

# News & Notes

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# HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

The development of the experience in its rapidity, its amplitude, the intensity and power of its results, depends primarily, in the beginning of the path and long after, on the aspiration and personal effort of the sadhaka. The process of Yoga is a turning of the human soul from the egoistic state of consciousness absorbed in the outward appearances and attractions of things to a higher state in which the Transcendent and Universal can pour itself into the individual mould and transform it. The first determining element of the siddhi is, therefore, the intensity of the turning, the force which directs the soul inward. The power of aspiration of the heart, the force of the will, the concentration of the mind, the perseverance and determination of the applied energy are the measure of that intensity. The ideal sadhaka should be able to say in the Biblical phrase, "My zeal for the Lord has eaten me up." It is this zeal for the Lord, - *utsāha*, the zeal of the whole nature for its divine results, *vyākulatā*, the heart's eagerness for the attainment of the Divine, - that devours the ego and breaks up the limitations of its petty and narrow mould for the full and wide reception of that which it seeks, that which, being universal, exceeds and, being transcendent, surpasses even the largest and highest individual self and nature.

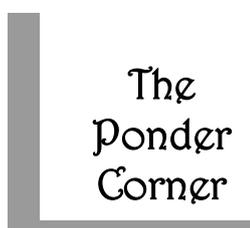
But this is only one side of the force that works for perfection. The process of the integral Yoga has three stages, not indeed sharply distinguished or separate, but in a certain measure successive. There must be, first, the effort towards at least an initial and enabling self-transcendence and contact with the Divine; next, the reception of that which transcends, that with which we have gained communion, into ourselves for the transformation of our whole conscious being; last, the utilisation of our transformed humanity as a divine centre in the world. So long as the contact with the Divine is not in some considerable degree established, so long as there is not some measure of sustained identity, *sāyujya*, the element of personal effort must normally predominate. But in proportion as this contact establishes itself, the sadhaka must become conscious that a force other than his own, a force transcending his egoistic endeavour and capacity, is at work in him and to this Power he learns progressively to submit himself and delivers up to it the charge of his Yoga. In the end his own will and force become one with the higher Power; he merges them in the divine Will and its transcendent and universal Force. He finds it thenceforward presiding over the necessary transformation of his mental, vital and physical being with an impartial wisdom and provident effectivity of which the eager and interested ego is not capable. It is when this identification and this self-merging are complete that the divine centre in the world is ready. Purified, liberated, plastic, illumined, it can begin to serve as a means for the direct action of a supreme Power in the larger Yoga of humanity or superhumanity, of the earth's spiritual progression or its transformation.

Always indeed it is the higher Power that acts. Our sense of personal effort and aspiration comes from the attempt of the egoistic mind to identify itself in a wrong and imperfect way with the workings of the divine Force. It persists in applying to experience on a supernormal plane the ordinary terms of mentality which it applies to its normal experiences in the world. In the world we act with the sense of egoism; we claim the universal forces that work in us as our own; we claim as the effect of our personal will, wisdom, force, virtue the selective, formative, progressive action of the Transcendent in this frame of mind, life and body. Enlightenment brings to us the knowledge that the ego is only an instrument; we begin to perceive and feel that these things are our own in the sense that they belong to our supreme and integral Self, one with the Transcendent, not to the instrumental ego. Our limitations and distortions are our contribution to the working; the true power in it is the Divine's. When the human ego realises that its will is a tool, its wisdom ignorance and childishness, its power an infant's groping, its virtue a pretentious impurity, and learns to trust itself to that which transcends it, that is its salvation. The apparent freedom and self-assertion of our personal being to which we are so profoundly attached, conceal a most pitiable subjection to a thousand suggestions, impulses, forces which we have made extraneous to our little person. Our ego, boasting of freedom, is at every moment the slave, toy and puppet of countless beings, powers, forces, influences in universal Nature. The self-abnegation of the ego in the Divine is its self-fulfilment; its surrender to that which transcends it is its liberation from bonds and limits and its perfect freedom.

(To be continued)

THE SYNTHESIS OF YOGA, I, I: The Four Aids

SRI AUROBINDO



*The ego thinks of what it wants and has not.  
This is its constant preoccupation.  
The soul is aware of what it is given  
and lives in endless gratitude.*

The Mother

ref. MCW, vol 14, Words Of The Mother II, p.257

Cover painting by Juergen Puetz, part of the current exhibition in Pitanga: "Abstract - Up Close" (see under Exhibitions)

**CHANGE OF DEADLINE FOR THE NEWS&NOTES**

Please note that the new absolute deadline is now:

**TUESDAY 5 PM**

Please send in your submissions to [newsandnotes@auroville.org.in](mailto:newsandnotes@auroville.org.in) as early as possible during the previous week to avoid the rush on the last day for our team!

For the PAPER COPIES to reach all communities by Saturday lunchtime, the printing must start at 2 pm latest on Wednesdays. So Tuesday 5pm is to be able to PRINT the PAPER COPIES and DELIVER them on time.

Please consider switching to Soft Copy by email or online....

Warmly,  
*the News&Notes Team*  
 (Sabine, Pascal, Jayamoorthy, Arumugam, and Pradeep)

**WORKING GROUPS REPORTS**

**Auroville Board of Services Annual Gathering - August 24th 2016**

*Alan, Amy, Anandi, Annemarie, Christopher, Christophe, Isha, Jinhee, Jocelyn B., Kali B., Kanniapan, Kavitha, Kowsalya, Manfred, Manohar, Nikki, Palani K., Peter CS, Phil, Raju, Riccardo, Rita, Ulrich (regrets: Nicole, Sabine, Toby)*

*We began with a moment of Silent Concentration....*

Auroville Board of Services (ABS) - our aim is: *To promote Auroville's In-Kind Economy and the principle of No-Cash Exchange, through support for providing goods & services collectively and in-kind.*

Anandi & Isha are coordinators; the Support Team has 10 members, with another 10 on the Advisory Team.

ABS works with Auroville Service Trust, BCC & FAMC, on behalf of Prosperity, Municipal, Administrative, Education & Culture, and Outreach Services. Yearly we organize this information sharing between the services.

**Information & Updates**

**AV Safety & Security Service (Peter)** - They are a new team caring for safety, coordinating with paid guards & the police. There are plans for street lights, CCTV, integrating AV volunteers. A big issue is units allowing cash payments - especially eateries - attracting outside visitors & cross-traffic. We need a mobility & access strategy, with checkpoints. And sales points & parking facilities (like at Visitors Center) at places on AV's periphery.

**Sante (Jocelyn)** - Open since 1 year, 10,000 patients have been treated: tests, injuries, minor operations. They don't plan a pharmacy in the near future, but Health Fund bills can be brought to Sante now. Their BCC budget covers running & 11 maintenances, while fundraising is on-going. 2 crores so far have come from AV donors.

**AV Health Services (Manfred)** - For 20 years, providing hygiene inspection to 40 units & training for new unit staff. Their Senior Care program covers homecare needs, share taxis & a shopping trip on Thursdays. The new assisted living project begins with housing for 8 people. AV's population has 444 seniors over 65 years and 80 seniors over the age of 75.

**AV Bus Service (Raju)** - The bus began in the off-season, some timing will change soon; it is covering costs so far. From September people will need to reserve seats. When there's not enough space they may rent a 2nd van for the busy season (about 4 months), more financially sound than owning 2 vehicles. Timing on the Auronet.

**Cycle Kiosk (Chris)** - For 4 years promoting the use of bicycles, can repair all kinds of cycles now, it is almost self-supporting.

Collaborates with cycles available for non-Aurovilians at VC - maybe that can be expanded.

**Eco Service (Kali & Palani)** - Not a dump (!) there are 70 separation categories & recycling is maximized. Still, 27% goes into landfills. Waste collected from 300 places, most of all we must change our consumption habits, also working with our food outlets. More budget from BCC can mean more educational work with schools, etc...

**Youth Link (Kavitha & Riccardo)** - Providing information to youth on opportunities, jobs, housing, internships, volunteering. The NextGen outreach project plans community exchange programs between Auroville & abroad.

**Q & A / Open Discussion**

- Budgets provide funds for running costs, not to develop our collective services.
- There are workshops & seminars about the 'Auroville Economy', though usually these become focused on topics of 'finance' - finance is a part of the much larger topic of 'economy'. Economy is more than finance.
- The Auronet Pulse question asks about the 'increasing dominance of money in AV'. 67% agree this is a problem, and want to see this trend reversed.
- Human nature is an issue here (and everywhere) - are we progressing & manifesting the ideals? Need to create an environment to increase consciousness.
- The '33% of profit contribution' is vague and outdated, AV economy is about 'sharing' not individual 'survival'.

*We closed with a moment of Silence, with thanks to Alan for facilitating the exchanges & to everyone who could come, many of us working in more than one - and even many - Auroville Service(s).*

**2nd ARA on housing**

In all, about thirty suggestions to solve or alleviate the present housing crisis were made at the first ARA meeting on housing. These fell into three main categories: finding new accommodation/places to build; planning and construction; and financing affordable housing.

However, there was little attempt to suggest how these suggestions could be implemented. This became the focus of the second meeting.

Participants broke into three groups based upon the different categories of solutions suggested at the first meeting. They were asked to prioritise a few possible solutions and then suggest how they could be implemented. The suggested

framework was that, for each prioritised solution, they look at *What* needs to happen? *How?* *By whom?* and *When?*

The finding new accommodation/places to build table prioritised the need for a survey of the lands that are presently available for housing and of the density, occupancy and development possibilities in existing communities. It was acknowledged that a number of such surveys already exist, so there is a need to collect them in one database that should be publicly available. They suggested that the Housing Service should be empowered to do this work.

The planning and construction table came up with three interlinked ideas as the most critical ones. Strategic planning for housing, based on the needs of Aurovilians and Newcomers; helping Aurovilians and Newcomers to build their own houses; and setting up a Building Service. Such a Service would facilitate the planning and construction of houses through bringing together all the relevant parties -plumbers, carpenters, architects etc. - and available expertise relating to building methods and materials.

Regarding strategic planning, this group felt the first step was to acquire information through a targeted survey on the real needs of those seeking housing at present.

They also identified two other fundamental changes needed to solve the housing problem. Firstly, converting the present crisis into an opportunity for joyful service that should involve Aurovilians rather than commercial builders in construction. "Building homes has to be the new rallying call." Secondly, delinking contributions to the Housing Fund from the place that someone occupies. As they put it, "The current housing approach promotes ownership because each house comes with a price tag. If we are able to take a more collective stance towards funding houses, we might be able to move away from ownership."

The financing of housing table came up with a number of suggestions. These included promoting greater wealth in Auroville through encouraging new business ventures, including 'super-units' that would dedicate 100% of their profits to Auroville to fund housing; encouraging commercial units to dedicate a percentage of their profits to housing, as well as

providing housing for their Aurovillian workforce; prioritising government grants for housing rather than roads; setting up a bulk purchase and storage unit for construction materials that would also sell to the general public (one of the participants is willing to help finance and coordinate this); and a free store for leftover building materials.

Some of these would require policy changes. Participants also felt a group is needed to make detailed and comprehensive studies of financing possibilities for housing and the true costs of these proposals.

There was also the realisation, shared by the other participants at this meeting, that there is a need for a core team to take forward the key proposals from these two ARA meetings and try to ensure they are implemented. This will involve, among other things, coordinating with the relevant working groups and exploring relevant policy reforms.

Encouragingly, by the end of the meeting fifteen people had volunteered to be part of one or other of these groups.

Nobody has any illusions that change will happen overnight. In the concluding discussion session, it was remarked that any profound change will depend not only upon technical solutions - like more accurate surveys of the present situation - but also upon a change of consciousness. As one participant put it, "There is a concern that Auroville no longer has the ideal of no personal property. The main thing is to have a vision where housing is provided on the basis of need, not of personal finances, where houses do not become people's personal possessions. If some of us can hold this vision powerfully enough, it will create a vortex that will draw in more and more people."

It was also remarked that if our vision and work is of a high-enough quality to inspire the world, then the world will freely contribute to and support what we are doing here.

These meetings generated a lot of energy and creativity. It felt there was a new impetus and collective aspiration to tackle our housing challenge. Now the ball has to keep rolling...

*The Organization Research Group (ORG)*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Community interaction with the Governing Board and the International Advisory Council

Dear Friends,

We would like to invite all Aurovilians and Newcomers to a community gathering to bid farewell to the Governing Board members, whose term will end on October 13th this year.

**This gathering will take place in the Unity Pavilion, on Thursday, 8th September 2016, at 4:30pm.**

Refreshments will be served.

*The Working Committee*

### Announcement from BCC

Dear Friends:

The BCC is working on how to concretely generate more income for the community. For this, we would like to hear from you. We invite you to send clearly written short and succinct proposals to: [bccoffice@auroville.org.in](mailto:bccoffice@auroville.org.in) as soon as possible.

Thanking you,  
Sincerely,  
BCC

### GIM on TDC restructuring on the 6th of September 2016

Dear Community members,

As mentioned in our last GIM on TDC restructuring on 19th August 2016, we are happy to remind you to participate at our:

GIM on Tuesday 6th September 2016.

Where: Unity Pavilion

Time: 4.30 to 6:00p.m

For your reference, please see the link ([www.auroville.org.in/article/58567](http://www.auroville.org.in/article/58567)) of our previous announcement and check resource documents available for your information.

Warmly, *AVCouncil*

## Announcement of the final list of participants for the selection process AVC/FAMC/WCom

Dear Community Members,

We are happy to announce that 94 participants have responded and are willing to be part of the 3 day Selection process. With the 10 ongoing members of Auroville Council and Working Committee we have totally 104 participants.

(If you don't see your name in the lists below please contact RAS immediately: [raservice@auroville.org.in](mailto:raservice@auroville.org.in))

### Auroville Council (AVC)

#### Ongoing team in AVC

Matripasad, Prayatna  
Renuka, Arc-en-ciel  
Marc, Madhuca  
Sundar, Douceur  
Sandyra, Terrasoul/ Windara

#### Resigning members in AVC

Sindhuja, Aurodam  
Daniel, Sri Ma  
Guy, Aurodam  
Veronique, Sve Dam

### Working Committee (WCom)

#### WCom ongoing team

Angela, Alchemy  
Carel, Samasti  
Ranjith, Mangalam  
Hemant, Aurodam  
Inge, Courage

#### Resigning members in WCom

Mandakini, Maitreya  
Elisa, Auromodel

#### For all confirmed participants:

"Free flow option" to step forward as a new member of these 3 groups during the 3 day selection process.

#### Final list of confirmed participants names open for feedback:

	Confirmed Participants Names	Nominated to join which group(s):			Will decide During Selection Process
		(ongoing) AVC	(ongoing) WCom	(New) FAMC	
1	Boobalan, Djaima	✓			
2	Boominathan, Aspiration	✓			
3	Jocelyn, Ravena	✓			
4	Manohar, Realization	✓			
5	Mirao, Certitude	✓			
6	Paulo, Petite Ferme	✓			
7	Prema, Sincerity	✓			
8	Raju, Grace	✓			
9	Theo, Auroshilpam	✓			
10	Padmanabhan, Auromodele	✓		✓	
11	Sophie, Invocation	✓		✓	
12	Sudhir, Angiras Garden	✓		✓	
13	Umberto, Aurodam	✓		✓	
14	Vladimir, Grace	✓		✓	
15	Perumal, Celebration	✓	✓		
16	Damien, Brihaspathi Farm	✓	✓		
17	Elisa, Auromodele	✓	✓		
18	Kumar, Arc En Ciel	✓	✓		
19	Amy, International House	✓	✓	✓	
20	Anbu, Windarra	✓	✓	✓	
21	Rama Narayana, Courage	✓	✓	✓	
22	Rita, Centre Field	✓	✓	✓	
23	Robert, Douceur	✓	✓	✓	
24	Yuval, Utilite	✓	✓	✓	
25	Chali, Madhuca		✓	✓	
26	Jean-Francois, Sharnga		✓	✓	

27	Lorenzo, Horizon	✓	✓		
28	Pashi, Citadines	✓	✓		
29	Ashoke, Auromodel,	✓	✓		
30	Daniel, Sri Ma	✓	✓		
31	Gijs, Udumbu	✓	✓		
32	Mandakini, Maitreya	✓	✓		
33	Riju, Courage	✓	✓		
34	Selvam, Douceur	✓	✓		
35	Ambre, Nilatangam		✓		
36	Auralice, Aurodam		✓		
37	Balu, Courage		✓		
38	Bindu, Prarthna		✓		
39	Chandresh, Certitude		✓		
40	Christine, Vikas		✓		
41	Edzard, Discipline		✓		
42	Inge, Angiras Garden		✓		
43	Isha, Yantra		✓		
44	Jonah, Eternity		✓		
45	Kalyan, Auromodele		✓		
46	Kumar K., Aspiration		✓		
47	Lavkamad, Arati		✓		
48	Marco, Sharnga		✓		
49	Martin, Samridhhi		✓		
50	Mita, New Creation		✓		
51	Nicola, Transformation		✓		
52	Nicolas, Fraternity		✓		
53	Prabhu, Promesse		✓		
54	Samadarshana, Creativity		✓		
55	Samvit, Felicity		✓		
56	Shivaya, New Lands		✓		
57	Stephanie, Discipline		✓		
58	Tine, Aurogreen		✓		
59	Venkat, Surrender		✓		
60	Alain, Aspiration				✓
61	Anu, Citadines				✓
62	Audrey, Creativity				✓
63	Biggie, Samridhhi				✓
64	Birgitta, Surrender				✓
65	Christian, Auro Orchard				✓
66	Claudine, Inspiration				✓
67	Dariya, Sve Dame				✓
68	Elke, Vikas				✓
69	Enrica, Ami				✓
70	Eric, Courage				✓
71	Fabienne, Sukhavati				✓
72	Gumsoon, Creativity				✓
73	Igor, Djaima				✓
74	Ingrid Katharin, Arati				✓
75	Iris, Surya Nivas				✓
76	Jesse, Alchemy				✓
77	Jo, Kottakarai				✓
78	Joerg, Dana				✓
79	Kathy, Auroshilpam				✓
80	L'Aura, Centre Field				✓
81	Lourdes, Pitchandikulam				✓

82	Lyle, Fraternity				✓
83	Manfred, Petite Ferme				✓
84	Mita, Courage				✓
85	Peter, Luminosity				✓
86	Rajavelu, Shakti				✓
87	Sathiya, Aspiration				✓
88	Sauro, Grace				✓
89	Sonja, Aurodam				✓
90	Suzie, Aurogreen				✓
91	Ulli, Fraternity				✓
92	Vani, Vikas				✓
93	Veronique J., Sve Dame				✓
94	Vikram M., Gaia				✓

This final list of participants will be published -and updated with the profiles and photos as they are coming in- on Auronet at this link: [www.auroville.org.in/article/58669](http://www.auroville.org.in/article/58669) and through mass mail for the feedback process.

We still don't have all the profiles and photos at the time of sending this list to News and Notes. They must be sent latest September 3rd. Only those who have sent their profile and photo will be able to participate in the process.

The feedback process concerning the 94 participants names above will start from Saturday the 3rd of September till Saturday the 17th of September included.

Please send your feedback if any to the Temporary Feedback Review Committee email address: [tfrc@auroville.org.in](mailto:tfrc@auroville.org.in) .

Your feedback will not be confidential; however if there is a strong valid concern combined with apprehension for repercussions, and the feedback is of pressing significance, the AVC or the WCom may take it up for further action. In such a case there will be strict confidentiality for the individual who provided the feedback.

We encourage you to give constructive feedback based on facts.

Your RAS team

## Reminder for participation in "Team building workshop" for a new Entry Service!"

Dear friends,

The time has come to restructure and put in place a fresh new Entry Service in order to give momentum to the manifestation of the changes of the new policy. Despite the goodwill and commitment of the present Entry Service members, it has been noted that an urgent restructuring of the team is needed if we are to implement the changes brought about by the new policy effectively. We take the opportunity to acknowledge and appreciate the difficulties the Entry Service has dealt with over the last few months in this period of transition.

In that light, the Auroville Council invites you to a "Team building workshop" to put in place a new team for the Entry Service.

When: 3rd September 2016, 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
Where: Savitri Bhavan

You are invited to this workshop if:

- You feel called to participate and serve in the new Entry Service
- You feel inspired to be part of implementing the new policy
- You are good at administrative tasks such as communication, organization and co-ordination
- You have at least half of your time available

The job of this new Entry Service and its members will be to:

- Welcome those who walk in with queries on how to join Auroville and direct them to the Welcome Talk
- Process administratively the applications of those wanting to become Aurovilians

- Manage the Mentor Pool and organize as often as needed gatherings for the Pool to discuss mentorship
- Process applications for Partners/ Relatives, Friends, Students and Associates of Auroville, including processing of feedback

To know more, please read the full Entry Policy here: [www.auroville.org.in/page/entry-policy-2015-annexes](http://www.auroville.org.in/page/entry-policy-2015-annexes)

Sincerely, AV Council

## L'avenird'Auroville / TDC - Site and Building Applications feedback - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2016

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

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

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

### Individual Projects

#### • Site Applications

1. MGECODUTIES - Margritta & Guidelma,  
Prefabricated/Dismountable - Manufacturing soap unit in Reve on plot no IR 211/2 for 90 Sq.m.

Project writes up given by the project holder.

Project Title: PROBIOTICS HOUSE

Proposed Site Location: Reve

Project Holder: MGECODUTIES

Architect/Constructor: Auzolan

Contact Persons: Guidelma Grandi and Margarita Correa

Description:

Plot No: IR 211/2 - REVE

Total Area of the project: 109.25 sq.m.

Build up Area: 90 sq.m.

Target Group:

- 1) Serves all Auroville (Individuals, Commercial Units, Restaurants & Cafeterias, Schools, Guest Houses, PTDC, etc.) and more if possible.
- 2) Partnership with TATA Rallis and sustainable community development (SCD - USA) for green agriculture inputs all over India.
- 3) Exports

**Background:** MGECODUTIES is a commercial activity of Auroville Activities (AVA) under Kattida Kalai Trust - Auroville Foundation, based in Auroville, India, and established in the year 2011. It is in the activity of chemical replacement products for a variety of waste rehabilitation, bioremediation and cleaning products for hospitality. Its products are based on unique Probiotic technology. While the company started with developing cleaning products household segment, R&D efforts resulted in development of a range of unique, all-natural, non-toxic and fully bio-degradable products which replace certain chemicals being used in waste processes. These products are not only completely natural, but are more effective than the current chemicals, in most applications where these are now used. Being microbial in nature, in contrast to the more expensive plant origin products, these products are very competitively priced and very versatile.

#### Triggers:

1. Zero waste to landfill, this is why we do refill in all our products. No packaging for Auroville internal consumers.
2. We only use natural ingredients.
3. We do not use palm oil that destroy rain forests
4. We do not use: parabens, phthalates, additives, preservatives, synthetic chemicals, Sodium Laureth Sulphate.
5. We take care of mother earth and its creatures. We do not use any animal derivate product and/or associated with animal cruelty.
6. We purify and structure the water with probiotics ceramics, made by Mgecoduties, for all our manufacturing products.
7. We are inviting people & communities to connect with simple homemade soaps & detergents, using traditional soap-making techniques, like: Castile, Marseille and Aleppo.
8. Our products are genuine because they are completely ecofriendly made using natural ingredients, sustainable in long term for the users. we use Indian ingredients, mainly from our area (Auroville - India); including the probiotics ceramics, that we manufacture using one of the oldest clay on earth: Rajasthan

#### Goals/Objectives:

MGECODUTIES has the vision of offering a new concept of environmental friendly products that are made with completely natural ingredients and therefore are nontoxic, non-hazardous, non-corrosive, zero waste and fully biodegradable. MGECODUTIES has the mission of manufacturing, marketing distributing, and exporting from India to all over the world, environmental friendly natural products for body-line cleaning, house-building cleaning, degreasing, washing, composting, and bioremediation of hazardous pollutants on industries.

#### • Building Applications

1. The Colors of Nature- Jesus, Indigo Dye Unit in Celebration, on plot no. IR 36/7A for an area of 289 sq.m.
2. Unity Pavilion - Shivaya & Jaya, Temporary bike shed for staff parking International Zone on plot no IR 302/1B.
3. Vinayagamoori M, Parking shed in Auromodele, parking shed on plot no BO149/8 for an area of 9 Sq.m.
4. Miriam, Family house in Victory on plot no BO 54/8A for an area of 142.54 Sq.m.

#### Collective Projects

- Site applications: No new SA
- Building Application: No new BA

For additional information, please write to [avenir@auroville.org.in](mailto:avenir@auroville.org.in), call 2622-170 or come directly to L'avenir d'Auroville/TDC office in the Town Hall.

For more information on the location of the plots mentioned above, you can find this same announcement with map(s) on the AuroNet page of L'avenir d'Auroville/TDC.

## From The Entry Service - N&N NO- 663 dated 03.09.2016

We would like to inform the community that our team is happy to recommend the following persons according to the status they have applied for. We will wait for two weeks from the date of this publication, for your feedback, before confirming. Please note that the new Entry Policy calls for feedback on Friends of Auroville so we are catching up on the waiting list that was kept pending for years so this is why there are so many names.

#### FRIENDS OF AUROVILLE CONFIRMATION :

Ananth KAMATH (Indian)  
Biswanath JENA (Indian)  
Darren LEE (Indonesia)  
Eveline PRIEBSCH (AVI -Sweden)  
Evelyne GUINOARD (Secretary of AVI France)  
Fiorenza BORTOLOTTI (Italian)  
Florence GUICHARD (French)  
Hans Christian ANBERGEN (German)  
Isabelle BOSSICART (Belgium)  
Isabelle PACAUD (French)  
Jacqueline CROZIER (French)  
Jean Pierre BERGHEAUD (French)  
Jean Pierre Van RILLAER (Belgium)  
Kavithanjali RAMACHANDARAN (Indian)  
Madana BHAT KHANDIGE (Indian)  
Maria Carmen CARRO (Spanish)  
Michele DECOUST (French)  
Monika KERSCHBAUMER (Austrian)  
Mouhsine SERRAR (Moroccan)  
Michiyo NOGUCHI (Japanese)  
Nadia Nicole LOURY (French)  
Narendra SINGH RANA (Indian)  
P.K. BRAHMA (Indian)  
Purusotmen NAIDOO (Indian)  
Rekha TANDON (Indian)  
Robert SPAETH (German)  
Ruth LAMB (Canadian)  
Sabine ZWEIG (German)  
Sin Cha HONG Korean  
Werner SASSE (German)  
Yann Loosli (Swiss)  
Yoonji LEE (Korean)  
Yves FISSELIER (French)

#### Dear Newcomers,

The Entry Service team would like to inform you of the timings designated specifically for you to collect or submit the Newcomer Kit. Please pass by our office in Town Hall during these hours only:

Monday & Wednesday from 2 pm to 4 pm. Please return these Kits within one month or the process goes on hold.

We are open for B-Forms and Recommendation letter matters, on appointment only.

For all other matters, the office is open to the public on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10-12.

*The Entry Service team*

*(B, Chitra, Christiane, Eva, Giridev, Ishita, Neeti)*

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### Update of Women's Festival Events on 20th and 23rd of August:

On the 20th of August, AVAG hosted 500 women for the day's events. The program included a debate between selected members of women's groups. The topic of debate was "Has the status of women in Tamil Nadu improved over the years?" Every year AVAG conducts a debate program for the women as we believe that debating skills inculcate confidence in people along with the patience to respectfully listen to opposing views before responding. This year, the interested participants were given training by Sreenu Venugopal, a professional debater and

ex-school teacher in the area. He was also the judge of this event. The training significantly improved the public speaking skills and stage presence of the women which was highly appreciated. The women displayed spontaneity and wit while proving their points by citing personal experiences. They used simple, colloquial language that struck a chord with the audience many of whom expressed a renewed interest in debating. The winning team was of the opinion that the status of women has indeed improved. However, special mention was made of the persisting social issues with regards to gender discrimination and there ensued a discussion on different roles the women can play themselves to improve these circumstances.

Along with the debate, the program included games like tug of war, kho-kho and musical chairs.

On the 23rd of August was the 3rd day of Women's Festival. We hosted 325 women at our office. The day's program included a game of Kabaddi, three-legged races, one-legged races and Pot race which is a popular game among the women. A special thank you to Auroville Sports Resource Centre for coming to help us with conducting these. We saw an increased participation of local youth and PAALAM members from the villages in organising the event.



All are invited to join us for the fourth day of Women's Festival on the 7th of September from 10 am to 2 pm -- We will see beautiful traditional folk dances as well as drama and storytelling by the women. Join us for a celebration of the talent and culture of local women in the Auroville bioregion.

Submitted by Ain (volunteer at AVAG: Auroville Village Action Group)

[villageactiongroup@gmail.com](mailto:villageactiongroup@gmail.com) / [Village Action Website](#) / [Village Action Facebook](#) / [Village Action Twitter](#) / [Village Action Youtube Channel](#)

## News from Apprenticeships!

Dear Youth in Auroville,

If you are looking to do an Internship, Apprenticeship, Fellowship or are looking for a Job, please come by and meet Shandra at YouthLink any Friday from 10:00-12:00 am - Open Consultation Hours.

We also invite you to join a group of apprentices and YouthLink members for a Core Program every Friday 2:00-4:00 pm afternoon at YouthLink, starting next Friday, September 2nd. The Core Program is an open/flexible space for Youth to meet and learn core skills, such as Communications, Budgeting, Computer, etc. The learning topics are decided upon by the youth themselves based on the needs and interests of the

group. You will also get help to develop a portfolio of your work and learning in Auroville that you can use for applications to higher education or jobs.

For more information:

please contact Shandra at: [apprenticeships@auroville.org.in](mailto:apprenticeships@auroville.org.in), and/or Kavitha at: [youth@auroville.org.in](mailto:youth@auroville.org.in)

Warmly,

Shandra, Suryamayi, Kowsalya, Kavitha

## From the Housing service on Valuation

The issue of evaluating houses in Auroville is fraught with mistrust and misunderstanding. In the past the Housing service had a system which did not follow a rigorous system and so was prone to wild fluctuations. The system was scrapped and in place was put a system where a "certified" valuator follows guidelines put forth by the government of India.

This first valuation was shared with the Housing Service and the Aurovilian who ordered the valuation. If the Aurovilian did not agree with the valuation, a second valuation was ordered from a second qualified valuator and the result of this second valuation was binding. It could be higher or lower, but either way it was binding on the Housing Service and the Aurovilian.

Even though this system was fair and transparent it had its flaws, the difference between the first and the second evaluation got so large that we had to find a new system and evaluator. H.S. settled on an evaluator and now this evaluator does the first and second evaluation if need be.

The system is still imperfect as architects and other qualified professionals point out that our methods of building differ from the regular Government of India guideline methods and so should be adapted.

Certain feedback has been incorporated, such as the use of good quality wood etc., in our constructions.

The problem the H.S. always faces is that the Aurovilian who gets the house evaluated always feels that the valuation is too low. The people interested to become the new stewards inevitably feel that they are paying too much for the asset. This happens every time.

The feeling of the valuation being too low or too high has followed the same pattern no matter what system we have followed.

The system can still be improved upon and made more transparent, but how to solve the problem of the current steward being dissatisfied and the future steward also being dissatisfied by the price of the evaluation, is one that for the time being we have not found a solution for, though it is the problem that creates the most bad will and recrimination.

*The Auroville Housing Service*

*(Ole, Robert, Sonja, Venkath, Alexye, Anbalagan, Chunhee, Nicolai, Sundar)*

*[Ph. 0413-2622658 . Public Hours: Tue, Thu & Sat 9:00 to 12:00 am. Mon & Fri. 2:30 to 4:30 pm. On Wednesdays there are no public hours.]*

## POSTINGS

### From AVHS

We AVHS (Auroville Health Services) would like to inform the community that from 1st September - 2016 we cannot provide Seniors Taxi for entertainment (like movies, meetings, any classes of yoga, etc.) because of its lack of fund. Thank you for understanding in advance.

AVHS Team

### From Gas Service

Kindly note that Gas Service will be closed on Monday, 5th September for Ganesh Chadurtti.

Don't throw away your disposable (bic) gas lighters!

We can fill your disposable lighters, just drop the empty lighters at Gas Service and pick them up the next day ready to be reused.

### Class on the Isha Upanishad cancelled 05/09

Dr Ananda Reddy's class on the Isha Upanishad is cancelled on September 5. It will be resumed on September 12 at Savitri Bhavan, 5 pm. Thank you, OM, Martin.

### Probiotics

Dear Community, there are Probiotics available in the old Pour Tous. I believe those are based on Yoghurt cultures (Yakult). Then there are also Probiotics available in the new Pour Tous (small green bottles). I have also recently started eating berries from these indigenous trees that grow in Auroville and I strongly believe that they help a person once eaten to decide what is good to eat onwards. However at a small dosage! (I think) - Greetings, Mirao

## Research Paper on PTDC

Dear community members, my research paper on PTDC is now available in hard copy at PTDC and SAIER, also online on Auroville's [research site \(research.auroville.org/papers?q\[category\\_eq\]=Sociology\)](http://www.auroville.org/papers?q[category_eq]=Sociology), and on Auronet ([www.auroville.org.in/article/58660](http://www.auroville.org.in/article/58660)). Thank you very much to the PTDC community for welcoming and supporting this research, and to all those who actively participated. I presented the paper at an international conference at UC Berkeley this summer and it was very well received. I hope it will be of value to Aurovilians as well :-)  
Love, *Suryamayi*.

## Silent Expression - The 1st Workshop on Mime Concludes:

A month long workshop on Mime in the month of August for performing art professionals concluded this week on the 31st of August. Details about this workshop will be posted in our official website: [www.mime.org.in](http://www.mime.org.in) by the coming week. I wish to thank Nishtha Muller, Grace Gitadelila, the students and the entire Savitri Bhavan Team for making this workshop possible. If anyone wants to know about these twice in a year intensive workshops and related information please write to: [mime@auroville.org.in](mailto:mime@auroville.org.in) or call 09626561256.

With Love, *Drupad for Mooladhvani Institute of Movement & Expression (M.I.M.E)*

## **A V A I L A B L E**

### Sicilian Organic Olive Oil & Sun-dried Tomatoes

Dear friends, as last year, I have an extra amount of organic extra virgin olive oil from my parents' farm in Sicily (Italy) and I'm willing to sell a part of it. This year, I also brought a novelty: sun-dried grape tomatoes IGP Pachino (Sicily) made by family friends; I can give them plain, in extra virgin olive oil (which highly exalt the taste) or as a *pâté* mixed with Auroville basil and extra virgin olive oil. The latter is amazing! If you are interested and are willing to offer an extra premium for the quality, please contact me at: 9442328120 or [giovanni@auroville.org.in](mailto:giovanni@auroville.org.in). *Giovanni :-)*

### Tuition

I'm a long term volunteer with Auroville Consulting and am looking for students in and around Auroville who would be interested in taking tuition. I'm a Mtech Environmental Science & Engineering candidate with a Bachelors in Civil Engineering. As for now I want to start with tuition for any standards up to class 10th. I live in Mitra Youth Hostel and am free every day after my office hours (i.e. after 5 p.m.). In addition I'm also free on weekends. As for here, I'm well conversant in English & Hindi. Thanking you. Regards, *Sounak @ Mitra Youth Hostel, Auroville. Contact : 09437337187.*

### Juice extractor

Bought in August 2015 - Philips brand. Call *Regine* at 89401 561798 (only from noon to 2 pm or after 5 pm).

### TVS Super XL Heavy duty

Heavy duty, 2010 model, Tamil Nadu Registration, blue color, single-hand, in good condition, all papers are fine. Please contact *Laxmanan* at: 8489 204313

### TVS Super XL

2009 model, PY registration, blue color, in good condition. Please contact *Laxmanan* at: 8489 204313

### E-Bike

Hero Company E-bike for sale! 25 kmh speed, 60 Km per charge - Contact *Anand*: 9443349444

### Fridge

A mini videocon DC fridge VC060P available against contribution. New not used. Contact 9442934306 - *Vadharajan (Prarthana)*

### An Amma

If you are looking for a good amma, speaking English, gentle, reliable, efficient and honest, call me, *Silvana* tel: 2622943 or 9047654157.

### Pure organic coconut oil

From Av Gokulam Farm -excellent for cooking, hair and skin care, massage etc...Contact *Anand*: 986 562 3504

## **L O O K I N G F O R ...**

### Part-time work

*Arumugam* has been part of the *News&Notes* team continuously for over 20 years now, and is doing a great job as you know. He would like to find an additional part-time work in the Auroville area. All options are considered. Own bike, English spoken and written, reliable, good team worker. (We are happy to give reference for him, please contact [newsandnotes@auroville.org.in](mailto:newsandnotes@auroville.org.in)). For any offer, please call *Arumugan* 8940431717, thanks! *News&Notes*

### Road Service needs rubbles

If you have rubbles, if you know where some rubbles are lying, if you can share some rubbles under your custody, please inform *Manickam* (94430.01761) - *Road Service*

### Kitten looking for a new home

One 10 week old super-independent, bouncy female kitten is looking for a new home. She is brown and grey with stripy socks. She is fully litter trained and wants a human to love in her cat-like way. Contact: *Nikki* - 7094716136

### A Men's cycle

Looking for a cycle, man size, with gears. Please contact *Laxmanan* at: 8489 204313

### 2 bicycles

Dear Community, I am looking for a Hercules bicycle or any equal bicycle in moderate conditions to buy. Additionally I need to get a ladies bicycle as well. Please let me know if anyone of you has spare bicycles. Contact E-Mail: [morten.huebbe@gmail.com](mailto:morten.huebbe@gmail.com) / Phone: 8108373356 - Cheers, *Morten*

### Green Eyed Female Cat looking for her next loving home

An 11 month old cat is looking for a new home. She desperately wants to be a house cat. Sadly we cannot keep her anymore because we have a cat fur allergy. She has 3 colors with very beautiful green eyes. She is sterilised. If you are interested please call 9943368410. Thank you, *Krishna N.*

### Lemons

Unity Pavilion is looking for lemons for lemon juice served on many different occasions. Please write or phone us: Unity pavilion 2623576, [unitypavilion@auroville.org.in](mailto:unitypavilion@auroville.org.in) - Thank you very much! *Shivaya*

### Looking for broken bricks / construction debris

If you have broken bricks, gravel, or rubble lying around after a construction, please contact me as I could use them. Thank you! *Kareem* (Ph. 7094126507)

## LOST & FOUND

A pendant (Found): Found a MNT pendant near Solar Kitchen entrance. Owner may please contact Aj at: 8903553927.

## THANK YOU



### A Grace-full CASCADe of Thanks!

Ok wants to say "thank you" to all donors of used CDs and Tapes.

Now there is a big CASCADe from more than 10,000 CDs at the Old port in Pondicherry for the [PondyPHOTO2016](#) exhibition. With your help only was this big CASCADe installation made possible.

We are going to re-use almost all of them for the next installation, so we continue to need more used CDs from you for our future workshops and Art.

*Special thanks to the Eco Service, Free Store, and Music library.*

Hope you enjoy CASCADe!

## ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE AND NEEDED

House Sitting 1: My name is Valentina, I am a pre-Newcomer and I'm a single mother of a nine years old boy named Pablo. I am looking for long term house-sitting. I am very reliable, I love animals and I can take care of a garden. Please help us; you can contact me on my mobile: 99-43-125806 or [valepavone@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:valepavone@yahoo.co.uk) Thank you, *Valentina and Pablo*

House Sitting 2: Dear friends from Auroville, as you may know, we lost the only house we ever had in Repos in 2013 after cyclone Thanes. Since then we had a temporary housing in Verite (where we organize our retreats, workshops and classes). We just got to know that this place is not available anymore. We are looking for a temporary accommodation between December to March in Auroville with of course the contribution needed in exchange. Let us know if there is any place you may know or have where we could stay during that time. Thanks to share this request all around you in Auroville. Thanks in advance, our email contact:

[philippebhakta@yahoo.fr](mailto:philippebhakta@yahoo.fr) . From *Philippe and Sabine*, happy to be back in December...

House Sitting 3: Hi! I'm *Iram*, I and my friend Jaspreet are looking for house-sitting from January 2017 onward. We are working with AV consulting since April 2016. We are responsible, quiet and disciplined adults who love to cook, clean and can take care of plants and pets. If you have an option for us please contact. Thank you, Tel:+91 9000153671, +91 9489470383 or Email: [jaspreet95bindra@gmail.com](mailto:jaspreet95bindra@gmail.com)

House Sitting 4: I am Oscar Liedler, a German/Australian volunteer for the Auroville Film Festival. I am looking for an opportunity to house sit for up to 5 months. If you are looking for a quiet, responsible and disciplined house sitter, please don't hesitate to contact me. Tel.: 8098363153 or E-Mail: [oscar-ep@hotmail.de](mailto:oscar-ep@hotmail.de) Thanks guys! *Oscar*

## TAXI SHARING

September 6th: Taxi to share from Auroville to Chennai Airport. Leaving Auroville at 8 pm. If you are interested contact me: [pauline1310@wanadoo.fr](mailto:pauline1310@wanadoo.fr) or 85 25 98 86 30. *Pauline*

September 7th: I am going to Thiruvannamalai on the 7th of September in the morning. If you want to share the taxi with me please contact me. [sezaaslanbas@gmail.com](mailto:sezaaslanbas@gmail.com) - *Sez*

September 8th: Taxi from Chennai pickup September 8 early morning arrival. Anyone to share? Contact: [b4tasttd@auroville.org.in](mailto:b4tasttd@auroville.org.in). *Jürgen*

September 8th/9th: Taxi leaving Auroville empty around 9:00 pm on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>, to pick up one person at Chennai Airport, Lufthansa flight landing at 11:50 pm. Can share either

way! Contact *Sabine* at: 9786775818 or [lasabine@auroville.org.in](mailto:lasabine@auroville.org.in)

September 13th: My friend Raja leaves for Chennai airport around 2 am from Maitreye-1 on the 13th of September. If you need to go there on that day around the same time or if you need a ride back at around 4:30 am the same morning and would like to share please contact me. *Harishini*: [harshidee.90@gmail.com](mailto:harshidee.90@gmail.com) or SMS/Call +91 94421 92536-Thanks"

September 15th: Leaving Auroville at 5:30 pm to go to Chennai airport. Kindly call *Ann*: 9443790661 or email: [doma@auroville.org.in](mailto:doma@auroville.org.in)

September 16th: I'm coming to Chennai airport with Emirates EK 544 at 8.25 am on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September. Looking for sharing a taxi either to the airport or from it. Thanks in advance. *Galina*: [svetgalina@list.ru](mailto:svetgalina@list.ru)

## WORK OPPORTUNITIES

### Work opportunity for Newcomer, long-term Volunteer or Aurovilian at Housing Service

In connection with an overall housing survey of Auroville's present housing situation the Housing Service in collaboration with a representative of ARA is looking for one or two energetic and self-motivated person(s) with good computer skills and possibly also experience with data collection and data entry. The work will also entail to gather information where existing data is out-dated or not existing.

It is a project type of work (3 months +) and ideal for a Newcomer or long term volunteer or person who is interested to get to know Auroville from inside and help the Auroville community to tackle the present housing challenge.

Presently no maintenance available, Lunch at Solar Kitchen can be provided.

Please write to: [housing@auroville.org.in](mailto:housing@auroville.org.in). Mention your full name, email, phone number and a short description of your skill set and work experience(s) outside and inside Auroville. Looking forward to joyful working together!

*Submitted by Shivaya*

## HEALTH

### Integral Health

*Classical homeopathy -transpersonal regression therapy - child care*

Sigrd will be out of station for 6 weeks from 14 Sept onwards, Peter is still out for a month.

**Malar** is certified in homeopathy and offers consultation for homeopathic First Aid and PC remedies.

**First Aid Kits** with 32 homeopathic remedies and brochure in English, French, Deutsch and Tamil are available again!

**PC remedies, information medicine** for Diabetes, High Blood pressure and Trauma have shown very effective. We provide 84 PC remedies for Trauma, infectious diseases and chronic diseases. The developer of PC remedies is Dr. Harry van der Zee, internationally renowned homeopath and friend of Auroville (www.arhf.nl)

**"Harmony and Samata"** are homeopathic remedies carrying the energies of Mother and Sri Aurobindo. The remedies and

information can be obtained free of cost, just pick them up in the remedy box.

**Consultations are generally held in English, French and German as well as Tamil**

**Malar** is managing the office, mailing of remedies, the FirstAidKits and PC remedies on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 9 to 12 am.

You are welcome to contact us at [integralhealth@auroville.org.in](mailto:integralhealth@auroville.org.in) to enquire about the most suitable approach for your health or psychological issue.

Please make an appointment beforehand via Integral Health, Prayatna: 0413-2623669

Sigrd [sigrd@auroville.org.in](mailto:sigrd@auroville.org.in) , [www.sigridlindemann.de](http://www.sigridlindemann.de)

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## AUROVILLE RADIO



*Dear listeners!*

*Here are some of the programs done by AV Radio in the past few days:*

- Five Dreams by Sri Aurobindo recorded by Adriane on 15th of August. [Click here](#) to listen
- Pondy Photo2016 Water Aria, inauguration of Pondy Photo 2016 with Auroville singers, musicians. [Click here](#) to listen
- Mother's Q & A 18/1/56 - read by Loretta. [Click here](#) to listen.
- Mother's Q & A 25/1/56 - read by Loretta - The Mother's talk on psychological perfection with - Surrender, Sincerity(Transparency), Faith(Trust in Divine Grace), Devotion(Gratitude), Aspiration((Courage), Endurance(Perseverance) - [click here](#) to listen.
- Savitri, B. II, C. IV, Part IV - read by Loretta. [Click here](#) to listen.

- Selections par Gangalakshmi 91 - This week selection is Sri Aurobindos le Crop Divin, translated by The Mother , and read by Gangalakshmi. [Click here](#) to listen
- Soca, Soca - musical edition depicting harvest tradition deriving from slavery on sugar plantations in West Indies. [Click here](#) to listen
- Our regular Thursday's news - Water Aria, PandyPhoto16 - [click here](#) to listen
- and Monday's news Art Break Day, GM - featuring Krupa inviting us to Art Break Day on Friday and Saturday , 2nd and 3rd of September. [Click here](#) to listen.

*And as usual, you are very much welcome to pass by with any questions, suggestions, thoughts, or if you might like to share something with us, and with the audience. You are welcome if you would like to participate, volunteer, co-create in any way... or if you simply would like to take some of your favorite programs on your USB stick. We are located on the ground floor of Town Hall opposite of Financial Service....*

*Yours, AV Radio Team*

## SPORTS

### Invitation to All - Dehashakti School of Physical Education

This year's Winter Athletics Aurolympics will begin in a few days at the School Sports Complex in Dana (timing: daily 2.20 pm to 5:25 pm.)

**Athletics Aurolympics 2016: 06 Sept. to 14th Sept. for Seniors (Perfection, Courage & Knowledge) / 12th-20th Sept for Juniors (Joy, Bliss, Beauty, Harmony, Force)**

These competitions provide the opportunity for participants to perform in a range of physical activities with increasing competence and confidence within the context of athletics. They promote physical skills and development while encouraging positive attitudes towards personal fitness and health.

We need volunteers for score-taking, you do not need to have any special qualifications or training, only GOODWILL! So come and help the children 2.20 - 3.30 pm for juniors and 3.50- 5.15 pm older ones Mon - Fri!

### Events of the Athletics Aurolympics:

JUNIORS	INTERMEDIATES
Races: Shuttle run, get up and run 20m., 30m race	Races: 100m race, 5 min race, 800m fast walk
Jumps: Hop scotch, 5 bounding strides, Standing triple jump	Jumps: High jump, Long jump, Standing triple jump, 5 bounding strides
Combinations: Hop-step-jump, Hop-skip-run	Throws: 1kg Shot put, Seated football throw, Tennis ball throw.
Throws: Big Ball throw, Tennis ball throw	
SENIORS	
Races: 100m, 800m, 1500m , 800m walk & 3000m race	
Jumps: Long jump, Triple jump.	
Throws: Cricket ball throw and Shot put.	

Thank you for your support,  
*Dehashakti Sports Team*

## EATING OUT

### Well Café open on coming Monday 05/09/2016!

Please come and enjoy our beautiful garden, and our Vegetable and Vegan Mediterranean food.

With love,  
*Well Studio Café*

- Sve Dame (Opposite C.S.R) - Ph No- 0413-2622219

### Naturellement and Garden Café closed 5/9!

We will be closed on Monday the 5th celebrating Ganesh puja.

*The Naturellement Team*



*Basella spinach*

### Seasonal crops

While most of us are enjoying the rain and cloudy skies, and the grain farmers have started sowing paddy, the lack of direct, bright, sunlight is adversely affecting some seasonal vegetables.

Nevertheless, Auroville farms are currently producing different kinds of spinach (Basella, New Zealand, and Thando Keerai). In particular abundance is the Basella spinach. Foodlink receives 300-400 kg/week from 5-6 farms. Strictly speaking, Basella, an edible perennial vine in the family Basellaceae is only distantly related to the spinach family. However, when cooked, it looks and tastes like regular spinach. Try spinach soup or palak paneer with Basella spinach. Its flesh, thick leaves don't wilt as fast as other varieties of spinach, and it is great in stir-fries or sauted with eggs.

Best of all, given the shortage of lettuce, one can eat Basella leaves raw in salads. They are slightly slippery or mucilaginous, but are juicy and crisp and tastier than lettuce. Try it!

We have two varieties of Basella: alba and rubra. As the names suggest, alba has whitish stems while rubra has red stems. The stems are also edible, though as they tougher than the leaves, I prefer to chop them and blend them into my soups.

Other seasonal vegetables, totally about 400-500 kg/week, most of which are distributed to the Solar Kitchen and PTDC, are snake gourd, bottle gourd or louki, cucumber, and pumpkins.

**A word of caution regarding industrially-grown pumpkins:** A few years ago, a study revealed that the industrially-grown pumpkin in India had a pesticide residue of Parathion Methyl that was 50 times higher than accepted EU standards. Parathion Methyl is an organophosphate pesticide that inhibits the working of a certain enzyme in our body, which, as one can imagine, leads to adverse symptoms and diseases.

The most common variety of pumpkin grown in Auroville does not have that luscious orange color that one commonly associates with the vegetable but is green with orange flecks or streaks. It tends to be big, so at Foodlink, we often cut it into slices. But don't judge a pumpkin by its cover: Auroville pumpkin is organic (no nasty chemicals) and also has a much lower ecological footprint than the industrially-grown orange pumpkin!

We will share more about how the changing weather patterns are affecting crops in our next post.

*Sumathi (for the Foodlink team)*

[www.facebook.com/foodlink.auroville/](http://www.facebook.com/foodlink.auroville/)



## An Appeal for the City

Helmut's blog post on Planning sounds like a last minute wake up call to all of us. That between our professionals, planners and environmentalists we have arrived at this point after 50 years, instead of being well on the way towards a first phase of completion is a matter of serious concern so, despite my non-professional credentials, I share this with you.

Why is it that after all these years there has been no real research from our architects and planners to help us see this planned city for what it is: an extraordinary invention combined in its many parts, along with a greenbelt and a living, conscious centre, the Matrimandir. It is the perfect material counterpart that "enables" the Charter to manifest the Dream. Instead, year after year, we have seen reports about how the Galaxy is a failure and not worthy of trial. That this has come from some of our architects and planners has been very disheartening.

The Galaxy has been systematically lampooned - as a 1950s cake, unsustainable, against ground realities, unaffordable, Mother as hopelessly old fashioned, or that Auroville was never meant to be a city - without the least effort to understand the incredible possibilities that makes the plan wholly sustainable in ways that are far more integral and focused at realizing the aim of the Auroville Charter : Human Unity.

Sadly, the resistance has not only divided Auroville but derailed and delayed initiatives, and opportunities lost on the charge that the plan must now evolve. But evolve to what, is the question? To Helmut's first scenario, as we can already see? In which case it can only be called a regression to existing patterns of failed urbanism whatever the sustainable/organic branding may be.

It is perhaps time to honestly consider that it is not the plan, but we, the Aurovilians, who need to evolve and learn to be on par with it, to discover all that it offers us. The Charter and the Galaxy were a "given" when Auroville was born and each Aurovilian holds them in trust for the rest of humanity and for its future.

**In no way can we grant ourselves permission to throw out the galaxy plan because by doing so, we throw Auroville off course and the real potential of the experiment.**

I appeal to the TDC, Working Committee, Auroville Council and all other groups and residents of Auroville, as well as members of the Governing Board and the International Advisory Council to not let this happen as we approach our 50th year.

Once we have the courage and generosity to accept the plan and work with it, it will open the way for everyone to work together, collaborate in many areas and in many ways which we must discover together. Only if we agree to build this city with love and hard work and not turn it into a random sprawl, can we manifest the organization, economy, education, art, architecture, health, mobility, sustainability, society, agriculture and environment - as a real experiment at the scale of a Dream, in a city that also contains a greenbelt and a luminous centre.

With a prayer that Auroville will not be forced to go for a "makeover" as a sustainable town (only) because the galaxy has failed, which some recent articles about Auroville have already begun telling us with a good bit of help from our own media.

Let the 50<sup>th</sup> year be a renewal of hope for the planned city and its manifestation.

For those who still have doubts if the Mother wanted a city and all that we need to worry about is the Charter here are 3 images from 28<sup>th</sup> February, 1968:



Invitation card sent from the Ashram PO to Auroville PO to mark the city on the map of the world.



Picture post card issued by India Post to commemorate the birth of the city named after Sri Aurobindo. This one is minus the Matrimandir. The plan was finalized after that.



A land map, placed near the galaxy model at the exhibition under the banyan tree, showing the rings of the city and green belt - not yet accurate - but all there together. The Charter was placed in the Urn with the soil from around the world.

I urge you not to simply react to this, but to reflect on it, visit the Inner Chamber if you like, and see how best we can take this city forward together and not write it off as a failure. That is where our collective egoism has got us so far, but such decisions are not ours, even if we have been granted an RA voice in the Foundation Act. Building the city is to find the truth of our surrender and our freedom to work together with goodwill and unity. That will create a fantastic collective body and an RA to dream for.

Anu

## Van Gogh's Nests

*"Arachnology is still in its infancy compared to the breadth and depth of entomological research in India. Spiders receive relatively little attention from the conservation community" (M.Swaminathan, in the book: "Spiders of India", printed in India, 2009, p.V).*

Vincent van Gogh started his career in the art at the age of 27 ( in the 19<sup>th</sup> century) and he had a very short life - 37 years. In the last years of his life he was sick - a mental illness. In his paintings the birds' nests and human's nests were very often present. I hope he could live in his new incarnation in Auroville and the spider's nests would be his lovely theme too.

The social spider *Stegodyphus sarasinorum* lives in India, Nepal and Sri Lanka. It is gregarious in habit, spins labyrinthine tube which ends blindly at one end and at the other end expands into a broad sheet. The spider does not sting its prey to death, but feeds on it when alive, all members of the colony sharing the same victim. The newly emerged spiderlings feed on the parents.

The spider's nests are usually common in Auroville on the different plants, sometimes on wires. But in the early morning 30 Dec. 2011 the cyclonic storm Thane attacked Auroville with winds at more than 135 km/h and heavy rainfall. Thousands of trees were uprooted and no electricity for two weeks. After Thane I didn't see the spider's nests for about two years. It was a great tragedy for the species which plays an important role in the Auroville's ecosystem.

In 2004 I was for the first time in the Auroville's Nature Camp near Berijam Lake. This lake has an artificial origin and artificial plantations of trees are around it: pines, eucalyptuses, acacias (wattles). But there are plenty of bushes around the lake; they are aboriginal, native, and indigenous. I felt among them like a bushman in the Kalahari Desert (Southern Africa). From one of the bushes I took a branch with yellow flowers and brought it in Auroville. The botanists of the city could not identify the bush; this plant doesn't grow in Auroville. I was unhappy but after some time I met a botanist from Bangalore in Shakti. He saw the branch and said: "It is *Hypericum mysurense* or St John wort. It is attractive for the insects".

Around Berijam Lake there are many social spiders' nests, mostly on *Hypericum* bushes. The spider has a habit: from time to time the colony moves into a new nest. I collected the old nests and investigated them under a microscope in Shakti. The spiders drunk the insects "blood" (gemolympha) but the chitin of the victim's cover remained in the nest's walls. Every old nest is a cemetery of prey and I can identify the spider's victims. Near the lake (2,130 m above sea level) the spiders catch mainly beetles but on the slope of the hill, 250 m higher than the lake, they catch tiny wasps.

The Nature Camp moved from Berijam Lake to another place near Kavunji village - about 1,800 m above sea level. After cyclone Thane I saw the social spider's nests on *Hypericum* bushes like always. I asked Kavunji's residents: "Did the cyclone attack this region?" - "No, it was a strong wind only" - The social spiders in Kodaikanal region are luckier than those in Auroville!

Boris

## Abstract - Up-Close

Going up-close is what one owes to the exhibition of abstract paintings and digital works by Juergen Puetz, which is on display at Pitanga until the 13th of September.

When one meets Juergen, the first thing one notices is, not only the warmth of his eyes, but also, and even more, their depth. His soul is about the 3 Hs: Heart, Home and Hearth; and staying and looking at the paintings up close you will understand why.

Abstract is neither a given nor about reality and conformism. Its unresolved nature is part of its authority. It intimates secrets that seem both personal and cosmic, but it does not spell everything out. Your own individualised complex mind will do the rest.

When first looking at Juergen's paintings, your first question will tend to be "What is this about?" But that won't take you very far and you must be willing to think more creatively. Juergen's work is about texture and alchemy.

This German painter arrived in Auroville in 1973 and worked for years in afforestation and water conservation. Now he is using all his connection to and his knowledge of nature to produce his art pieces. In his case, the canvas is meant to be the remnant of the artist's specific interaction with natural materials, like leaves, soil, branches and paint, which give it the non-flat, effect. He mixes the laterite red soil of Auroville with enamel paint to get a textural chemical reaction and to cause it to break up. So when you get close up, you could stay for hours and grow into the composition, the texture, the colours and the substance.

But Juergen's work is also the work of time and alchemy. He discovered that charcoal and gold are friends and enhance each other.

One of the pieces that look like part of the cosmos is an older painting, which dates from 2 1/2 years ago. Layers of bee's wax were added to finish it. The two completed golden paintings are made of leaves that he collected 6 months ago. They are worked into a paint made with lac on which gold powder has been blown.

But in this exhibit, the master art-piece of this magician-chemist is his digital painting of Sri Aurobindo. By adding paint on the black and white painting of Sri Aurobindo, he has made the photography come alive. With games of what could look like black obscure technique, one feels transported into a Caravaggio or a de La Tour painting: The density, the depth, the colours of the face are suddenly alive. Like a flaming bush, a blessed and powerful light enters every particle of the face, the beard is flamboyant with light and texture, the whole painting shines with divine power and I would not want anymore than this on my wall.

*This article was written by Chana Corinne Devor for Auroville Art Service. Presently exploring Auroville, she is an art critic and writes for international travel and spiritual magazines.*

## For your calendar



### AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

Meditation with Savitri read by Mother to Sunil's music  
Every THURSDAY at sunset - 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 **do not** to use cameras, I-pads, cell phones, etc.

Dear Guests, please carry your Guest Card with you - No photos.  
Access only for the Amphitheatre from 5.45 to 6.30 pm.

Please try to be seated by 5.55 pm. Thank you.  
*Amphitheatre Team*

## INVITATIONS

### GANESH CHATURTHY 2016

This year, 2016, the Chaturthy of Lord Ganesha occurs on September 5th.

The Aarti to Sri Ganesh of Auroville is to take place in the afternoon at 5 pm.



**Brahmanaspati Kshetram**, The Mother and Sri Aurobindo Centre in Edayanchavadi

Celebrates the birthday of Lord Ganapati as **"The Lord of the Soul"**

3 day celebration from **September 5 to 7, 2016**

Timing: every day from **5:15 pm to 7:15 pm**

**All are welcome**

Rajan



You are warmly invited to the

### Aha! Kindergarten Fair

An evening of wonderful performances, fun activities and joyous conversation  
for kids and grown-ups on Saturday, 3rd September, from 3.30 pm onwards.

- Beat time to African Drums • Create synergy with Mantra Chanting • Sway to Krishna's Music • Get your own Ayurvedic and Astrological Consultation • Belt out your best at Karaoke

Art activities, face painting, bullock cart rides for the children.

Join us for a fantastic Mediterranean Dinner by Well Cafe followed by some swinging Karaoke.

To pre-book your dinner, please call Priscila at 9489969875 or Well Cafe at 2622219 or send an email to [aha@auroville.org.in](mailto:aha@auroville.org.in)

All funds raised will be used for the creation of additional space for the children. We very much look forward to seeing you there.

*The Aha! Kindergarten Team.*

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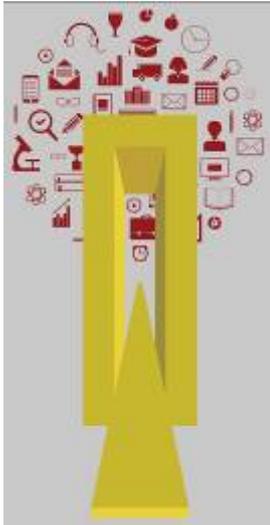
## Higher Education: A Gate and a Path

### A program open to Aurovilians, of all ages...!

Especially designed according to the needs of youth in Auroville (welcoming youth from outreach schools as well).

Also inviting Parents, Teachers and Educators,

and anyone who is currently feeling bored/stagnant and may have the aspiration to continue their learning.



Formal higher education—at its best—represents a gateway to unending education. What we learn in high caliber universities is the processes of learning, to continue learning on our own. While not always required, some who pursue expertise in specific fields may need to pass through such a gate to properly position themselves on the path of knowledge. In institutions of academic excellence, aspiring learners are immersed in a rich environment of knowledge, provocation, and experimentation. Such challenging atmospheres push those of natural faculties to advance in big leaps. Auroville, created to be a place of unending education, may want to strengthen connections with these international communities of knowledge. Encouraging and supporting those within our community with the aptitude to join such educational institutions may be an initial step towards this objective. Those returning with newly attained knowledge, skills, and experiences will contribute to our varied working groups, support or initiate units and services, research and educational institutions, preparing the ground for a top-notch higher education institution, which could transform Auroville into a more multifaceted place of unending education one-day; the highest of aims starts with small steps.

**Our community is full of hidden capacities, yet to be revealed.** The children of Auroville have grown in this special environment invoking unique capabilities, while other Aurovilians abandoned a path toward an academic degree or professional advance in order to follow their heart's calling to join Auroville. But some of these individuals, with their special stories and experiences, could qualify for the most respected universities, even while mostly unaware. Therefore, as a step towards achieving the previously mentioned long-term objectives, we are starting a program to support those who aspire to join a university program suiting their faculties.

The program will start this September with an introductory workshop, of four modules:

- **Module 1: "EXPERIENCE"**

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September - 1:00 - 5:00 pm @Unity Pavilion**

**Sense University Experiences** - About 14 alumni of diverse programs and universities, of different countries and regions - will share and discuss their experiences, to help establish a deep and balanced understanding of the experience of formal higher education, and to build a sense of how versatile they can be; paying the road for the second module: How to select?

- **Module 2: "SELECT"**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September - 1:00 - 5:00 pm @Unity Pavilion**

**Find the Program Most Suitable for You** - Strategies of how to aim for the programs most suitable for each individual's innate capacities will be discussed. Proven tools to help individuals reveal their unique faculties (ex. Gardner's Theory of Multiple Intelligences) will be used in an interactive workshops; opening the door for the third module: How to apply?

- **Module 3: "APPLY"**

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September - 1:00 - 5:00 pm @SAIIR Hall**

**Learn Strategies to Apply Successfully** - Based on an understanding of how professors select their students, strategies and skills needed to prepare successful applications for the most selective universities will be introduced. Going through this process will prepare participants for the fourth and last module: Individual or group consultations.

- **Module 4: "CONSULT"**

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September - 1:00 - 5:00 pm @Unity Pavilion**

**Receive Personalized Mentoring.** Personalized consultations will be offered to individuals or small groups sharing the same interests, opening the door for continuous support for select participants.

See you this Saturday! Just come, see if it is something for you.

It will help us to know how much tea/cookies to prepare, please confirm your presence by SMS to 8940568266 or email [youth@auroville.org.in](mailto:youth@auroville.org.in).

Offered and facilitated by *Omar Rabie*, program supported by *YouthLink* ([www.youthlink.org.in](http://www.youthlink.org.in))

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## TALKS, SEMINARS

CIRHU

### Aurovillian Conversations - "Every True Aurovillian should be an educator"

Thursday 8th September we will have B and the topic will be: Sunlit Path.

Since middle of June, spontaneously, CIRHU started "Aurovillian Conversations", a series of weekly reflections (not lectures) between students, volunteers, Newcomers and interested people with Aurovilians and friends of Auroville with experience in specific fields of knowledge. Considering the interest and the enthusiasm this initiative has awakened, we plan to continue it on a weekly basis and to extend the invitation to the entire Auroville Community.

All are welcome.

CIRHU - Aurovillian Conversations - B on Sunlit Path  
Date: Thursday 8th September 2016 - Timing: 3:30 pm  
Venue: Citadine Art Gallery  
Contact: [cirhu@auroville.org.in](mailto:cirhu@auroville.org.in)

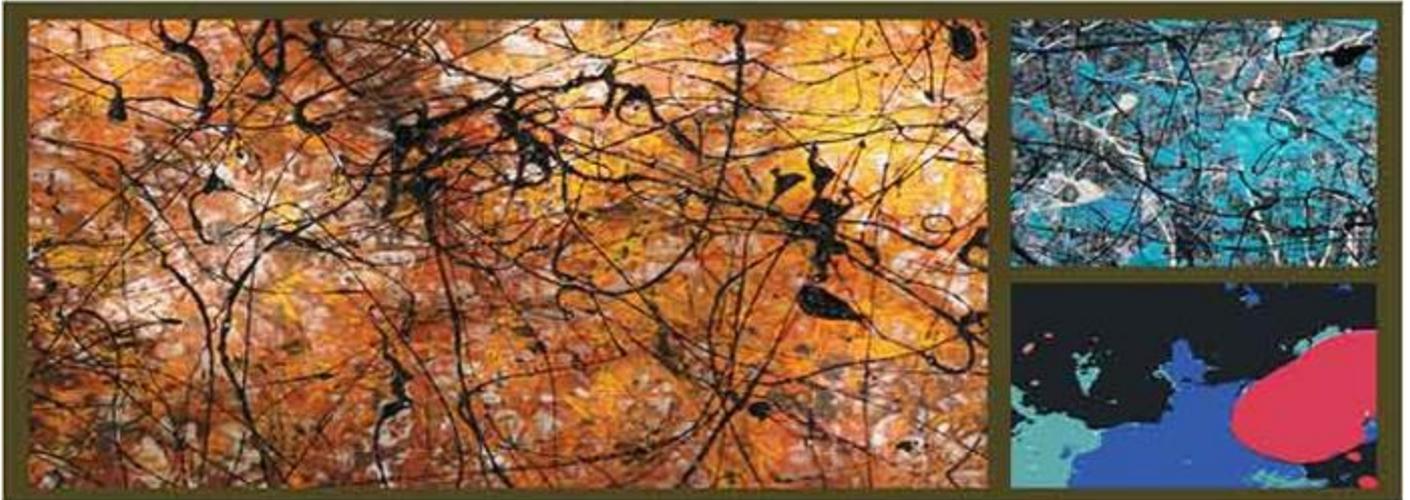
## EXHIBITIONS



### ABSTRACT - UP-CLOSE

Exhibition of Paintings and Digital Works by Juergen Puetz

Saturday 27th August till 13th September 2016



*"I don't know about reality - all I know are the impressions that I have of it"*  
Gerhard Richter

Timings: 8am - 12:30pm and 2pm - 6pm - except Sunday (closed)

Pitanga Cultural Centre, Samasti, Auroville, TN 605101, India. (0413)2622403/2622994 Pitanga@auroville.org.in

## CULTURAL EVENTS

### Annual Women's Festival

All are invited to join us for the fourth day of the 20th edition of the Annual Women's Festival

At AVAG office on the 7th of September from 10 am to 2 pm

We will see beautiful traditional folk dances as well as drama, group singing and storytelling by the women.

Join us for a celebration of the talent and culture of local women in the Auroville bioregion!

*Lunch will be served at the office to all visitors.*



Auroville Village Action Group - Irumbai Main Road Opp. TNEB Sub-station - Irumbai 605111, Tamil Nadu - (0413) 267-8871/ 267-8872

## CLASSES, WORKSHOPS

### Mudra-Chi

"A Body Prayer in a Tai- Chi Form" - Based on Mother's Mudras  
Sunday the 4<sup>th</sup> of September at 5 pm at Savitri Bhavan

Facilitator: *Anandi*  
Everybody welcome



### Inner-Work-Workshop

Introduction to the Integral Yoga of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother

Tuesday 6th September - Focus: 'Vision and the Way'  
Place: Savitri Bhavan - Time: 9 am to 12 Noon  
(please be present by 8.50 am for preliminary study)

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

These Workshops are conducted every Tuesday, each week with a different focus. Study, play and creativity go hand in hand with various inner exercises.

Led by *Ashesh Joshi* (Contact: 9489147202, 0413 2622922)

No Registration required (except for groups)

Fees: Voluntary Contribution - All are welcome

For details on the Integral Yoga and the upcoming workshops: please visit [www.integralyoga-auroville.com](http://www.integralyoga-auroville.com)

### Forest Herbal Food and Ayurveda Workshop

Pitchandikulam Forest welcomes you to a herbal food preparation and Ayurveda workshop with Ms.Parvati and Dr.Berengere (Dr.Bee) where we will learn to identify the wild, edible plants, their health benefits and demonstrate them in cooking processes.

We will eat a lunch cooked with these plants and continue for an hour after lunch with Dr.Bee holding a session on taste and Ayurveda. All welcome!

Wednesday 7th of September, 9:30 - 3:00 pm

Registrations compulsory and close on the 6th afternoon to be able to prepare ingredients for the lunch.

Contribution to cover costs.

To register and for more info: contact email:

[pitchandikulam.outreach@auroville.org.in](mailto:pitchandikulam.outreach@auroville.org.in)

### Wellpaper Workshop

07/09 Wednesday

*Skills Handicraft Arts Recycle Education*

You are invited for a 3-hour introductory workshop to create art and products from waste (mainly recycled newspaper).

### Bowls Coiling introductory workshop.

The WELL Women will introduce you to how to create beautiful bowls, containers or accessories made of flattened and coiled newspaper sticks. Most likely you will end up with more than one item.

The workshops are instructed by WELL women from the villages around Auroville. These women are very well practiced. These women have teaching experience in and out of AV.

Contribution: Rs.500 for guests. All the workshops have a minimum of 3 participant registered.  
The workshop will take place every Wednesday between 9:30 to 12:30, sitting on the floor.

Wellpaper is conducting also art workshops which are still not scheduled. Please email us for further information.

If you would like to join us please email us to: [wellpaper@auroville.org.in](mailto:wellpaper@auroville.org.in) or call 8883233885

With Love, *Wellpaper team (Women Empowerment Local Livelihood - A model for social Enterprise)*

### Exploring Drawing

2-day Workshop - 9-5 (2hrs out for lunch)

Sept. 9 and 10 / Fri. and Sat.

Fixed fee for Guests (call to ask), from others donations are gratefully accepted.

Must sign up as early as you can, Audrey needs time to inform participants if there are three to go ahead or six that it is full. 0413-2622641 please leave your # on the answering machine if I'm not in. *Audrey*

### Family constellations with Moghan.

Saturday 10th of September - 9 am to 6 pm.

Hall of light, Creativity.

Limited number of motivated participants.

Contact: 9751110486 / [moghan@auroville.org.in](mailto:moghan@auroville.org.in)

### Speak To Inspire

September 17 - Your body language and voice are instrumental in determining the impression you make on the people around you. Especially in a workplace environment, it is not enough for you or your idea to be brilliant - you must illustrate and communicate your brilliance so that it may truly impact your audience.

Speak to Inspire is a one-day course, during which actor and voice professional Jesse Fox-Allen will help you to overcome your fear of public speaking. As you learn to speak with authority and precision, you will return to your workplace better able to handle challenges with confidence and impact.

To register please call: 9655696982, or email: [info@aurovillaretreat.org](mailto:info@aurovillaretreat.org). For more info, please visit: [www.aurovillaretreat.org](http://www.aurovillaretreat.org) to register.

### Iyengar yoga classes with Olesya

In SRC Hall in New Creation (opposite basketball ground)

Morning classes:

7.00 - 8.00 am on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays

Evening class:

4.30-5.30 pm on Fridays.

All are welcome!

Cell phone for info - 9159052743

### Journey through sound waves and exploration in the body

Welcome to enjoy the harmonizing and restoring healing sessions through the magic of the sounds from a specially designed sound bed that enhances the self-healing powers of your being...

The aim is to put you in a state of relaxation which enables you to see or feel yourself deeply according to your own awareness.

In addition to the sound journey, you will be guided through your body to explore new dimensions which has an action and a benefit on the 3 levels: Physical, Energetical and Mental.

This exploration based on the concepts of Chinese Medicine will help you to reconnect with your organs and holistic being. In case of emergency I may help releasing the pain for sciatic (ichias).

To book your appointment, please call *Isha* at (0413) 2622192 / (+91) 99433 05092

## Learn French at the French Pavilion.

As published in last week's N&N, the French Pavilion is considering teaching French in its recently open Pavilion in the International zone, near to the Visitors Center. Some students applied already.

We will be teaching only at the French DELF A1 and A2 levels. There will be 3 levels: beginners, intermediate, and advanced. We are planning to have 3 month modules for 50 lessons available in the afternoon from 3 to 5 pm - 3 times a week: Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

If you are interested to learn French or to improve your level, please send an email to [gmp.tefl09@gmail.com](mailto:gmp.tefl09@gmail.com), mentioning

whether you are Aurovilian, Newcomer, Volunteer, or Guest, and giving: your name, gender, nationality, age category, level and motivation.

The final list of candidates will be closed next Monday, September 5th. Tests to assess the intermediate or advanced levels will be organised by the end of next week. The course will start at the earliest on September 21th.

Please don't reply to the French Pavilion and don't use its phone number. Use only the following email address: [gmp.tefl09@gmail.com](mailto:gmp.tefl09@gmail.com) and contact number: 809 891 30 75.

Looking forwards to hearing from more French students.  
*The French Pavilion.*

## SCHEDULES

### SAVITRI BHAVAN - September 2016

#### Exhibitions

In the Picture Gallery

*Meditations on Savitri Books Four to Seven*

125 paintings made by Huta under the Mother's guidance,  
Illustrating selected passages from Sri Aurobindo's epic

In the upstairs corridor

*Sri Aurobindo - A Life-Sketch in Photographs*

#### Films

Mondays 6.30 pm

September 5: *Journey to the Life Divine - Part 2*

This second part covers the lives and work of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother from November 1926 onward and focusing also on the Ashram's activities. The film by the Sri Aurobindo Ashram is from 2010. Duration: 90min.

September 12: *The Yoga after Sri Aurobindo and Mother's Passing*

Interview with Dr. Alok Pandey by Narad (Richard Eggenberger). Duration: 30min.

September 19: *Interview of Shradhdhavan - Responses to Questions about Auroville*

Shradhdhavan's replies to questions from a Russian TV team. Duration : 54min.

#### Regular activities

Sundays 10.30-12 noon: *Savitri Study Circle*

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 7-8 am: Chanting Sanskrit Hymns in the Hall

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

Mondays: 5-6pm: *Revelations of Isha Upanishad* led by Dr. Ananda Reddy (**not on 05/09**)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### OM Choir

*The voice that chants to the creator Fire,*

*The symbolled OM, the great assenting Word (Savitri p.310)*

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

#### Full Moon Gathering

Friday 16, 7.15-8.15 pm in front of Sri Aurobindo's statue

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

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

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

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

*Everyone is welcome*

## REGULAR EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

### Note from the editors

The *Regular Events* column is published once a month. Guest-houses are kindly requested to put this page up on their notice boards.

**Kindly inform us of any changes/cancellation in your regular event before the 27<sup>th</sup> of September, 5pm**

The next "Regular Events" schedule will be published on:  
October 1st, 2016

### 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](http://www.auroville.org.in)

**AcroYoga** for beginners **Partner flow** - warming up with asanas and stretching with a partner. **Inversions** - flying to build trust between the partners. **Saturday 8:30 am - 10 am** at Arka. *Damien* 90 47 72 27 40.

**AcroYoga Class:** Venue: Joy Community Guesthouse Hall, Center Field. Mon/Wed/Fri 4.30 to 6pm. Contact: 2622584/9442328120. 50 % discount for people under 30 years old. Multiple classes discount available. On donation basis for Aurovilians, Newcomers, and SAVI registered volunteers.

**African Drumming Sessions:** The African Pavilion Team is happy to announce a series of drumming sessions that will take place every Thursday from 7 pm till 9 pm in the African Pavilion to fund raise the ongoing construction. Help support the project joining the drumming circle around an inspiring fire. Enjoy the beat!

**Aikido classes at the Auroville Budokan (Dehashakti):** Beginners: Monday and Wednesday evening 6.00 to 7.00 pm and Saturday morning 6.30 to 7.30 am (mixed levels). Advanced (morning classes): Tuesday 6.30 to 7.30 am - Thursday 6.00 to 7.30 am and mixed levels on Saturday 6.30 to 7.30 am. Please be at the Dojo/Budokan at least 15 min. before the class starts. Beginners may wear long loose pants & t-shirt with sleeves for the start (no tight fitting please), then a white "keikogi" will be required. Health Fund or private insurance necessary - Reasonable contribution required for the Dojo. For Children classes and more general info, please write to [budokan@auroville.org.in](mailto:budokan@auroville.org.in) or contact Surya: 0413-2623.813 or 9655.4854.87 Our webpage: [budokan.auroville.org/](http://budokan.auroville.org/)

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

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

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

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

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

● **ADULTS** >> Monday: 5.15 PM - Bharat Nivas (Sawchu) | Tuesday & Thursday: 6.00 PM - Deepanam | Wednesday & Friday: 7.00 AM - Town Hall (Plaza)

● **KIDS** >> Monday & Friday: 1.15 PM - Deepanam School - Contact us prior bringing a new kid

● **CONTACT** >> 9488328435 (Prof. Samuka) | [info@ginga-saroba.com](mailto:info@ginga-saroba.com) | [www.ginga-saroba.com](http://www.ginga-saroba.com)

**Capoeira (Grupo Gingado Capoeira):** Monday 7-8:30pm @ New Creation dance studio. Wednesday 6-7:30pm @ Bamboo Farm (near Imagination). Friday 6-7:30 @ New Creation dance studio Saturday 4:30-5:30 Music Class @ Bamboo Farm (near Imagination) Classes led by Instructor Camaleao (Jeremy) with over 20 years of Capoeira experience. Axe!

For more info visit:

[www.gingadocapoeira.in](http://www.gingadocapoeira.in) / [info@gingadocapoeira.in](mailto:info@gingadocapoeira.in)

**Clay classes for children and adults:** with Saraswati and Anna. Please mail to [aurokatrusya@gmail.com](mailto:aurokatrusya@gmail.com) for details. Regards *Saraswati* 9787571633

**Creativity - Life Drawing Circle: Time:** Tuesdays, 5.30pm to 7.30pm. Venue: Creativity Atelier. Creativity Community. Fees: None, FREE. All are welcome to immerse themselves in our intense and inspiring session of life drawing. The idea is to explore one's creative self in a friendly and fun environment. This is not an instruction based class. A model and basic drawing materials will be arranged for. It is free, but we seek your generous donation to maintain the well-endowed studio and sustain the enriching experience. We also welcome those who would like to model for our artists. For more information or to book yourself, please contact *Lakshay* on 9810052574. Cheers!

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

**Feminine dance for all women:** Tuesdays at 4pm in Cripa, Kalabhumi. Feminine Dance has historically been a mystical art, a dynamic method to experience the energies of the Universe. We will create an opportunity to reconnect joyfully to our body, reawaken the flow of feminine energy, move to the living pulse of life and have fun in the loving presence of other women. Bring comfortable dance clothes. A flowing skirt and hip scarf are recommended. [galit@auroville.org.in](mailto:galit@auroville.org.in)

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

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

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

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

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

**Hormonal Dance:** Led by *Suriya Gandhi*. **For post-menopausal women.** It is an on-going class every Sat. 4-5 in Creativity's Hall of Light.

Info: 0413-262-2602 (no class on Aug. 13)

**Improvisation Theatre Workshop:** Our training program is dedicated to surveying the breadth of theatre improv and providing a transformative experience that will empower you to explore improv at whatever level of mastery to which you aspire. For more information contact: Veronique J.(9488512678) or Emanuele (9943970834). Fridays from 4.30-6 pm Venue: SAWCHU.

**Introduction to Sustainable Food Growing:** Every Monday 10.00 am till lunch time in Buddha Garden. Contact Priya for more details at [priya@auroville.org.in](mailto:priya@auroville.org.in) or 94432 22653

**Italian Readers group Mother's Agenda:** for Italians tourists and newcomers. *L'Agenda di Mère in italiano per condividere il viaggio di Mère con newcomers and turisti italiani. Tutti i Mercoledì di Sett. ore 17 alla Library in Creativity con Janaka. Le fotocopie dei passi proposti sono disponibili gratuitamente. Prenotatele con*

un messaggio al 948.762.96.48 oppure a:  
[janaka.om@auroville.org.in](mailto:janaka.om@auroville.org.in).

**Leela, the Game of the Self Knowledge** (a 2000 years old game!): Come and play the Game of your Life! **Sundays, 9.30am to 12.30** (above 15 years old), in SVEDAME, at the Butterfly Barn. English, Spanish, French, Italian, German and Russian versions all available Contact: Veronique J. 948 85 12 678  
[www.leelathegame.blogspot.in](http://www.leelathegame.blogspot.in)

**Life Coaching:** Using awareness, visualization & imagination techniques, life coaching is very useful in period of changes and doubts in order to get in contact with your intuitive self and find the creative & dynamic thread of your life again. For appointment contact Pitanga: 2622403 or Vani: 9488818072/  
[vani@auroville.org.in](mailto:vani@auroville.org.in) /Reiki and Reflexology courses possible on request

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

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

**Nada Yoga:** Not happening in September.

**For NVC (Nonviolent Communication) and RC (Restorative Circles)** in Auroville, please contact L'aura: 9442788016, [laura.joyful@gmail.com](mailto:laura.joyful@gmail.com).

**Nonviolent Communication Practice Group:** A space to deepen our practice, ideally for those who have some prior NVC experience. If you're a beginner, please contact me before coming for the 1st time. We start on time, and a small contribution is requested of guests and volunteers. **Wednesdays in July, 4.30-6.30pm.** L'aura's House, Centre Field. Contact L'aura: [joylivinglearning@gmail.com](mailto:joylivinglearning@gmail.com), 9442788016

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

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

**Pilates with Savitri:** at New Creation Dance Studio on Mondays at 5pm, basic level on Tuesdays at 7.30am, intermediate level. on Saturdays at 7.30 am, intermediate level.

**"Prana Vashya" Asana Yoga:** at Joy Community Guesthouse Hall, Center Field. Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday 4.30 to 6 pm. Contact: 0413-2622584/9442328120. This practice is a sixty asana sequence focusing on the development of strength with flexibility. The breath remains the key for practice throughout the series and the practitioner focuses on maintaining continuity in the breath and movements during the whole practice. Drop in class, fixed contribution for guests (50 % discount for under 30 with ID proof), free donation for AVs, NCs & long-term volunteers (with SAVI registration proof).

**Pregnancy Classes:** We hold a space for pregnant mothers to share information and work on reflecting on pregnancy and moving from emotional blockages, getting advice to overcome difficulties, fears & doubts about birth and bringing more joy into the birthing journey. Time and place will be determined by mutual availability of the pregnant mothers and Ally. For more information please contact: [ally@auroville.org.in](mailto:ally@auroville.org.in). Allison

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

**Reiki and Reflexology Massage Courses:** By Janaka at Arka. Every weekend. Individual courses in 3 sessions, also on weekdays, by appointment. • In the course, you will learn to

treat yourself and the other. Very important: Reiki is not a personal power but just an opportunity to channel the Healing Energy to one's own Center, as in Meditation! • Reflexology Massage heals organic dysfunctions and their psycho-somatic causes, not only through massage on the reflex map of the foot but also with pressure on "marma points" in the legs and arms. Therapies and courses are held by Janaka, Reiki master and therapist with 25 years' experience. Book with Janaka: 9487629648 or [janaka.om@auroville.org.in](mailto:janaka.om@auroville.org.in).

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

**Sanskrit Mantras:** Venue: Joy Community Guesthouse Hall, Center Field. Every Friday 6 to 7 pm. Contact: 2622584/9442328120. Chanting Sanskrit mantras is performing an ancient prayer. Through the harmonic rhythm, repetition and participation in the chant, the mind gains clarity, the ability to concentrate increases and a person becomes more tranquil. Through daily chanting the mind gains qualities which are essential for students of Yoga & Spiritual Scriptures. The specific pitches and rules of intonation and syllabic length will be learned in these classes in the traditional way. Drop in class, fixed contribution for guests (50 % discount for under 30 with ID proof), free donation for AVs, NCs & long-term volunteers (with SAVI registration proof)

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

**Skyworks: Tree Climbing Workshops:** RECREATIONAL. You want the experience without learning all the knots? The ropes are already positioned in the trees. The knots are tied and tested before you hook on. After being fitted with your saddle and some short instructions on safety and climbing techniques, you are off and climbing! Kids of all ages welcome. ADVANCED You want to learn the ropes and get off the ground. During class we teach both the double and single ropes techniques plus demonstrate many of the new climbing devices available. You will learn to install the ropes in the trees, tie and use several climbing knots and ascend and descend both with the knots but also with ascenders and descenders. For conditions and appointment call Satyaaji 853 103 35 45

**Somatic Explorations with Maggie** - every Wednesday from 5-6pm in Vérité Hall. (only 7 and 14 Sept) A gentle, easy and effective way to gain more ease in the body, better posture, flexibility, coordination, wellness, and balance, resulting in a decrease of the aches and pains commonly attributed to stress, injury and aging. Open to all, for further info call 94866 23465

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

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

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

**Tamil Literary Classes and Craft Lessons:** Ilaignarkal Education Centre organizes Tamil Literary Classes every Thursday evening 5 pm-6 pm. Regular attendance is appreciated. Lectures by seasoned professors in Tamil Literature, History and Culture are opened to all Monday through Friday any time Also classes on languages, sewing, drawing, painting and simple handicrafts for Auroville workers and Aurovilians interested. Contact us to organize classes according to your schedule. Phone No: (0413) 2623 773. Email: [tamil@auroville.org.in](mailto:tamil@auroville.org.in). R. Meenakshi ( Ilaignarkal Education Centre)

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

**Thai Yoga Massage:** Joy Community Guesthouse Hall, Center Field. Every Monday & Wednesday 2.30 to 4 pm. Thai Massage is an ancient healing system combining rhythmic acupressure, body rocking and deep assisted stretches to relieve muscular tension and enables more blood to be carried throughout the body. (The receiver wears loose, comfortable clothing and lies on a firm mattress on the floor). Please call Joy Community at 2622584 or 9442328120 or email to [joycommunity@auroville.org.in](mailto:joycommunity@auroville.org.in) to request an appointment. Fixed contribution for guests (50 % discount for under 30 with ID proof), free donation for AVs, NCs & long-term volunteers (with SAVI registration proof).

**Tibetan Dinner:** Wednesdays and Saturdays - From 6.45 till 8 pm. Required pre-booking and your last booking time is at 10 am for both days. To book call 0413/ 2622401 / 8489067332. or send an email to: [Kalsang@auroville.org.in](mailto:Kalsang@auroville.org.in) Venue: Pavilion of Tibetan Culture. On Wednesdays, a film related to Tibetan Culture is shown after dinner.

**Ultimate Frisbee:** Ultimate Frisbee: Every Monday at Certitude & Wednesday and Saturday at the Gaia field at 4.45 pm till sundown.

Helps improve stamina, hand/eye coordination, and focus through running, throwing, & catching the disc; along with patience & teamwork and Spirit of the Game. Bring running shoes if you have them. Contact [avultimate@auroville.org.in](mailto:avultimate@auroville.org.in) with any questions or just come ready to play!

**Vedic Astrology:** Chart reading and interpretation. Call 9843948288 or email [vikram@auroville.org.in](mailto:vikram@auroville.org.in) for an appointment.

**Veena Musical Classes:** As one of India's most ancient string instruments, the veena's origin can be traced back to the ancient yazh, which was similar to the Grecian harp. *Bharata*, in his *Natya Shastra*, explains the theory of the 22 sruti's in an octave with the help of two experimental veena's. Kaanchi Kaama Kodi Aasthana Vithvaan Thiru Ravi (*Ravi* for short) conducts regular veena musical classes for everyone at Yatra Arts Foundation, near New Creation sports ground. Come and learn an ancient art form in pleasant and friendly surroundings. **Who:** Everyone! Children & Adults. **When:** Every Friday evening from 5pm to 7pm. **Contact:** 0413- 2623071 / 9786772209

## ACCESSIBLE AUROVILLE PUBLIC BUS - SEPTEMBER

Please note the NEW timetable of the Accessible Auroville Public Bus

<u>Morning Trips:</u> <u>MONDAY to SATURDAY</u>	<u>Afternoon Trips:</u> <u>WEDNESDAY &amp; FRIDAY</u>	<u>**NEW** Short afternoon Trips:</u> <u>MONDAY &amp; SATURDAY</u>
8.20 am - Verite	4.20 pm - Verite	2.50 pm - Verite
8.25 am - Matrimandir office gate	4.25 pm - Matrimandir office gate	2.55 pm - Matrimandir office gate
8.30 am - Solar kitchen	4.30 pm - Solar kitchen	3.00 pm - Solar kitchen
8.32 am - Certitude	4.33 pm - Certitude	3.03 pm - Certitude
8.40 am - Kuilapalayam (New Creation Junction)	4.40 pm - Kuilapalayam (New Creation Junction)	3.08 pm - Kuilapalayam (New Creation Junction)
8.42 am - Kuilapalayam( SBI Bank )	4.42 pm - Kuilapalayam( SBI Bank )	3.10 pm - Kuilapalayam( SBI Bank )
8.45 am - Last School	4.45 pm - Last School	3.12 pm - Last School
8.50 am - Quiet	4.50 pm - Quiet	3.18 pm - Quiet
9.00 am - Lotus Hotel	5.00 pm - Lotus Hotel	3.30 pm - Lotus Hotel
9.05 am - Ashram Dining Hall	05.05 pm - Ashram Dining Hall	3.35 pm - Ashram Dining Hall
12.00 pm - Ashram Dining Hall	8.10 pm - Ashram Dining Hall	6.00 pm - Ashram Dining Hall
12.05 pm - Lotus Hotel	8.15 pm - Lotus Hotel	6.05 pm - Lotus Hotel
12.15 pm - Quiet	8.25 pm - Quiet	6.17 pm - Quiet
12.20 pm - Last School	8.30 pm - Last School	6.23 pm - Last School
12.23 pm - Kuilapalayam( SBI Bank )	8.33 pm - Kuilapalayam( SBI Bank )	6.25 pm - Kuilapalayam( SBI Bank )
12.25 pm - Kuilapalayam (New Creation Junction)	8.35 pm - Kuilapalayam (New Creation Junction)	6.27 pm - Kuilapalayam (New Creation Junction)
12.33 pm - Certitude	8.43 pm - Certitude	6.33 pm - Certitude
12.35 pm - Solar Kitchen	8.45 pm - Solar Kitchen	6.35 pm - Solar Kitchen
12.40 pm - Matrimandir Office Gate	8.50 pm - Matrimandir Office Gate	6.40 pm - Matrimandir Office Gate
12.45 pm - Verite	8.55 pm - Verite	6.45 pm - Verite

### Reservations:

Kindly reserve your seats in advance for your each trip due to the bus 12-seating capacity.  
Reservation can be done through emails or by calling 0413-2623274

### CONTACT:

email [avbus@auroville.org.in](mailto:avbus@auroville.org.in) or call: 0413-2623274

### Important information about News & Notes (Absolute deadline for submissions or cancellations: Tuesday 5pm)

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

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

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

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

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

**Visiting hours:** Mondays, Tuesdays 9am to 11.45am and 1pm to 3pm; **No visitors on Wednesday.**

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**CINEMA - Bharat Nivas - AUDITORIUM**  
(Film starts at 7:45 pm SHARP!)

- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September: "OUR LITTLE SISTER" by Umimachi Diary, Japan, 2015
- FRIDAY 9<sup>th</sup> September: "LA MAISON DE LA RADIO" - Directed by Nicolas Philibert - France, 2013

**Synopsis:** "La Maison de la Radio" is a vibrant portrait of a beloved cultural institution, Radio France, that nation's equivalent of NPR or the BBC. Directed by Nicolas Philibert, a master of the documentary genre (Louvre's City, To Be and To Have), this movie collages the many faces of this complex enterprise, interweaving the station's news reports, literary events, in-studio musical performances, celebrity guest interviews, quiz shows, sports broadcasts, et alia. Roughly, the material spans the work day from one early morning until the next one, with news stories developing over time -- sometimes hilariously!

*Original French version with English subtitles - Duration 1h.44'*  
- César of Best Documentary!

## AT SAVITRI BHAVAN

Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> of September 2016 at 6:30 pm

*"JOURNEY TO THE LIFE DIVINE - Part 2"*

To create a new world with and for a spiritual life was The Mother's dream already in France. This film is about how The Mother and Sri Aurobindo worked this out in the Ashram. It reveals the meaning of Sri Aurobindo's withdrawal in 1926, and shows that on every Darshan a new consciousness-force was brought down. One way in which The Mother worked for the evolution of consciousness was by giving flowers to the sadhaks, to help them to become aware of the states of consciousness represented by each flower and to help spirit and soul to blossom and to support the opening of the psychic.

The film then shows several episodes in the history of the Ashram: the creation of the Sri Aurobindo International Center of Education, the Ashram School, and especially The Mother's attempt to give importance to physical education to make the body ready for the descent of the new consciousness force; we see The Mother playing her New Year music and message in 1955, her achievement of the Supramental Manifestation on Earth in February 1956, and her last Darshan in August 1973.

The film ends with images of the Ashram life today: meditation at the Samadhi, how Darshan happen and the sending of relics to the centres of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother. *Duration: 90min.*

## VISITOR CENTER MOVIE SHOW

Thursday - 8th September 8 pm

**THE MAN WHO KNEW INFINITY (2016)**

Genre: Biography/Drama / Rated:PG13 / Dur:1:48:min /

Language: English/Subtitle: English

Dir: Matt Brown / Cast: [Dev Patel](#), [Jeremy Irons](#), [Malcolm Sinclair](#)

**Storyline:**The story of the life and academic career of the pioneer Indian mathematician, Srinivasa Ramanujan, and his friendship with his mentor, Professor G.H. Hardy.

Friday - 9th September 8 pm

**ICE AGE: COLLISION COURSE (2016)**

Genre: Comedy/Adventure / Rated: Universal / Dur: 1:34 min /

Language: English/Subtitle: English

Dir: [Mike Thurmeier](#) / Cast: [Ray Romano](#), [Denis Leary](#), [John Leguizamo](#)

**Storyline:** Manny, Diego, and Sid join up with Buck to fend off a meteor strike that would destroy the world.

## THE ECO FILM CLUB



Sadhana Forest, September 9th, Friday

Schedule of Events:

16:00 Free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Tour  
16:30 Tour of Sadhana Forest  
18:00 Free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Eco Film Club  
18:30 Eco Film Club begins with "previews" of short Sadhana Forest films

20:00 Dinner is served

21:30 Free bus from Sadhana Forest back to Solar Kitchen  
Before the movie, at exactly 16:30 you are welcome to join us for a full tour of Sadhana Forest and an update of our most recent work!

After the film you are welcome to join us for a free 100% vegan organic dinner!!

**BITCOIN: THE END OF MONEY AS WE KNOW IT**

60mins, 2015. Directed by Torsten Hoffmann, Michael Watchulonis

Tracing the history of money from the bartering societies of the ancient world to the trading floors of Wall St. The documentary exposes the practices of central banks and the dubious financial actors who brought the world to its knees in the last crisis.

Is Bitcoin an alternative to national currencies backed by debt? Will Bitcoin and cryptocurrency spark a revolution in how we use money peer to peer? Is it a gift to criminals? Or is it the next bubble waiting to burst? If you trust in your money just as it is - this film has news for you.

**(Reminder: Friday September 2nd:- How To Make An Off-Grid Home With Two Shipping Containers)**

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

## THE FRENCH PAVILION Presents

« Le martyre des sept moines de Tibhirine »  
(France 2012) - *Survey of a politico-religious affair.*

Documentary film attended by the director Séverine Labat, Co-director Malik Aoudia

French version, followed by a debate with the director.

In 1993, the Armed Islamist Group threatened with death all foreigners who refused to leave Algeria. The goal was to "purify Muslim Algerian land of its Catholics."

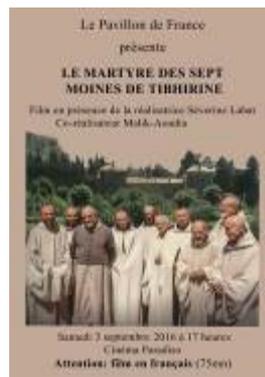
Yet the abduction and murder of seven monks devoted to prayer and to the Algerian Atlas poor remains a complete misunderstanding.

For the first time, with the rigor of a judicial investigation and based on verified facts and exclusive

testimonies that repeatedly intersected with leaders of the Armed Islamist Group and senior officers of the Algerian army and French governments. The "Martyre des sept moines de Tibhirine" reveals the steps to their assassination and what lies behind a drama that continues to haunt the world's conscience.

Saturday 3rd September 2016 - 5.00 pm

Duration: 75 min at Cinema Paradiso (Town hall)





# Cinema Paradiso

Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium

Film program 5 September 2016 to 11 September 2016

**Indian - Monday 5 September, 8:00 pm:**

- **UDTA PUNJAB (Flying Punjab)**

India, 2016, Dir. Abhishek Chaubey w/ Shahid Kapoor, Alia Bhatt, Diljit Dosanjh, and others, 148mins, Crime-Thriller, Hindi-Punjabi w/ English subtitles, Rated:A (R) What on earth can a rock star, a migrant laborer, a doctor and a cop possibly have in common? Simple, Punjab! Each from different walks of life, fighting the menace of drugs in their own way. The film journeys into the artificial highs and the real lows that they face while treading the paths fraught with mortal dangers. But above all, the film is about the famed Punjabi spirit that despite being fully down, has the audacity of looking you in the eye and saying - *Drugs di maa di* (to hell with drugs) !

**Italian - Tuesday 6 September, 8:00 pm:**

- **TUTTI I SANTI GIORNI (Every Blessed Day)**

Italy, 2012, Dir. Paolo Virzi w/Luca Marinelli, Thony, and others, Comedy-Romance, 102mins, Italian w/English subtitles, Rated: PG

Guido and Antonia are a young couple with opposing characters and working schedules: he works a night job as a doorman in a hotel, and she works as an employee for a rental car service. This is the story of what happens to Guido and Antonia when they decide to have a child.

**Interesting - Wednesday 7 September, 8:00 pm:**

- **THE EMPEROR'S NEW CLOTHES**

USA-UK-France, 2015, Writer-Dir. Michael Winterbottom w/ Russell Brand, Geraint Anderson, Brigitte Bardot, and others, Documentary, 101mins, English

The film highlights through archival footage from 21st century recession and comedic incidences, the growing disparity between economic classes. It tries to explain why nothing has changed since 2008 and why still the wealthy 1% of the world have so much!

**Russian - Thursday 8 September, 8:00 pm:**

- **MOY PAREN - ANGEL (My Boyfriend is an Angel)**

Russia, 2012, Dir. Vera Storozheva w/ Artur Smolyaninov, Anna Starshenbaum, Sergey Puskepalis, and others, Comedy, 97mins, Russian w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR.

Alex, a young lady student, gets an unexpected New Year's Eve gift: an angel as a boyfriend. There is one problem though: he can stay on earth only one day. Unless...

**International - Saturday 10 September, 8:00 pm:**

- **RÉCIT INCOMPLET DE DIVERS VOYAGES (Code Unknown)**

France-Germany-Romania, 2010, Writer-Dir. Michael Haneke w/ Juliette Binoche, Thierry Neuvic, Josef Bierbichler, and others, Romance-War, Malinka-Romanian-French-German-English-Arabic-French Sign Language w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (R)

Jean, a farm lad, wants to escape his silent father; he

runs to Paris to his older brother, Georges, who's away covering the war in Kosovo. Angry, he throws a bag of half-eaten pastry into a beggar's lap. Amadou, a young Franco-African, berates him. The police arrive, arrest Amadou and deport the beggar. Georges's girlfriend Anne is upset; it colors her relationship with Georges when he returns from the war. Separate lives intersect for the one moment, around the pastry bag, and all are altered. We follow each as repercussions of the incident play out. Deaf children bookend the film pantomiming words, feelings, and situations: what they are expressing?

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

- **PIPPI LANGSTRUMP PA DE SJU HAVEN (Pippi in the South Seas)**

Sweden, 1970, Dir. Olle Hellbom, w/Inger Nilsson, Maria Persson, Par Sundberg and others, Adventure, 86mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: G

With the help of her friends Tommy and Annika, Pippi Longstocking ventures to the South Pacific island Porto Piluse to rescue her father, who was captured by ruthless pirates.

**JEAN-JACQUES ANNAUD Film Festival @ Ciné-Club**

**Ciné-Club - Sunday 11 September, 8:00 pm:**

- **THE NAME OF THE ROSE**

Germany-France-Italy, 1986, Dir. Jean-Jacques Annaud w/Sean Connery, Christian Slater, and others, Crime-Mystery-Thriller, 130mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: R

Based on a bestselling novel by Umberto Eco, in this film set in the 14th century, William of Baskerville, a renowned Franciscan monk, and his apprentice, Adso of Melk, travel to an abbey where a suspicious death has occurred. Using his deductive powers, William begins investigating what he believes to be murder. During the course of his investigation, several more monks wind up dead. With fear running through the abbey, the church leaders call forth Bernardo Gui, William's nemesis, to find the truth.

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.

*Kindly do not bring food, drinks, snacks, munchies or your pets into the auditorium.*

*As a courtesy to the fellow viewers please be sweet and stop chatting after the film starts.*

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## THE SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF WOMEN AT WORKPLACE (PREVENTION, PROHIBITION AND REDRESSAL) ACT, 2013

### For what can you file a complaint:

If you are subjected to any form of sexual harassment including any of the following unwelcome acts (whether directly or by implication), namely:

- Physical contact and advances
- A demand or request for sexual favours
- Making sexually coloured remarks
- Showing pornography
- Any other unwelcome physical, verbal or non-verbal conduct of sexual nature
- Promise of preferential treatment in your work
- Threat of detrimental treatment in your work
- Threat about your present or future employment status
- Interference of your work or creating an intimidating or offensive or hostile work environment
- Humiliating treatment likely to affect your health or safety

### Who can File a Complaint:

Any one residing in Auroville as an Aurovillian, Newcomer, Volunteer, Student, Guest or any person employed by, or working for any Auroville legal entity.

### Where do you file complaint

With The Auroville Internal Complaints Committee who has been officially constituted by Auroville's Working Committee

All have  
equal right  
to respect  
and dignity



Aggrieved women may make a complaint of sexual harassment to the Committee within a period of three months from the date of incident. The Committee is required to complete the inquiry within a time period of 90 days.

Non-compliance with  
the Act is punishable  
with a fine of upto  
Rs.50,000

Repeated violations  
may lead to higher  
penalties



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## பணியிடங்களில் பெண்கள் மீதான பாலியல் வன்முறை [தடுப்பு, ஒழிப்பு மற்றும் குறைதீர்ப்பு சட்டம்] 2013

### எதற்கு நீங்கள் ஒரு புகாரை அளிக்க முடியும்:

- பின்புறம் விரும்பக்கூடாத ஏடுகளும் ஒரு செயல் உட்பட ஏடுகளும் வகை பாலியல் வன்முறைக்கு நீங்கள் (நேரடியாகவோ அல்லது அம்புதப்பட்டோ இருக்கும்) ஆளாக்கப்பட்டிருந்தால்
- உட்கீழ்ப்பாடு செய்து மற்றும் ஒருநேரத்தில் அல்லது மூன்றுநேரத்தில் நகல்
- பாலியல் ஆதரவுகளுக்கான ஒரு கோரிக்கை அல்லது வேண்டுகோள்
- பாலியல் அபிப்பிராயம் வளர்ச்சியைக் கட்டுதல்
- ஆதரவு உட்கீழ்ப்பாடுகள் காட்டுதல்
- பாலியல் கண்ணியத்தின் உட்கீழ்ப்பாடு, வாய்மொழியாக அல்லது வாய்மொழி அல்லாத மற்ற ஏடுகளும் நடத்தை
- உங்கள் பணியில் சமூக அபிப்பிராயம் வளர்ச்சியை
- உங்கள் பணியில் தீவிர ஏற்பாடுகளை நேரக்கூடவில் நடந்த அச்சுறுத்தல்
- தீவிரவாத அல்லது வறுமையை வேலை நிலை புற அச்சுறுத்தல்
- உங்கள் பணியில் குறுக்கீடுகள் அல்லது மீட்டுதல் அல்லது தீவிர விளைவிக்கல் அல்லது வீரோகமான பணி குழுவை ஏற்படுத்துதல்
- உங்கள் உட்கீழ்ப்பாடு மற்றும் பாதுகாப்பை பாதிக்கின்ற வகையில் அவமானப்படுத்தும் வகையில் நடத்துதல்

### யார் புகார் செய்யலாம்:

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### எங்கே நீங்கள் புகார் செய்யலாம்:

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