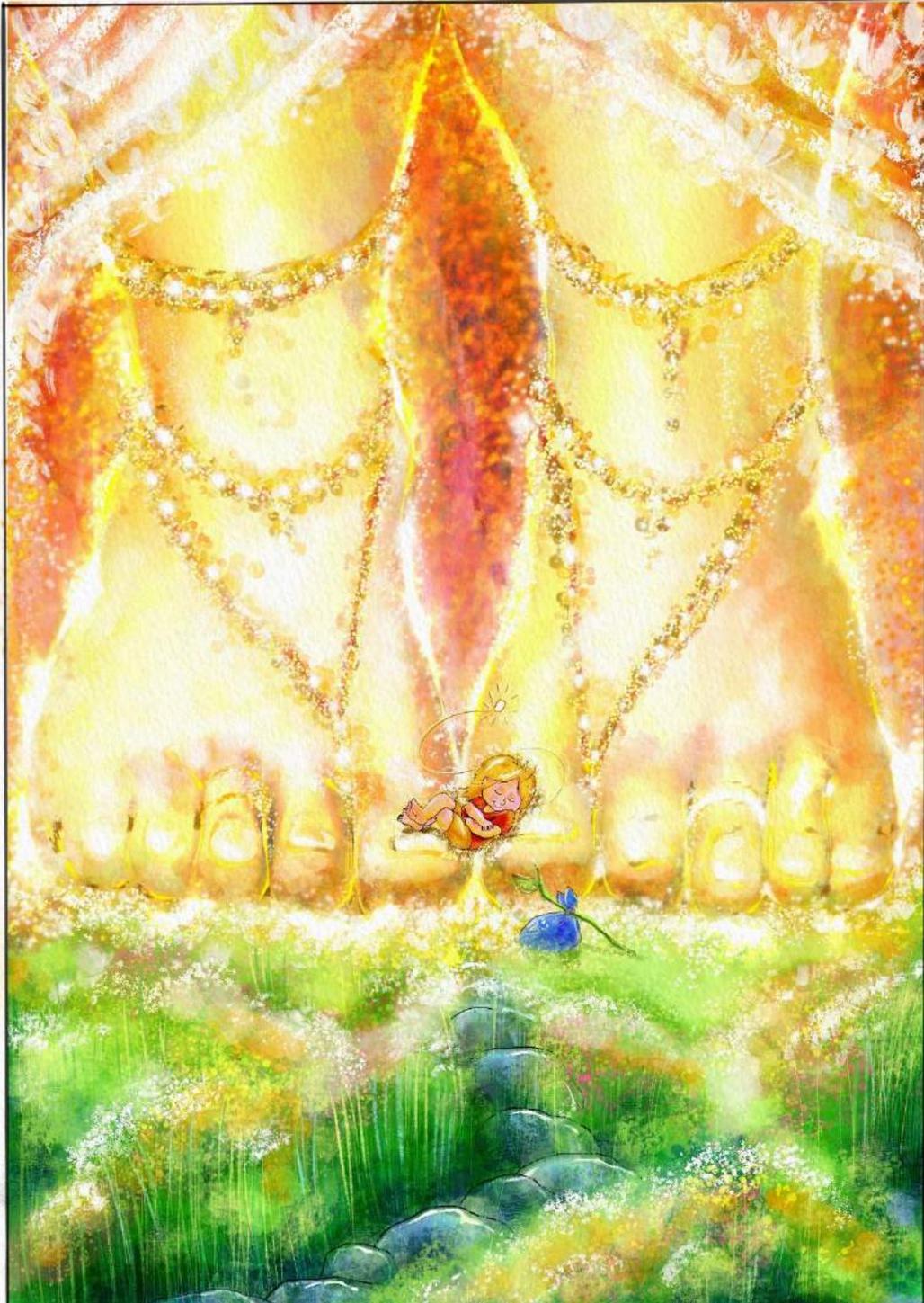


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News & Notes

A Weekly Bulletin for Residents of Auroville



Papui rests at Your Feet ... and Something Else

HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA



In this vast outbreak of perfection's law
Imposing its fixity on the flux of things
He saw a hierarchy of lucent planes
Enfeoffed to this highest kingdom of God-state.
Attuning to one Truth their own right rule
Each housed the gladness of a bright degree,
Alone in beauty, perfect in self-kind,
An image cast by one deep truth's absolute,
Married to all in happy difference.
Each gave its powers to help its neighbours' parts,
But suffered no diminution by the gift;
Profiteers of a mystic interchange,
They grew by what they took and what they gave,
All others they felt as their own complements,
One in the might and joy of multitude.
Even in the poise where Oneness draws apart
To feel the rapture of its separate selves,
The Sole in its solitude yearned towards the All
And the Many turned to look back at the One.
An all-revealing all-creating Bliss,
Seeking for forms to manifest truths divine,
Aligned in their significant mystery
The gleams of the symbols of the Ineffable
Blazoned like hues upon a colourless air
On the white purity of the Witness Soul.
These hues were the very prism of the Supreme,
His beauty, power, delight creation's cause.
A vast Truth-Consciousness took up these signs
To pass them on to some divine child Heart
That looked on them with laughter and delight
And joyed in these transcendent images
Living and real as the truths they house.
The Spirit's white neutrality became
A playground of miracles, a rendezvous
For the secret powers of a mystic Timelessness:
It made of Space a marvel house of God,
It poured through Time its works of ageless might,
Unveiled seen as a luring rapturous face
The wonder and beauty of its Love and Force.
The eternal Goddess moved in her cosmic house
Sporting with God as a Mother with her child:
To him the universe was her bosom of love,
His toys were the immortal verities.
All here self-lost had there its divine place.
The Powers that here betray our hearts and err,
Were there sovereign in truth, perfect in joy,
Masters in a creation without flaw,
Possessors of their own infinitude.

Book III, Canto III: The House of the Spirit and the New Creation SRI AUROBINDO

The
Ponder
Corner

Modesty is satisfied with its own charm and does not draw attention to itself.

-The Mother
Words of The Mother, vol.14, p.159

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Message from Dr. Karan Singh, Chairman of the Auroville Foundation

Dear Community, we would like to share with you the below message from Dr. Karan Singh.

The Working Committee

"Dear Working Committee,
I have been away in Jammu for a month in connection with my son's election campaign, and returned only last week. I find there are several matters regarding Auroville which need to be tackled after due consideration, including the whole question of the implementation of Sexual Harassment Act. I am considering this matter carefully.

The purpose of this letter is that objectionable material has come to my notice on the Facebook of Auroville Art Service. Several Governing Board members have voiced strong objection to the politically loaded material. While I believe this has been deleted, I must state strongly that it would be most unfortunate and counter-productive for Auroville to get involved in a political controversy. The vision of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother was that Auroville should rise above such controversies. While individual members are free to express their views on their personal Facebook Accounts, no official Auroville Facebook should be used in this manner. I hope the Working Committee will ensure that this does not recur, because any such action would endanger the autonomy of Auroville. Please get this message out to the community in a clear and unambiguous manner.

Greetings, *Karan Singh*"

New Members for the Entry Board

Dear community members, the Selection Process for the Entry Board took place this Saturday 27th of April in the Unity Pavilion. A complete new team of nine members has been selected for a 3-year term.

This new team is comprised of:

- Angelo Salerno (Creativity)
- Charlie (Courage)
- Dheena (Aspiration)
- Dominique (Sukhavati)
- Ishta (Petite Ferme)
- Matriprasad (Prayatna)
- Rama Narayana (Courage)
- Sophie (Invocation)
- Véronique J. (Svedame)



From left to right: Rama Narayana, Ishta, Dheena, Matriprasad, Véronique J., Angelo Salerno, Sophie, Dominique, Charlie.

A detailed report of the event will be posted on Auronet once the RAS and the Study Group have compiled and formatted the notes taken during the process.

We warmly welcome the nine members that were selected for serving in the Entry Board, and would like to thank all the residents that participated in the process and were present in the room.

We would also like to express our gratitude to Elisa and Mandakini for facilitating this selection process, moreover knowing the very short time they had to prepare themselves; to the TFRC for doing their difficult task with care, despite time pressure and all the difficulties; to the Auroville Council and Working Committee members that contributed with their presence; to the silent presence keepers for supporting us on a subtle level; and to all the Study Group members and helpers that made this selection process possible.

Lastly, a big thank you to the outgoing team for their continued efforts and dedication!

With gratitude, The Residents' Assembly Service.

New Interface TDC Team



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Auroville Township Planning and Development Research Organization

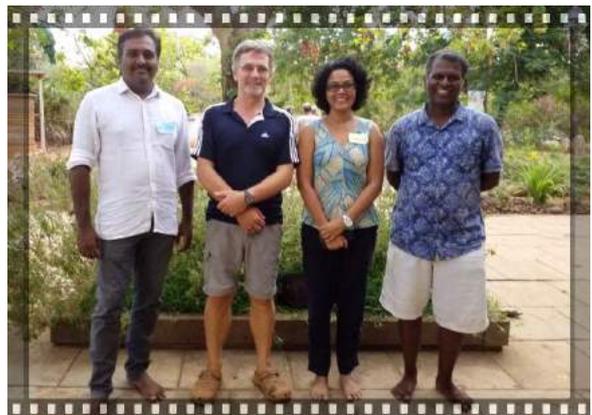
Dear Community,

We are happy to inform you that we have 3 new members on board from 22nd April - Jef, Saravanan and Sreevatsa.

Sreevatsa was interim TDC member (Town Development Council) who got selected as Interface TDC member.

Saravanan will join our team from August as he has some prior engagements.

Hence, the 4 members who are active are - Anita, Jef, Sreevatsa and Tejaswini.



From left to right: Sreevatsa, Jef, Tejaswini, Saravanan.

Note: Anita is missing from the picture.

Being a short team, we are hoping to serve the Mother's work with your collaboration and enthusiasm!

Thanks, *L'avenir d'Auroville (Anita, Jef, Sreevatsa, Tejaswini)*

MITRA II site: Clarification / Information

Dear Community,

We would like to share following information regarding MITRA II site approval.

Land use on Crown - Conceptually, as per Master Plan, the outer side of the Crown is meant for habitat (in the Residential Zone), whereas the inner Crown is meant for public services.

(TDC recognizes that Volunteers are very much part of our system and work force.)

Initially, when SAIER approached TDC for site, there were 3 sites proposed as per DDP of Residential Zone sect 1 and 2 - a) present Humanscapes site b) Plot near Progress c) present allocated site i.e. opposite Solar Kitchen along the Certitude Road.

The, then TDC, chose option c.

Please find below a chronology of events until now:

- 18 October 2016: Publication of the project Site Application in the News and Notes.
- 1 November 2016: End of the feedback period. Feedback received from Jean-Francois and Anton, which was replied.
- 8 November 2016: Site NOC was given to SAIER.
- 19 November 2016: Based on Site NOC, SAIER sent out a 'call for proposals' to all architects.
- 13 January 2017: Long after the feedback period was over and when architects had already started working, we received objection from SK / PTDC / Prosperity team (SPP Team)
- 6 February 2017: interim TDC and SAIER wanted to address the objections, to remain inclusive, to work in the right spirit. So, SAIER, interim TDC and SPP team had a meeting together with Koodam facilitation - where 3 things were agreed - 1) new sites will be explored 2) site visit will be organized and 3) the project brief will be modified.
- 18 February 2017: A site visit was organized by interim TDC, no-one showed up apart from interim TDC and SAIER members. It was discussed to shift the project further away from the Crown.
- 27 March 2017: By-passing the process, 'objectors' called for a petition without informing interim TDC and SAIER.
- 8 May 2017: RAS organised a meeting with petitioners at Unity Pavilion. Only 3 petitioners attended.
- 17 May 2017: SAIER and interim TDC once again were open to explore other locations. This was done, taking into account the advantages / disadvantages as well as all the feedback received. As a conclusion of this, it was clear that this location still was the best option; the same was communicated to RAS and SPP team.
- 27 June 2017: SAIER sent us the revised brief (as agreed on February 6th).

In view of this, even though we feel that the due process was followed and was very inclusive and participatory, we are in process of consulting Auroville Council to help us reach some consensus and agreement.

Thank you.

L'avenir d'Auroville Team (Anita, Jef, Sreevatsa, Tejaswini)

■ BUILDING APPLICATIONS

- Monday 6th May 2019



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The following projects are recommended by L'avenir d'Auroville and feedback is now invited from the larger community. The last date for your feedback is **Monday 20th May 2019**.

In the International Zone

1. **Extension & Renovation of Keet Roof:** Nagappan & Grace - at Pump House. **Built up area:** 58.43 sq.m

Project Brief: Renovation of old keet roof with addition of a single room and conversion of existing storeroom to bathroom.

In the Industrial Zone

2. **Borewell:** at Auroorchard Farm

Project Brief: Maximum depth should not exceed 90m - Fully cased with a 8 "PVC casing - Should be drilled with a rotary drill

In the Cultural Zone

3. **Ashwagandha Natural Horsemanship Center:** Daniela keller, Divya Lieser, Inge Van Alphen & Maya Martens - at Gaia (Near Frisbee Ground). **Built up area:** 110 sq.m

Project Brief: Horsemanship center targeting youth from the age of 7 as well as (young) adults who are interested to deepen their horsemanship skills. The Physical space of where horses are kept also becomes a safe, vital and living social space where valuable life lessons take place, and where children and young adults can explore different aspects of their being, in a flexible and supportive environment. We envision Ashwagandha to become a hub of well-being and learning.

Please note:

- An NOC (No Objection Certificate) is issued only after evaluation and processing of the community feedback received during the two-week period.
- Any work should start only with an NOC.
- Site permission is valid for one year. For fencing and clearing of the site, special permission of L'avenir d'Auroville is needed.

For additional information or feedback, please write to avenir@auroville.org.in, call 0413 - 2622170.

Warm regards, *L'avenir d'Auroville*

■ AVCouncil: Responsibility of Dog Owners

Recent events necessitate a reminder to all persons responsible for dogs:

If you own, care for or are otherwise responsible for a dog, you have the basic responsibility to ensure that the animal is in good health and that it is vaccinated against common diseases, especially rabies. You are responsible for the behaviour of the animal, be it at home or outside (when going for a walk or if left free to roam). And in case someone is attacked and injured by the animal, you are accountable and will be expected to pay for any medical expenses and damages. You are equally responsible for any damage caused by your dog in the community.

Warmly, for *The Auroville Council:*

Enrica, Ganesh.K, Martin, Mita, Selvaraj, Shivaya and Vikram

■ From The Entry Service - N&N # 797

Dated: 06-05-2019

Our team is happy to recommend the following individuals as Aurovilians, Newcomers and Friends of Auroville, joining Auroville. Prior to Newcomer, Aurovillian and Friend of Auroville status confirmation, for Newcomers two weeks and for Aurovilians, Returning Aurovilians and Friends of Auroville one-month window for community feedback. Kindly forward your support or grievances to entryservice@auroville.org.in.

Newcomer Announced:

- **Rajeswari SADASSIVAM** (Indian), staying in Djaima and working at Transition School

Child of Newcomer:

- **Raghu SADASSIVAM** (Indian), born on 17/06/2003 (child of Rajeswari SADASSIVAM)
- **Sadana SADASSIVAM** (Indian), born on 23/04/2010 (child of Rajeswari SADASSIVAM)

Newcomers Confirmed:

- **Jiaqi LIU** (German)
- **Jean-Luc BUREAU** (French)

Aurovilians Announced:

- **Eun Yeong KOH** (Known as Evelyn) (Korean), staying in Kalpana and working at Financial Service / BCC
- **Nak Hong KIM** (Known as Hong) (Korean), staying in Kalpana and working at Buddha Garden

Revoke Announcement:

- **Jean-Luc MALOR** (French)

Based on the feedback received from well-wishing Aurovilians and his mentors, implementation of the earlier announcement on Jean Luc Malor in N&N (#792) dated 01-04-2019 is herewith withdrawn. His case is put on hold. Final announcement will be made after following due process.

Left on his/her own:

- **Ashavari MAJUMDAR** (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

Newcomer kits will be given and received only on **Tuesdays & Thursdays between 2:30 pm and 4:00 pm.

Yours, *the Entry Service*

From the Housing Service

Houses available in housing projects:

1. From Sunship: Immediately available

One office of 20 M2 (First Floor) is available for transfer (*Contact louis@auroville.org.in for visit and more information)

2. Kalpana Housing Project:

The Kalpana project is completed. The residents have moved in since 15th December 2018.

- Fully equipped apartments.
- Cupboards, Kitchen, Bath Room, Fridge, Hobs light, fan, solar back up system.
- Covered terrace for each apartment.

Two units available. For information and site visit, contact: satyakam@auroville.org.in.

Information on grants allotted for Aurovilians by Housing Board:

Housing Board informs that there is no more grant available for housing extension. Financial assistance is available only for repairs.

Visiting hours related to house transfer, house transfer agreement and stewardship agreement

Friday: Morning 9.30 am to 12.30 pm

Afternoon - 2.30 to 4 pm only

Youth Housing:

If you are Aurovilian, between 20 and 35 years old, working for Auroville full time for at least 9 months and have no/limited funds for housing, you are welcome to apply for Youth Housing. Places in Youth Housing (Kriya and Humanscapes) are suitable for singles, couples and families. (No guarantees for immediate placement.) For more information, e-mail to housing@auroville.org.in

The Housing Service

FOR YOUR INFORMATION



News from Auroville International

1/ AVI EUROPEAN MEETING IN FRANCE

13 Evening -16 morning JUNE IN STRASBOURG

For more details if interested to participate please contact Vani@auroville.org.in and AVI France aurovilleinternationalfr@gmail.com.

2/ AVI ANNUAL MEETING IN RUSSIA

19 Evening arrival - 25 Evening AUGUST in ETHNOMIR & MOSCOW
We have scheduled our stay in Russia as follows:

- Monday, 19th August: **Arrival** in Moscow Domodedovo (this is the nearest airport from Ethnomir) - a bus transfer to Ethnomir will be arranged. (As Moscow Domodedovo is not possible from every destination and often more expensive, you can arrive in another airport in day time so you can take a taxi to Domodedovo).
- Tuesday, 20th and Wednesday, 21st August: Board meetings (only for Board members) + General assembly for everyone. If some of you decide to come only to join Wednesday for the General Assembly in the afternoon, let us know that some transport is arranged
- Thursday, 22nd and Friday 23rd morning - exploring Ethnomir
- Friday, 23rd August, after lunch: trip by bus to the hotel in Moscow
- Saturday, 24th: sightseeing
- Sunday, 25th afternoon: Public meeting day (with Russian friends and people interested in Auroville) & Evening Closing of the AVI Meeting

- Monday, 26th August: departure

For more details if interested to participate please contact Vani@auroville.org.in and AVI GER isa-wagner:isa-wagner@t-online.de.

For more details on Ethnomir Internet Website: <http://ethnomir.ru> (you can see language switch at the top right-hand corner).

From Bharat Nivas: Sharing information

This is for the information of the Community:

Bharat Nivas Members are in contact with BCC and the City Services since about two years to find a solution for the maintenance of the Sri Aurobindo Auditorium.

For the past 25 years, the Auditorium has been supported by the GOI grant for its minor and major renovations and its gradual up-gradation of sound and light systems / equipment. The funds generated through performances at the Auditorium are shared between expenses related to it and the maintenance of the Bharat Nivas campus as a whole, as is the case with all its other centres and their respective activities.

During the last two years, the Auditorium underwent major repairs of its infrastructure related works with regard to roof leakages, termite treatment etc. The major acoustic work which had been undertaken has finally been completed in November 2018. The old sound system has also been replaced with an upgraded one.

In 2018, the Auroville Foundation and the Working Committee have requested that Bharat Nivas' activity centres start becoming financially self-reliant.

The policy to request minimum contribution for the use of the Sri Aurobindo Auditorium stage and its related facilities had begun many years ago. More recently the rates for the contribution have become a bit higher due to:

1. The addition of AC facility (its Annual Maintenance Cost) and the addition of a big generator (its maintenance plus diesel costs) as much for smooth and uninterrupted running of public shows as for protecting the equipment from sudden power cuts and power fluctuations.

2. The acoustic and sound system up-gradations done during the last year, as well as the stage lighting system, naturally need financial support to maintain them.

The Sri Aurobindo Auditorium has always been at the service of the Community at large which has, along the years, benefited from all these up-gradations, improvements and the technical support. We hope that BCC takes into consideration seriously the Auditorium's need for its financial support which could then help cover the Auditorium charges for Auroville productions.

The Bharat Nivas team

To All Users of Cripa

As you know, we are currently building Phase 2 of CRIPA. In a short time, it will be operating in the junction between the two buildings. On this occasion, we will be carrying out repairs and development in the large hall of CRIPA which can last up to two weeks. The works being what they are, we cannot predict when it will take place, so it is difficult for us to keep a schedule and delicate to prevent it at the last moment.

That's why we do not publish a regular event in May and probably not in June unless the work is finished so as to not have the cancels that have just started.

In the meantime, CRIPA remains open and welcomes you to the nuisance caused and even if we cannot guarantee the running of the activities in these two months, we invite you to send your needs by mail for this term and the next season because the new building should be available in August. (cripa@auroville.org.in)

We take this opportunity to thank all the actors of the culture in general for their support and patience for CRIPA and for the magnificent cultural season 2018/2019 that they offered to Auroville and to all.

CRIPA team

Auroville Film Festival, 2020 - call for entries



January 7th-12th, 2020

Call for entries is now open for all categories. We welcome all films made by Aurovilians, about Auroville and made by school students of Auroville. Please visit filmfestival.auroville.org to make your submission. Do support us by making your film entry now!!! For more information, contact at aurovillefilmfestival@auroville.org.in / 2623187.

AUDITIONS for “Message in a Bottle” Play! Miraculous Productions Next Play!



Hi! If you love to perform and are looking for a chance to get on stage and show the world your talents, then come along to the Miraculous Productions Auditions for our next play: **Message in a bottle**.

Make Sure You’re Available on the rehearsal & performance dates!

The play will rehearse throughout August and perform twice - on **Sept 20 (Friday)** and **Sept 21 (Saturday)**. Please only attend the auditions if

you’re available for all of August and for the two performance dates.

Non-performance Roles also Available

We’re also looking for people to help with other non-performance aspects of the play such as costume-makers, set-builders, stagehands, catering support and much more. If this interests you, please let us know how you’d like to contribute and we’ll fit you into the team!

Audition Times & Place

When: **Monday, May 6 - 1.30 - 3.30 pm**
Tuesday, May 7 - 1.30 - 3.30 pm

Where: at Unity Pavilion

Perform a scene from the play and/or sing a song

Each audition will last around five to ten minutes. You will be given some text to read from the play. If you have a song that you know, please inform us as we’d also love to hear you sing! There won’t be any instruments at this audition, so if you’re going to sing, either bring some backing music on your phone or perform it acapella (voice only).

Please let us know when you’re coming

You may come at any time during the audition period (1.30 pm-3.30 pm, Mon or Tues), but please let us know in advance so that we can schedule you in, either by email to indispirit@gmail.com or by WhatsApp to [+919486623749](tel:+919486623749). Look forward to seeing you there!

Much love,

The Miraculous Productions Team!

GREEN MATTERS

Summer Blossoms (2): Service Trees

A big Service Tree provides shade over the Samadhi in Sri Aurobindo Ashram. It has the beauty of silent presence and liveliness when birds and squirrels visit.



In Auroville, service trees are now offering their yellow blooms in Matrimandir, along the Crown Road, in front of Solar Kitchen, and in quite a few communities. Each service tree, small or big, wherever they are, leaves a golden fragrant carpet. I’ve seen them collected for flower compost and decorations on Earth Day. What a delight, satisfaction and revelation to just look at them! Will they inspire us to grow into willing servitors of?

***Summer Blossoms series is an invitation for each of us to discover the beauty of Auroville in summer, to experience, experiment, and research into what Nature has to offer us.*

Anandi Z. with others



Last double Green Column of the season!

We hope to resume July/August (meanwhile we might have some roving reporter’s notes on green matters elsewhere in the world)

We close with 2 columns reporting on the Fourteen Sunday Walks to Farms and Forest that took place this ‘winter’ season. This was their 9th year of existence!

We like to give our heartfelt thanks to the stewards of these Farms & Forests who have- on their precious Sundays - opened their wonderful places to Aurovilians, Newcomers, Volunteers and visitors alike. A great opportunity to see key-hole areas like Annapurna and Aranya (for which we organized transport) and many others, tucked away, not easy to find places where farmers and foresters quietly do their work every day year in year out, to keep Auroville, lush and green, preserve and recycle water and grow our amazing organic grains, vegetables and fruits, dairy and other products... A great opportunity too for people to meet and connect on locations one usually doesn’t visit! Thank you all!!!

- **SUNDAY WALK to “Success”**: facilitated by *Rik and Renu*. 11 people mostly Aurovilians and Newcomers went on this walk, people expressed their gratitude that these walks are organised as one would never find this special forest otherwise.

Success is a forest designated area covering 62 acres. Rik showed us around to see the canyon (now hardly approachable) and spoke about the watershed and the history of the area. Water that falls as rain in Success is captured and then percolated into the soil but Success also receives run-off water from 800 acres from three directions which largely escapes as no amount of contour bunding could cope with that amount of water. This is initially captured by the concrete Water Harvest dam behind Ravena, but that fills up quickly, after which the water is lost to the sea through mostly concrete channels.

It is very important, crucial, that this water gets absorbed or retained before it goes to the sea as it otherwise becomes a wasted resource which cannot be afforded during the current water crisis. So ideally, it would not even reach Success or at least not in such abundance as it would make it possible to retain then.

Over all, a wild and canyon riddled area with many young miracle trees (yes they grow into trees, those small miracle bushes ! many other species were observed mostly regenerating by themselves.

- **SUNDAY WALK to “Buddha Garden”**: facilitated by *Priya and Buddha Garden team*.

14 other people attended this walk on this farm, which grows many types of various short term and long term crops from tomatoes to Amla and even Malabar chestnut trees. They are constantly trying to improve growing conditions. One of the ways they are doing this is to reduce their water use by installing a fully automated water management system that functions based on soil moisture, temperature and a few other parameters. When this system was installed as part of a research project in collaboration with Heriot Watt University in Edinburgh it reduced water consumption by 40%, a boon when our current water situation is so dire.

We also got to see a compost-making method which doesn’t depend on any animal inputs, although occasionally dung from their chickens will be added when it is available. This reduces inputs from outside yet keeps the internal work load to a minimum, which is crucial on a farm. They have worked and continue to work with research students to improve practices. One student examined their compost and had it tested which showed that their compost is of good quality, containing the required nutrients for plant growth.

Overall, it was a pleasure to see a farm striving to constantly improve itself and to educate others on the challenges that it faces and how it overcomes them and of course, this would not be possible without a dedicated team. *(as reported by Island)*

The AVGreenCenter (Lisbeth, Isabelle, Island and Appie) publishes the Green Column and the Sunday Walks to Farms & Forests in the News & Notes and on Auronet. We report green matters /events in Auroville, the bioregion and the wider world. Column contributors are welcome! contact us via avgreencenter@auroville.org.in.



Water Saving Tip of the Week!!

If you still have a garden that needs water, consider installing a drip irrigation system in your garden rather than using a hose or sprinkler. Check out Jain Pipes in Pondi help you with your drip irrigation needs.

With love from the Water Group, helping Auroville become a water-sensitive city. watergroup@auroville.org.in

THANK YOU

The Human Library #2- Thank You

We would like to thank the community for a second successful test run for the Human Library event. On Friday, 26th April, 5- 8 pm, we had 9 books (*Manohar, Vikram, Anandi, Sophie, Nandita, Juan, Sehej, Anita, Michael*) with ~40 readers! We would like to thank all the librarians (volunteers) and the books (people with stories) who held the space beautifully. We received an incredible amount of positive and constructive feedback from books and readers, and so we will be experimenting and conducting more such events.

Any financial support is welcome to FS: 251048 description "HumanLibrary", it will go to buying refreshments & printing t-shirts. If any of you would like to share your story, please contact us at YouthLink in the Humanscapes Hall. Reach via mail at youthlink@auroville.org.in or email *Malcolm* at sumtinels@gmail.com. *The YouthLink team*

WELCOME

♥ Jhanvi

Kalai and Venila are happy to share the arrival of their baby girl "JHANVI" born on 12th of April, 2019.

Warm regards, *K. Lakshmi*

HEALTH

Integral Health (Prayatna) Summer Pause

Closed from 6th May - 16th May.

Santé Schedule Now Online on our Website

(closed in the afternoons in May and June)

You can find our Santé Therapists' Monthly Schedule at this [link](#).

MATTRAM Online Website

Centre for Psychological Development and Support, see this [link](#).

PROBIOTICS HOUSE TIP SERIES # 32



PROBIOTICS HOUSE

Probiotics: your skin summer friends!

Increases in temperature and humidity encountered most frequently during the summer months can cause to develop uncomfortable skin rash and also Intertrigo (intertriginous dermatitis) that is an inflammatory rash that occurs between skin folds – areas of the body where skin touches skin, such as the armpits, the groin, under breasts, or within fat folds—as a result of friction, moisture, and lack of airflow. Because these folds are warm and moist, they provide ideal conditions for *Candida Albicans* (yeast), other fungi, or bacteria to take hold, infecting the rash and worsening the symptoms. Patches of redness on babies can also be connected with the development of candidiasis of the skin, especially on the buttocks. A diaper tends to provide an ideal environment for *Candida*.

Activities such as bicycle riding or running, which produce repetitive movements, produce frictional forces which may injure the skin. Men are predisposed to intertrigo of the groin because of the occlusion produced by the male external genitalia.

Probiotics offer a safe and natural remedy to help on this kind of skin condition. Probiotics can also be used as a natural body odor control; body itching relieves and natural antifungal and cooler.

- Apply Probiotics undiluted with a spray bottle to the skin area that you need to treat. It will relieve and alleviate the skin condition.
- For bathing, add 30 ml. of Probiotics for every liter of water, on a full body bath for adult and baby, or foot bath, or hand bath, etc. The natural fermented odor of the Probiotics vanished after the application on your body.

Available in Probiotics House in Reve opposite to Aroma Garden in Auzolan compound. Please bring your clean bottles.

Guidelma and Margarita
(MGEcoduties Executives)

MOBILITY IN AUROVILLE

MOBILITY IN AUROVILLE: Essentials

• City Shuttle

Quick "Pick up and Drop" Shuttle Service within the city area or nearby, free of charge, operating with 2 EV vehicles (quiet electric 7-seater vans) and 1 petrol 4-seater for special needs.

Where: Visitors Center Main Gate or on call.

When: daily 9.30am to 6pm.

How: call landline (best) 0413-262-2611 or 9487650951 (driver).

• Cycle Kiosk at Solar Kitchen area

We repair and maintain all types of bicycles, as a community service. Bike parts to full servicing at minimal costs. Free air!

Where: Opposite PTDC/Foodlink/Solar Kitchen in Prosperity Area.

When: Monday to Saturday: 9am to 4:30pm.

How: drop in. Contact Phone *Chris O.:* 8940115240.

• Cycles and children car seats rentals

Where: Vehicle Service, Town Hall.

When: Monday - Saturday from 9am to 12.30 and 2.30 to 5pm.

How: Contact avvehicle@auroville.org.in or

Phone: 0413-2623302, Mobile: 9443074825.

• Electric bicycles for rent at Kinisi:

Where: at CSR compound (see [MAP](#)).

When: Monday-Saturday 9:30-12:30 and 2:00-4:30 pm.

How: book online at <http://kinisi.in>, or email kinisi@auroville.org.in

or call +91 8300460679 / +91 8300460680 / +91 4132622277.

• Integrated Transport Services (ITS)

Electric vehicle rental, shared taxi services, local pick up & drop services, delivery services and vehicle repairs. NEW! Evening Electric Shuttle Service & Shuttle Service to Chennai.

Where: opposite Solar Kitchen.

When: Monday-Saturday from 9am-5pm.

How: Phone: 8098776644 | 9442566256 | 9840983080.

its@auroville.org.in, <http://its.auroville.org/>.

• Visitors' Center - Bicycle Rental

Daily/Weekly/Monthly rates.

Where: Available from the Kiosk, Near Dosai Corner/Dreamer's.

When: 9.30am - 5pm.

How: Contact: 0413-262-3034.

• Auroville Accessible Bus Schedule

The current Accessible Auroville Public BUS schedule for Pondi is always available at www.auroville.org/contents/3988.

NO Sunday SRIMA bus from 21.04.2019 onwards

POSTINGS

Conference on Savitri in Italy

On the next 13th May, at 5pm, *Paola De Paolis* (Aurovilian) will hold a conference at the *Biblioteca Ariostea* in *Ferrara* (Italy), on "SAVITRI - The Poem of the Victory over Death: Biblical Resonances and Integral Yoga. From the so-called Fall to the Resurrection of the Dead". *Paola de Paolis*

Summer Offer at Lively

Dear AV friends, we (*Lively Boutique*) are offering a Summer Sale from the month of May till June. There are some special collections for children. If you find time please do pass by our Boutique. Venue: *Lively Boutique, Kottakarai, Auroville*.

Mail Boxes and New Post Office

A kind request to the Community Members: the Post Office has officially shifted from Bharat Nivas to its new place situated near the new Auroville Electrical Service Building. All Community members are requested to shift their Post-Boxes to the new Post-Office place.

■ Reversing diabetes - Dr Nandita Shah, SHARAN

I am so happy and proud to share that my book Reversing Diabetes in 21-Days has been #1 on the Amazon best-seller list for endocrinology for quite a while now and that it has been through 13 reprints in 1.5 years. But what makes me even happier is that I regularly get emails from readers about how they have transformed their health. This book is about reversing diabetes through food and it's not just about diabetes but rather connects to other lifestyle diseases - hormonal problems (diabetes is a hormonal issue) and heart disease and hypertension which often occur along with diabetes, and it can even help those with auto immune diseases since type 1 diabetes is an auto immune disease. The book gives an understanding of why all these diseases have multiplied and what you can do.

Luckily in Auroville we don't eat much processed food and soft drinks etc., but there is a lot we can do to improve further, because many are not at their highest health potential. I dare say it's more difficult to achieve if you do not prepare your own food, but we are lucky to have 2 restaurants in the area which provide food close to what is recommended - Solitude Farm and Maiyam (in Kulaplayam, not an AV unit). I am hoping that many Aurovilians kickstart their health and that soon suitable food will be available in many more AV eateries.

There should be at least 3 copies of Reversing Diabetes in 21 Days in AV library. Auroville book stores also carry this, and Amazon too. We also have copies in our SHARAN office in Aurelec. Hoping for an even healthier AV,

Dr Nandita Shah, SHARAN - www.sharan-india.org

■ Useful Facts from EMF Awareness, Auroville

Did you know that insurance companies, including Lloyds of London, will not cover health or environmental damage caused by wireless radiation including smart phones, wi-fi, and cell phone towers? Maybe they know something that many people don't know?

For further information on this you can see:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RckJHNpwTIE>
- <https://beyondradiation.blogs.com/mblog/2010/09/insurance-companies-do-not-cover-health-damage-caused-by-mobile-technologies-disconnect.html>

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

HR Initiative is a service which helps individual Aurovilians and Newcomers who are looking for suitable work to find it, and to help Auroville units and services who are looking to fill positions to find the right individuals to step in:

Social Media Team Members: You will be part of our social media team. You can work part-time or full-time, and you have hands-on experience with some or all of the following:

- Imaging and video editing tools.
- Google Analytics for SEO, keyword, search phrases and meta data management.
- Google Adwords for online awareness campaigns and promotions.
- Google Tag Manager for event management, reporting and performance analysis.
- Handling product feeds for Google merchant for an e-commerce platform and mobile app.
- Facebook Pixels and carousel-based product promotion.
- Instagram and YouTube videos for craft and awareness.
- Blogging and connecting with media houses for regular columns and publications.

There is a minimum commitment of three months. If you have some experience in the above-mentioned skills, you can be trained in the others. Maintenance is available.

Stitching Oversight and Quality Control: You will work in an Auroville textile unit overseeing handicraft work. You should speak and write in excellent English and be well organized. Experience in an international work setting would be helpful. Part-time work with potential to become full-time. Maintenance available.

Receptionist: You are a multitasker, fast, a team player and good at working with sometimes difficult people, you have basic computer skills and you are very precise, your schedule is flexible and you are very reliable, your English communication

skills are good and you understand different accents (even on the phone), full time, maintenance provided.

Administrative Work, Part Time: You carry out daily administrative tasks as well as communication on an international level to introduce/promote/ spread a global concept on dentistry - as an example for India and the world.

Skills required: Familiarity with MS office and software for photos and video editing, work experience with social media platforms. Good command of English and willing to work in an enthusiastic team. Maintenance provided.

System Administrator: You will take care of networked system administration and maintenance. You understand system and network integration of multi-modal networking environments: Linux servers and desktops, Windows laptops, Macbooks, android devices. You can support user needs on the various platforms, you are able to work with shell scripts, scripting and automation of routine tasks. Experience in a relevant field is a plus; someone with a Computer Science degree could be trained.

Guest House Management: You are in charge of receiving and interacting with guests, supervision of housekeeping, email correspondence and accounts. Expect more than 35 hours work per week. Need to be able to communicate fluently in English (other languages a plus). Maintenance provided.

Italian Cook: You are of any nationality and have cooking experience. Training is available. Expect hospitality hours of work (min 9 hrs /day). Maintenance provided; food and accommodation also possible.

Website Management: You handle regular website updating, product uploads, communication with unit holders, organizing photo shoots and product research.

Skills required: Proficiency in written and spoken English, good communication skills, organization skills, meticulous, able to work in a team. Full-time maintenance provided.

Please contact us for more information and if you are interested in any of these work opportunities or if you are looking for something else: hr_hub@auroville.org.in.

HR Initiative

(if you are searching for work: fill in this [form](#))

Personal Secretary Needed: a personal assistant cum secretary with excellent written English and computer-knowledge. S/He should be able to render personal and secretarial assistance and take quick dictation. Please contact: Anand Kumar (Auroville Foundation Housing, Promesse), email: anandkumarrepiol@hotmail.com. Mobile: 9968284850.

SPORTS

■ LA PISCINE reopens on Monday 6th of MAY

The pool will be open Monday May 6 at 12 noon. Finally! *La Piscine Team*

■ AquaGym classes on hold

Dear friends, the aquagym class (every Thursday at 4 pm at La Piscine) is on hold during part of the summer. The class will resume on [Thursday, June 13th](#). Warmly, *Elisa*

EATING OUT

■ Friday - Saturday Dinners at Garden café! (+ weekly closing day on Mondays)

For those of you who are looking for new alternatives for dinner, we have good news! Naturellement Garden Café will be open on **Fridays and Saturdays up to 9pm**. Come and enjoy the chilled ambiance, or even cool off in our AC lounge! Take away is also available :) Remember that there is a 25% discount for Aurovilians, newcomers and volunteers.

And since we are now open on Friday and Saturday evenings up to 9 pm, *Naturellement Garden Café* will be closed on Mondays.

■ SUMMER CLOSING DATES - Reminders

- Tibetan Dinner (Tibetan Pavilion): restarts in July
- Le Zéphyr (at VC): closed until Mid-August
- Well Studio Café (Svedame): Summer break till June 9th
- Goyo silent restaurant (Luminosity): closed until end of June

SOME ESSENTIAL SERVICES - May 2019

Auroville Ambulance: 9442224680 - Pims: 0413-2656271

Auroville Safety & Security Team: Call us 24/7 for emergency or assistance on 9443090107 (save the number in your phone). Contact us on the same number until 10.30pm for booking an escort (latest escort at 11pm). Visit our office (Service Area - Near Gas Bottle service / Telephone Service) from Monday to Friday (9.30am to 12.30pm - 2.30 pm to 4.30pm) and Saturday (9.30am to 12.30pm). Office: 0413-2623400 (office hours only), email: security@auroville.org.in. Emergency Service of India: 108

Animal Health Care services: Dr. Kumar (Aurovilian) offers Animal Health Care services that include Sterilization, Vaccination and Treatment of dogs, cats, cows and horses. Animal Health Care is a registered Activity. Minimum charge for a visit: ₹300. Treatment cost vary depending on medicines used, average ₹500. Sterilization cost for dogs and cats: ₹2000 to ₹3000. This includes aftercare. The costs depend on size/ weight of the animal, and vary with type of anaesthesia, suture material, antibiotics, pain killer and other medical items used for operation and after care. For more information, call Dr. Kumar, Animal Health Care, cell 9443203092. Best is to send an SMS with name, address and request. Dr. Kumar will get back to you.

Auroville Library, Crown Road: Opening hours in May and June: Mornings: Monday to Saturday from 9 am to 12:30 pm. Afternoons: Closed. Evenings: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 4 pm to 6:30 pm. Email: avlib@auroville.org.in ; Phone: tel:0413-2622894.

Auroville Library of Things (ALoT) is currently housed in a shipping container opposite PTDC. This space is an initiative by earth&us and has been designed to facilitate sharing within the community. The current inventory comprises mainly of tools, toys, kitchenware, travelling and hiking gear. Although, eventually, we want to include all kinds of things that can be incorporated into a library system. We are open from 10 am to 1:30 pm during this summer so please try and come by during that window. We are closed on Sundays. Write to us at alot@auroville.org.in if you have any suggestions/comments/questions or call us at 9871245566. Please drop in to donate or borrow things at your convenience.

Bike/Car repair & servicing: ★ Painting ★ Modification ★ General service ★ Bike renting. Please contact Satya. 9488814509 At Abri Workshop (old puncture service) Auroville. We accept Auroville PT account.

AV Pharmacy/Health Center: The Pharmacy is open 8.30am to 5pm daily including Saturdays. The doctor's consultation is the same with a lunch break from 1pm to 2pm, except Saturday up to 1pm only. Phone no 0413-2622123 and 0413-2622018. Email: avhealth@auroville.org.in.

City Shuttle: Quick "Pick up and Drop" Shuttle Service within the city area or nearby, free of charge, operating with 2 EV vehicles (quiet electric 7-seater vans) and 1 petrol 4-seater for special needs. Where: Visitors Center Main Gate or on call. When: daily 9.30am to 5pm. How: call landline (best) 0413-262-2611 or 9487650951 (driver).

AV Cycle Kiosk: Monday to Saturday: 9am to 4.30pm, opposite PTDC/Foodlink, in the Prosperity Area. We repair and maintain all types of bicycles, as a community service. Bike parts to full servicing at minimal costs. Free air! Phone Chris O.: 8940115240.

AV Vehicle Service: Driving License, Motor Insurance, Health Insurance, Travel Insurance, New Vehicle Purchase, Bicycle Rent, Cycles and children car seat rentals available at Auroville Vehicle Service, Town Hall. Monday to Saturday : 9am to 12.30pm and 2.30pm to 5pm. Contact avvehicle@auroville.org.in or Phone: 0413-2623302, Mobile: 9443074825.

Cycle Rental at Visitors' Center: Daily/Weekly/Monthly rates. Where: Available from the Kiosk, Near Dosai Corner/Dreamer's. When: 9.30 am - 5 pm. How: Contact: 0413-262-3034.

Auroville Dental Centre - Protection: Opening hours: Mornings - Monday to Saturday 9am to 1pm & Afternoon - Monday to Friday 2 pm to 4:30 pm. Telephone: 0413-2622265 or 2622007. Email: aurodentalcentre@auroville.org.in.

EcoService, Kottakarai: Palani 9443535172 or Kali 9443090114. ecoservice@auroville.org.in.

Auroville Electrical Service (AVES): our timings are 8am to 5pm. Located in the Service Area. Contact numbers 2622 132, 94888 68747.

Electric cycles rental, Kinisi e-Mobility, KIM: CSR Office (on 2nd floor). Open 9:00 am-12:30 and 2:00-4:30 pm (Monday to Saturday). Landline: 0413-262 2168/2748. Mobile: 83004 60679/60680. Email: kinisi@auroville.org.in - http://www.kinisi.in.

Entry Service, Town Hall, 1st floor, Multimedia Center: We are open to the public **MORNINGS:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9.30am-12.30pm and **AFTERNOONS:** Tuesday and Thursday: 2.30pm to 4.00pm for Newcomer kit. B-Forms and Recommendation letters: on appointment only. For more information on joining Auroville: +91 (0)413 2622707 email: entryservice@auroville.org.in.

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

Financial Service, Town Hall and Aspiration: Monday to Saturday, 9am to 12.30pm and 3pm to 4.30pm. Ph.: 2623648

Free Store: (For MAY and JUNE) Monday to Saturday: 9am to 12:30pm. Phone: 0413-2623680 email: freestore@auroville.org.in.

Auroville Bottle Gas Service, Service Area: Near Telephone Service and BSNL Telephone Exchange. Monday to Saturday: 9am to 1pm and 2 to 4pm. Phone: 0413-2622452. Email: avgasservice@auroville.org.in.

Guest Registration Service: ALL GUESTS in Auroville (including Indian nationals and foreigners as well as friends and family members of Aurovilians) are required by Indian law and Auroville regulations to register within 24 hours of their arrival. In addition, guests are required to register each time they move to a new destination in Auroville.

The Auroville Guest Registration Service operates at 3 locations: **Visitors Centre** - at the far end of the Expo Hall (big white building on the left), opposite Dreamer's Cafe - All days 9.30am to 12.30pm and 2 to 5pm / **Town Hall** - reception area - Monday to Saturday 9.30am to 12.30pm and 2 to 5pm / **Aspiration - Financial Service** office left side - Monday to Saturday 9am to 12.30pm and 2 to 4:30pm. Ph.: 2622704/ 2623449.

Guest Service above the Solar Kitchen: 1st floor. Opening times Monday to Saturday: 9.30am to 12.30pm and 2pm to 5pm. Closed on Thursday and Saturday afternoon. avguestservice@auroville.org.in, Phone: 0413-2622675.

Housing Service, Town Hall: Public timings: Monday to Friday (except Wednesday): 9.30 am - 12.30 pm. By appointment only: Monday to Friday (except Wednesday): 2.30 - 4.30 pm. Saturday 10:30 - 12:30 pm for accounting only. (Wednesday closed for Housing Board meeting) Phone: 0413-2622658. Email contacts: **GENERAL MATTERS:** housing@auroville.org.in - **REPAIR & MAINTENANCE:** housing-repair@auroville.org.in - **HOUSE TRANSFERS & EVALUATIONS:** housing-transfer@auroville.org.in.

Human Resource Team (HRT), Town Hall: Public Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 10am to 12pm, Friday 3pm to 4.30pm. Phone 0413-2622312. Email: hrt@auroville.org.in.

Insurance, Goodness Insurance Service: For all kinds of insurance information, advices and service. CALL / SMS TO 9585048036 Email: goodnessinsuranceservice@auroville.org.in.

Integral Health, Prayatna: NOTE: Closed from 6th May - 16th May. classical homeopathy, transpersonal regression therapy, Gestalt therapy, psychomotricity for children and adults, trauma remedies, child & women health, hypnotherapy. Email: integralhealth@auroville.org.in. Phone: 0413-2623669 - Monday to Saturday 9am to 5pm, preferably on appointment.

Integrated Transport Services (ITS): Electric vehicle rental, shared taxi services, local pick up & drop services, delivery services and vehicle repairs. We are available Monday-Saturday from 9am-5pm, opposite Solar Kitchen. Phone: 8098776644 | 9442566256 | 9840983080. Email: its@auroville.org.in, http://its.auroville.org/.

LFAU - Fundraising for Auroville's land: with its two campaigns 'Acres for Auroville' & 'GreenAcres' Aryadeep, Mandakini LB, Nadia R., Sigrid, and secretary Jothi. Welcome: 9:30am to 12.30pm at Town Hall, 1st floor. LFAU 0413-2622657. lfau@auroville.org.in / https://land.auroville.org.

LOE, Lab. Of Evolution, Bharat Nivas: LOE Library Open Monday to Saturday: 9am to 12pm. Tuesday and Friday: 2.30pm to 4.30pm. loechu@auroville.org.in.

Matrimandir: The Inner Chamber is open for Aurovilians daily: 6 am to 8.40 am, 11.30 am to 12.30 pm (2 pm on Sunday) and 4.30 pm to 8 pm. 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: 4.30 pm to 6 pm. To bring family members and personal friends please book online using this link http://mmbooking.auroville.org.in/ or by calling 0413-2622579

from 10 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 am and 11 am.

Mattram, Centre for Psychological Development and Support:

Open Walk-in for just sharing without appointment from 9 to 10 am (Monday-Saturday) with professional Integral Psychologists: *Palani* on Monday & Wednesday, *Jerry* on Tuesday (*Jerry* will be available from August onwards), *Gopa* on Thursday, *Chetna* on Friday and *Saif* on Saturdays. Appointments for Consultation, Counselling and Therapy daily (except Sunday), from 12 to 12:30pm at 0413-2623551 or mattram@auroville.org.in. Mattram is situated in Mitra Youth Hostel behind Town Hall. Website: www.mattramav.wordpress.com

Music library, Town Hall: Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat from 9am to 12.30pm and Tues, Thurs, Sat from 2pm to 5.30pm.

Nandini Distribution (PTDC area): Email: nandini@auroville.org.in. Open to the Participants only phone 0413-2622033: Tuesday to Saturday - 9am to 12.30pm / Tuesday & Thursday - 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm. **NOTE:** Closed for the first two weeks in June.

Nandini Tailor (Aurosarjan): NANDINI TAILORING SECTION IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. Phone 0413-2622527. nandini@auroville.org.in.

OutreachMedia Services: Including dealing with all media that come to Auroville for filming, writing, photographing - reporters, journalists and writers. Contact at 9498816627, or outreachmedia@auroville.org.in Archives Building - office hours: Monday to Friday: 9.30am to 12 pm and 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Saturdays by appointment.

Post Office (moved from Bharat Nivas) NOW IN Service Area!

The Bharat Nivas Post office has now moved to Auroville's Service Area, next to Auroville Electrical Service. Communities are requested to arrange themselves for the removal of their community post boxes from the old post office wall in Bharat Nivas and attach them to the outside open wall of the new Service Area post office building.

Auroville is served by a main Post Office (PIN code 605101) located at Service Area, open 9am-1.30pm and 2-4.30pm, and a smaller Branch Post Office located on the edge of Kulapalayam village near Aspiration settlement, open 10 am - 12.30 pm & 1.30 - 2.30 pm. Closed Sundays.

Puncture service, service area: next to gas bottle service, opposite road service; Monday to Saturday 9am to 4.30pm; phone 0413-2622741, cell 9442891235. (Closed from 26th April to 1st May; Service resumes from the 2nd May)

Residents' Assembly Service: The Residents' Assembly Service would like to inform you all that there will be no public opening timings during the months of May & June 2019 at La Terrace. We will be very happy to meet you if required after making an appointment per email on raservice@auroville.org.in.

Auroville Residents Service Summer Opening: The Residents Service summer opening in May and June months is from Monday to Friday from 9.00 am till 12.30 pm (mornings only). Still we would like to remind every resident who is going abroad to consider the passport and visa validity date before booking the ticket. A minimum visa extension process from the beginning to end takes a one month. During the process you cannot leave the country. We would like to bring to everyone's attention that we are only 3 members working in the Residents Service office to deal with 3050 Residents with all kinds of matters which include 1690 visa holders. Please consider these facts and be on time for your visa renewal. Email: resservice@auroville.org.in. Thank you for your understanding.

Santé - Auroville Institute for Integral Health, Crown Rd, Near Arka. Closed during the afternoons in the month of May. Working Hours: Monday to Saturday 8:45 to 12:30. Closed Tuesday afternoon for staff meetings. Call 0413-2622803 or (+91) 948 944 1703 for appointment. For other inquiries, email: sante@auroville.org.in or our website: www.sante.auroville.org.in. Santé is a multidisciplinary health institute offering treatment in many health modalities. Our services include Acupuncture, Allopathic general medicine, Ayurveda, Homoeopathy, Hypnotherapy & Neurolinguistic Programming (NLP), Integrative Psychotherapy, Meridian Psychotherapy, Medical & Therapeutic Shiatsu, Midwifery & Gynaecology, Ozone Therapy, Physiotherapy, and Wellbeing and Medical Massage. Other clinical services offered are nursing care, out-patient care including basic surgical procedures, lab sample collection, in-patient facilities, medical

homecare for those in need, and acute care services. You can find our Santé Therapists' Monthly Schedule at this [link](#).

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. **Savi will be closed for summer break from the 27th May till the 9th June.** From Monday to Friday from 9:30am till 12pm. at the Unity Pavilion. For more information call 0413-2622121 or go to Savi website: www.auroville-learning.net.

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 / email: office@treecareindia.com.

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

YouthLink, Service: Offering young adults (-18-40 yrs.) information, education and general support. Priority to Aurovillian, Newcomer and Bioregional youth. Please make an appointment by email to youthlink@auroville.org.in or WhatsApp +918778312841, or drop by any Friday afternoon between 3:00-6:00 P.M. at Humanscapes Hall.



NOTES

Remembering Ise on 05/05/2019 (13th anniversary)

Even though 13 years have passed, we cannot forget you ever like a sculpture carved in a rocky stone. You were a good supporter, guardian and advisor.

Whenever I was in need of any help, you always gave a helping hand, still now in another form of human beings.

We all miss you so much our dear friend. Thanks a lot for all your help and we are always thankful to you forever.

Love you. *Raji, Arunachalam & Gothainayagi.*



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Summer Break...

stay connected with us on our social media sites:

Website: aurovillerradio.org, FB: facebook.com/auroville.radio,
Twitter: AurovilleRadioTV

ACCOMMODATIONS

Needed 1: Hello everyone, I am *Induja*, a long-term volunteer and architect, working in TDC/L'avenir d'Auroville. I'm looking for a long-term house-sitting opportunity starting from last week of June. I'm planning to stay longer in Auroville. Please let me know if you or your friends need someone to house-sit. You can call me/text me on 9843656428 or email me at ginduja397@gmail.com.

Needed 2: I am *Parthipan*, working at PTDC nearing to end my Newcomer period in Auroville. I am currently looking for house sitting or care-taker house in Auroville. I can take care of pets and garden. Contact no.: 8098740882. Thanks and regards, *Parthipan*.

Available 1: A beautiful small apartment on the first floor is available in Douceur for Newcomer or Volunteer. Living/bedroom, attached bathroom, kitchen, outside sitting area. Suitable for single or couple. For longer period (from 3 months to 1 year). Furnished or unfurnished. Contact via Housing Service. Applicants can contact *Robert* on WhatsApp or write an email to robert@auroville.org.in / WhatsApp: +918940568305.

Available 2: My house in Quiet is available for housesitting from 24th May to July 10th. The house is suitable for a single person and at the most a couple. There is a dog and cat to look after. Please note the location of Quiet, and if you feel you would like to stay, let's talk. *Nandita*, 9488483286.

Available 3: Hello, we have a little home stay called La Maison Bleue in Quiet beach. As it is low season, we would like to offer our huts for a low price for volunteers or newcomers, starting end of May until end of August. One hut is a simple "Capsula" with a double bed and an attached bathroom, the other hut "Casita" is a small earth and wood construction with kitchenette and attached bathroom.

Please contact us at helenagiron@auroville.org.in
Warmly, *Helena, Antonello and Noa*

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! aurolot.myturn.com/library/inventory/browse.

Mattress: We have a full size (5.5' * 6' feet) double mattress extra in our house available. It is in decent condition. If you are looking for one, please contact us on mimansha@auroville.org.in. Thanks, *Romel and Mimansha*

Space available for rent: 17.48 sqm., closed partitioned office space inside Aurelec premises with superb infrastructure, including generator, UPS System, provision to put air-conditioner, 24 hours security, parking and canteen facilities. Interested people may contact *Siva* at Aurelec in person, or by phone to 2622293/ 2622294 or e-mail at adps@auroville.org.in.

LOOKING FOR...

Sewing Machine: Does anybody have a sewing machine that I could use for a couple of months? I am an experienced user so I will not damage your machine. If anyone has a sewing machine that she or he doesn't use anymore, I am willingly to offer a contribution. *Christel*. WhatsApp: 9384460576.

Bicycle: Looking for a bicycle - any kind, any condition. I am open to any kind of arrangement - donation, contribution, bicycle-sitting for short/long term period (I will be happy to take care about your bicycle maintenance, I have a proper covered bicycle parking spot) or other. Just contact me *Giovanni*, WhatsApp or call me at 7598019857 or mail at g.gorgoglione@gmail.com.

Someone to bring back a Video camera to Germany: I left my video camera in Auroville, but I need it in Germany. Would anybody be ready to take it along to Germany? As I will travel within Germany, the pickup could happen preferably at: Bremen, Hamburg, or Leipzig, Munich, or Saarbrücken, Cologne, Münster. Please contact me at sigrid@auroville.org.in. Thanks, *Sigrid*

Used cardboard boxes: Well Paper is looking for used thin cardboards like incense box, corn flakes boxes, etc. for making up-cycling products. If anyone has a stock, please send us the information by email at wellpaper@auroville.org.in or contact at 9385744722 or drop it at Well Paper & Well Café.

House-work 1: *Parvati*, a good amma, has worked for two months as a replacement and is available from Monday, 6th of May. Please contact her on 9791587452 or via *Giri*, our gardener: 2622985. Submitted by *Lisbeth*.

House-work 2: reliable AMMA with full training, known to me since a long time. Needs a job after the person she used to work for has fallen badly ill. Kindly call *Segar*, her husband, at 96 55 88 35 29 for job offer and my number 2622356, for background history if needed. Best to All! -*Cristo- REVELATION*

TAXI SHARING

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

6th May: Anyone interesting in sharing a taxi in the evening or night? I need to be in Chennai Airport at 3 am. Thanks. Please contact me at 9487544184. *Hamsini*

7th May: Leaving Auroville on Tuesday at 9 am for Chennai AirPort. Sharing both ways. Contact *Lisbeth* at 9442032047.

8th May: Anyone who would like to share a taxi to Chennai Airport on Wednesday starting from Auroville early morning at

1 am; both directions possible, please contact *Nicole*, nicole.remy@icloud.com or WhatsApp at +49 15164145617.

8th May: I have to leave Auroville on the 8th May at 6 am to go to the Airport (Chennai). Anyone who wants to share? *Agnes*, 7094300959. Thank you.

11th May: I would like to share a taxi leaving at 11:20am FROM CHENNAI AIRPORT TO AUROVILLE. If someone is interested, contact me: sunja.fr@gmail.com or 9787628294.

12th May: Taxi from Chennai airport to Auroville on Sunday morning, vehicle available at approx. 6.30 am to return to Auroville. Contact: shivaya@auroville.org.in, 9489601312. *Shivaya*

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 AuroNet login page: www.auroville.org.in.
- **Auroville Art Service:** artservice.auroville.org/calendar/

AT THE MATRIMANDIR



AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

Meditation with Savitri

read by Mother to Sunil's music

Every THURSDAY - 6 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.

EXHIBITIONS

Watercolour Palette for Auroville

by *Ivana Frousova*, Aurovilian

from Saturday 11 May until Saturday 15 June 2019.

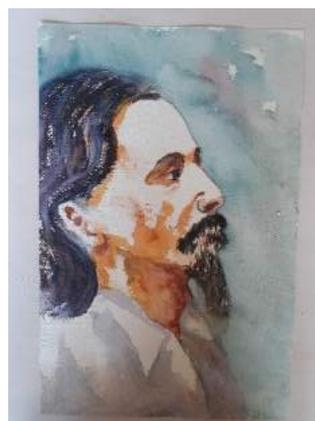
In the European House International Zone
(same entrance gate as International House)

The time-frame of the exhibition will be from

Monday to Saturday

from 9:30 am-12 noon and from 2.30 - 5.00 pm.

Contact: ivana@auroville.org.in - tel: 7094344154.



Ivana's activity "Roof studio" is registered at AV Art Service. There are about 200 paintings done by just four watercolors - lemon yellow, Prussian blue, carmine and burnt sienna. She will also present abstracts, portraits, still life and landscapes in different formats. *Ivana* will be present on the site and will show her work in the rooms and outside. *Ivana* will be happy to paint during the time at open space so that attendees will be able to see her painting techniques. Free entrance for everybody.

The European House Team - Financial Account: 251207

Exhibitions – MAY 2019

Monday-Saturday

9am-5pm



Meditations on Savitri

The entire series of 472 paintings created by the Mother with Huta in the 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.

Bharat Nivas presents

At Kalakendra Art Gallery

"The Dawn of Auroville"

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

Opening hours: 9 to 4:30 pm. Sundays closed.

Ongoing until further notice



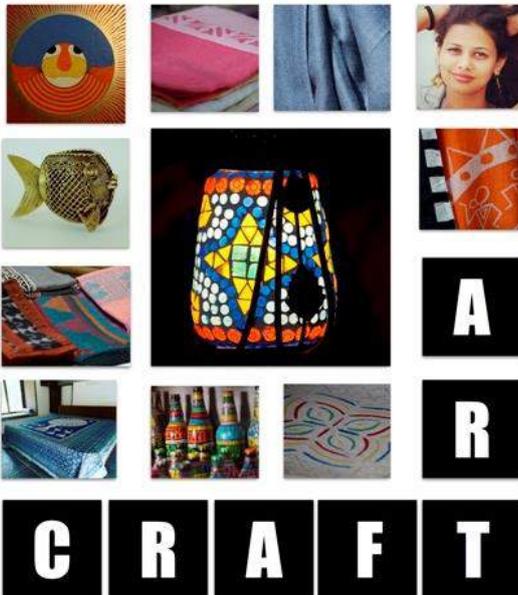
Mother's Symbol Exhibition with translations of Her Powers (or virtues, qualities...) in 22 languages

International Space,
Bharat Nivas
(Indian Space next to
Sri Aurobindo Auditorium)



AadiKala, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs & TRIFED,
in collaboration with Bharat Nivas,
brings to you a small collection of
TRIBAL ART and CRAFT from across rural India.

Every Day Until 12th May
At Kala Kendra, Bharat Nivas
Open Monday to Saturday - 9:30 am to 4 pm
And Sunday - 10 am to 4 pm



AadiKala; a new activity, setup under ASSA of Artisana Trust, aims to be an interface with both the Government of India as well as the various Indian indigenous tribes, by promoting their art and craft and by also shedding some light on their lifestyle, culture and trade.



aurelec
Cafeteria & Art gallery

Camino de Santiago

Photo Exhibition at the
Aurelec Cafeteria & Art Gallery
Open from 8 am to 5 pm
Until 31 May 2019



OTHER EVENTS

Workshop Self-Healing with Chi Qong

5 morning sessions with *Hans*

6:30 - 7:45 am at Lakshmi Park
(Monday to Friday) 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 May

From Neem tree café gate, walk in till end of path then
on left side. All are welcome. Greetings. *Hans*

MONTHLY SCHEDULES: SUMMER SUMMARY

REMINDER: The monthly schedules and activities of the Auroville Centers can found on the following websites:

- Joy Activities: www.joyauroville.org
- OPEN IN MAY and JUNE
- Auromode Yoga Space: www.auromodeyogaspaces.com
- OPEN IN MAY AND JUNE
- Savitri Bhavan: www.savitribhavan.org
- OPEN IN MAY and JUNE
- Pitanga: www.auroville.org/contents/3185
- OPEN IN MAY - will be closed in JUNE
- Language Lab: www.aurovillelanguage.org/courses.php
- CLOSED ONE WEEK FROM 13th to 19th of MAY
 - Quiet: quiethealingcenter.info
- OPEN UNTIL 28TH OF MAY. CLOSED IN JUNE. Restarts July 1st
- Arka Wellness Centre: www.auroville.org/contents/2886
CLOSED UNTIL END MAY
- Holistic: www.auroville-holistic.com
- CLOSED UNTIL JUNE 15th
 - Vérité: www.verite.in
- CLOSED UNTIL JULY 1st
 - Lilaloka: www.lilaloka.org
- CLOSED in MAY & JUNE

REGULAR EVENTS

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AT SAVITRI BHAVAN

No Monday Film program due to **SUMMER BREAK**



CINEMA PARADISO

Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium
Film program 6 to 12 May, 2019

Indian - Monday 6 May, 8:00 pm:

- **Stree (Woman)**

India, 2018, Dir. Amar Kaushik w/Rajkumar Rao, Shraddha Kapoor, Pankaj Tripathi, and others, Comedy-Horror, 128mins, Hindi w/English subtitles, Rated:NR (PG)

Vicky, a ladies' tailor in Chanderi, a small town - falls in love with a mysterious girl, who is only seen during that festival season. Her frequent disappearances and the fact that she's not been seen by anybody else makes his friends suspicious, and they start believing that she could be "Stree", the spirit of a woman, who attacks men at night during the festivals. Vicky has to solve this mystery. This unusual themed film has a chance to tickle the audience's funny bone while sending a chill down their spine. Experience it!

This is birth month for two of India's finest film-makers who were contemporaries and yet very different and distinct from each other: Satyajit Ray and Mrinal Sen. Unfortunately, except a few most of Ray's and all of Mrinal Sen's exemplary films are not in a state that they can be screened. May be in the future

Potpourri - Tuesday 7 May, 8:00 pm:

- **Un Homme Qui Crie (A Screaming Man)**

France-Chad, 2010, Dir. Mahamat-Saleh Haroun w/ Youssouf Djaoro, Diouc Koma, and others, Drama, 92 mins, French-Arabic w/English subtitles, Rated: NR

In present-day Chad, Adam, a 55yrs former swimming champion, is pool attendant at a smart N'Djamena hotel. When the hotel gets taken over by new Chinese owners, he is forced to give up his job to his son Abdel. Terribly resentful, he feels socially humiliated. The country is in the throes of a civil war. Rebel forces are attacking the government. The authorities demand that the population contribute to the "war effort", giving money or volunteers old enough to fight off the assailants. The District Chief constantly harasses Adam for his contribution. But Adam is penniless; he only has his son!

Interesting - Wednesday 8 May, 8:00 pm:

- **All Watched Over by Machines of Loving GRACE: The Use and Abuse of Vegetational Concepts (Episode 2/ Season 1)**

UK, 2011, Writer-Dir Adam Curtis w/ Adam Curtis, Stewart Brand, Peder Anker, and others, Documentary, 60mins, English, Rated: NR

A mini-series of three films about how humans have been colonized by the machines we have built especially the computers. This episode depicts the use of vegetational concepts role in the rise of the machines, our belief in the balance of nature, and how the idea of the ecosystem was invented. We will screen the final episode next week.

Selection - Thursday 9 May, 8:00 pm:

- **Song of Granite**

Ireland-Canada, B&W, Writer-Dir. Pat Collins w/ Michael O'Chonfhaola, Macdara Ó Fátharta, Jaren Cerf, and others, Biography-Drama, 104mins, Irish-English w/English subtitles, Rated:NR (PG)

Enigmatic and complex, Joe Heaney was one of the greats of traditional Irish singing (sean nós). Shaped by the myths, fables, and songs of his upbringing in the west of Ireland, his emergence as a gifted artist came at a personal cost. This film is a distinct portrait of Heaney's life and a marvelous exploration of music and song. The film was nominated for the Best Foreign Language film for the Academy Awards. A wonderful film!

International - Saturday 11 May, 8:00 pm:

- **The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind**

UK-Malawi, 2019, Writer-Dir. Chiwetel Ejiofor w/ Chiwetel Ejiofor, Maxwell Simba, Felix Lemburo, and others, Drama, 113mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated:PG

William Kamkuamb was born in the state of Malawi, which is located in Africa. When he was fourteen years old, a terrible drought hit the village where he lived. People had nothing to eat and drink. Being an excellent student and very fond of physics, the guy decides to save his native village from starvation. In the library he finds scientific books on physics. Unfortunately, they were all exclusively in English. But the hero did not give up. For a long-time studying pictures and different symbols in Latin, the guy got an idea to build a wind generator.

Children's Film - Sunday 12 May, 4:30 pm:

- **The Grinch**

USA, 2019, Dir: Scott Mosier, w/ Benedict Cumberbatch, Cameron Seely, Rashida Jones and others, Animation, 86mins, English with English subtitles, Rated: PG

The Grinch tells the story of a cynical grump who goes on a mission to steal Christmas, only to have his heart changed by a young girl's generous holiday spirit.

JOHN BOORMAN FILM FESTIVAL @CINE CLUB
Ciné-Club Sunday 12 May, 8pm:

- **Excalibur**

USA, 1981, Dir. John Boorman w/Nigel Terry, Helen Mirren, and others, Adventure-Drama, 140 mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG

The myth of King Arthur brought once again to the screen. Uthur Pendragon is given the mystical sword Excalibur by the wizard Merlin. At his death Uthur buries the sword into a stone, and the next man that can pull it out will be King of England. Years later Arthur, Uthur's bastard son draws Excalibur and becomes king. Guided by Merlin, Arthur marries Guenivere and gathers the Knights of the Round Table. Arthur's evil half-sister Morgana sires a son with him, who may prove his downfall.

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. Please make a donation to "Cinema Paradiso" (account #105106) at the Financial Service or set up for a monthly contribution.

Thanking You, MMC/CP Group

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THE ECO FILM CLUB

Sadhana Forest, May 10th, 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. The entire evening including dinner is offered as a gift!

****Note: Families and children are welcome! Dinner for children will be served at 7pm :)**

The Antarctica Challenge: A Global Warning

52 Minutes / English / 2009 / Produced by Mark Terry

This documentary that goes to the source of the climate change crisis: Antarctica. Here we explore first-hand the environmental challenges facing that frozen continent and, by extension, the world.

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

Or visit us online:

sadhanaforest.org and facebook.com/sadhanaforest.

Friday 10 May - 7:45 pm:

• “The Bad Sleep Well”

- Warui yatsu hodo yoku nemuru (original title)

Director: Akira Kurosawa, Japan, 1960

Original Japanese version, with English subtitles, dur.: 2h31'

Stars: Toshirō Mifune, Masayuki Mori, Kyōko Kagawa

Synopsis: The story has its roots in Shakespeare's Hamlet, while also doubling as a critique of corporate corruption. It is about a young man who gets a prominent position in a corrupt postwar Japanese company in order to expose the men responsible for his father's death... One of three films in which Kurosawa explores the film noir genre, and it was the first film to be produced under Kurosawa's own independent production company.

NOTE: For this movie, we will start at **7:45 pm**, exceptionally!

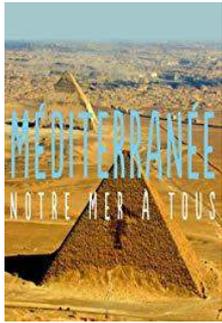
The FRENCH PAVILION presents:

Saturday 11 May 2019 at 5pm

Town Hall - Cinema Paradiso

"Mediterranean, our Sea"

Documentary directed by Yann Arthus-Bertrand and Michael Pitiot - **in French only**, duration: 85 min (France, 2014)



It's a huge trip, close to home. This is our story from Marseille to Tangier, from Alexandria to Rome, from Barcelona to Jerusalem, from the burning deserts to the cicadas of the Garrigues ... Look at our common good!

In 2025, we will be 637 million living around the Mediterranean. The Mediterranean is much more than a sea. It is a region that has seen human civilizations grow. With her, the man imagined agriculture, commerce,

thought democracy and wrote the pages of the major religions of the planet. The Mediterranean today is also 427 million inhabitants and 24 countries. And yet ... it seems that we only see this part of the world for its repetitive wars and crises. Have we forgotten what the Mediterranean means? Have we forgotten how much our own history is related to this region? To reconnect with this fascinating region, you have to get high. This is the challenge of this film, entirely shot from the sky under the direction of Yann Arthus-Bertrand. For the first time, the Mediterranean is seen from the sky, even in its most inaccessible countries like Libya, Lebanon, Egypt or Algeria. And this journey in geography, history and the natural world outlines a message. That of a sea with a unique destiny, this Mare Nostrum, our sea called Mediterranean.

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

The Tuesday deadline (5pm) is absolute

Any modifications of the submitted *News* items have to be sent to the editors before Tuesday 5pm.

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

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

Visiting hours: On appointment only.

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