

# News & Notes

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# HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

A Will, a hope immense now seized his heart,  
And to discern the superhuman's form  
He raised his eyes to unseen spiritual heights,  
Aspiring to bring down a greater world.  
The glory he had glimpsed must be his home.  
A brighter heavenlier sun must soon illumine  
This dusk room with its dark internal stair,  
The infant soul in its small nursery school  
Mid objects meant for a lesson hardly learned  
Outgrow its early grammar of intellect  
And its imitation of Earth-Nature's art,  
Its earthly dialect to God-language change,  
In living symbols study Reality  
And learn the logic of the Infinite.  
The Ideal must be Nature's common truth,  
The body illumined with the indwelling God,  
The heart and mind feel one with all that is,  
A conscious soul live in a conscious world.  
As through a mist a sovereign peak is seen,  
The greatness of the eternal Spirit appeared,  
Exiled in a fragmented universe  
Amid half-semblances of diviner things.  
These now could serve no more his regal turn;  
The Immortal's pride refused the doom to live  
A miser of the scanty bargain made  
Between our littleness and bounded hopes  
And the compassionate Infinitudes.  
His height repelled the lowness of earth's state:  
A wideness discontented with its frame  
Resiled from poor assent to Nature's terms,  
The harsh contract spurned and the diminished lease.  
Only beginnings are accomplished here;  
Our base's Matter seems alone complete,  
An absolute machine without a soul.  
Or all seems a misfit of half ideas,  
Or we saddle with the vice of earthly form  
A hurried imperfect glimpse of heavenly things,  
Guesses and travesties of celestial types.  
Here chaos sorts itself into a world,  
A brief formation drifting in the void:  
Apings of knowledge, unfinished arcs of power,  
Flamings of beauty into earthly shapes,  
Love's broken reflexes of unity  
Swim, fragment-mirrorings of a floating sun.  
A packed assemblage of crude tentative lives  
Are pieced into a tessellated whole.  
There is no perfect answer to our hopes;  
There are blind voiceless doors that have no key;  
Thought climbs in vain and brings a borrowed light,  
Cheated by counterfeits sold to us in life's mart,  
Our hearts clutch at a forfeited heavenly bliss.  
There is provender for the mind's satiety,  
There are thrills of the flesh, but not the soul's desire.  
*(To be continued)*

SAVITRI, Book I, Canto V: The Yoga of the King:  
The Yoga of the Spirit's Freedom and Greatness

SRI AUROBINDO

## The Ponder Corner

It is very difficult for a virtuous man  
to enter on the path of God...  
because the virtuous man is very self-satisfied;  
he has the impression that he has realised  
what he had to realise - he has no aspiration  
any more nor even this elementary humility  
which makes one will for progress.

*The Mother*  
ref. Words of The Mother, vol.17, p.32

## ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE NEWS & NOTES

1) Our budget allocated by City Services doesn't cover our total running cost.

### HALF OF OUR EXPENSES IS THE PAPER COST FOR ALL THE PRINTED COPIES

Cost of Vehicles, Labour and Petrol for delivery is another quarter  
(Number of paper copies printed weekly: 850 in English, 220 in French, and 120 in Tamil).

**This is an invitation for all to go GREENER AND CHEAPER:  
Please consider reading the News&Notes on your computer/phone when possible.**

The News&Notes are available for all online at <http://www.auroville.org/contents/4186>  
Also on Auronet (about 200 readers), and can also be sent to you via email (560 have already joined the mailing list).

2) As you will notice over the next few weeks, several downsizing layouts will be tried out,  
with the aim of reducing paper usage and cost.

Sadly this goes against the amazingly creative abundance available nowadays to make a fantastic soft version - at zero cost.

3) Paper Copies are left untouched in some communities' delivery place.  
Do let us know immediately when you notice this happening in your community. It is a waste for all.

4) REMINDER TO ALL: **\*\*FINAL\*\*** DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS TUESDAY 5PM - NO VISITORS ON WEDNESDAYS

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Information meeting on Security

Dear community,  
The Auroville Safety & Security Team would like to invite Aurovilians & newcomers to join us in an Information Meeting on Monday 16th of October, 5 pm in SAWCHU (Bharat Nivas).  
We will present:

- Our team,
- The work done since the beginning of our mandate,
- The difficulties we are facing,
- Our planned developments.

Part of the meeting will be dedicated to your questions in regard of our field of work.

Sincerely, *Auroville Safety & Security team (Carlos, Indra, Matthieu, Peter, Samuel, Siva, Srijita)*

### GENERAL MEETING on Code of Conduct

Dear Community,  
The FAMC together with the Working Committee invites you to an information sharing session on the new *Code of Conduct for all Trusts and Units of the Auroville Foundation* (approved by the Governing Board in its meeting Aug.13-14) on:

**Monday 23rd October 4:30 pm at the Unity Pavilion.**

Sharing will include:

- Background and history of the document
- Current status of the document
- Salient features and points to be aware of

The full *Code of Conduct* document can be reviewed on the Auronet: <https://www.auroville.org.in/article/65014>

Much Love, *FAMC, Working Committee and RAS*

### Entry Board - new Fast-track selection process begins!

Dear community, a new Entry Board will be selected by the Working Committee and the Auroville Council, using the new Fast-Track Selection Process. This new Entry Board will be in place for one year.

**Fast-Track Selection Process and Timeline:**

An announcement on the Fast-Track Selection Process was published in the News and Notes 30th September 2017 [717].

Or visit this link <https://goo.gl/URvhyB>

New details on the timeline can be found by visiting this link <https://goo.gl/zDYKse>

**Nominations Process:**

Under this new Fast-Track system, everyone listed in the Register of Residents (ROR) is nominated as a member of the Entry Board. If you are registered in the ROR, you are eligible to be a member of the new Entry Board and you will receive an email with details, on Friday, 13th October.

Alternatively, you may also visit the RAS office, Town Hall 1st floor, on Tuesdays, 17th and 24th; and Thursdays, 19th and 26th; from 10am to 12pm to accept your nomination in case you are interested (or to decline if you are not interested) to be a member of the new Entry Board.

**The deadline to accept / decline your nomination is Saturday, the 28th of October.**

**About nominating others under this new system:**

Under this new system you will not be able to nominate others by recommending their name to the RAS. In case you know a fellow Aurovillian who you think is suitable for this work, we encourage you to ask him/her to accept his/her default nomination (Note: They would have also received an email with details, on Friday, 13th October, if they are registered in the ROR).

**What is the Entry Board?**

The Entry Board reviews and approves applications for the various statuses as described in the new 2017 Entry Policy. The Board will consist of nine members, at least six of whom have been resident of Auroville for a minimum period of five years. The Entry Board is an integral part of the Entry Service along with the Mentor Pool and the Entry Secretariat.

To read more about the work of the Entry Board and the Entry Policy 2017, please visit this link <https://goo.gl/jb9aZo>

Warmly, *the Working Committee and the Auroville Council*

### L'avenir d'Auroville / TDC - Site and Building Applications feedback - 14th Oct 2017

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

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

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

**INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS**

• **Site Applications:** No New SA

• **Building Applications:**

1. AVSRC- Auroville Sports Resource Center- Sports Activity-Kalaripayattu Ground on plot no. KK 175 for total built up 81.92 Sq.m.

2. Sarasu, Store room in celebration on plot no. IR361/2 for 14 sq.m.
3. SAIER - staff Quarters - Prosperity Phase 4 on plot no. BO 10/2B for total built up area 400 sq.m.

**Project write-up given by the project holder**

**Project title:** Prosperity Housing Project Phase-II (SAIER)

**Proposed Site Location:** Dana, Auroville

**Project Holder:** SAIER, Auroville

**Architect:** Shailaja Sudhalkar Bhati, PATH Architects and Planners, Auroville

**Contact persons:** Chali and Peter, SAIER

**Description:** Permanent building, Ground and first floor.

**Plot No.:** BO 10/2B

**Total Area of the Project:** 7120 sq m

**Built up Area:** 400 sq m

**Target group:** Members of SAIER, teachers, researchers and other individuals involved in Auroville's thriving education.

**Background:**

**Triggers:** As SAIER in its support of the education in Auroville is continuously growing, it has an urgent need to house its members.

**Goals/Objectives:** Auroville faces an influx of talented people who are willing to give their time and expertise to work in the field of education in terms of pedagogy and application and develop their methods to be in line with the basics laid out by Sri Aurobindo and the Mother. But it has been seen rather consistently that lack of funds for housing is the reason many of these are not able to sustain their commitment here and have to look for other options of life. Housing being a fundamental need, SAIER has tried to find a solution to this issue by taking up the work of building basic housing which would make it possible to harvest this versatile energy and enrich the education and research in Auroville.

In a carefully planned and phased construction, SAIER attempts to build sufficient housing facility and provide it free of cost to those involved in the field of education.

**COLLECTIVE PROJECTS**

• **Site Applications:**

1. Joy of Impermanence, Between Sacred Groves and Edayanchavadi on plot no. IR 203/5A, IR 203/5B, IR206/1A, IR206/1B for total area of 10,000 sq.m. built up area 925 sq.m.

**Project write-up given by the project holder**

**Project Title:** Joy of Impermanence 1st community

**Proposed Site Location:** Between Aurofarm, Sacred Groves and Edayanchavadi

**Project Holders:** Michael (Maison des Jeunes)

Mathilde (Maison des Jeunes)

Andres (Maison des Jeunes)

Serena (Maitreye 2)

**Project Team:**

Eugénie (Maitreye 2)

Ion (Maitreye 2)

Mira (Maitreye2)

**Project Supervision:**

Youth link: Kavitha

**Advisories:**

Architecture advisory: Fabian (Pitchandikulam)

(Young) Architect: Aswin (Pitchandikulam)

Building advisory: Prasad (Aurocreation)

Project holder advisory: Louis (Citadines)

Renewable Energy advisory: Jorge (TerraSoul)

**Contact Person:** Michael [joyofimpermanence@gmail.com](mailto:joyofimpermanence@gmail.com), +91 7868085125

**Description:** Our project aims to experiment with a way of living and doing things together that implies a strong sense of community life, collective work and consciousness of matter, and where the initial aspirations of Auroville are inspirations and guides in every action. Focus would be given on community spirit, sustainability, do-it-yourself mentality, beauty and simplicity.

Auroville is currently dealing with various social and environmental challenges related to lodging, food, water and energy. These challenges were already faced by the pioneers at the beginning of Auroville. Nowadays, many people are

looking for the pioneer spirit and feel inspired by the time when they came together and built communities themselves. This is the approach we want to adopt: living and building together, growing our own food, implementing the yoga of work- which also leads us to reconsider our needs and to focus on the basics.

Moreover, today, Auroville has different faces. Some are focused on the development of the city, growing in number and density, and aiming at bringing the project of Auroville into a more modern phase of urban development. Others are more focused on daily needs such as preserving the unused lands which are threatened with encroachment, or providing housing to people with low budgets, like the youth population. The Joy of impermanence project respects these both faces, which we consider as complementary. Our project intends to serve Auroville by protecting and bringing life to unused land and, at the same time, respecting the long term plans of the galaxy. This is one of the main practical consequences of the Joy of Impermanence: we are committing to respecting the impermanence of our project on the land allocated, because this is a lifestyle we are choosing. We made this choice because we want to integrate the most fundamental concept of spirituality and physics in our life: the constant impermanence of things, and going towards losing the idea itself of material possession.

Our project also aims at deepening the relationships with the villagers around Auroville, in this case, the people from Edayanchavadi.

**Plot no:** IR 203/5A, IR 203/5B, IR206/1A, IR206/1B

**Total Area of the project:** 10000 sqm

**Built up Area:** 925 sqm

**Target Group:** Anyone who is ready to try this adventure to live on impermanent bases like nomads, to take care of Auroville lands and to build themselves the place. We would love to have an inter-generational population in this community.

**Background:** Every core members of the project have experience in community living and community building. We are several of us with several years of Auroville experience and involvement in different projects of community construction, maintenance and management.

**Triggers:** Firstly, it is the aim of the project to enliven unutilized lands of Auroville, looking at development activities which can benefit the overall land management as a whole for the future growth of the city.

Also, our project is to actually provide more affordable housing in Auroville because the need is here, and these places must be created for the sake of the growth of the population and growth of the city.

On a practical level, some experimentation, like the one regarding the plan of harvesting rainwater, are much simpler to do when the land is still undeveloped.

**Goals/Objectives:**

In general we summarize our objectives through 5 principles and 5 missions which should be respected by each community built under the supervision of Joy of Impermanence.

**5 principles:** -

Impermanence (5 years)

- Community spirit (Do it together)

- Sustainable (natural material)

- Do it yourself (no exchange of money)

- Self Sufficiency (orientation with-in Auroville)

**5 missions:** -creativity

-Protect the lands of AV

-Bring life to unoccupied lands with affordable housing

-Improve relations with villages

-Expose AV findings of research

In this project, the name of the community can only be given once the land is allocated for it. So we are still waiting to give it a name.

2. **Strip Development**, Radial road near Verite, Afsanah Guest House on plot no. IR 333/0, for total area of the project: Strip of 4360 sq mt along the radial road (plot area - for two / three phases) Built up Area: Phase 1, 485 sq mt

Project write-up given by the project holder:  
Project Title: Strip Development (for the time being)  
Proposed Site Location: Radial Road Near Verite, Afsanah Guest House  
Project Holder: Needs to be identified  
Architect: Architects Service of Auroville, Studio Naqshbandi, Mona Doctor-Pingel  
Contact Persons: Mona Doctor-Pingel, mona@auroville.org.in  
Description: Strip Development: Mixed use -Units, start-ups, offices and residential development (second floor apartments) in the Industrial Zone.  
Plot no: IR 333/0

Total Area of the project: Strip of 4360 sq mt along the radial road (plot area - for two / three phases)

Built up Area: Phase 1: 485 sq mt

Target Group: Aurovilians and newcomers who are looking for a simple, affordable small unit space for offices / start-up studios, with possibility to live on the second floor apartment along the Radial Road.

Background: The proposed Strip development is a mixed-use project, a combination of units and residential apartments. It is meant to accelerate the economic development of Auroville by giving small units / start-ups an independent space. Surroundings being all public, commercial and residential, this development will consolidate the development in this area and create a node of development along the recently completed Radial Road. Being in close proximity to Verite, Afsanah GH, Udyogam, Mereville Trust, Mantra, Auromics, Yantra and Celebration communities, it will allow for a variety of new activities and space of meeting / gathering. The covered colonnade all along the road abutting the units is a definite urban intervention that will lend itself well to the ambience and usefulness in this area.

Triggers: There is no such facility in the area. In fact this is the first time that such a mixed use development is being proposed directly along the road. Such an urban intervention was not possible before the new paved road was built. Project also aims to increase the day & night security in this area by populating it with the right kind of mix of activities and residential units.

Goals/Objectives: Simple and easy to maintain units at affordable cost. Each unit can be either 21 sq mt or 42 sq mt or multiples thereof. Interiors will be the responsibility of the users. There will be strict guidelines as to any changes in the facade, for example hoardings, air-conditioners, etc. which will be made clear beforehand. The aim is to provide good infrastructure in terms of power supply, well-designed and ventilated common toilets, waste segregation facilities, storerooms and places to meet informally creating an attractive public space.

• **Building Applications: No New BA**

For additional information, please write to [avenir@auroville.org.in](mailto:avenir@auroville.org.in), call 2622-170 or come directly to L'avenir d'Auroville/TDC office in the Town Hall. For more information on the location of the plots mentioned above, you can find this same announcement with map(s) on the Auronet page of L'avenir d'Auroville/TDC.

**From The Entry Service - N&N # 719 - Dated: 14-10-2017**

Our team is happy to recommend the following individuals as Aurovilians and Newcomers joining Auroville. Prior to Newcomer and Aurovillian status confirmation, there is a (1) month window for community feedback. Kindly forward your support or grievances to [entryservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:entryservice@auroville.org.in)

• **NEWCOMERS ANNOUNCED:**

Geert DE WOLF (Belgian) Staying at Vikas and Working at Auroville Radio.

Sofie ALBRECHT (Belgian) Staying at Vikas and Working at Auroville Paper.

Coralie GABRIEL (Belgian) Staying at Auromodele and Working at Botanical Garden.

• **NEWCOMERS CONFIRMED**

Ranjini SUNDARARAJ (Indian)

Sundararaj ARIKRISHNAN (Indian)

• **AUROVILIANS ANNOUNCED:**

Ibtsam ALI (US) Staying at MIR and Working at The Learning Community

**Erratum:** Corrections for N&N 718 - *Wrongly published as "Newcomer Announced"*: Chandra IYYANAR (Indian) is already Newcomer since 26/11/2016.

NOTE: Individuals are entered into the Register of Residents (maintained by the Auroville Foundation) shortly after filling the B-FORM and meeting with the Secretary of the AVF.

The appointment date for these is set and communicated by the Entry Service to the individual at the respective time, and NOT AT THEIR PERSONAL REQUEST.

This is the last step of the Newcomer process where the status of Newcomer Resident is switched to Aurovillian Resident.

**ENTRY SERVICE OPEN TO PUBLIC TIMINGS**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 09:30AM-12:30PM - Monday to Friday (by appointment only). Yours, *the Entry Service*

**Houses available for transfer**

1. **Auromodel - Petite Ferme Anny's House:** Plinth area of 141.79 Sq.m: First floor of the Double storied RCC framed structure Residential building with Brick walls plastered in cement mortar. Guna tile roof consisting of open verandah, living cum Kitchen Bedroom & Toilet with Open Stair.
2. **Invocation Phase 3 - Navodite's House:** Plinth area 46 Sq.m: Ground floor apartment of the triple storied RCC framed structured Residential building with Brick walls with plastered in cement mortar and Guna tile with RCC slab roof consisting of open verandah, living cum Kitchen Bedroom & Toilet.
3. **Apartment in Arati III - Mallika's House:** Plinth Area: 156.62 Sq.m. Double storied RCC framed structure residential building with Brick walls plastered in cement mortar and RCC flat roofing consisting of front verandah, Living cum Kitchen, two Bedroom & Toilet with common stair. Opposite to RCC Roof covered Therapy Room with attached toilet. (*Available in August 2018*)
4. **Apartment in Citadines 1st floor 100 M2 + terraces -2/3 BDK, 2 bathrooms, completely furnished along with individual fridge, gas, UPS, and common facilities such as: cafeteria, laundry, workshop for maintenance of the flats, garage, and generator. Citadines is a collective housing experience, managed by a group who help maintain its quality, atmosphere and assure a harmonious mix of people.**
5. **Windarra Farm - TerraSoul Sandhya House:** Plinth Area: 204.53 Sq.m. Double storied RCC framed structure Residential building with Brick walls plastered in cement mortar, RCC flat roof and first floor metal sheet roofing consisting of open verandah, living cum Kitchen Bed room & Toilet with Open steel ladder. Community-Shared Parking lot. (*Active participation and involvement in the Farm Community Project is required. Available in August 2018*)
6. **Kottakarai - Surya and Vasanthi's House:** Plinth Area : 67.57 Sq.m. Double storied RCC framed structure residential building with brick walls plastered in cement mortar, RCC flat roofing consisting of front verandah, living cum kitchen, Single Bedroom & Toilet with Open stair.
7. **Apartment in Vikas:** Plinth Area: 83.73 Sq.m. An apartment in the ground floor constructed with stabilized earth brick walls, brick vault with pre-cast slab roofing with covered front and back verandah, living cum Kitchen, Bed room & Toilet.
8. **Quiet - Andreas house:** Plinth Area : 115.33 Sq.m. Single storied load bearing structure residential building with Brick walls plastered in cement mortar, Bamboo roofing consisting of front veranda, living cum Kitchen & Toilet with open stair.
9. **Promesse - Velu & Suguna House:** Plinth Area 72.33 Sqm . Single standing house residential building with inner and outer plaster brick wall, RCC roofing with covered front verandah, living cum Kitchen Bedroom & Toilet. Suitable for Family.

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

## Housing Projects under construction:

1. **Kalpana:** The construction work is going on well. We are completing the first scope which is the structure, bricks, plastering and tiles on the roof and terraces. We will start soon the finishing. Out of 42 apartments some are still available in all the categories, STUDIO, 1 BHK, 2 BHK and 3 BHK. Will be ready 30th June 2018. Contact Person: [satyakam@auroville.org.in](mailto:satyakam@auroville.org.in) / **Satyakam** is available in the model apartment on the site on: **Thursday:** 3pm to 5.30 pm & on 1st and 3rd **Saturday:** 10 am to 12.30 pm. **Surya** is available the 2nd and 4th **Saturday**.
2. **Auromodele Orchard** - Several houses are still to be built. Will be ready in 2018. Contact person: Padmanabhan, Auromodele. Mobile: 8940220333

## OBITUARY

### Andrey of Djaima



In the evening of Sunday 8 October, our Aurovilian brother Andrey Grigorachtchenko from Russia, passed away at the age of 58 in the family's house in Djaima. After a sudden faint, he left his body; his sons were with him at the time.

Called by Auroville's ideals, Andrey came on his own to Auroville in 1985 where he was welcomed as the first Russian and lived for some time in Ekta, Auromodele. In 1997 he came back to stay, accompanied by his wife Svetlana and their two young sons, Terentij and Ivan.

His body was taken to the Farewell Centre where friends could bid him goodbye. The burial took place at Adventure's funeral grounds in the afternoon of Thursday 12 October.

Praying for his smooth transition to the Light, we offer our warmest condolences to Svetlana and sons Terentij and Vanya.

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### Ravindra Shukla

We have been informed that Ravindra Shukla from Mumbai, who lived here for years during the very early seventies, left his body on 26 September this year. Old-timers will surely remember him and his American wife Susan and their daughter Marsaura, living in what now is called Center Field. His Mumbai family was a water supply specialist and donated several pumps for the then barren Auroville lands.

We salute an old comrade, and extend our condolences to his family in Mumbai and his (now ex-) wife and two children, living in the USA.

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## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### Hiralalji of Sri Aurobindo's Action, Pondicherry, passed away.

Hiralalji approached me for connecting Auroville with the centres in India already several years before Sourcing Our Oneness was initiated in 2015. Since its start, he has been supporting this work throughout. Bringing people together, creating awareness and a sense of unity and collaboration between all those connected to the work of Sri Aurobindo and Mother meant a lot for him. He was very non-judgemental and wide and saw what was good rather than what was separating. When I spoke with Hiralalji about this, he was always holding space, unafraid to make bridges over seeming differences. He was also a scholar, always able to bring in Sri Aurobindo's writings and contributing to the work.

We had Hiralalji with us for the Sourcing Our Oneness camp in Nainital in September, he participated in the programs and sometimes he simply rested in a chair in the sun. Thanks to Dr Geeta he had company and could travel to Himalayas and back to Pondy, where he then left us a few days later on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017.

Hiralalji actively contributed in the daily group sessions and interacted with everybody. Reading the flow of messages on the Sourcing Our Oneness Whatsapp after Hiralalji had passed

away, it was wonderful to see all these young people who have gotten to know him during this week, together with all of us, holding him so strongly in love and light.

We will miss him in the work, but when I think about him, I feel only love and joy and assurance that there is continued support for the work he saw was so important.

With love, Jaya

## Mahalakshmi Home for seniors (Assisted Living)

This is to inform the AV community about the "Mahalakshmi Senior Home-" (assisted living"), a project to be undertaken and managed by the AV Health Services (AVHS). The building is situated between Arka and Mahalakshmi Park with access to the Crown road and could give home for 8 Aurovilian seniors permanently and 2 seniors temporarily. AVHS has been organising home-care for seniors for the last years. Since the number of Aurovilian seniors are more and more increasing every year, so we are in need of such care, to concentrate the seniors in a collective environment, which will make care giving considerably more economical and more effective.



The building has started after Dr. Karan Singh (Chairman of the Governing Board) and Sir William Mark Lully (International Advisory Council) laid the Foundation Stone on the 15<sup>th</sup> of August 2016. The Hindu Newspaper had already published this event the next day.

Now after more than one year of building construction time, we need further help from the community.

Any donation transferred to the PT account 0727 (Mahalakshmi Home) are helpful and most welcome.

For more information please contact Manfred (phone 2622565) [manfred@auroville.org.in](mailto:manfred@auroville.org.in)

Thank you, Manfred (Project Coordinator)



## Update of AVI USA

The current board of AVI USA consists of:

Binah Thillairajah - President  
Matthew Andrews - Vice president  
Bill Leon - Secretary  
Mary Alexander - Treasurer  
Jack Alexander  
Julian Lines  
Bryan Walton

Submitted by Vani for AVI

## Smart Irrigation and Energy Control System

Auroville Consulting has completed the installation of a smart irrigation and energy control system at Buddha Garden. This includes a solar PV system and energy storage, a battery monitoring system, automated irrigation control, humidity sensors, water flow sensors, an electronic rain gauge and an ICT communication system for data collection and communication.

This work is part of a wider research project titled Smart Control Optimisation of Renewable Resources (SCORRES) funded by Innovate UK. The main objective of SCORRES is to develop financially viable, robust, location specific irrigation systems for the Indian agricultural sector. The system will be

designed to deliver 'right-time, right-volume' irrigation to farms, reducing water & energy consumption, increasing crop yields & food nutrient content and improving soil condition. The "smart" part of the system is ICT software, which designs, forecasts and controls the crop-specific irrigation. A water balance model uses crop information combined with soil moisture data from sensors and weather forecasting to control solenoid valves, which activate the irrigation.

The weather forecasting includes rain, solar radiation, wind and temperature feeding information to the water balance model. Self-learning algorithms improves the irrigation forecasts to respond to crop needs. The ICT system also optimises the solar PVs and batteries to energies solar pumps and irrigation delivery. The project develops clean technology that addresses the soil-water-energy-food nexus with reduced water and energy consumption of up to 80%. Indian agriculture is currently responsible for 22% and 85% of India's total electricity and water consumption respectively.

We would like to show our gratitude to our project partners Heriot Watt University, Findhorn Foundation College, Scene Connect, Auraventi (all UK), and Auroville Centre for Scientific Research. Also, a big thank you to the team of Auroville Electrical Service, Sunlit Future and Selvam for their dedicated work in making this happen.

Contact us at [info@aurovilleconsulting.com](mailto:info@aurovilleconsulting.com) for more details on the project, or to collaborate.

## Exploring Prosperity

Dear Friends,

**Exploring prosperity** invites you to come and share your knowledge, wisdom, experiences and work in action!

To deeper our commitment to re-alignment to our vision.

To work in focus groups to eke out the practical steps in each area to manifest our vision.

### 1. VISION

For in this ideal place money would be no more the sovereign lord, individual merit will have a greater importance than the value due to material wealth and social position work would not be there as the means of gaining one's livelihood, it would be the means whereby to express oneself, develop one's capacities and possibilities, whilst doing at the sometime service to the whole group, which on its side would provide for each one's subsistence and for the field of his work...

### 2. MISSION

"To be practical, you must first have a very clear vision of your goal, of where you are going, from this point of view, take money for example. An ideal which may be several hundred years ahead of its time, we doubt know, money should be a power which belongs to nobody and which should be controlled by the most universal wisdom of the place, one earth, say, by someone who has a vision vast enough to be able to tell where the money should go. You understand, we very far from that, aren't we? For the moment, the gentleman still says "That is mine", and when he is generous, he says, "I will give it to you". That's not it.

There is a long way to go between what we are and what must be and for that we must be very flexible, never losing sight of the goal, but knowing that we cannot reach it at one bound and that we must find way." -*The Mother*.

### 3. OBJECTIVE

To formulate immediate, medium and long term objects towards the progressive manifestation by:

- Identifying the long term vision for the specific area of each one of focus team.
- Identifying the main aspects in each area that are not aligned with the vision and the mission. What are the main contradictions or obstacles that prevent its implementation.
- Prepare practical proposals, actions, alternative policies with the potential to re-align, make changes that in a progressive way and in stages can implement the long term vision.

### 4. METHODOLOGY

- Mother's guidelines in respective fields of activities.

- Available data and surveys to be analyzed and synthesized.

- Contact active units and working groups to seek ideas, plans and suggestions, if any, based on the experience they have gained and how they will collaborate with re-alignment.

- Collaborate with individuals and groups, who are on the same page with exploring prosperity directions.

### 5. TIME FRAME

As soon as possible, let's see if we can come with some practical proposal in a month time.

**Where: Unity Pavilion**

**When: Tuesday, the 17<sup>th</sup> October 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm**

All are welcome to come and participate in this community event. See you there!

*Exploring prosperity team*



## Kino Kabaret

After a successful trial run in September, the Auroville Film Festival (AVFF) and MMC/CP are organising another Kino Kabaret in December, as part of the fifth edition of the AVFF.



The Kino movement began in Canada in 1999, where participants would gather once every month to screen short films made using the barest of technical or financial resources. There are over 60 Kino cells operating worldwide, and Kino Auroville is the first of its kind in India. Kino Kabarets are events where invited artists collaborate to create films. The Kino Kabaret in Auroville is open to just about anyone who dreams of making a film. Filmmakers from other Kino cells will also be invited to participate.

The Kino Kabaret will begin at 4 pm on December 15 and end at 6 pm on December 17 (50 hours). The results will be screened at MMC/CP on December 17 as part of the festival.

Participation in the Kino Kabaret is free of charge and open to anyone. Those interested can register by emailing [kino@auroville.org.in](mailto:kino@auroville.org.in) with the subject line 'Registration for Kino Kabaret' and with the following information - name, phone number, and the area of interest (direction, camera, editing, sound, acting, etc.). Participants are invited to bring equipment they have. Contact: [kino@auroville.org.in](mailto:kino@auroville.org.in)

## POSTINGS

**Baby born 1:** *Auro Ananda and Rani Celestine* are so happy to share with the community about the birth of their first daughter, Auro Sitara. She was born on 19.07.17. Grandparents: *Gajendiran and Premalatha*.

**Baby born 2:** We are happy to announce the birth of our daughter J. Prathiksha - She was born at Raji Gandhi Hospital in Puducherry on the 20th of September 2017. *R. Jayamoorthy and J. Gayathri*

**50th team update:** The 50th team had promised an update following the meeting on the 25th of September, as soon as possible. It is taking us a bit longer to get back to everyone and come up with a proper update than we had expected. However, you can be sure that we are working on it! Thank you. Watch this space...



**Fund raising cakes:** Hello my name is Asia and I am doing a fundraiser to bring my half-sister to Auroville - my proposal is you can order a cake and I will deliver it to you in Auroville. I can bake cakes, cupcakes and cookies. If you would like a cake with a unique design let me know and I will see what I can do - contact: 7094823921 / Account#6281 - Thanks, *Asia*

**Furniture Offer at Woodscapes:** Up to 30% off - Pre-Diwali. Oct 16-17 | Monday - Tuesday. 9.30 am to 4.30 pm. [Woodscapes](http://Woodscapes) | Sunlit Future Campus | Auroshilpam | contact: 9751531511.

**Probiotics House Tip # 15 - Probiotics for Fruits & Vegetables Wash:** Some foods are actually pretty safe to buy inorganic: carrot, cabbage, onion, However, some products as grapes, salad, tomatoes, or really anything you don't have to peel, are still rather full of pesticides, wax, and other chemicals. If you have no other option than buying inorganic produces, try soaking them in 100% All-Natural Probiotics 4wash for fruits and vegetables! Probiotics 4wash is strong with the dirt and completely safe for humans and nature, it will definitely extend the shelf life of yours stored fruits & vegetable by keeping them very fresh and ready to be used. Thanks for saving water, because product washed with Probiotics 4wash Do Not Need to Be Rinsed, and no need of a refrigerator either. Usage: Shake gently before using. Add 20 ml. 4WASH per half liter of water. Remove labels and stems. Add uncut items to water. Soak for 10 minutes. No rinsing required; drain and store as appropriate. We strongly promote Refilling system to reduce plastics so this product is available in PTDC for the cooperative members only and in Probiotics House in Reve for everybody. *Probiotics House* [Reve - Auroville. Phone: 0413 - 2623774 / Email: [mgecoduties@auroville.org.in](mailto:mgecoduties@auroville.org.in) / [www.probioticshouse.com](http://www.probioticshouse.com)]

**Importance of helmets:** We all know that the roads of Auroville, the ECR, and roads into and within Pondy are dangerous, even highly dangerous, but how many of us are using a crash helmet to minimise the risk of serious head injury, possibly even death, in the event of an accident? From what I can see, the answer is very few; especially among our women (more men seem to be wearing them than women). Particularly worrying is the number of women riding around helmetless with children on their bike. Please take notice of this, and start using a helmet. It won't cost you a lot; won't mess-up your hairstyle (it could even be painted to transform it into an art object or fashion item!); and could be a lifesaver. At the very least, mothers owe it to their children to ensure their safety.  
*Ashoke C*

**Auroville Film Festival:** The Auroville Film Festival is offering a space for Aurovilian (and bioregion) bands to perform during the festival (December 16-23) every day from 5 pm to 7 pm. If your band would like to participate, please email your contact details to *Jurriaan Prakke* ([jurriangelo@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jurriangelo@yahoo.co.uk)) and *Auroville Film Festival* ([aurovillefilmfestival@auroville.org.in](mailto:aurovillefilmfestival@auroville.org.in)) with a link to your music... or even without the link.

## AUROVILLE RADIO



Dear listeners!

Thank You for your extreme patience in this time of transition, yet our work in capturing cultural events, meetings, and other, in our community goes on. Our live streaming can be heard on:

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

**From our volunteers we have:**

Kenden was at Unity Pavilion on the [International Peace Day](#).  
Andrea captured Kalabhumi goes Live - Divij Band [Part 1](#), and Jazz Ensemble [Part 2](#).  
Ray recorded book launch of [Anu's - Auroville A City for the Future](#).  
Rommel did CAT on [FAMC Quaterly Presentation](#).  
**Rtm** - an interview with [Michel Danino](#) on History, and full recording of his lecture [Wisdom and Ethics of Ancient India](#).  
Within regular programs:  
Gangalakshmi reads her [Selections](#), [Selections](#) of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother texts in French - uncut version on the request of listeners!  
Marlenka reads [Synthesis of Yoga](#), [Synthesis of Yoga](#) by Sri Aurobindo.  
Loretta is back with us after summer break, and we have [Mother's O & A 18/7/56 part 1](#), and [Mother's O & A 18/7/56 part2](#), and she continues with [Savitri B.II, C.XIV.](#), and [Savitri B.2, C.XV.](#)

**Out of the regular programs** are here the news of [Thursday 28/9/17](#), [Thursday 5/10/17](#), [Monday 2/10/17](#), and [Monday 9/10/17](#).

And of course, there is a lot of good, and **different music editions:** R&B in [7 Days](#), [Classical Neo-Soul](#), and its 2<sup>nd</sup> part [That Good Good](#), and interesting [Today vs Yesterday Blend](#), smooth jazz in [Just the Matter of Time](#), here is also [Sunny Afrikan Mix](#), and [Lazy Afternoon](#) in smooth jazz, R&B vibes.

Happy listening!

your AV Radio Team [[www.aurovillerradio.org](http://www.aurovillerradio.org)]

## SOME ESSENTIAL SERVICES

*Kindly let us know of any changes in opening/closing hours for the service.*

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

**Auroville Library, Crown Road:** opening hours - 9:00 to 12:30 and 14:00 to 16:30 from Monday to Saturday. email: [avlib@auroville.org.in](mailto:avlib@auroville.org.in). tel: 0413-2622 894

**Bike/Car repair & servicing:** ★ Painting ★ Modification ★ General service ★ Bike renting. Please contact Satya: 9443438287  
At Abri workshop (old puncture service) Auroville. We accept Auroville PT account.

**AvHC:** The Pharmacy is open 8.30 to 5 pm daily including Saturdays. The doctor's consultation is the same with a lunch break from 1-2pm, except Saturday up to 1pm only. Phone no 0413-2622123 and 0413-2622018. Email: [avhealth@auroville.org.in](mailto:avhealth@auroville.org.in).

**AV Safety & Security Team:** Call us 24/7 for emergency, assistance or escort on 9443090107. Visit our office (Certitude Service Area - Near Gas Bottle service) from Monday to Saturday (9AM to 1PM - 2PM to 4PM) or contact us on 0413-2623400/[avsecurity@auroville.org.in](http://avsecurity@auroville.org.in)

**City Transport:** Quick "Pick up and Drop" Shuttle Service in Maruti Omni 4-seater people carrier, free of charge for Aurovilians, Newcomers and Guests for trips within the city area, destinations up to Aspiration/Auromodele and Repos/Quiet chargeable with per passenger fares, from Rs.110/- for 1 person single trip. Phone Visitors Centre main gate 0413-262-2611 or to the driver directly 94876-50951 daily 9.30 am-6.00 pm. E-mail: [visitorscentre@auroville.org.in](mailto:visitorscentre@auroville.org.in) - Please note that it is not a taxi that can be ordered in advance for an exact time, but will normally reach you with 10/15 minutes, and will not wait for you for onward or return trips - if needed it will come back to pick you up again when called.

**Cycle Kiosk:** We remind you that we have several inexpensive and restored cycles available, as well as a few Art Bikes too. Come and see! From 9.30 am to 4 pm - Monday to Saturday. Opposite PTDC/Foodlink/Solar Kitchen. Repair and maintenance of all types of bicycles.

**Auroville Dental Centre:** Protection / Telephone: (0143) 2622265 or 2622007 / email: [aurodentallcentre@auroville.org.in](mailto:aurodentallcentre@auroville.org.in)

**EcoService, Kottakarai:** Palani 9443535172 or Kali 9443090114. [ecoservice@auroville.org.in](http://ecoservice@auroville.org.in)

**Entry Service, Multimedia Center:** 1st floor, Town hall Complex: We are open to the public Monday, Wednesday, Friday 09:30AM-12:30PM, and Monday to Friday (by appointment only). B-Forms and Recommendation letters: on appointment only. For more information on joining Auroville: +91 (0)413 262 2707 email: [entryservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:entryservice@auroville.org.in)

**Farewell:** mobile number: 8903836246. This phone is reachable 24/7.

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

**Free Store: Summer timings (May and June):** open mornings only. Monday to Saturday: 9 to 12:30 pm. Telephone: 0413-2623680 email: [freestore@auroville.org.in](mailto:freestore@auroville.org.in)

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

**Auroville Gas Service, Service Area:** Near Tele Service" and BSNL Telephone Exchange. Monday to Saturday: 9 to 1 and 2 to 4 pm. Telephone: (0413) 2622452 / email: [avgasservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:avgasservice@auroville.org.in)

**Green Care:** Tree care, pruning, rigging, removal of trees, and or branches over structures. Garden maintenance grass and hedge cutting. Call: *Jonas* 9159843579 or *Anadi* 9655477329.

**Guest Service above the Solar Kitchen:** 1st floor. Opening times: from Monday to Saturday 9.30 to 12.30, and from Monday to Friday 13.00 to 16.00. [avquestservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:avquestservice@auroville.org.in); contact no. 0413 2622675

**Housing Service, Town Hall:** Public Hours: Monday morning from 11 to 12.30 and afternoon from 2.30 till 4.30 - Tuesday morning from 9.30 to 12.30 - Wednesday closed - Thursday 9.30 to 12.30 - Friday morning 9.30 to 12.30 only by appointment - Friday afternoon 2.30 to 4.30 - Saturday morning 10.30 to 12.30 only by appointment - All regular financial matters can also be taken care of on Friday morning. Phone: (0413) 2622658. Email: [housing@auroville.org.in](mailto:housing@auroville.org.in)

**Integral Health, Prayatna:** transpersonal regression therapy, classical homeopathy, counselling, vital remedies, child & women health, hypnotherapy. [integralhealth@auroville.org.in](mailto:integralhealth@auroville.org.in) - 2623669 - Mon to Sat 9 am - 5 pm, preferably on appointment.

**LFAU - Fundraising for Auroville's land:** with its two campaigns 'Acres for Auroville' & 'GreenAcres' *Aryadeep, Mandakini LB, Sophie, Sigrid, and secretary Jothi*. Welcome: Mornings from 9:30 - 12.30 at Town Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> floor. LFAU 0413 2622657. [lfauf@auroville.org.in](mailto:lfauf@auroville.org.in) / [www.colaap.org](http://www.colaap.org)

**LOE, Lab. Of Evolution, Bharat Nivas:** LOE Library Open every morning Monday to Saturday: 9 to 12 am / Afternoon Monday to Friday: 2.30 to 4.30 pm. [loechu@auroville.org.in](mailto:loechu@auroville.org.in)

**Matrimandir:** The Inner Chamber is open for Aurovilians daily 6am to 8.45am/11.30am to 12.30pm (2pm on Sunday)/4.30pm to 8pm. Please keep the Chamber neat and tidy. Straighten your mat and put back all extra cushions neatly by the door. Please refrain from rearranging the cushions which are laid out for you. The Petals are open for Aurovilians daily: 4.30pm to 6pm. To bring family members and personal friends please book by calling 2622579 from 9.30 to 11.30 am any day except Tuesday. Be at the office gate of Matrimandir by 8.40 am on the day of the visit. Please remain with your guests throughout the visit. Matrimandir is closed to visitors on Tuesday.

Aurovilians wanting to bring their children to the Matrimandir are recommended to do so on Tuesdays between 9 and 11 am.

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

**Nandini Tailor section: (Auroshilpam):** will receive your summer ( May & June ) orders : Tuesday & Saturday from 9am to 12.30pm and 3pm to 5pm, Thursday from 9am to 12.30pm. Keep it light!! ;-) Beautiful Summer Days, *Nandini Team*. tel: 0413-2622527 Email [nandini@auroville.org.in](mailto:nandini@auroville.org.in). *Don't forget to bring your bag when you give a new order!!!!*

**Nandini Distribution: (PTDC area):** tel : 0413-2622033 Email [nandini@auroville.org.in](mailto:nandini@auroville.org.in). Open to public from Tuesday to Saturday morning from 9am to 12.30pm and Tuesday, Thursday afternoon 2.30pm to 4.30pm. *Don't forget to bring your bag!*

**OutreachMedia Services:** The services provided by OutreachMedia include: dealing with all media that come to Auroville for filming, writing, photographing - reporters, journalist and writers. 2622-098 or 9443602194 or 9952463904

Multi-Media Centre. Office hours: Monday-Friday: 9.30am to 12.30pm. Afternoons and Saturdays by appointment. [outreachmedia@auroville.org.in](mailto:outreachmedia@auroville.org.in)

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

**Auroville Residents Service timings:** open from Monday to Friday morning from 9:30 am to 12.30 pm., and for PREVIOUS ONLINE APPOINTMENTS ONLY: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 2:30 to 4:30pm Telephone: (0143) 2622191 / email: [resservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:resservice@auroville.org.in)

**Residents Assembly Service:** new landline number: 0413-2623701 (please note it in your agenda). The RAS office ( located 1st floor at Town Hall) is open for public from 10 AM till 12 Noon from Monday till Friday. We are happy to welcome your questions, suggestions or information. We will do our best to help you in whatever way possible. Thank you for your appreciation. Your RAS team

**Santé Clinic:** Crown Rd. near. Arka: Call 0413-2622803 for an appointment. Summer timings: MAY AND JUNE closed in the afternoons. Hours: Monday to Saturday: 8.45 am to 12.30 pm.

**Savi:** Services for Volunteers and Hosting Units/Services of Auroville, a link between Auroville Projects and long-term Volunteers (minimum 2 months). We offer welcome information, placements opportunities, support with visa procedure and follow-up throughout the volunteers' stay.

From Monday to Friday from 2 till 4 pm. at the Unity Pavilion. For more information call (0413)2622121 or go to Savi website: [www.auroville-learning.net](http://www.auroville-learning.net).

**Skyworks:** Tree pruning, removal of hazardous trees and branches over fragile structures, power line cleaning. *SatYaaji*: 853 103 35 45

**Shared Transport Service (STS):** Taxi sharing +91 413 2623 200 | +91 413 2623 201 | +91 8270512508 - [sharedtransport@auroville.org.in](mailto:sharedtransport@auroville.org.in) | <http://sharedtransport.auroville.org/>

**TreeCare:** Pruning, removing, cabling, bracing and transplanting of trees. Hedge and grass maintenance also available. Call: *Jonas*: 9159843579 / *Anadi*: 9655477329 or go to: [treecareindia.com](http://treecareindia.com).

**Vehicle Service, Town Hall:** Monday to Friday: 9am to 12.30pm, 2.30 to 4.30pm. Saturday: 9am to 12.30pm. Rental of bicycles and children car seats also available. [avvehicle@auroville.org.in](mailto:avvehicle@auroville.org.in) or phone 9843734825

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

## AVAILABLE

**Furniture:** A king size bed with mattress, a food cupboard, and a teakwood cupboard. Contact us on our landline for further information 0413-2622932. *Suresh*

**Vegan Essence:** Vegan Essence has started production again, this time with our organic oil free hummus, roasted red capsicum hummus and cashew cheeses (3 flavours - plain, cumin and red chilly). Our famous Boursin and another olive and rosemary vegan cheese and chocolate mousse will be out as soon as we can get the ingredients. Our products are available in PTPS and Farm Fresh and we are also looking to make them available in Pondy and other places in AV. If you would like to order something directly from us, including our earlier product, chocolate mousse, you will also have the choice of taking it in your own container and saving the environment from plastics. Call 0413 -2622424 (9am - 5pm Mon - Sat) or write your order to: [info@sharan-india.org](mailto:info@sharan-india.org). Please let us know at least 3 working days in advance so that we can get fresh organic ingredients for your order. We look forwards to serving you!

**Bicycle:** Men's white gearless Btwin bicycle available. Contact *Manmeet*: 8086779684

**A cat:** Sweet, loving and adorable male cat looking for a new home. 2 years old, black and white coloring, neutered, and ready for indoor/outdoor living. Looking for loving and present human companion. Please contact for questions or interest. Thanks for your love and care. [Jeremy@auroville.org.in](mailto:Jeremy@auroville.org.in) or 9489322615 - *Jeremy*

**An ergonomic mouse for Mac:** To all architects, designers, photographers, and others who work a lot with mouse clicks and who have, like me, developed posture issues, I'm selling an Evoluent Vertical Mouse for Mac. Developed successfully by a small startup, this mouse's patented shape supports your hand in an upright neutral posture that generally avoids forearm twisting. Many users, including medical doctors, ergonomists and physical therapists, said the Evoluent Vertical Mouse provides superior comfort and even relieved their wrist pain. For more information please visit their [website](http://www.evoluent.com/products/vm4rm/) : <https://evoluent.com/products/vm4rm/> - This mouse works with Bluetooth, it's a Mac version with lots of programmable buttons and is for right-handed people. Contact me for details. *Isis*: 7094282802

**Auroorchard has milk available!** Auroorchard has recently decided to welcome more cows on the farm and to re-establish a small herd (since 2011, we had only one cow). This is mainly to help us control the grass, and also to contribute to soil fertility, compost, etc. The farm, which is organic since October 2012, now participates in the Dairy Group, and commits to comply with the standards set by this group. Our cows are fed almost exclusively with fodders grown on the farm. For now, we have milk available in the following quantities: 5 litres in the morning, 4 litres in the evening. If you are interested in all or part of these, please contact: [auroorchard@auroville.org.in](mailto:auroorchard@auroville.org.in) - In service, *Auroorchard team*

**Teak wood hexagon cabinet (four shelves) with glass door:** Excellent condition. Contact *Eric (Svedam)*: 9442646250

**Services of an Amma:** A good amma is looking for a job in the afternoons. Please call: 2623274 or 9345400559. Thanks, *Susmita*.

**D-link:** We have a D-link DSL-2730U modem available, Wireless-N 150, bought on August after the lightning burned the old one. *Beber (New Creation)*: 7339163758

## LOOKING FOR ...

**Stained Glass Apprentice:** Robert of *Happy Art Glass Studio* in Luminosity is looking for an apprentice in Stained Glass design and fabrication. Are you skilled in Art design and handcrafts, not afraid of hard work and motivated for a long term commitment? If so please contact *Robert* by sending a compact resume at [happy@auroville.org.in](mailto:happy@auroville.org.in) or call 8098680467. A full maintenance could be available upon need.

**Someone flying to Italy:** Hello dear friends, I'm looking for someone flying anytime soon, to Italy to send my mother something important, not heavy or voluminous stuff! If you are ok with that, please contact me at: [elisainki@yahoo.it](mailto:elisainki@yahoo.it). Thank you! *Elisa*

**Advocacy material:** looking for advocacy material (posters, flyers, videos, etc.) on harmful effects of pesticides and alternatives available (w.r.t. Cashew plantations). Kindly email at: [richa.rrivu@gmail.com](mailto:richa.rrivu@gmail.com). *Richa Rivu*

**Crew and Props for Film Shoot:** TLC's moviemaking workshop seeks the following crew and props to shoot the first few scenes of their magical story, "The Silvendore":

-Crew: Makeup Artist; Location/Set Designer [to create Banyan tree kitchen interior/exterior 'entrance']; Lighting Technician; Sound Recordist, Boom Swinger.

-Props (to borrow): wooden bowls, plates, wooden utensils (if hand-made even better); metal cups (copper if possible); long blond/white hair wig; King's throne.

Shoot dates: Sat 21 Oct: 3-8pm; Sun 22 Oct: 10am-5pm (may get shifted to following 28/29<sup>th</sup> w/end...)

Please contact *Penny*: 9442938514; [penny@auroville.org.in](mailto:penny@auroville.org.in)

**E-bike:** Do you have one in any condition and would like to pass it on for a contribution or give it away? Please contact Pitchandikulam Forest by mail: [pitchandikulam.outreach@auroville.org.in](mailto:pitchandikulam.outreach@auroville.org.in). Thank you!

**An amma:** Revelation guest-house is looking for an amma, basic spoken English needed. Mob. 70 94 84 54 49 / 93 62 46 18 43 Thank you, *Nathalie*

**Company:** I am looking for individuals to provide company for an elderly lady on two or three mornings per week. Ideally, I am looking for someone who has patience and would enjoy spending a few hours with her, preferably with the ability to speak German, Dutch or French. She enjoys being read to, conversation and listening to music, but has difficulty with her memory. Please contact me: 9443698335 - *Lili (Sukhavati)*

**Some work:** My name is *Thamu Veerappan*. I am 27 years old, Aurovilian and have a degree in Engineering. I have experience with the programs "Civil Draft Man", "Landscaping" and

Autocad. Please contact me if you have work for me: [thamu.av@gmail.com](mailto:thamu.av@gmail.com), 9047663217

## LOST & FOUND

**Wristwatch (Lost):** Hello everyone, I have lost my favorite wristwatch in Pitanga yoga hall (Lisbeth's Wednesday session). In case you have found it please return it back to me. My email id is: [shauryasahu753@gmail.com/phone-09869855948](mailto:shauryasahu753@gmail.com/phone-09869855948) - Thank you, *Shaurya*



**Dog (Found):** in Sanjana on 7th October. It has a collar with a chip - please see the photo. The owner can contact *Tatiana and Alexander*: 04132623859

**Fins (Lost):** Blue, short swimming fins (Nabaji) and goggles missing. I must have forgotten them in front of PTDC, in a plastic bag together with goggles, last Wednesday. I would really really like to enjoy them again. If you found them pls give me a call or sms on 9786658967, thank you, *Dariya*.

**Wallet (Lost):** I dropped my red cloth wallet somewhere between Maitreye I and Maitreye II on Monday 9 October around 3 pm. It has my Newcomer card inside and some personal things. If you see it, please would you give me a call on 9787711669 or email [Ktibbo@gmail.com](mailto:Ktibbo@gmail.com) - thank you, *Karen*.

**TVS keys (Lost):** set of 2 keys lost on Sunday on the road between Visitors Centre (Dosa Corner) and Bharat Nivas (Bhumika Hall). **Key chain** is a black & white wooden puppet. If anyone found them, please contact *Sofie*: 8289878449

## THANK YOU

### New Colors - Children's Center

New Colors - Children's Center would like to thank all the amazing, creative and charming people who come to help and celebrate with us "Dialogue in the Village". The children specially want to thank you, for the possibility of feeling, breathing, singing, creating happily and dancing all the days of the event. All the days were full of fun and learning. We hope to see you in future in New Colors.

## APPEAL

### Accommodation for the Volunteers - Appeal

Dear Community,

The 50th Auroville Anniversary is coming soon. It is going to be a very crowded and busy high season as most guest houses are already booked.

Long Term Volunteers are having trouble finding accommodation, and unfortunately, we at Savi cannot welcome foreign volunteers if they do not find lodging within Auroville, since this are the requirements for the Entry Visa. We are forced to turn down people that wish to come and volunteer; could you help?

So, we would like to call out at the community at large and ask if anybody has any accommodation to offer (a capsule in your garden, a spare room in your house, extra room in your forest or other.), especially in the months of December to March. Please do let us know, we and the Volunteers would be very thankful.

Our contact address is: [study@auroville.org.in](mailto:study@auroville.org.in)  
*Savi Team* :)

## ACCOMMODATIONS

**Accommodation available:** My house in Quiet Beach is available for housesitting from 20 Oct - 13th (or maybe 15th) Nov. It's suitable for a single person or at best a couple. I have a cat and dog that need to be fed. Please note the distance from Quiet to the centre of AV. This is more suitable if you have a 2 wheeler. *Nandita*: SMS/Whats App - +91 9488483286, [nandita@sharan-india.org](mailto:nandita@sharan-india.org)

**House-sitting 1:** Hello, I am *Celia*, looking for a house-sitting for November- February (I will still be interested by a 1-month

house-sitting). I have several nice house-sitting experiences, also with garden and pets. I'm a pre-newcomer working at Eco Femme, please contact me at: [celia@ecofemme.org](mailto:celia@ecofemme.org) or 7094691829

**House-sitting 2:** Dear Aurovilians, I am looking for a house-sitting opportunity from November onwards. I am *Ra*, theater artist, long-term volunteer and Newcomer to be. With enough experience in house-sitting to take perfect care of your house, garden and animals. All options and suggestions are welcome. Please contact me at 9655177556 or [potopteatar@yahoo.com](mailto:potopteatar@yahoo.com). All the best, *Ra*.

**House-sitting 3:** Dear Aurovilians, this is *Christian*, a long-term volunteer in Blue Light who is looking for house sitting from the 23<sup>rd</sup> of November onwards. I will care of your house as if it was my own house. I am a peaceful and quiet person and you can write me to ask for references regarding previous house sittings or anything you would like to know. My contact is [chrisgonies@gmail.com](mailto:chrisgonies@gmail.com) and you can find me in the office as well. Happiness and have a wonderful day, *Christian*

**House-sitting 4:** I am *Clara*, Spanish national, Aurovilian since 2010. I am looking for long-term accommodation, for my home staying and minimum artistic studio, with kitchen. I will be happy to take care of your home, plants and pets. Please contact me at this number: 7639065609 or by email: [claramsev@gmail.com](mailto:claramsev@gmail.com)

**House-sitting 5:** We are an Aurovilian couple looking for a long-term house-sitting. We can take care of a garden and pets. Please contact on: 9487833736 or email: [nausheen@auroville.org.in](mailto:nausheen@auroville.org.in). Thank you. *Nausheen and Moghan*.

## TAXI SHARING

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

**October 14th:** Taxi will leave Auroville on October 14th around 4.00 pm for Chennai Airport with one passenger and will return from there at around 7.00 pm with no passenger. If you want to share, please contact me: *Fred C*, [fred1@auroville.org.in](mailto:fred1@auroville.org.in) / Ph: 96 26 01 7247

## WORK OPPORTUNITIES

**Graphic Designer:** Auroville Consulting is seeking a Graphic Designer to support our sustainability and community development projects. The graphic designer will be responsible for developing concepts and designing marketing and promotion material. Want to join our team? Send us your CV and portfolio at: [hr@aurovilleconsulting.com](mailto:hr@aurovilleconsulting.com)

**At New Creation School Project:** Dear Friends, New Creation School Project is a project to help village families in difficulty by helping their children and let them grow in harmony and joy at our boarding school. There are more and more children and so we are looking for some volunteers to teach and share with them - come, play and enjoy with our children in the afternoons. So dancers, painters, artists, if you want to share with some lovely smiling Tamil children please come. (5 to 11 years old).

We are also looking for a French teacher (Morning time 1-2h daily) because we really want our children to speak French here and our last teacher just left for Chennai. We can give contribution for this work.

If you want to know more about our work, what we are doing here and what it is possible to do, please contact *Beber* at: [aurochild@auroville.org.in](mailto:aurochild@auroville.org.in). *With love*.

### Looking for a care taker for Unity Pavilion

Unity Pavilion is in need of a care taker. We are looking for a reliable person that is present on the premises in the evenings and on Sundays and Holidays.

The care taker duties include opening and closing the Pavilion and sometimes give a hand with cleaning up after events and possibly also help us with sound and projector equipment. We

dream of a person well anchored in Auroville's ideals and interested by the activities of Unity Pavilion.  
*Accommodation for one person only available.*

## SPORTS

### Auroville Aikido News

Children classes restart on Monday 9<sup>th</sup>. Juniors' classes (7-10) are FULL! Intermediates (11-15): Welcome to join on Monday 5 to 6.00 pm -possibility to join the Wednesday class/Adult Beginners as well.

**Adults: Beginners:** Wednesday 5.15 to 6.30 pm. with Surya (change of timing!) - **All levels:** Saturdays 6.30 to 7.30 am with Murugan, Surya & John - **Advanced:** Tuesday-Thursday 6 to 7.30 am with Murugan & John

**Women/young girls:** (outreach centers & others) Sunday 8.30 to 9.30 am with Surya.

- Please be at the Dojo/Budokan 10-15 min. before the class starts. Beginners may wear long loose pants & t-shirt with sleeves for the start (no tight fitting please) then a white "keikogi" will be required. Health Fund or private insurance necessary - Reasonable contribution required for the Dojo.

For more info, please contact Surya: 0413-2623.813 or 9655485487 - e-mail: [budokan@auroville.org.in](mailto:budokan@auroville.org.in)  
*Surya, Murugan and Cristo for Auroville Aikido*

### Auroville Ultimate Frisbee

Dear Community,

Auroville Ultimate Frisbee will be hosting a tournament at the end of this month on the 28th and 29th of October. This invitational tournament will have some of India's top teams participating from Chennai, Bangalore and Auroville. For the first time it will be men's and women's teams competing separately, to push both genders individually. Matches will happen from 6 am to 6 pm with a lunch break. We invite you to come and watch and meet new people.

*Av Ultimate*

## EATING OUT

### Well Café will be closed on 18.10.17 for Diwali

Please join us for breakfast and lunch at our beautiful garden cafe. We serve healthy and tasty Mediterranean vegetarian and vegan food.

Open Monday to Saturday: 8.30 till 16.30.

Happy Diwali to all,

*Well cafe Team Sve Dame - 2622219*

# For your calendar



## AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

**Meditation with Savitri read by Mother to Sunil's music**  
**Every THURSDAY at sunset**  
**5.30 to 6.00 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 5.15 pm.**

**Please be seated by 5.25 pm.**

Thank you, *Amphitheatre Team*

## INVITATIONS

Sri Aurobindo Centre for Studies  
India and the World - Bharat Nivas

### Our Auroville Experience...

We will meet on Friday, October 13, 2017, at 4 pm in the  
Resource Library,  
To continue our reading / study of "The Synthesis of Yoga".  
Till then...Love, Aster



### Let's Talk Trash Week 7

This Sunday we will be meeting in  
Certitude at 6 am  
We will be starting from Certitude - Solar  
Kitchen - Vikas - Prayathna - Maitreye -  
Swayam - Sharnga

Thank you All are welcome! Gloves will be provided  
Breakfast will be provided at the end. See you all

### Deepawali celebrations 17th Oct 2017

Dear all,  
All are cordially invited to take part in the Deepawali  
celebration on 17<sup>th</sup> Oct 2017 in front of Solar Kitchen.

#### Time schedule

Dinner at Solar Kitchen Dining hall: 6 to 7.30 pm  
Fireworks (no noise, only light): 7.30 to 7.45 pm  
Cultural program by AV children and adults: 7.45 to 8.45 pm

The dinner is for Auroville community only.  
To avoid the crowd from outside, the dinner tokens are issued  
at Solar Kitchen on 16<sup>th</sup> Tuesday (at 12 - 2 pm and 5 to 6 pm)  
and 17<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 2017 (at 12 - 2 pm) by Selvam of MM.  
You are requested to collect your tokens.

*The Core Team of Sangamam*  
Contact Persons: *Selvam (9943911149), Saroja (7639017692),*  
*Thambidurai (9442485455) and Grace (9443627117)*

### Diwali (festival of light) @ Upasana 2017



Dear friends,  
We will be celebrating Diwali in Upasana  
and we invite everyone to join us for  
light, flowers & a light meal together.  
Thursday 19th October, 6 pm to 9 pm  
At Upasana (Near CSR)  
Love,  
Upasana Team.

### Live Session of U.Lab @ Auroville Leading From the Emerging Future

As a part of the U.Lab course, there are Live Sessions online  
with the U.Lab team at MIT and the global community at large.  
Unity Pavilion has kindly organized a collective screening of  
the next Live Session for everyone in Auroville.

Here are more details:  
Thursday, October 19, 2017  
7:15 pm to 9:00 pm IST\*  
Unity Pavilion, Main Hall  
Everyone is invited.

\*The Live Session is from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm, we would like to  
take this opportunity for sharing reflections / questions /  
insights with each other and have thus extended the time.

#### About U.Lab

U.Lab is a highly experiential course based on Theory U, a  
framework that is rooted in the belief that the quality of the  
results that we create in any kind of social system is a function  
of the quality of awareness, attention or consciousness that  
the participants in the system operate from. It offers a method  
for learning from the emerging future and a set of tools that  
support individuals, organizations, and communities to turn  
ideas into real world change. More than 90,000 people from  
183 countries have participated in it, creating a global  
movement for profound social, environmental and personal  
transformation.

For more details on U.Lab, visit <http://presencing.org>

#### Participation in the Full Course

The U.Lab course started in mid-September 2017 and will go on  
till mid-December 2017. Many of us in Auroville have already  
enrolled in the course last month. However, if anyone is still  
interested, it is not too late. Registration can be done freely  
through this link, and it can be taken online at your own pace:  
<https://www.edx.org/course/u-lab-leading-emerging-future-mitx-15-671-1x-0>

For RSVP and questions, write to: [ulab.auroville@gmail.com](mailto:ulab.auroville@gmail.com)

*Savi is happy to invite volunteers and guests  
to discover Auroville through*

### VIP (Volunteer Introduction Program)

A 4-day discovery journey in Auroville for long term  
volunteers and interns

Date: 19th - 20th -23rd & 24th October  
8.30 am - 4:30 pm

We'll explore Auroville history, bioregion life, spiritual  
insights, environmental projects, educational activities and  
much more. We'll visit projects on site and meet dedicated  
Aurovillians. And on Saturday evening we will gather around a  
potluck.

We have a few places available for guests.  
Information and registration at: [study@auroville.org.in](mailto:study@auroville.org.in)

Warmly,  
Savi team  
(Boomi, Carmen, Dominique, Pranshula, Sara, Saranya)

## TALKS, SEMINARS

### Ecological sanitation

a presentation by Lucas, EcoPro

Saturday, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> - 3 - 4.30 pm  
at Dustudio, Swayam.

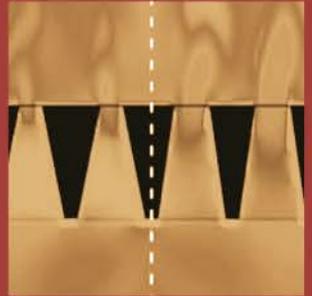
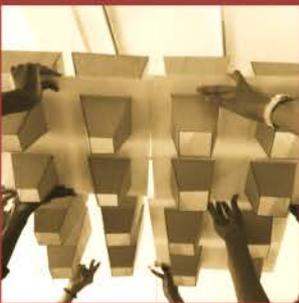
This talk on ecosan - short for ecological sanitation - highlights the  
dilemma of insufficient sanitation, the pros and cons of  
conventional sanitation technologies, pros and cons of ecosan, and  
field experiences of EcoPro. It elaborates on the cycle of nutrients,  
on eutrophication of water bodies and nutrient-poor wastelands  
reflecting current sanitation systems, on the purity-pollution  
gradient in a caste-based society, on the need for interdisciplinary  
learning and cross-professional collaboration etc.

In his series of talks on subjects of environmental health, public  
hygiene, agriculture and related issues, Lucas tries to present  
topics with sufficient scientific basics while keeping the subject  
readily comprehensible to non-experts. The talks are supported  
with power point presentations and a lot of visual material.  
Presentations are being made on Saturdays at 3 pm., this time at  
Dustudio in Swayam. - Please be on time; the program starts latest  
by 3.05 pm.

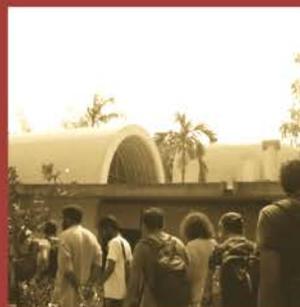
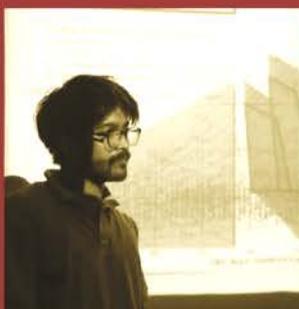
Presentations last about one hour, but there is always space for  
questions, and the sessions can last up to one and a half hour  
depending on interest and discussions.

*All interested are welcome.*

*Refreshments will be served. Free for all.*

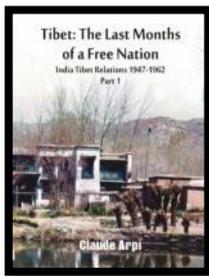


# BiOclimatic Earth



DESIGN Workshop  
Earth Institute  
23 Oct-6 Nov  
Omar+Lara+Satprem  
+Project Reviewers  
[training@earth-auroville.com](mailto:training@earth-auroville.com)

## The Pavilion of Tibetan Culture



Invites you for a discussion on Claude Arpi's latest book.

**Saturday October 21 at 5:15 pm**

The event will be moderated by Lt Gen Ashok Chatterjee, former General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Southern Command of the Indian Army. Post retirement, he became a member of Auroville.

The book was originally launched at the United Service Institution of India in Delhi on September 7, 2017 by Mr Shivshankar Menon, former National Security Adviser and Foreign Secretary.

About the Book: Tibet's system of governance had serious lacunas, but the Land of Snows was free and independent in October 1950, when Mao's regime decided to 'liberate' it. 'Liberate' from what, was the question.

## CULTURAL EVENTS

### GHARANA



A solo tabla recital  
by Pt. Sanjay Mukherjee  
Showcasing various styles of  
Tabla playing.

14th Oct 2017 - Saturday evening  
7:30 pm (1hour Approx.)  
At CRIPA Auroville

A noted and renowned tabla player from the Farukhabad Gharana of Hindustani Classical Music, Guruji

Pt. Sanjay Mukherjee has carved out a space for himself among the top tabla maestros of India.

He is one of the most well-versed musicologist and great teacher on the subject.

Organised by: ARPANAA (Geeta, Creativity & Mona, Yantra) [[arpanaa@auroville.org.in](mailto:arpanaa@auroville.org.in)]

## CLASSES, WORKSHOPS

### Change of Timings/Day - Odissi Dance Classes:

For all interested in learning the beauty and the rhythms of Odissi dance, Devasmita is offering classes for all, including complete beginners.

This week the class will be held on 14th October (Saturday) from 5:15-6:15pm at New Creation. From 20th of October the class will be held on **Fridays** from 5:15-6:15 pm.

The class is open to all. **Location:** The classes are held at the Dance stage outside Satyakam's house. When you come to New Creation, keep driving straight on the paved path. You will see a parking area in front of the lotus pond. Park your vehicle there, and walk straight on the paved path. On the left you will see the Dance stage. It is an open area.

**Registration** is important. To sign up, please drop an email with your contact details (preferably with your number on which WhatsApp can be sent) at [odissidanceclass@gmail.com](mailto:odissidanceclass@gmail.com). If, however, you are seeing this email right before the class, just drop in and register later.

### Exploring Auroville Architecture

23rd - 25th October 2017 at Auroville

Auroville Green Practices is organizing a 3-day workshop titled "Exploring Auroville Architecture" composed of site visits and interactions with architects and building professionals from Auroville. During the program, participants will trail the diversity of architectural expressions in terms of form, context

and purpose in the wider setting of this international township. Expected participants are professional and aspiring building professionals and homeowners who would like to gain inspirations and new ideas for their own practices. Participants will enjoy an exploratory tour to different places to witness Auroville's unique architectural styles. Concessional fees (to cover food expenses) for Aurovilians working in this field are being offered. Full program attendance is required. If you are interested to attend, please send an email to: [info@agpworkshops.com](mailto:info@agpworkshops.com). For more details please visit: [www.agpworkshops.com](http://www.agpworkshops.com)

### Inner-Work-Workshop

Introduction to the Integral Yoga of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother

**17th October (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: **'The Inner Being'**

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](http://www.integralyoga-auroville.com)

### Iyengar Yoga classes

Hello everyone, we would like to inform that the "Iyengar Yoga classes" with Olesya at JOY GH are cancelled for now.

Enjoy the Rain, *Joy Team*

### Indian Calligraphy Workshop

4 & 5 November 2017 (Sat & Sun)

9:30 - 12:30; 2:30 - 5:30 pm

Full attendance necessary. Open to Aurovilians and Newcomers. There is a fixed contribution.

Limited to 20 participants.

Organised by: ARPANAA, Geeta (Creativity) and Mona (Yantra), a service under City Service.

About the artist conducting the workshop: **Rajeev Kumar** - A contemporary Calligraphy Artist, TEDx speaker & Engineer, currently based in Delhi. He has held various solo exhibitions and participated in group exhibitions in India and abroad. Rajeev Kumar has created calligraphy artworks in 14 Indian languages and English. He works both in small & large format. Some of his Calligraphy artworks showcased the richness of Indian Culture and Ethos from the Vedas, Upanishads, Bhagavad Gita and the thoughts of some eminent leaders. His works have been exhibited at various national and international galleries like, India Habitat Center, Apparao Art Galleries, UNESCO headquarters in Paris, etc.

Those interested please send a mail to: [arpanaa@auroville.org.in](mailto:arpanaa@auroville.org.in).

### Connection as Life Energy



Introduction to Nonviolent Communication

With *L'aura Joy*, NVC Certified Trainer

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

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

**Fri, Oct 27 - Sat, Oct 28**

**9.30 am - 5 pm, with lunch break**

A path of Nonviolence (based on Nonviolent Communication, NVC) offers both a deeply-rooted consciousness of oneness, as

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

More info & register (and for venue info): contact L'aura: [joylivinglearning@gmail.com](mailto:joylivinglearning@gmail.com)

Limited seats. Registration and contribution required. Full participation required (2 days). [Other upcoming NVC Events and Practice Group: [joylivinglearning.org](http://joylivinglearning.org)]

### Nonviolent Communication Deepening: "Choosing Love"



With L'aura Joy, NVC Certified Trainer

Friday, Oct 20: 9am-5pm, with lunch break

More info & register (and for venue info) - contact L'aura: [joylivinglearning@gmail.com](mailto:joylivinglearning@gmail.com),

9442788016

Limited seats. Registration required. [Other upcoming NVC Events and Practice Group: [joylivinglearning.org](http://joylivinglearning.org)]

### Introduction to Sri Aurobindo's World Vision

A series of illustrated presentations delivered by Muriel

On Mondays from 11:00 am to 12 noon

At Savitri Bhavan (reading room)

Topic this week (Monday 16th October - 10th session): The inner vs. the outer being.

The course covers some of the basic concepts of Sri Aurobindo's philosophy. It will answer the fundamental questions: Why are we here? What is the nature of reality? Who are we? What is the aim of life? What is 'God'? Etc. It is designed to be quite intense but still accessible to a larger public.

All are welcome.

### Vocal & NadaYoga Workshop

Thursday 19th & Friday 20th October 9.00-5.00 pm

At Pavilion of Tibetan Culture International Zone, Auroville.

To register please contact Hamsini: 9487544184

**Italian Maestro wisdom & Yogic approach.** Discover & develop parts of the body involved in vocal sound production. Learn to use these parts through vocal practice and sound healing circle to consciously create and strengthen your unique Musical instrument.

**Nada Yoga /Access inner consciousness through sound.** Ancient Nada Yoga links music to spiritual growth through vibrational sound.

Use musical scales inside energetic centres to deepen auditory and kinaesthetic awareness. Use Indian Raga to free emotional blockages. These techniques help you to sing in tune. Nada Yoga is a powerful meditative tool deepening movement between consciousness states, enhance inner peace and contentment. **Sacred Chants** help to quiet the mind & open the heart to the Divine Within. No need of any previous experience. Bring a small mirror with you.

### Grow your Vegetable Garden without Chemical Inputs:

*One day workshop on Kitchen Garden and Bioinputs preparation*

14th October 2017 (Saturday)

9.30 am to 4.00 pm

At Sustainable Livelihood Institute, Kottakarai (old water harvest building). Fixed contribution.

For Registration Contact: 0413 - 2622333 / [9786350006](tel:9786350006).

Best regards, Balu for SLI

### Centre for Research, Education and Experience in the

#### Visual Arts

Pls. make an appointment before coming, and BE ON TIME. It's a cooperative, pls. feel free to use the studio's art materials. If possible, bring your personal art materials and donate unused ones for others. Donate generously for art to flourish. It's free for Aurovillians and Newcomers. Fixed contributions for guests and reductions for Volunteers. These



workshops are for adults, if you want to bring your child along, pls. confirm with the facilitator. Call Lakshay at 9810052574 or email to [creeva@auroville.org.in](mailto:creeva@auroville.org.in)

### At the Atelier at Creativity Community. Near Solar Kitchen

-16 Oct: 5 to 7pm - Monday Mediums - Explore Gouache / Poster Colours - by A. Sathya

-17 Oct: 5 to 7pm - Drawing Tuesdays - Figure Drawing with Model - by Lakshay

-18 Oct: 5 to 7pm - Unique Wednesdays - Discover traditional animation film-making- by Tom

-19 Oct: 5 to 7pm - Art Introductions - Textures - by Audrey

-20 Oct: 5 to 7pm - Creative Fridays - Express yourself through

-Every Day: 9:30am-12:30 - Co-operative Studio Open for All - by Sathya

### At Visitors' Center

-21 Oct: 3 to 5pm - Sketchy Saturdays - Outdoors (bring your own materials) - by Lakshay

### Call for final details:

-22 Oct: 09:30am -5:30pm - Sculptural Sundays - by Hema

### AYURVEDIC MASSAGE COURSE

#### AURODAM HARMONY CENTRE

FROM THE 23 OF October TILL 28 OF October 2017

The Ayurvedic massage is one essential contribution to heal every disease.

The message taught in this course is a complete full body massage that the student learns to master during this course.

The massage works from feet to head and the full treatment will be done in 1hour.

The aim of this massage is to eliminate toxins and re-establish the connection between the physical, emotional, mental and energetic aspect.

Attention is directed not only to learn the technique, but also at other important aspects like: the body posture of the student, cleaning of the personal energy system and the workroom.

For more information please contact: [umberto@auroville.org.in](mailto:umberto@auroville.org.in) mobile 9585975330. The teacher Umberto: He is living in Auroville from the last 20 years, teaches three different forms of Ayurvedic massages.

## F I L M S

### AT SAVITRI BHAVAN

Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> of October 2017 at 6:30 pm

**KIREET JOSHI: "LET US WORK TO RESTORE THE VEDA, Part 5 - THE SEVEN RIVERS"**

"This world is a world of evolution and of conscious-force" is Sri Aurobindo's knowledge for humanity. The knowledge of 'science of living' is a particularity of the Veda. The knowledge is all comprehensive and the aim is immortality. It also gives the knowledge on how the mortal becomes immortal here on earth.

In the Veda in the hymns to Agni "The Seven Rivers" of the Rishi Vishwamitra Sri Aurobindo found the precise description of several levels of consciousness and the processes to reach them. Sri Aurobindo wrote that we need to understand "the psychological function of Agni, the priest, the fighter, the worker, the truth-finder, the winner of beatitude for man".

Agni is the Deva, the All-Seer, manifested as conscious-force or, as it would be called in modern language, Divine or Cosmic Will, first hidden and building up the eternal worlds, then manifest, "born", building up in man the Truth and the Immortality. ... The rest of the passage describes the ascent of this divine conscious-force, Agni, this Immortal in mortals who in the sacrifice takes the place of the ordinary will and knowledge of man, from the mortal and physical consciousness to the immortality of the Truth and the Beatitude."

"Agni himself begins as material heat and power, manifests secondarily as the Horse [life force] and then only becomes the heavenly fire. His first work is to give as the child of the Waters its full form and extension and purity to the middle world, the vital or dynamic plane ... He purifies the nervous life in man pervading it with his own pure bright limbs, lifting

upward its impulses and desires, its purified will in works by the pure powers of the super-conscious Truth and Wisdom." The seven Rivers, the Water, are the seven Words of the creative goddess Vak, — Speech, the expressive power of Aditi, of the supreme Prakriti. Kireet Joshi reads and comments the verses 9-14 of "The Seven Rivers". Duration: 38min.

## CINEMA - VISITOR'S CENTRE - VIDEO ROOM

Friday 13 OCTOBER at 7.45 pm

"HANDS OVER THE CITY" - *Le mani sulla città* (original title)

Director: Francesco ROSI, ITALY, 1963

With: Rod Steiger, Salvo Randone, Guido Alberti

Synopsis: Italy, 1963. Pushed by the contractor Edoardo Nottola, the municipality of Naples uses agricultural land to launch the construction of a gigantic real estate program. Speculators benefit, but the proximity of the site causes the collapse of an old building and the death of a child. This drama takes place shortly before the municipal elections; the debates are raging in the majority who seeks to oust Nottola while the opposition, led by the communist councilor De Vita, pushes to the creation of a commission of inquiry.

Italian version with English Subtitles, Duration: 1h.41'

Friday 20 OCTOBER at 7.45 pm sharp!

"COURTED" - *L'HERMINE* (original title)

Director: Christian VINCENT, France, 2015

With: Fabrice Luchini, Sidse Babett Knudsen, Eva Lallier

Synopsis: Michel Racine is a dreaded Assize Court President. As hard as he with himself, he is with the others. He is nicknamed "the two-digit President" for with him, one always gets for more than ten years! Everything changes when Racine sees Ditte Lorensen-Coteret. She is part of the jury that will have to judge a man accused of homicide. Six years ago, Racine loved this woman. Almost in secret. Perhaps the only woman he ever loved.

French version with English Subtitles, Duration: 1h.38'

**Take note: Temporary venue at Visitors' Center. Please bring one or two cushions for your comfort...**



## THE ECO FILM CLUB

Sadhana Forest, October 20th, Friday.

Back to Previous 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, as well as a free 100% vegan organic dinner.

### THE CRISIS OF CIVILIZATION

77 Minutes / English / 2011 / Directed by Dean Puckett

The Crisis Civilization is a documentary feature film investigating how global crises like ecological disaster, financial meltdown, dwindling oil reserves, terrorism and food shortages are converging symptoms of a single, failed global system. Proving that 'another world' is not merely possible, but on its way.

(Reminder: Friday 13/10: Connected - A film for change)

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## EYE OPENING MOVIE SERIES

There will be **NO MOVIE SCREENING ON OCTOBER 18, WEDNESDAY.**

The next movie screening will be held on Wednesday, October 25.

Movie screenings are held at the Unity Pavilion every Wednesday at 8 pm.

All are welcome

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Articles for the Notes section** maximum length 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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