to "Cinema Paradiso" account (#105106) at the Financial Service.*

Thanking You, MMC/CP Group - Account# 105106, mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in

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→ Auroville Safety and Security Team: 9443090107 (Email: avsecurity@auroville.org.in)

→ Ambulance: Auroville: 9442224680 - Pims: 0413-2656271

→ Farewell: mobile number: 8903836246. *reachable 24/7.*