

News & Notes

Monday 23rd July 2018

A weekly bulletin for residents of Auroville

Number 756

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in a change of man's consciousness,
and the change is bound to come*

*But it is left to the men to
decide if they will collaborate for this
change or if it will have to be imposed
upon them by the power of crashing
circumstances.*

So, wake up and collaborate!

Blessings



Auroville

HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA



The higher ethical law is discovered by the individual in his mind and will and psychic sense and then extended to the race. The supreme law also must be discovered by the individual in his spirit. Then only, through a spiritual influence and not by the mental idea, can it be extended to others. A moral law can be imposed as a rule or an ideal on numbers of men who have not attained that level of consciousness or that fineness of mind and will and psychic sense in which it can become a reality to them and a living force. As an ideal it can be revered without any need of practice. As a rule it can be observed in its outsides even if the inner sense is missed altogether. The supramental and spiritual life cannot be mechanised in this way, it cannot be turned into a mental ideal or an external rule. It has its own great lines, but these must be made real, must be the workings of an active Power felt in the individual's consciousness and the transcriptions of an eternal Truth powerful to transform mind, life and body. And because it is thus real, effective, imperative, the generalisation of the supramental consciousness and the spiritual life is the sole force that can lead to individual and collective perfection in earth's highest creatures. Only by our coming into constant touch with the divine Consciousness and its absolute Truth can some form of the conscious Divine, the dynamic Absolute, take up our earth-existence and transform its strife, stumbling, sufferings and falsities into an image of the supreme Light, Power and Ananda.

The culmination of the soul's constant touch with the Supreme is that self-giving which we call surrender to the divine Will and immergence of the separated ego in the One who is all. A vast universality of soul and an intense unity with all is the base and fixed condition of the supramental consciousness and spiritual life. In that universality and unity alone can we find the supreme law of the divine manifestation in the life of the embodied spirit; in that alone can we discover the supreme motion and right play of our individual nature. In that alone can all these lower discords resolve themselves into a victorious harmony of the true relations between manifested beings who are portions of the one Godhead and children of one universal Mother.

All conduct and action are part of the movement of a Power, a Force infinite and divine in its origin and secret sense and will even though the forms of it we see seem inconscient or ignorant, material, vital, mental, finite, which is working to bring out progressively something of the Divine and Infinite in the obscurity of the individual and collective nature.

(To be continued)

THE SYNTHESIS OF YOGA, pt. I: The Yoga of Divine Works, ch. VII: Standards of Conduct and Spiritual Freedom

SRI AUROBINDO

Message on the front cover:

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and the change is bound to come.*

*But it is left to men to decide if they will collaborate for this change
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Mother

August 1964



**This is a time to come together
as a unified collective**

**Call
for the Divine's Grace and Protection
of the Auroville Area**

**MONDAY 23RD JULY - 5 PM
AROUND THE BANYAN TREE, MATRIMANDIR.**



WORKING GROUPS REPORTS

General Meeting of the Working Committee - an update

Dear community,
The Working Committee (WCom) held a General Meeting (GM) on Thursday, 12th July, to update the community on seven main topics it has been dealing with over the past few months. Refer to announcement in the N&N 2nd July 2018 [753].

This GM was attended by over 150 residents, and besides an update on recent visa issues the other two main topics that were covered were the proposed highway through the Auroville area and the recent disputed land purchase.

• Highway:

The WCom and other working group members along with residents who expressed an interest during the GM, have constituted a Highway Taskforce group, which has already had its first meeting on the afternoon of Saturday, 14th July. The group consists of Bertrand, Cristo, Francois G, Gilles B, Glenn, Govind, Jayavel, Lalit, Lata, Mahalingam, Mita, Navroz, Paul Vincent, Paul, Philippe, Prashant, Renu, Robert H, Selvaraj D, Tine, Toby. The group is working on a fast-track multi-level approach to preserve the entire Auroville geological area, which extends beyond the Master Plan. The proposed highway would jeopardise this entire area and this group is therefore working to propose viable alternatives.

• Disputed land purchase:

The WCom is once more meeting the Land Board members that were involved in the land purchase and has asked for an official explanation as to how this could have happened, while the criminal and civil proceedings are taking their course. Our focus remains strongly on acquiring the land and on learning how to strengthen our processes.

The Working Committee would like to thank everyone for stepping forward to speak up, clarify, and / or support us in the way forward of these two most pressing matters of the hour.

For details on the GM, kindly tune in to the radio recording (www.aurovillradio.org/gm-with-the-working-committee/).

Warmly, *Your working committee*

Protecting the Auroville name and symbol

The Working Committee, the Auroville Foundation, Legal Upaaya and other bodies regularly used to get emails from Aurovilians pointing out misuse of Auroville's name by non-Aurovilians for commercial or other purposes. For many years, very little action was taken as the legal processes were lengthy and expensive.

At the end of April 2015, Legal Upaaya (a legal service under Working Committee) approached several Aurovilians with a proposal to form a group to protect the name and symbol of Auroville. In May 2015 the Name and Symbol of Auroville Group was formed. The group sees as its aim the protection of the name and symbol of Auroville, first and foremost through the use of alternative resolution methods, while keeping legal action as a last resort. After more than two years of work, this group found that some matters of name misuse could be resolved amicably and simply. Other categories of unauthorized use are more complex. For example, it requires a lot of sensitivity to get the cooperation and understanding from people/guest-houses or other entities located around Auroville, when they use the name and/or address of Auroville without authorization - that is, without being part of the Auroville Foundation. The information gathered by our group members who originally come from some of these parts suggests that communicating the issue of Auroville name use isn't simply a matter of giving clear information or language technicality. These were and are matters that need to

be resolved harmoniously as they touch on Auroville's relationship with its local neighbours at a deeper level, especially while sharing a co-prosperity zone. In January 2018, as mentioned in their report, the WC has authorized the Name Protection group to do what is necessary to protect the Name and Symbol of Auroville in accordance with the Name and Emblems (Prevention of improper usage) Act 1950.

At present the NPG is dealing with a construction company, a bottled water company and other instances. So far 22 out of 45 cases have been resolved.

Greetings,
Name and Symbol of Auroville Protection Group (NPG) members: Annemarie, Elaine, Palani, Sundar, Tim, Tixon and Vinodhini - Email: nameprotection@auroville.org.in (please note: we are not dealing with misuse of Matrimandir image or name.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

APPEAL FROM THE HIGHWAY TASK FORCE

The residents of Auroville are deeply concerned by the proposed highway development, as it puts in jeopardy Auroville's aims and objectives as defined in its Charter, which has been recently endorsed by Hon'ble PM Modi. The proposed development will irremediably impact our area's geology and the environmental work done by Auroville as well as negatively affect the socio-economic fabric of the area.

We appeal to the concerned bodies to help and prevent the project as it affects the future of the realization of the Mother's vision.
Your Highway Task Force.



This is a time to come together as a unified collective call for the Divine's Grace and protection of the Auroville Area:
Monday 23rd July - 5 pm
around the Banyan tree, Matrimandir.

FROM THE ENTRY SERVICE - N&N # 756

Dated: 23-07-2018

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 community feedback window of two weeks for Newcomers and one month for Aurovilians. Kindly forward your support or grievances to entryservice@auroville.org.in.

NEW: For viewing pictures of the announced Newcomers and Aurovilians, please have a look on Auronet.

NEWCOMERS ANNOUNCED:

- Michael WINKLER (German) Staying and working at Solitude.
- Sarah WINKLER (German) Staying and working at Solitude.
- Ravi MURUGESAN (Indian) Staying in Sailam and working at Auroville 50th.
- Rivu LAHA (Indian) Staying and working at Pitchanikulam.
- Richa HUSHING (Indian) Staying and working at Pitchanikulam.

NEWCOMERS CONFIRMED:

- Michael BENNASAR (French)
- Margit PAL (Hungarian)

CHILD OF NEWCOMER:

- Prithish RAJA (Indian) Born on 15/04/2014.
- Lukas WINKLER (German) Born on 22/03/2013.
- Drithi LAHA (Indian) Born on 06/12/2009.

AUROVILIANS ANNOUNCED:

- Bertrand CORTET (French) Staying in New Creation and working at Auroville Child Development.

Lison MOEGLE (French) Staying in MIR (SAILER Staff Quarters) and working at Transition School and Nandanam Kindergarten. Safia RAOUI (Belgian) staying in Surrender, working at Kallialay Surf School.

AUROVILIANS CONFIRMED:
Mimansha CHHADVA (Indian)
Romel CHHADVA (Indian)

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) 02:30PM-04:30PM

Yours, *The Entry Service*

Houses available for transfer:

1. **Realization community - Usha's apartment:** Single storied load bearing structure. Residential building with stabilized brick walls, outside stabilized earth plastered, brick vault roofing, living cum bed, Kitchen, & Toilet. Inner furnished wooden stair connects with mezzanine.

2. **Adventure Forest:** Plinth area 155.63 Sq.m approximately. Double storied load bearing structure residential house with 1 bedroom, kitchen, hall and balcony. Separate toilet & bathroom. Store room without roof.

For more information, contact: Housing Service (Town Hall)

Phone: (0413) 2622658 / e-mail: housing@auroville.org.in

3- **From Sunship: Immediately available:** One single unit of 42 Sq.m completely furnished and equipped-kitchen, bathroom and cupboard- with Collective cafeteria, Laundry, technical maintenance and management by Aurovillians! (*Contact louis@auroville.org.in for visit and more information)

Housing Project under construction:

1. **Kalpana Housing Project:** Project Holders: Satyakam and Devasmita - Architect: Ovoid Atelier / Neel and Supriti Contractor for the finishing work: Auromira / Jothi Prasad.

The finishing work at Kalpana is going on well. The South block with 22 apartments will be completed by mid-July 2018. In parallel the work is going on in the North block and East block. The next works which will start soon are the balcony and staircases railings and the landscaping.

Out of 42 apartments 8 units are still available

1. Studio - 3 units
2. 1 BHK (Bed room, Hall and Kitchen) - 3 units
3. 2 BHK - 1 unit.
4. 3 BHK - 1 Unit

Also available 2 offices at the ground floor in the North block.

We are hoping to be ready by 30th August 2018.

Satyakam is available at the site every Thursday afternoon from 3 to 5:30 pm and Saturday from 10 am to 12:30.

For any information please write to satyakam@auroville.org.in

2. **Auromodele Orchard** - Booking available for 9 family houses 5 studio houses. Contact person: *Padmanabhan*, Auromodele. Mobile: [8940220333](tel:8940220333).

OBITUARY

Cornelia left her body

Cornelia, mother to Jana and grandmother to Lili and Fee Dreikhausen, passed away on 11 July 2018 at the age of 91. She gratefully enjoyed her time in Auroville, Sukhavati, the walks in the forest, and the frequent interaction with young people.

She was quietly cremated at Adventure on Thursday 12th July.

Our love and strength go out to Jana, Lili and Fee. OM-



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Volunteers for Seeds and Freedom



SLI is organizing a Seed Festival in Bharat Nivas on 28th of July 2018. Last year the Seed Festival attracted more than 700 visitors, including several farmers in the bio-region and there were more than 300 traditional varieties exchanged.

We need volunteers for Seed Festival to work with the energetic and enthusiastic SLI team. The volunteers will be required to meet a couple of times before the Festival and again be available the day before and on the day of the festival. We seek youth, young volunteers eager to engage with seed savers and anyone interested in the venture to join us in this important seed saving venture. Please write to admin@tnavsl.in if interested. Please look up our last year seed festival:

www.facebook.com/sms.sakthi/posts/1427978050616479.

Pavi for SLI (Sustainable Livelihood Institute)

POSTINGS

NEW Library at KCC: Dear friends, we are very glad to share with you that we are creating a library at our Kulilappalayam Cultural Centre for the welfare of our surrounding villagers, workers, students, volunteers, guests, and also for everyone! :) If you wish to give away some of your books (Tamil and English), please bring them to our Centre or call us on: [9843195290](tel:9843195290) or [8778809172](tel:8778809172), or email: kulilaiculturalcentre@auroville.org.in. With thanks, *Selvaraj for KCC.*

NEW in AV- For Insurance Needs and Service: Call *Sundar K.:* [9786167917](tel:9786167917) or email: goodnessinsuranceservice@auroville.org.in

To Be Two Offer: up to 60% off on selected garments in Kalki Pandy, Kalki Visitors center and To be two (Auromode) factory outlet. Please come and enjoy the discount. Contact: *Anyuta, To Be Two*, Cell: [9943880890](tel:9943880890) / [0413-2622161](tel:0413-2622161).

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for a Design Volunteer: Auroville Web Services is looking for a Graphic Design Volunteer to create/review an existing Android app. The designer may create a logo or update the existing logo for the app and to do a design review and Theming update for the app. Experience in any one of the following (Photoshop or Zeplin or Sketch) is essential. Experience in UX is a plus. contact: webservices@auroville.org.in.

Urgently looking for a Newcomer / Aurovillian / Volunteer: for Reception Management at Bamboo Centre. In Kind Contribution provided. Interested people please contact Romel [9619996080](tel:9619996080) or email on bamboocentre@auroville.org.in. *Bamboo Centre, Auroville*

Urgently looking for a Newcomer / Aurovillian: for communication Management at Bamboo Centre. Contribution provided. Interested people please contact Romel [9619996080](tel:9619996080) or email on bamboocentre@auroville.org.in. *Bamboo Centre, Auroville*

Part Time French Teacher: for Transition School team. If interested please contact *Betty* at betty@auroville.org.in or [8098074351](tel:8098074351).

SPORTS

Auroville Aikido at Auroville Budokan (Dehashakti): We have restarted our Martial Art practice with a new class for **Beginners & all levels** on Wednesday evening 6.30 to 8 pm with Murugan; **Mixed levels** on Saturday morning 6.30 to 7.30 am with Murugan/Surya; **Advanced** (morning classes) with Murugan on Tuesday & Thursday 6.00 to 7.15 am; **Women & young girls** (from 15) Sunday morning 8.30 to 9.45 am. Please be at the Dojo/Budokan 10-15 min. before the class starts. Welcome to watch a class before you join. Beginners may wear long



loose pants & t-shirt with sleeves for the start (no tight fitting please) then a white "keikogi" will be required -we have some. For all activities at the AV Budokan: Health Fund or private insurance necessary - Reasonable contribution for the Dojo is required. For Children classes and more info, please write to budokan@auroville.org.in or contact Surya: [0413-2623-813](tel:0413-2623-813) or [9655-485487](tel:9655-485487); Murugan: [9952-812843](tel:9952-812843).

HEALTH

Tibetan Doctor's visit: Tibetan Doctor and the team are visiting us on Friday the 27th of July for full day and Saturday the 28th for half-day. For your appointment call the Pavilion of Tibetan Culture International Zone call at [0413 2622401](tel:0413-2622401) or send an e mail to bodkhang@airoville.org.in. Best regards, Pavilion of Tibetan Culture (International Zone)

Voices & Notes

AUROVILLE RADIO / TV



Dear listeners/viewers!

Greetings Auroville... We are happy to share with you all what we managed to capture in past week as a team of AurovilleRadio/TV. Please do collaborate with us in sharing event details and video clips of events happening in the community of Auroville. We would be happy to hear from you, and also for you to make use of our services. Please do follow our updated website which offers a wide range of information with written, audio and video content and stay connected with us for more event updates on our social media sites, Facebook and Twitter. Website: www.aurovilleradio.org Facebook: www.facebook.com/auroville.radio Twitter: AurovilleRadioTV (@AurovilleRadio) | Twitter

From our volunteers for the past week we have:



2 students of Future School joined us for their community service, so here are **Manu and Raghu** - [Arts in Auroville with Audrey](#), and [Arts in Auroville, Episode 2](#);

Steve - [GM with Working Committee](#);

D - [GM on Selection Processes Inclusion](#);

Tanja - [The Legend of Flute player in German](#);

Out of regular programs we have: GangaLakshmi continues with her [Selections](#) of The Mother and Sri Aurobindo in French. Marlenka continues with [Synthesis of Yoga](#).

Here are also **the news** of [Thursday](#) including a short interview with Manu and Raghu, and [Monday](#) featuring the Maker Space.

Musical edition features Manu and Raghu's choice: [Poetry of the Air](#), plus [80 Years of Bill Withers](#).

Your AurovilleRadioTV team

GREEN MATTERS

Water Words: Geographical Area of WMS

(This is part 3/10 of the introduction to the Water Management Strategy (WMS) that the Water Group is currently working on. Please visit our website to read the full draft and share your feedback.)

In order to create a WMS for Auroville, it is necessary to define the geographical boundaries of Auroville. The challenging part is that water is beyond borders. Another major challenge is that because Auroville doesn't have stewardship over all of the lands within the township, hydrologic continuity is difficult. Two levels of action are highlighted in this chapter: **implementation** of water management strategies that will be initiated in Auroville, but will take into **consideration** the wider bioregion, specifically, the Kaliveli-Puducherry watershed. What about lands of Auroville that fall outside of the Master Plan? Of course they must be included, but because they are often isolated,

more site-specific water strategies makes sense for them. What do you think?



Water Group (Aditi, Bala, Christian, Dorle, Giulio, Ing-Marie, Jeanne, Meera, Pavneet, Tency, Tom)

Website: www.aurovillewater.in

Facebook: www.facebook.com/aurovillewatergroup

More e-cycles available for KIM!

Good news! So much interest was expressed that we started Phase II of Kinisi In-kind Mobility (KIM), by dedicating 15 more e-cycles to the scheme!

With KIM, any Aurovillian can steward an e-cycle for his personal use by contributing Rs. 850/month, which will cover maintenance and battery replacement costs after 3 years.

The only requirement is to use it often for your transports within Auroville and region, and to treat it well, as if it was your own (maintenance tips will be given to you when you get the e-cycle).

People who were on the waiting list will have priority, then it will be "first come, first serve"! Kinisi is located at CSR. Please come in person.

The Kinisi Team



RE-FILLING - Now HERS is ON!

The Re-filling of Probiotics Liquid Cleaning Products in Auroville - The Story GOES ON...



In 2013, MGEcoduties - Probiotics House and Pour Tous Distribution Centre (PTDC) - Auroville, started to offer all the Probiotics Natural Cleaning products without packaging, but instead in re-filling system, promoting *Reduce, Reuse, Recycle*.

Since 2013 till now, we have saved 35,120 plastic bottles from going to the landfill or to Plastic Ocean, it means this bulk chain is proud of its contribution to reducing waste, as we have diverted 2.1 tons of plastic from landfill.

And we continue counting, as **HERS Team in Kottakarai** has joined the campaign of Probiotics Cleaning products under re-filling system.

CONGRATULATIONS to HERS for this important step towards reduction of plastic packaging in liquid cleaning products.

Guidelma and Margarita -

Executives at MGEcoduties - Probiotics House

Acute Egg Shortage - a chance to rethink our habits!

I read in the recent News&Notes that Auroville is facing an acute shortage. Nothing happens by chance. Here's an opportunity to rethink our consumption of eggs.

What's wrong with eggs? Eggs are a quick way to make a filling meal. I used to love them too! Here are a few reasons why I would never consume eggs again.

-1. Eggs are very high in cholesterol content. Only animals produce cholesterol, therefore it follows that only animal products are high in cholesterol. Eggs contain 4 to 5 times more cholesterol than most other animal products.

-2. Hens have to lay 250 eggs a year in order to be considered productive. A normal hen does not lay more than 25 - 30 eggs a year. Think about the manipulations that a hen suffers in order to meet the production needs. Hens end up with prolapse as a result of laying so many eggs. It's very painful. After 1.5 - 2 years of non-stop production they are so spent that they must be discarded.

-3. Male chicks are a by-product of the egg industry and are ground up alive soon after they are born and fed back to their sisters. (imagine a live chick in your blender)

-4. In commercial egg production, in order to prevent hens from attacking each other due to the stress of confinement, their beaks and claws are trimmed. These are extremely sensitive parts of their body.

-5. Chickens are very sensitive birds, and are known to keep their surroundings clean given a chance. They even speak to their unborn chicks before hatching and protect them ardently once they are born. But hens in the egg industry are not allowed many of their natural behaviours for their entire short lives.

-6. Today protein excess is a cause of disease rather than protein deficiency (which only occurs in starvation). Protein excess causes acidity, gout, osteoporosis, kidney disease and cancer.

Perhaps you did not know this, like I did not, when I ate eggs. A quick tasty meal for us is a life of torture and pain for the birds. Over the years through conditioning from our culture we have come to think that this is acceptable. And although Auroville Leghorn hens may suffer a little less than their conventional counterparts, it still cannot be considered a life. The world over, many compassionate farmers have given up animal agriculture altogether. Raising animals for food is not environment friendly either (check out the documentary '[Cowspiracy](#)'). And most importantly eggs are a health hazard.

All over the world both eggs and chicken are being replaced with plant-based alternatives. (you can read all about this on the internet). It's easy to make most recipes that contain eggs completely plant-based (check out www.sharan-india.org). It may take a little more effort, and require some learning initially, but it will definitely reduce a lot of suffering both to you and the hens!

Dr Nandita Shah - Author of "Reversing Diabetes in 21 Days"
www.sharan-india.org - SHARAN: "[Make the Connection](#)" video.

NOTES

“A very serious poison”

THE MOTHER ON SMOKING IN AUROVILLE

“Smoking must not become a public menace.

Those who cannot do without smoking may do it in a room expressly set aside for the purpose.” - 1971

“And tobacco - nicotine is a very serious poison. It is a poison that destroys the cells. I have said that it is a slow poison because one doesn't feel it immediately except when one smokes for the first time and it makes one very ill. And this should make you understand that it ought not to be done. Only, people are so stupid that they think it is a weakness and so continue until they get used to the poison. And the body no longer reacts, it allows itself to be destroyed without reacting: you get rid of the reaction. ...

Well, for tobacco it is the same thing: the first time the body reacts violently, it vomits, it tells you, “I don't want it at any cost.” You compel it with your mental and vital stupidity, you force it to do so; it doesn't react any longer and so lets itself be poisoned gradually until it decomposes. The functioning deteriorates; it is the nerves that are affected; they no longer transmit the will because they are affected, they are poisoned. They no longer have the strength to transmit the will. And finally people begin to tremble they have nervous movements. There are quite a few, one doesn't need to go very far to find them. And they are like that only because they have committed excesses: they drank and smoked. And when they lift an object, their hands shake (*gesture*). That's what one gets by doing this.”

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Here are some citations from Shyam Sunder Jhunjunwala's book, 'Down Memory Lane':

She said, "Have we not said 'no smoking, no drugs in Auroville?'" "For drugs, yes; but for smoking Mother has given the provision of a smoking room. But even this is not followed." p. 129

Ajit Rao wishes to build a house in Auroville. Roger has told him that unless he works for a specific project, he should not have a house; but if Mother says that he can have it even without such a work, he will make the design. Ajit insists that only his wish to build a house in Auroville be placed before Mother, and he is prepared to work if she wants him to do so. He drinks and smokes.

Mother said, "To build a house in Auroville one should not drink or smoke."

She asked laughing, "Is he prepared to exchange smoking and drinking for a house in Auroville?" p. 122

Submitted by Martin S.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Available: Looking for a house sitter starting mid of August in the green belt. Contact ambre@auroville.org.in.

Needed 1: Dear community members, I am a volunteer in Auroville for the past 1.25 years, registered with Savi, and am starting the process to become a Newcomer. I have a background in Technology, presently volunteering in Talam. I am looking for a house-sitting availability for the next one year of my Newcomer period. Please let me know if you are looking for a house-sitter or if you know any leads for the same. Thanking you, *Sitharth E.* Mobile: [7845726955](tel:7845726955) / email: esitharth@gmail.com

Needed 2: I am a pre-newcomer, here in Auroville with two kids, 8 and 12 years old. We are searching for a housesitting opportunity for our Newcomer period: for some months it would be ok too, but much longer... much better :)
With hope and gratitude, *Chiara, Nijam & Manu* - [9487049867](tel:9487049867)
merianchiara@gmail.com.

Needed 3: Hello I am a volunteer at Auroville Consulting and I am looking for a house sitting opportunity from mid-August onwards. Will take good care of your house. Funds for contribution available. Kindly call me on [9884565069](tel:9884565069) or email gnatar@gmail.com. Many thanks. *Ganesh*.

AVAILABLE

Auroville Library of Things (ALoT), an initiative by earth&us, at the container opposite PTDC: borrow tools, toys, kitchenware, travelling & hiking gear at your convenience. alot@auroville.org.in. NOW ONLINE! aurotot.myturn.com/library/inventory/browse

Kitten: A sweet three months old female kitten is looking for a home. Please contact *Yoffi* [9159897780](tel:9159897780).

Bike: Royal Enfield Bullet classic 350, lagoon-blue colour, one-year old. Contact [9159372784](tel:9159372784), thanks, *Dharani from SAIER Transport Service*.

Fridge: good looking SAMSUNG 250Litre refrigerator to be given away free. It needs a new compressor though. Please call if interested before 9am and after 7pm: [04132622724](tel:04132622724). *Adil*

LOOKING FOR...

Artist Workspace: atelier needed, doesn't have to be big, but with natural light. Contact *Fabiola* at [8489337344](tel:8489337344), thanks!

Part-time House-work: Our Amma is looking for another 3 days work. She cleans, cook, taking care of the kids, speak basic English. I trust her and appreciate her. Contact [7539956719](tel:7539956719), *Osnat*

TAXI SHARING

Auroville service of taxi sharing available with STS at: <http://sharedtransport.auroville.org/> (an initiative by earth&us)

July 24th: National flight landing at 6:35pm. Taxi sharing available both ways. Please contact me at [09443790661](tel:09443790661) or send a mail to dolma@auroville.org.in. Thanks, *Ann R.*

July 26th: Hello all of you lovely people, I'm leaving from AV (Kuilapalayam) latest by 1 pm (flexible with time if before) for a flight at 5:30pm from the international airport. Please let me know if you would like to share the ride on [+916352926811](tel:+916352926811) and the sharing on the way back might be possible too. Cheers !
Namasté. *Yogini S*

July 31st: pick up from flight landing at about 11am. Taxi goes empty and back with 2 pax. Sharing both ways possible. Contact *Sabine* at lasabine@auroville.org.in or [+919786775818](tel:+919786775818), thanks!

August 3rd: departing AV around 11am for Chennai airport. 2 persons going, taxi coming back empty. Sharing both ways possible. Contact *Sabine* at lasabine@auroville.org.in or [+919786775818](tel:+919786775818), thanks!

Week's Happenings

There are 2 useful online calendars of events in Auroville:
- **Online Auroville Events Calendar** - (no need to log in for guests! - just scroll down the page) The schedule of events for the week can be accessed by all, including Guests and Visitors, on the Auroville login page: www.auroville.org.in
- **Auroville Art Service**: artservice.auroville.org/calendar/

AT MATRIMANDIR



AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

Meditation with Savitri

read by Mother to Sunil's music

Every THURSDAY - 6.00 to 6.30 pm [weather permitting]

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 No Photos and do not to use your cell phones, cameras, i-pads, etc.

Dear Guests, please carry your Guest Card with you - No photos there. Access only for the Amphitheatre from 5.45 pm

Please be seated by 5.55 pm, no late entry. Thank you.

Amphitheatre Team

INVITATIONS

Sustainable Livelihood Institute (SLI - AUROVILLE)
Cordially invites you all to the 2nd edition of our...



Seed Festival

Saturday 28th July
10 am to 5 pm at Bharat Nivas
(see poster for full details)

Collective Work at Bharat Nivas

Dear Friends,

This is to inform you that the Golden Chain Group from Sri Aurobindo Ashram School ex-students - are happy to offer a helping hand to work in the gardens or cleaning up / cutting, pruning work, watering plants, etc. in Bharat Nivas campus every 6th Sunday, while they do the same in the Matrimandir Gardens every 2nd Sunday under the guidance of John Harper.

This coming Sunday 22nd July, you are all invited to join us in this inspiring collective work at Bharat Nivas.

Program:

1. A group of 20 to 25 members arrive at 7am by bus from Pondy
2. Short silent meditation at SAWCHU.
3. 7.15 to 9am: collective cleaning work in areas indicated by Amit and Elumalai in the fencing area facing the Visitors Centre pathway opening.
4. Breakfast at Annam kitchen offered by Bharat Nivas at 9am.
5. 9.30 to 10.45 am: resume work.
6. 11 am: departure of the Ashram Group back to Pondy.

All are welcome to take part in the above collective program: a prayer through work in the spirit of Service to The Divine. Please come with your gloves and tennis shoes and garden cutters, etc.

Some basic tools will be provided.

Kindly confirm your presence so that we prepare breakfast for exact number of participants - by email to bharatnivas@auroville.org.in, or sms to Tapas : 9442121315



Hoping to see you with a smile,

Regards,
Tapas, Amit & Elumalai
For Bharat Nivas Group



PIZZA NIGHTS at YC

ARE BACK!!

every Saturday at 7:00pm
at Youth Center

We invite volunteers to join in and make pizzas on Saturday mornings. We welcome you all to bring your instruments and jam together.

Looking forward!
With love and flowers,
Youth Center Team

EXHIBITIONS



1. "The Dawn of Auroville"

- Photo Exhibition on the early days of Auroville with rare historical images and text by The Mother.

At Kalakendra Art Gallery

Opening hours: 9 to 4:30 pm. Sundays closed.
Ongoing until end September 2018.

2. Exhibition by Olivier Barot

Sri Aurobindo for Studies: India and The World, Bharat Nivas
Timings: 9 to 4 pm. (Sundays closed)



July 2018 – Exhibitions
Monday-Saturday 9-5

Meditations on Savitri

The entire series of 472 paintings created by the Mother with Huta From 1961-67 is on display in the newly extended picture gallery

Sri Aurobindo - A Life-Sketch in Photographs
in the upstairs corridor

Glimpses of the Mother
photographs and texts in the Square Hall

Everyone is welcome

TALKS

Reminder: You are warmly invited to an introduction session of

THE MAKER SPACE

in Auroville

Saturday 21st July

4 to 5pm: presentation at YouthLink

5 to 6pm: site visit to the Maker Space

to see its practical application

This session will be an introduction to the fab lab concept called 'Maker Space' in Auroville - which currently includes a Computer Controlled Mill (CNC) and one of India's largest Format 3D Printers.

Please let us know if you are attending with an SMS/WhatsApp to [+919659626618](tel:+919659626618) so that we can prepare enough juice & cookies, and we can then also send you a map so you can find our location.

Looking forward!
Jorge (Minvayu/CSR) & Arul (YouthLink, Progress)

Saturday 28th July
10 am to 5 pm at Bharat Nivas

Seed Festival

Sustainable Livelihood Institute (SLI)
Auroville

Cordially Invites

2nd Year Seed Festival

Let's Celebrate Our Seed Diversity

- Traditional Seeds Display
- Interactive Sessions with Experts,
Traditional Seed Savers &
Renowned Organic Farmers
- Fun filled Learning Activities
- Seed Ball Demonstration
- Seed Exchange
- Seed Selling and more

*Entry Free



28th

July 2018

📍 **Bharat Nivas**
Auroville, Vanur (TK)
Villupuram (Dt) - 605 101

Special Guests

Dr. SULTAN AHMED ISMAIL

Soil Biologist & Ecologist



**MAATAJI AATHMAVIKASA
PRIYA AMBA**

Sri Saratha Asharam, Ulundurpet

Mr. PAMAYAN

Environmentalist & Agriculture Scientist



Mr. Nel. JAYARAMAN

Traditional Paddy Seeds Saver

Mr. ANANTHOO

Organic Farmers Market (OFM)



Mr. Arachalur SELVAM

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Mr. Poochi SELVAM

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Expert - Water Management



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SEA (Social Entrepreneurship Association)
is happy to invite you to the talk:

Journey & Learnings in Design & Upcycling

- by Marc (Upcycling Studio)

Wednesday 25th July - 4.30 to 6.30 pm
SAILER Conference Hall

Marc's tryst with design began in 1989, and took him through various phases such as learning design, working as a designer for industrial processes, a teacher and later as a freelance designer.

Throughout this journey, his examination and enquiry into the nature of utility, consumption, waste and creativity led to a paradigm shift in his approach towards design and into upcycling, which he is currently immersed in.

After spending a few years in different projects in Auroville, Marc and Ok created the Upcycling Studio in 2015.

In the talk, Marc along with his design journey, will share about his self-learning and unlearning experiences, upcycling philosophy as a paradigm shift, creativity with constraints, consciousness as an integral part of design, his approach towards ownership and copyrights, and his vision and plans for the Upcycling Studio.

All are welcome with their participation and questions :)

For more info/queries: [9487600564](tel:9487600564)



HOLISTIC presents

“Explore your mind” - 3days hypnotherapy Aug 2,3 & 4th
“The answers you seek never come when the mind is busy, they only come when is still”

What is hypnosis? How do right and left brain function practically? How do conscious and subconscious interact?

Explore the depths of your mind and relax! Meditate with ease!

Expand your therapeutic toolbox! Apply Selfhypnosis

Workshop combining experiential learning and “Theory of the Mind”. Certified course from EKAA www.ekaa.co.in

Aug 2nd: 4 - 7 pm (mandatory), Aug 3rd & 4th: 9- 5.30 pm at

Sharnaga Guesthouse Yogahall. **Info meeting:** July 31st, 5- 5.30

pm. at Sharnaga Guesthouse Terrace. **Trainer:** Sigrid Lindemann

Certified Faculty in Hypnotherapy, Regression therapy and Classical homeopathy, Germany and Auroville.

www.auroville-holistic.com www.sigridlindemann.com

Venue Sharnaga Guesthouse Yoga Hall www.sharnaguesthouse.in

Register with Sigrid, sigrid@auroville-holistic.com and [09626006961](tel:09626006961), [0413 2623888](tel:04132623888).

SCHEDULES at AUROVILLE CENTERS

■ QUIET

NEW- Warm Water Sessions for Pregnant Women

Quiet Healing Center's warm water pool, every Wednesday morning from July 25, 9.30 am till 10.30 am.

You are invited to experience the weightless, relaxing and connecting benefits of movement and floating in warm water. You can come with your partner or by yourself. For further enquiries, please contact Friederike @ [9943247326](tel:9943247326)

■ VÉRITÉ

Please contact Vérité to register for the following intensive: 0413 2622045, 2622606, 7094104329 or programming@verite.in. Contributions requested from guests/volunteers (volunteer reduction by advance application only)

Love and Devotion: A Dance Intensive

Saturday, 28 July 2018 from 9.30 am to 1 pm.

Experience a way of choreographing that uses

- emotions and feeling- to tune in to the deeper rasa of lyrics
- art- to energetically tune in to the music's imagery
- mind- to observe and organize
- body- to express

Bhakti (devotion), love, surrender and adoration will be the soul of the workshop, which will include a brief warm-up, space for expression through art, a short choreography and some space for you to use this new method to choreograph a few lines by yourself. **Bio:** Divyanshi is a dancer and a sadhak of Integral Yoga, who explores the marriage of the inner and outer, the structure and flow, through dance.

■ Kolangal DD in Douceur

◆Ko-Dance classes weekly 3 x

Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5:30 to 6:45 pm
Intention is to learn to dance the energy patterns of Kolam. Inviting the sacred Kolam geometry to unfold its rhythm. Good for; overall health, strength and beauty.

◆Kolam Drawing classes weekly 2 x

Tuesday and Thursday morning from 10:00 to 12:00 am
Learning traditional Tamil ephemeral threshold art.

◆KoTree Hatha Yoga 3x a week every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 5:00 to 6: 20

Early morning KoTree Hatha Yoga classes are discontinued!

Financial contribution is expected!

For information call [0413-2623446](tel:0413-2623446), Grace Gitadelila.

Kolangal DD Space is in Douceur community behind AV Bakery- before Roma's Kitchen- Auromodel, once inside Douceur community 2nd house on the right...

REGULAR EVENTS

The *Regular Events* column is printed once a month, sent weekly via pdf through our mailing list, and published weekly online for anyone to access at: auroville.org/contents/4187

AUROVILLE BUS SCHEDULE

The current AAP BUS schedule (for Pondy trips) is always available at www.auroville.org/contents/3988.
Contact: avbus@auroville.org.in

OTHER EVENTS

■ Bamboo Summer School in Auroville

30th July - 12th August 2018

The Bamboo Summer School is a 2-week immersive learning experience that offers the opportunity to learn the fundamentals of bamboo construction and sustainable living, while engaging in a unique self-inquiry in the company of an expert team of mentors.

WHO IS THIS FOR? The Bamboo Summer School is perfect for anyone who wants to gain skills and hands-on experience working with bamboo, one of the most eco-friendly building materials, while also exploring various aspects of sustainable living. It is for anyone who is concerned about building a more environmentally sustainable world.

An essential aspect of building a more sustainable world is the quality of the consciousness we bring to it. Our outer environment - whether built or natural - reflects the state of our inner awareness.

NATURAL BUILDING WITH BAMBOO: Bamboo is an eco-friendly natural resource known for its rapid growth. As a core component of the Camp, participants will gain the basic knowledge, skills and practice needed for bamboo construction, as well as technologies that use bamboo in combination with other materials.

Topics to be covered include:

- Theory and practice of working with bamboo
 - Tools handling and important joineries
 - Harvesting bamboo & Treating bamboo against insects
 - Bamboo carpentry: bending, cutting, joineries, split and weave bamboo
 - Bamboo construction - Designing and making a Bamboo Structure
 - Explorations around in Auroville & Bio-region
 - Overview of sustainability issues and the Auroville context
 - Permaculture and local food systems
 - Heritage Tour around Pondicherry
 - Cultural evening in Bamboo Farm
 - Skill Certificate of Bamboo Craftsmanship
- Prior registrations required for the workshop.
Call on [9619996080](tel:9619996080) / [0413-2623806](tel:0413-2623806) or Email at bamboocentre@auroville.org.in



SADHANA FOREST
www.sadhanaforest.org

Join us for the August session of
The UniverCity of Compassion
A Sadhana Forest residential natural
learning program: 3rd to 30th August 2018

The UniverCity of Compassion (UCC) is a space for discovering and nourishing ideas for compassionate action, within the setting of a self-organised community of learning. The UCC is an initiative of Sadhana Forest, a reforestation project and conscious living community which offers the framework for collective learning. The term UniverCity comes from the understanding that living and learning are interconnected.

Participants can realize their own projects and embark together on a self-directed learning journey. We are offering a wide variety of possible topics. All participants have opportunities to share their own knowledge and experiences, and to request sessions according to their interests. The UniverCity of Compassion is a residential program, during their stay, participants take part in the community life and seva (selfless service) of Sadhana Forest.

We warmly invite people of all ages and all walks of life to join our compassionate learning journey

Participants will take part in Sadhana Forest's reforestation and communityseva on weekday mornings from 6:00-8:30 and 9:30-12:00 AM. UCC workshops and sessions will take place Monday and Wednesday afternoons and some Saturdays. Friday afternoon is a time for reflections, the sharing of interests and for designing upcoming sessions.

The UniverCity of Compassion itself is free. We only ask for a daily contribution for your food. All meals at Sadhana Forest are vegan, unprocessed and mainly organic and local.

The UCC will be facilitated by three members of the Sadhana Forest team who are interested in exploring and sharing their commitment to compassionate action.

Please contact us for any questions or for further information: sadhanaforest@auroville.org.in or visit our website: www.sadhanaforest.org/ucc

Earth and Bamboo - 6th - 10th August 2018

Auroville Green Practices is organizing a 5-day hands-on workshop titled "Earth and Bamboo". This workshop at the Auroville Earth Institute is intended as an experience workshop in earth construction with both traditional and modern earth techniques. Participants will learn basic principles of soil identification and how different soils can be used for earthen construction. They will split into groups to build walls with both traditional raw earth construction (e.g. adobe and cob) and modern stabilized techniques (e.g. stabilized rammed earth and compressed stabilized earth block or CSEB). Construction with the traditional "wattle & daub" earth technique will be integrated in the workshop at the Bamboo Centre. Concessional fees (to cover food expenses) for Aurovillians 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. For more details please visit: www.agpworkshops.com.

Karma Yoga in Acceptance: Warmly welcome to participate in Saturday's Karma Yoga in ZEN+ Art Centre in Acceptance on 21 and 28 July, 8:00 am-12:15 pm. Enter the white gate on the right. Ginger-cinnamon tea will be served. Painting work is planned as well as regular work in the garden and house. More information (*Matej*): [09499035375](tel:09499035375), matej@auroville.org.in

French classes at the French Pavilion: SECOND CALL

For Aurovillians, Newcomers and long term Volunteers, French classes will again be available from this month for all levels. Classes will be organized tentatively 3 times a week on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 3 to 5 pm.

They are meant for whoever wishes to acquire a good communication competence for social exchanges but also for professional needs.

If you are interested, please contact gildo@auroville.org.in and introduce yourself mentioning amongst others your level and your motivation.

Looking forward to hearing from you all at above e-mail address.

Gildo, for the French Pavilion

Shiatsu course with Natacha: Aug 2018 to Feb 2019. I invite you to discover and to practice shiatsu. This path of healing comes from traditional Chinese medicine and was developed in a Japanese dojo. It combines precise know-how, codified on a martial basis and the opening of the heart in the care and practice. For those who want to discover shiatsu I open a course for beginners from mid-

August to end of February from 5-7pm on Friday at the Budokan in Dehashakti sports ground. After a few sessions it is also strongly recommended that you practice amongst yourselves at least once a week.

The course is limited to 10 people. We work on the floor so this practice needs good joints, especially in knees and ankles. Contact me if you have any doubts.

Regarding the material on the other hand you only need soft clothing, a lungi and a lightweight fabric square.

The activity is offered by the qualified teacher and the Budokan, only a small annual contribution is required for the maintenance of the building. The cleanliness of the premises is also assured by the participants.

The course is given in English and the documents exist in English and French. If you want to join our shiatsu group contact me by WhatsApp ([+918940221071](tel:+918940221071)) or email (natacha@auroville.org.in).

FILMS

AT SAVITRI BHAVAN

Monday, July 23, 2018 at 6:30pm. Duration: 32min.

INTERVIEW WITH SANJEEV

Sanjeev came to Auroville in 1981 and worked with Kireet Joshi on the Auroville Foundation Act. Kireet Joshi gave also inspiration to support education in Auroville and the Sri Aurobindo International Institute of Educational Research, SAIER, started the work in 1983. Since then Sanjeev is active in the field of education and he is now working at Udavi school.

With wit Sanjeev reflects about Auroville's development and education and how we are experimenting to organise ourselves, to clear the issues of work and housing and to support young people with aspiration. He emphasises the importance of Auroville as the laboratory for what the future looks like, in environment, in education, in health care, which the Mother wanted: an interesting and exciting place to work things out for the future.

THE ECO FILM CLUB



Sadhana Forest, July 27th, Friday

Schedule of Events:

4:00 pm: Free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Tour

4:30 pm: Tour of Sadhana Forest

6:00 pm: Free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Eco Film Club

6:30 pm: Eco Film Club begins with "previews" of short Sadhana Forest films

8:00 pm: Dinner is served

9:30 pm: Free bus from Sadhana Forest back to Solar Kitchen

Before the movie, at exactly 4:30pm you are welcome to join us for a full tour of Sadhana Forest and an update of our most recent work! After the film, you are welcome to join us for a free 100% vegan organic dinner! ****Note: Families and children are welcome! Dinner for children will be served at 7pm :)**

Lifeline Express - 58 mins / 2017 / English / Directed by: Gerry Troyna. It's based on the simple concept that if the people cannot reach a hospital, then the hospital should reach the people. This is the story of a very special train - the Lifeline Express. Over a 4-week period, specialists will treat the poor with life-saving and enhancing operations, aboard a stationary hospital train.

The bus service is operated by Sadhana Forest. For more information about the bus service please contact Sadhana Forest at ([0413 2677682](tel:04132677682) or [2677683](tel:2677683) or sadhanaforest@auroville.org.in).

Or visit us online: sadhanaforest.org + facebook.com/sadhanaforest.



MULTI MEDIA CENTRE AUDITORIUM
(MMC, Town Hall)

Friday 27 JULY at 7.45 pm

"THE MAHABHARATA" - Directed by PETER BROOK, International casting & co-production, 1989

With: Mallika Sarabhai/Draupadi, Miriam Goldschmidt/Kunti, Vittorio Mezzogiorno/Arjuna, Andrzej Seweryn/Yudhishtira, Georges Corraface/Duryodhana, Ryszard Cieslak/Dhritarashtra, Yoshi Oida/Drona, Sotigui Kouyate/Bhishma/Parashurama, Bruce Myers/Krishna/Ganesha, Mamadou Dioumé/Bhima, Hélène Patarot/Gandhari, Jean-Paul Denizon, Mahmoud Tabrizi-Zadeh, Myriam Tadesse, Robert Langdon Lloyd, Antonin Stahly-Vishwanadan, Urs Bihler ...

Synopsis: You may know that Mahabharata is a great Hindu epic that tells the story of two warring clans within the same family... The Pandava brothers (sons of king Pandu) come into conflict with their step-brothers the Kauravas (sons of queen Kunti), as both tribes, descending from deities, feel they can lay claim to power. Yudhishthira, the eldest of the Pandavas, is told by the god Krishna that his destiny is to be king. His brothers have a sure talent for battle. War seems inevitable...

The film is a grandiose film version of the epic, directed by English theatre playwright Peter Brooks. Brooks' original 1985 stage play was 9 hours long; it toured around the world for four years. In 1989, it was reduced to a 6-hour television mini-series. It was then reduced to less than 3 hours for theatrical and DVD release (the one presented here). The screenplay was the result of eight years' work by Peter Brook, Jean-Claude Carrière and Marie-Hélène Estienne. We know that P. Brook came to the Ashram in Pondicherry at some point of his research work for it. What remains of the gigantic epic is pure gold and will stay as a grand classique! (Surely also a treat for all artists and designers in town!) *Duration: 2h43'*



CINEMA PARADISO

Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium

Film program 23 to 29 July 2018

Indian - Monday 23 July, 8:00 pm:

- **SETO SURYA (White Sun)**

Nepal-Netherlands-Qatar-USA, 2016, Writer-Dir. Deepak Rauniyar w/ Dayahang Rai, Asha Maya Magrati, Rabindra Singh Baniya, and others, Adventure-Drama, 89mins, Nepali w/English subtitles, Rated:NR (PG-13)

When his father dies, anti-regime partisan Chandra must travel to his remote mountain village after nearly a decade away. Little Pooja is anxiously awaiting the man she thinks is her father, but she's confused when Chandra arrives with Badri, a young street orphan rumored to be his son. Chandra must face his brother Suraj, who was on the opposing side during the Nepali civil war. The two brothers cannot put aside political feelings while carrying their father's body down the steep mountain path to the river for cremation. Suraj storms off in a rage, leaving Chandra with no other men strong enough to help. Under pressure from the village elders, Chandra must seek help from outside the village to obey the rigid caste and discriminatory gender traditions he fought to eliminate during the war. Chandra searches for a solution in neighboring villages, among the police, guests at a local wedding, and rebel guerrillas...

Potpourri - Tuesday 24 July, 8:00 pm:

- **SIN NOMBRE (Without Name)**

Mexico, 2009, Dir. Cary Joji Fukunaga, w/ Paulina Gaitan, Marco Antonio Aguirre, Leonardo Alonso and others, Adventure-Crime-Drama, 96 mins, Spanish w/English subtitles, Rated: R
Sayra, a teenager living in Honduras, hungers for a brighter future. A reunion with her long-estranged father gives Sayra her only real option--emigrating with her father and her uncle into Mexico and then the United States, where her father now has a new family. Meanwhile, Casper, is a teenager living in Tapachula, Mexico. A member of the Mara Salvatrucha gang brotherhood, he has just brought to the Mara a new recruit, 12-year-old Smiley. Not for sensible heart!

Nature Series - Wednesday 25 July, 8:00 pm:

- **BLUE PLANET II: CORAL REEFS (EPISODE 3)**

UK, 2017-18, BBC Series w/ David Attenborough, Documentary Series, 60mins, English, Rated:NR (G)

Corals build themselves homes of limestone in the warm, clear, shallow seas of the tropics. Their reefs occupy less than 1/10th of 1% of the ocean floor, yet they are home to a quarter of all known marine species. They are complex, infinitely varied structures providing all kinds of homes for their many residents. There is fierce rivalry for space, for food and for a partner, but the reef is also a place full of opportunity. For those that manage to establish themselves, there can be great rewards.

Favorites - Thursday 26 July, 8:00 pm:

- **THE LIGHT BETWEEN OCEANS**

UK-NewZealand-USA, 2016, Dir. Derek Cianfrance, w/ Michael Fassbender, Alicia Vikander, Rachel Weisz, Drama-Romance, English w/ English Subtitles, 133 mins, Rated: PG 13

A war weary man takes a job as a lighthouse keeper on an island for the solitude. He meets a beautiful young woman and they eventually marry. One day they see a small dingy with an infant and man inside floating in the ocean. They rush to rescue them only to find the man

is dead. They struggle over the decision to report it and whether to keep the baby. It's only years later that they discover that the child still has a mother looking for her.

International - Saturday 28 July, 8:00 pm:

- **SUD SANAEHA (Blissfully Yours)**

Thailand, 2002, Dir. Apichatpong Weerasethakul, w/ Min Oo, Kanokporn Tongaram, Drama-Romance, 125 mins, Thai w/English subtitles, Rated: PG

A leisurely paced chronicle of two young lovers, Min, an illegal immigrant from Burma, and Roong, a girl who works in a souvenir sweatshop, who take the day off for a picnic in the bucolic countryside. The first half of the film documents their efforts to procure medicine for Min's irritating skin condition and extricate themselves from Orn, the older woman who Roong pays to look after Min. Finally, Min takes Roong for a picnic in jungle, where they feel safe to express their love. But meanwhile, Orn has also gone to the jungle, with Tommy, co-worker of her husband, Sirote.

Children's Film - Sunday 29 July, 4:30pm

- **THE MAN WHO INVENTED CHRISTMAS**

UK, 2017, Dir: Bharat Nalluri, w/ Dan Stevens, Mark Schrier, Patrick Joseph Byrnes and others, Biography-Comedy, 104mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG

The journey that led to Charles Dickens' creation of "A Christmas Carol", a timeless tale that would redefine Christmas.

INGMAR BERGMAN FILM FESTIVAL @ Ciné-Club

Ciné-Club - Sunday 29 July, 8:00 pm:

- **GYCKLARNAS AFTON (Sawdust and Tinsel)**

Sweden, 1953, Dir. Ingmar Bergman w/ Ake Gronberg, Harriet Andersson, Hasse Ekman and others, Drama, 93mins, Swedish w/English subtitles, Rated: NR

One of the late master's most vivid early works. The story of the charged relationship between a turn-of-the-century traveling circus owner and his performer girlfriend, the film features dreamlike detours and twisted psychosexual power plays that presage the director's *Smiles of a Summer Night* and *The Seventh Seal*, works that would soon change the landscape of art cinema forever.

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

For scheduling programs at MMC/CP venue: please email us at mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in. We appreciate your continued support. *Pl make a donation to "Cinema Paradiso" (account #105106) at the Financial Service or set up for a monthly contributions.* Thanking You, MMC/CP Group

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

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