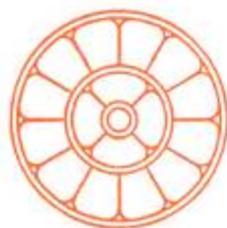


News & Notes

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HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

(Continued)

It is not essentially true, but this is usually how things happen, and unless there is in this genius a soul which is perfectly conscious of itself and has come to accomplish a specific work on earth, he may very well be born, grow up and die without knowing that there is anything other than this earthly life. And above all it is this, you see, this feeling of having achieved the utmost realisation which gives a satisfaction that keeps one from needing anything else.... If they have a soul that's fully conscious of itself and fully conscious of its purpose in the physical world, there could be a vague feeling that all this is pretty hollow, that all these achievements are a little too superficial and that something is lacking; but that comes only to those who are predestined, and after all, in the mass of humanity, there are not very many of them.

Only those who are predestined can combine these two perfections and realise something integral.... This is quite rare. The great spiritual leaders have very rarely been great realisers in the physical world. It has happened, but it is very rare. Only those who are conscious incarnations of the Divine naturally carry in themselves the possibility of the two perfections, but this is exceptional. People who had a spiritual life, a great spiritual realisation, were able at certain exceptional moments to have a capacity for outward realisation; this also was exceptional, but it was intermittent and never had the integrality, the totality, the perfection of those who concentrated on material realisation. And this is why those who live only in the external consciousness, for whom the earthly material life is all that really exists, concrete and tangible, perceptible to all, always feel that spiritual life is something hazy, something almost mediocre from the material point of view.

I have met many people — “many”, well, quite a number — who wanted to demonstrate that spiritual powers gave a great capacity for outer realisation and who tried, in certain exceptional spiritual states or conditions, to paint or to compose music or write poetry; well, everything that they produced was thoroughly second-rate and could not be compared with the works of the great geniuses who had mastered material nature — and this of course gave the materialists a good opening: “You see, your so-called power is nothing at all.” But this was because in their external life they were ordinary men; for the greatest spiritual power, if it enters material that's not educated, will produce a result far superior to what that individual would have been able to achieve in his ordinary state, but far inferior to what a genius who has mastered matter can produce. It is not enough that “the Spirit bloweth”, the instrument must also be capable of manifesting it.

I believe that is one of the things Sri Aurobindo is going to explain: why it is necessary to give to the physical, external being, its full development, the capacity of controlling matter directly; then you put at the disposal of the Spirit an instrument capable of manifesting it, otherwise... Yes, I knew several people who in their ordinary state could not write three lines without making a mistake, not only spelling mistakes but mistakes of language, that is, who could not express one thought clearly — well, in their moments of spiritual inspiration, they used to write very beautiful things, but all the same these very beautiful things were not so beautiful as the works of the greatest writers. These things seemed remarkable in comparison with what they could do in their ordinary state; it was true, their present possibilities were used to the maximum, it was something that gave a value to what otherwise would have had none at all. But supposing you take a real genius — a musician or artist or writer of genius — who has fully mastered his instrument, who can use it to produce works that express the utmost human possibility, if you add to this a spiritual consciousness, the supramental force, then you will have something truly divine. And this is precisely the key to the effort Sri Aurobindo wanted us to make.

And your body, if you draw from it all the possibilities it holds, if you educate it by the normal, well-known, scientific methods, if you make this instrument into something as perfect as possible, then, when the supramental truth manifests in that body, it will become immediately —without centuries of preparation — a marvellous instrument for the expression of the Spirit.

That is why Sri Aurobindo used to repeat and has always said: You must work from both ends, not let go of one for the other. And certainly, if you want to have a divine consciousness, you must not give up spiritual aspiration; but if you want to become an integral divine being on earth, take good care not to let go of the other end, and make your body the best possible instrument.

It is a disease of the ordinary human intellect — which comes, moreover, from separation, division — to make a thing always either this or that. If you choose this, you turn your back on that; if you choose that, you turn your back on this. It is an impoverishment. One must know how to take up everything, combine everything, synthesise everything. And then one has an integral realisation.

(Turning to the children) Do you have anything to say? It is much better to do than to say. Now I have given you some encouragement.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS, 24 April 1957

MOTHER

The
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“Death is the question Nature puts continually to Life and her reminder to it that it has not yet found itself.

If there were no siege of death, the creature would be bound for ever in the form of an imperfect living. Pursued by death she awakes to the idea of perfect life and seeks out its means and its possibility.”

Sri Aurobindo

Thoughts and Glimpses, Cent. Vol. 16, p. 386

Report of the Working Committee for October 2016

- 1) **New members of the Working Committee.** All members of the Working Committee participated in the three-day selection process. We thank the community for selecting Kumar Kali and re-selecting Mandakini to serve in the Working Committee for the next 3 years. Kumar has meanwhile started to attend meetings from 24.10.2016 onwards.
- 2) **Thanks to Elisa.** We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to Elisa (outgoing member) for her important and valuable contribution towards the Working Committee during her two-year term. We will certainly miss her quality presence; however we are happy that she starts her new journey at the Auroville Council.
- 3) **Beach Erosion.** The Working Committee jointly with the TDC has constituted a Sea Erosion Management Group consisting of Frederik, Jan, Aurofilio (PondyCAN), Sauro, Carel, Elisa, Tom, Yuval, and Inge to look at possible solutions to halt the erosion of the Auroville beaches. On October 27th, a beach erosion expert from Chennai, Mr Nagendra Kumar, made a presentation on a specific technique he has developed and patented. The subgroup has met after that, and will bring forward an update to the community as soon as something concrete results. It also plans an interaction with the National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT), Chennai, and others.
- 4) **Interim TDC.** The term of office of the members of the TDC, Sauro, Toby, Jacqueline and Cristo, ended on October 24th 2016. They have responded positively to our request if they would be willing to continue their work until a new TDC has been constituted. We have also asked the Interim TDC members (Divya, Tom, Fabian, Pino, Sheba and Tejaswini), who have earlier agreed to serve for 6 months from May 23rd onwards, if they are willing to continue their work till a new the TDC has been constituted. They have also agreed to continue except for Sheba who will continue until 31st December. The Auroville Council expects that a new TDC can start functioning by March 1st, latest April 1st, 2017. We have therefore appointed Sauro, Toby, Jacqueline, Cristo, Divya, Tom, Fabian, Pino, Sheba and Tejaswini to serve as member of the iTDC till a new TDC has been formed or till April 1, 2017, whichever date is the earlier.
- 5) **New GST impact on Auroville.** The Working Committee has constituted a subgroup to study the impact of the new Goods and Service Tax (GST) for Auroville. The subgroup consists of Michael T., Ulli, Ranjith, Kumar and Carel.
- 6) **RRO Requesting for C-forms for Aurovilians.** It was brought to our notice that RRO is requesting C-Form for Aurovilians who are renewing their residential permit. We have discussed the matter with the Secretary. The conclusion is that this request has to be adhered to, to the best of one's knowledge
- 7) **Complaint against Isaimaiyam Institution by Rayapettai.** The village headmen and publics of Rayapettai have presented a complaint letter against 4 Aurovilians for being part of the Isaimaiyam project, which is an outside project. We have replied to their letter after having received the viewpoint of 3 of the 4 Aurovilians. We have also offered to host a peace meeting between Aurovilians and the village representatives but this offer has not been taken up as yet. They have asked for further information. Our next report will contain the follow-up.
- 8) **Hunting in Forecomers Canyon.** We have been informed that hunting parties have been taking place in the Forecomers Canyon. The Secretary of the Auroville Foundation has agreed to bring the matter to the notice of the Tamil Nadu Forest Department.
- 9) **BSNL Mobile validity.** Many Aurovilians of foreign origin who have BSNL connections are confronted with a new regulation of BSNL regarding their mobile phone validity.

This concern has been taken up to the Secretary of Auroville Foundation.

10) 50th Anniversary Celebration.

- a) A request has been made to Chali, Fabienne, Mariana and Frederick to take up the responsibilities of being the core Organisation Team for the 50th Anniversary Events as approved by the Governing Board. The matter is under discussion.
- b) The request for the anniversary grant to the HRD Ministry is still pending.

11) New Town Development Authority (NTDA). The Working Committee and the Auroville Council jointly with members of the NTDA Task Group is exploring the best way for the Community to evaluate how Auroville can be protected from developments in contradiction to the Auroville Master Plan. In the near future, an invitation will be sent to all Aurovilians interested in land protection to join for one or more workshops to elaborate the best way forward.

12) Appeal policy. Together with the Auroville Council, we are consolidating the final version of a draft appeal process, integrating feedback received. Soon, a General Meeting will be announced by the Auroville Council to present the draft appeal policy, and hear questions and concerns.

13) Vigilance awareness. The Central Vigilance Commission, New Delhi, has issued a call to promote integrity and eradicate corruption. The Commission requests organizations to take the below Integrity Pledge and advises citizens to individually take a Citizens Integrity Pledge. The Working Committee, considering that many if not all issues raised by the Commission are an integral part of the ideals of Auroville, issues the following Integrity Pledge on behalf of Auroville:

Integrity Pledge

Corruption has been one of the major obstacles to economic political and social progress of India. We believe that all stakeholders such as government, citizens and the private sector need to work together to eradicate corruption.

We acknowledge our responsibility to lead by example and ensure that we are not part of any corrupt practice and we tackle instances of corruption with utmost strictness.

We realize that Auroville need to lead from the front in maintaining highest standards of integrity, transparency and good governance in all aspects of our operations.

We therefore pledge that:

- We shall promote ethical practices and foster a culture of honesty and integrity;
- We commit to good governance based on transparency, accountability and fairness;
- We shall adhere to all relevant laws, rules and compliance mechanisms in the conduct of and work;
- We shall not tolerate bribery in any form or engage in any unethical practices;
- We shall ensure ethical behavior of all Aurovilians and Newcomers and take appropriate action for any transgressions.
- We shall sensitize all Aurovilians and Newcomers of laws, regulations etc. relevant to our work.
- We shall aspire for excellence and protect the rights and interests of all stakeholders and the society at large.

A copy of this pledge will be published on the Auroville website.

The individual integrity pledge has been published on Auronet. It runs as follows:

Individual integrity pledge

I believe that corruption has been one of the major obstacles to economic political and social progress of our country I believe that all stakeholders such as government, citizens and the private sector need to work together to eradicate corruption.

I realise that every citizen should be vigilant and commit to uphold high standards of honesty and integrity at all times and support the fight against corruption.

As a citizen of the country, I, therefore, pledge:

- To follow probity and rule of law in all walks of life;
- To neither take nor offer bribe;
- To perform all talks in an honest and transparent manner and be accountable to all my action;
- To take decisions objectively impartially;
- To act in the public interest;
- To lead by example exhibiting integrity in personal behavior;
- To report any incident of corruption to the appropriate agency.

Citizens and organizations taking the integrity pledge will be provided a certificate acknowledging and appreciating their commitment to the cause of anti-corruption.

- 14) **Income Tax.** Chartered Accountants Mr. Prabakaran and Mr. Bremnathan have given some explanations and clarifications to concerned Aurovilians about the changes in the income tax act which make filing of income tax returns mandatory for any resident of India who has a bank account abroad.
- 15) **Visa issues.** We would once again like to thank François Gautier for his assistance in solving a number of difficult visa issues.

- 16) **Status change Newcomer to Aurovilian.** The date of signing the B Form will be considered the date a person becomes Aurovilian and will be used in the Master List maintained by the Residents' Service and the Register of Residents maintained by the Secretary, Auroville Foundation. Till the date of signing the B-Form, a person will be considered to be a Newcomer.
- 17) **General Meeting.** We would like to invite the community to attend a general meeting on Tuesday November 29th at 4.30 pm at the Unity Pavilion to interact with the Working Committee.
- 18) **Pending Topics** (topics that are still on our table for which we have no noteworthy update to provide):
- a) Water Service/Water Harvest.
 - b) MM Executives
 - c) MM Access for Special Guests
 - d) Auroville Child Development
 - e) Strengthening of Integrated Animal Care (jointly with the AVC)
 - f) Emotional and Mental Health Care in Auroville (jointly with the AVC)
 - g) Mobility

The Working Committee

(Angela, Carel, Hemant, Inge, Kumar, Mandakini, Ranjith)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The New Entry process: A lot to improve and to fine tune

The AVCouncil is monitoring the process of implementing the new Entry Policy. The last weeks showed us that there is a lot to improve and to fine-tune to make the new policy work in the spirit it was written, as was anticipated.

Therefore a new task group, focusing specially on larger implications of the policy and finding solutions, was formed with members of the WCom (Mandakini & Ranjith) and members of the Council (Elisa, Sandhya & Sundar). This group will work closely with the already existing Entry Subgroup who is focusing on the day to day implementation related topics.

Our immediate steps are to pause with the Welcome Talk till certain things are in place. The announced Welcome Talk on Nov. 9th will go ahead, but only applications approved by the Entry Task Group will be processed from now on - and until further notice. The Entry Task Group and the Entry Secretariat will work closely together to get clarification on each step of the process.

While all this is on-going, please keep in mind that this is being done in the spirit of bringing about a much needed change, which is never an easy task. We are working hard at doing this in a responsible way and request you to please trust us during this challenging phase of shifting attitudes that govern our guidelines and organization.

Sincerely,
AVCouncil

Values Guiding the Collective Life of Auroville

Dear Community members,

At the launch of the new Entry Policy, the sub group of the AVCouncil re-worked the application form for new applicants aspiring to join Auroville. Along with this, the document "Values guiding the collective life of Auroville" was also edited and updated by the AVCouncil and Working Committee.

However, this important document was not published for feedback at that time, and since then we have received a number of comments on how this document can be improved. We would like to take this opportunity to now invite more feedback from the community at large on this paper.

We welcome your comments within 2 weeks, i.e. before the 26th of November to avcouncil@auroville.org.in

Thanks and regards,
AVCouncil

Values Guiding the Collective Life of Auroville

Auroville is an experiment, based on the ideals and vision of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother. Integral Yoga is a stepping stone towards an evolutionary future. Messages of The Mother about Auroville, such as "The Charter of Auroville", "The Dream", and "To Be A True Aurovilian", contain guiding steps towards the realisation of these ideals.

As part of Integral Yoga, all forms of connecting with the Divine are allowed as means for personal growth. No particular religion or sectarian beliefs are collectively encouraged. The propagation of any religious or sectarian beliefs is not permissible.

Auroville is a place for manifesting Human Unity. Any discrimination, social, political, geographical, economic or racial, is not acceptable. Residents abstain from active involvement in Indian or international politics.

Auroville is aspiring to be a universal cultural township and is subject to the laws of India. Residents abide by the laws of India.

Auroville is located in Tamil Nadu, which has a unique heritage. Residents will respect the cultural values and avoid any form of disrespect towards local people, customs, traditions and social order.

The Government of India is keenly interested in Auroville. To ensure the development of Auroville in accordance with its Charter, it has enacted the Auroville Foundation Act and created the Auroville Foundation, an autonomous statutory body. It has also created a unique visa policy for foreigners residing in Auroville.

No ownership of property is a respected collective value. All immovable assets are owned by the Auroville Foundation which holds them in trust for humanity as a whole. No Auroville resident can own any immovable assets in the City area of the Auroville Master Plan. Ownership of immovable assets in the Greenbelt Area of the Auroville Master Plan is only allowed with written permission of the Auroville Foundation.

Auroville is a self-governing community contributing towards building a collective prosperity for all the members irrespective of the type of work one is engaged in. Everyone endeavours to build an economy based on generosity and sharing. All works and efforts as a member of Auroville's collective life are directed towards building a shared economy for the "city the earth needs". One refrains from participating

in activities solely benefiting personal interests, institutions or family members outside Auroville.

Internal conflict resolution processes have been created to resolve conflicts arising between the members of the Auroville Community with mutual respect and understanding. Residents agree to only involve an external agency after having exhausted the possibilities of conflict resolution internally.

By signing this document, anyone residing in Auroville agrees to unending education in the values of Auroville and to manifest them in his/her life in Auroville.

Date:..... Signature:.....

We wish you every joy and success in the adventure of joining our Community.

The Entry Service

L'avenir d'Auroville / TDC - Site and Building Applications feedback - 12 Nov. 16

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

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

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

INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS

• Site Applications:

1. AV Consulting, Industrial Zone-Pony Farm, Office, Seminar facilities and accommodation on plot no IR 279/1 North part of IR 280/1 and 280/2 for an area of 2478 sq.m.

Project writes up given by the project holder:

Project Title: Centre for Regenerative Development

Proposed Site Location: Pony Farm

Project Holder: Auroville Consulting

Architect: (to be identified)

Contact Persons: Vikram Devatha and Martin Scherfler, info@aurovilleconsulting.com

Description:

Plot No: Northeast corner of IR 279/1, and north part of IR 280/1 and IR 280/2

Total Area of the project: 3,426 m²

Build up Area: 2,478 m²

Target Group: Students and professionals attending workshops, seminars and conferences at Auroville

Background: In the face of global challenges such as environmental degradation, climate change, water and food security issues and rapid extraction and consumption of non-renewable resources and raw materials a new thinking in order to generate solutions to the pressing needs of the global development are required. Today's educational paradigms are primarily serving the immediate needs of industries and commerce, which work on a linear economic model of resource extraction, manufacturing and discard. A sustainable and equitable future requires new types of thinking that draw inspiration from more holistic development approaches, including closed loop thinking, deep ecology, and the growth of human beings in a wholesome way.

Triggers: Lack of sufficient capacity to host groups of 40 and more participants at Auroville at one place at affordable rates. Lack of office space for Auroville Consulting team.

Goals/Objectives:

- Establish a training, research, education and development hub for regenerative and circular economy.
- Incubate and disseminate technologies and skills that leverage a circular economy and integrate with the national and international development of sustainable cities.
- Host national and international researchers and faculties for educational and applied research.
- Serve as a knowledge and training center for smart city development
- Develop, implement and disseminate academic curricular that nurture the inner and outer capacities of students.
- Nurture young leaders in universal values such as social and environmental justice and integrity.
- Influence national and international dialogues on policies and development.
- Support the manifestation of Auroville as a global centre of excellence in regenerative development.
- To provide consulting services to private and public institutions.

• Building Applications

1. MGECODUTIES - Margarita & Guidelma, Prefabricated/Dismountable - Manufacturing soap unit in Reve on plot no IR 211/2 for 91 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 eco-friendly 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 non-toxic, 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.

COLLECTIVE PROJECTS

- *Site applications:* no new SA
- */Building Application:* no new BA

For additional information, please write to 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 - 673 Dated 12.11.2016

Our team is happy to announce the following persons as Aurovilians, Newcomers and Friends of Auroville. We will wait two weeks for Newcomers and one month for Aurovilians from this publication for your feedback before confirming.

NEWCOMERS ANNOUNCED: (see [pictures posted on Auronet](#))

Amy Josephine JOYNER (USA), staying at Surrender, working at Savitri Hostel

Archana MAHATO (Nepali), staying and working at Siddhartha Forest

Avigal LEMBERGER (Israeli), staying at Aurodam, working at Matrimandir Garden

Chandra DHANARASU (Indian from Ranganathapuram), staying at Pony Farm, working at Thamarai

Emmanuel SCHMITT (French), staying at Utility, working at Bamboo Center

Govind RANJAN (Indian from Bihar), working at L'Avenir d'Auroville

Jayendra YAFAROVA (Indian from Puducherry), staying at Djaima, working at AV Foundation as a legal adviser

Manonmani RAJAN aka Sangeetha (Indian from Kullapalayam), staying at Buddha Garden, working at AV Bakery

Muralidharan KRISHNARAJU (Indian from Edayanchavady), staying at Managalam campus, working at AVdzines

Pathma SARAVANAN (Indian from Puducherry), staying at Matrimandir Nursery, working at Matrimandir, Kindergarten and Upasana

Priya THULASI (Indian from Edayanchavadi), staying at Celebration, working at TDC and L'Avenir as a secretary
Ramakrishnan RADHAKRISHNAN (Indian from Mortandi), staying and working at AuroCreation Enterprise

Serena AURORA (British), staying at Maison des Jeunes, working at Outreach Media, Pitchandikulam Forest and YouthLink

Sharmila JAYAMOORTHY (Indian from Puducherry), staying at Reve, teaching tailoring to Aurovilian women

Sonia SILVA NOVAES (Brazilian), staying at Fraternity, working at Joy Community and PTDC

Thirumal KANDASAMY (Indian from Moratandi), staying and working at AuroCreation as caretaker

Thulasingam NARAYANAMOORTHY (Indian from Alankuppam), staying at Maruthvam, working at Hers

CHILD OF A NEWCOMER:

Deepthi RAMAKRISHNAN, born on 15.10.2015

Isha NOVAES, born on 18.03.2011

Dhiman NOVAES, born on 01.06.2013

Prithika THULASI, born on 20.07.2006, studying in Adithya, Pondicherry

Prithish THULASI, born on 22.08.2009, studying in Adithya, Pondicherry

AUROVILIANS ANNOUNCED:

Olga BOGACHOVA (Ukrainian), staying and working at Auromode

Yu-wen LU aka Allison (Taiwanese), staying at Courage, working at International Zone, Birth Awake

Juan Antonio VILLEGAS (Spanish), staying at Courage, working at Kalvi

Guillaume LAURENT (French), staying and working at Baraka

CHILD OF AN AUROVILIAN:

Maiia BOGACHOVA (Ukrainian), born on 25.02.2009, studying at Deepanam

Nalia VILLEGAS LU (Taiwanese), born on 20.06.2011, studying at Nandanam

AUROVILLE YOUTH TURNED 18:

Sangeetha SHANMUGAM (Indian), staying at Horizon and studying at Immaculate Girls' School, Pondicherry

FRIENDS OF AUROVILLE:

Sylvie HOUBRE (French)

Pavan KANWAR (Indian)

Marela KANWAR (Indian)

PARTNER/RELATIVE OF AN AUROVILIAN:

Chitra UDHAYANAN (Indian), working at Naturellement

AUROVILIANS CONFIRMED:

Elena ALEXANDROV (Moldovian)

Hamsini SEKFALI SALIMA (French)

Leonard Anthony MEAKIN aka Tony (British)

Marion Patricia MEAKIN (British)

Paolo PASINI (Italian)

Shankar DHANASEKARAN (Indian)

NEWCOMERS CONFIRMED:

Carounagarane RAMACHANDIRAN (Indian)

Gerard BEUSEN aka Jerry (Dutch)

Manikandan GANESH (Indian)

Nimila ARUN (Indian)

Nithya VELMURUGAN (Indian)

Rajan M. (Indian)

Saranya SELVAKUMAR aka Sathya (Indian)

Velanganny RAMALINGAM aka Janaki (Indian)

PEOPLE WHO HAVE DISCONTINUED THEIR NEWCOMER PROCESS:

Sarah LEPROUST (French)

In case the above person(s) wish to come back to live and work in Auroville, they will need to restart their newcomer process.

ERRATUM:

The following people were mistakenly announced in N&N 672 as children of Newcomer and Auroville Youth turned 18
Shakthi MANJINI (Indian), born on 29.07.2001 studying at Vivekananda School

Shiva MANJINI (Indian), born on 01.07.2002 studying at Vivekananda School

Adhavan MURUGAN (Indian), staying at Courage and studying at Sri Venkateswara College of Engineering, Chennai

Dhivyaprasath RAMAN (Indian), staying at Service Farm and studying at Mahendra Engineering college at Namakkal, Tamil Nadu

The Entry Service is open to the public every day from 9:30 to 12:30 and from 2:30 to 4:30 except on Tuesday morning (team meeting) and Sunday. B-Forms and Recommendation letters: on appointment only. For more information on joining Auroville, please attend one of our regularly held Welcome talk.

At your service, *The Entry Service team*

News from SAVI

• **Welcome to our long term Indian volunteers coming from all over India:**

- ✓ Archana Boobalan, from Nepal, is Volunteering at Siddhartha Forest. She is helping with various activities being carried out at the Forest.
- ✓ Nikethana Venkatesan, from Coimbatore (Tamilnadu), a Criminology and Political Science graduate (University of Melbourne, Australia). She is volunteering at Pitchandikulam forest for the Global Ecovillage Network desk and partly at Youth Link (Ecovillage design Education).
- ✓ Tushar Patel, from Raipur (Chhattisgarh), Mechanical engineer (Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Dubai campus (2012)). He is volunteering at Auroville Consulting and is making a research about new ideas in energy field.
- ✓ Vandana Gupta, from Mumbai, Fashion designer (BD Somani Institute of Art and Fashion Technology). She is volunteering at Auroville online store in the Marketing department.

• **An Indian PhD Researcher in Savi**

We are pleased to introduce an Indian researcher, named Chintan Kella, currently doing a PhD in the Italian University of Social Sciences of Roma, who will be based in Savi until February 2017. He plans to study the case of Auroville as an experiment of the concept of « common's », that is observable in the economic and social life of Auroville: he will study how the 'no-ownership' principle is functioning amongst the units and social entrepreneurs, what are the current models of societal governance and, from a behavioral perspective, why interns and volunteers are motivated to work in Auroville. We wish him fruitful discoveries and hope he will be welcome and well attended everywhere in Auroville.

Darshan timing

On November 17 Darshan Day, Mother's room will be open from 5 am to 12 am.

On November 24 Siddhi Day, Sri Aurobindo's room will be open from 5 am to 11 am.

Tokens are not needed.

I am very sorry for the absence of the Auroville bus on August 15. Aurovilians who had planned to go to the Darshan by the Auroville bus were left alone... some of them had to go back home... This is the first time such a thing has happened since I started taking care of providing tokens for Aurovilians. The Pitanga team is not responsible as it was an unfortunate misunderstanding with the bus organization. I am confident that harmony will prevail.

Mallika

Pondy Bus on Darshan Days

I have contacted Hari, in charge of SAIER transport; he will provide the SAIER bus to allow us to visit Sri Aurobindo's and the Mother's room the next three darshan days: **November 17 (Mother's Mahasamadhi), November 24 (descent of Krishna' consciousness in the Overmind), and December 5 (Sri Aurobindo's Mahasamadhi).** As no tokens are required the bus will run in the morning, 9-12, leaving from Matrimandir via the ordinary route.

SAIER has always supplied for free the bus on darshan days, all we have to do is to ask Hari. He told me that he would have sent the bus even at a short distance, had he just been asked. So, wishing everybody a happy darshan, from now on it is me again who will contact Hari, which I had done for over twenty years without incurring any problem.

Let's respect that SAIER does not have the licence for commercial trips. This service is being offered to Aurovilians and newcomers with the exclusive aim of visiting Sri Aurobindo's and the Mother's rooms; for any other purpose please board the regular Pondy accessible bus.
Paulette

Important Re Massbulletins

Here's a reminder & annual repeat of the options of sending announcements via massbulletin@auroville.org.in that are reflected to Aurovilians subscribed to that list.

The massbulletin option is available for fairly short, plain messages regarding sudden occurrences pertaining to the entire community, unexpected cultural performances or ad hoc community meetings, emergencies, power cuts, VIP visits etc., - and occasionally for messages of a more personal nature, when for instance one of us is in physical dire straits or decided to proceed onward. It is, however, not available for advertisements of any sort, general info, attached files, images, change of timings, fundraising, political issues, long letters, surveys, thank-you's, explanations, petitions, grievances or announcements that are only valid for a very small number of Aurovilians. (In the latter case you're advised to start your own distribution list which is not a difficult thing to do.)

Announcements for cultural events and performances that have already been published in News and Notes and/or Auronet are not massmailed. The News & Notes is still the most frequently read publication and when your event or performance has been announced there, as well as posted on the Net, there is no need to also send it via massmail. This so as to avoid that subscribers to the massmail get annoyed by having to receive notices which they consider Spam, therefore unsubscribe, later want to come back on etc. etc..

Mail to massbulletin@ is usually opened and processed by Mauna, with Annemarie and Manoj as standby. It's always safest to directly send your request for a massmail to: massbulletin@auroville.org.in.

Mauna

Kino Auroville has kicked off!



Last Saturday, November 5th, Cinema Paradiso hosted the very first screening of the newly formed Kino Auroville cell.

Kino is a global movement created as a means of providing both amateur and professional filmmakers with a place to create and screen their short-films.

Kino Auroville screening #001 featured 13 short-films with a total duration of 55 minutes. Each film had to be between 30 seconds and 6 minutes and it had to be just made within the preceding month. The results were astonishing - such a variety of genres, styles and contents with surprisingly high quality! The audience of 90+ film enthusiasts who found their way to Cinema Paradiso on this Saturday morning was clearly and audibly impressed.

The next Kino Auroville screening #002 will be on **Saturday, December 3rd at 10 am at Cinema Paradiso** and everybody is welcome to join in. Make your film now and just bring it to the screening. These are the requirements:

Kino films:

- have to be between 30 seconds and 6 minutes
- should not be an advertisement or fundraising video etc.
- should have 'Kino Auroville' (text or logo) at beginning or end
- should have been made within one month before the screening
- should not have been screened before (including online)
- should be presented at the monthly screening by the filmmaker in person

Contact us for any questions or to sign up for our e-mailing list: kino@auroville.org.in

Watch some of the monthly Kino films here: vimeo.com/groups/KinoAurovilleMonthly

Do well with nothing. Do better with little. But do it now!
Christoph, Fred & Tom [Kino Auroville is a project under MMC/Cinema Paradiso, a City Service]

Report on Visitor Access to Matrimandir

Dear Aurovilians and Friends, we are often asked by one or the other Aurovilian for details of how a visitor may come or be brought to Matrimandir. It came to our notice that it is time once again to share with you the details of the work we are doing and how it is being done.

We would also like to share with you the link on the Intranet where you could find known and related words of the Mother regarding access to Matrimandir. Please look up: www.auroville.org.in/page/known-and-related-words-mother-regarding-access-matrimandir

Aurovilian hours are from 6.00 to 8.40 am, 11.30 to 12.30 and 4.30 to 8.00 pm every day. We ask you to please respect these timings and refrain from coming to Matrimandir for your personal concentration during Visitor's hours.

The Visitors hours are from 8.45 to 11.30 am.

The visits are organised in the following categories:

1. **S Group:** Concentration for Aurovilians with family members and close friends.
2. **S Group:** Concentration for 'Special Guests' consisting of Officials and Dignitaries or those who come through official channel.
3. **A Group:** Concentration for visitors from outside Auroville who have come for concentration before.
4. **A Group:** Concentration for Ashramites, Ashram Volunteers and Donors who have come before.
5. **B Goups:** Concentration for first time visitors to Matrimandir.
6. **C Group:** Concentration for visitors who have come before for concentration staying in an Auroville facility holding a valid Aurocard. This group is open only during the visitors' season.

The times for concentration in the Matrimandir are:

- **S group:** 08.55 - 09.20 am (asked to come to VC at 8.15 am)
- **A group:** 09.30 - 10.00 am (asked to come to VC at 8.45 am)
- **B group:** 10.20 - 10.35 am (asked to come to VC at 8.45 am)
- **C group:** 10.50 - 11.20 am (asked to come to MM at 10.30 am)

How do visitors make a booking to come for concentration:

1. **Aurovilians with friends and family member** may call 0413 2622579 between 10 and 11.30 am or by email to mmconcentration@auroville.org.in at least 24 hours in advance or via a link on the intranet. The link is still being tried out and needs some modifications. It will be announced as soon as it is fully ready.
2. **Special Guests'** booking are taken by email from the different GOI and other offices, over a cellphone specially dedicated to this and/or personally over phone by Eric, Bunt, Shiva, Aamit, and the Auroville Foundation.
3. **A Group** visitors make their bookings by email (see above) or by phone 0413 2622204, between 10 and 11.30 am every day except Tuesdays.
4. **Ashramites and Ashram Volunteers** need not use any of the above services, they may collect their passes at the Ashram Reception before coming.
5. **B Group** visitors make their bookings in person individually at the Booking Office of the Visitors Centre, open: 10 - 11 am, 2 - 3 pm every day except Tuesdays. The 'in person' booking is needed only for the first visit.
6. **C Group** visitors may book like those of A group or by coming directly to the MM Access Office between 10 and 11 am any day except Tuesdays. They need to bring along their Aurocard. This group is open only during the 'visitors' seasons'.
7. **Donors** are taken care of by the 'Donation Desk' of the Matrimandir who make the appropriate bookings and receive them accordingly.
8. **For AVI Active Members**, we receive every year an updated list from the AVI Coordinator in Auroville and appropriate passes are issued to them for the same time as Aurovilians.
9. **Volunteers of Auroville** who are working during the visiting hours are in principle eligible for a pass in the afternoon.

These passes, however, are issued under certain conditions and after we have received a mail from their place of work from the Aurovilian in charge there.

How Many:

- The number of visitors in each group has to usually remain within 76. The seating arrangement has been made in a way that sufficient space is given to each visitor for an undisturbed concentration, ensuring a view of the Crystal.
- During weekends, public holidays such as the Christmas/New Year week, Darshan days and the Birthday week in February, the number of groups is increased to accommodate the greater number of visitors requesting to come for concentration.
- On an average we receive 300 visitors a day for concentration, 6 days a week.

Visits to the Park of Unity:

"The park of Unity must be surrounded by a kind of isolating zone so that it is solitary and silent. One has access to it only with permission." The Mother

"The Mother said:

The Shrine (of the Mother) must have a vast area - not like this (the Mother took her handkerchief in her palm and closed her hand), so small. Also there must be a silent zone. No vehicles should move in this area, there should be no noise of any kind...

... She resumed:

Beneath each tall tree around the Mother's Pavilion there should be small carved marble seats. People will meditate in the open and be one with the vastness of Mother Nature - the Mother of the multitude and Her Creation..." - Spirit of Auroville by Huta (page: 14 -15)

The above quotes are to remind Aurovilians the true purpose of the Park of Unity. Whether on our own or with a guest we have to keep in mind what is expected of us in order to maintain an atmosphere of peace and tranquillity in the Park of Unity.

Submitted by Srimoyi

Intercultural Exchange for Youth - Making Nets of Peace Through Image

Requirements:

- Students of Secondary Schools Age: 15 to 18 years old.
- Subject: The Cultural Heritage, material and no material. The natural environment where you live.
- Send: minimum 5 photos- maximum 10.

Criteria for Selection: Quality, creativity, name of the photo and epigraph

Closing day for sending them: December 10th.



E- Mail: atraccionemovimiento.proyecto@gmail.com

Name of the student:

Name of the School:

Director:

Teacher in charge

Address: City, State, Country.

Contact E-mail

Survey: (explicit, clear and synthetic.)

Which values get developed with the Intercultural exchange?

Is it important for your City?

For more information, contact:

anandi7@auroville.org.in / 2622547

Submitted by Anandi (Realization)

POSTINGS

'The Supreme'

House of Mother's Agenda received many questions about the two publications in English taken from 'The Supreme', that is 'Mother's Voice' and 'Ma Sri Aurobindo'.

The book can be bought at SABDA, Pondicherry.

With lots of gratitude for your interest in The Supreme!

GangaLakshmi, Savitri Bhavan, House of Mother's Agenda

Technical Project Development

"If at first, the idea is not absurd, then there is no hope for it." - Albert Einstein.

As an automation engineer with experience in robotics, healthcare and basic Android development, I am offering a project development service to help ideas gather the momentum they need with a working model or proof of concept. For further details: satish10101@gmail.com or 8095452093 (6-10 pm on weekdays and 10 am - 4 pm on weekends). *Satish*

Changing the aging program exploration from your own house

Rosa has already started this experiment about changing the aging program in our body through deep relaxation and a common sankalpa, open to explore how much we can affect and re-write the information in our DNA...There are about 20 Aurovilians involved in it at this moment... In order to facilitate that other interested people could join us without having to come physically to the ATB Hall at Transition School, some of these deep relaxations with the common sankalpa are being recorded and can be shared by email with a link, so that some

people could do it from their own houses, ideally at the same time i.e. Fridays at 5.00 pm or if not at a time that suits anyone better. If you are interested to join the experiment in this way, please send an email in order to send you the links... rosa@auroville.org.in [*"If one can smile eternally, one is eternally young" - The Mother.*] - Rosa

Study on grid penetration

A study on grid penetration at the distribution transformer level is being done to understand the implications of high concentrations of solar photovoltaic on the electrical grid. A pilot project is on-going in the Matrimandir micro-grid with the gracious support of the respective building stewards. If you have solar on your rooftop and would like to share information with us, we will appreciate your engagement. E-mail: info@aurovilleconsulting.com

Submitted by *Iram* (Auroville Consulting, Saracon, Kottakarai, Irumbai, Auroville, TN 605111, INDIA, aurovilleconsulting.com)

OPENING of TO BE TWO Showroom

Dear Friends and Family, TO BE TWO, a garment unit that originated from Auromode Atelier, cordially invites you to come celebrate the opening of our SHOWROOM located in Auromode on the 19.11.2016 from 10 am - 4 pm. Our garments and accessories are available at Kalki Boutique in the Visitors Center or at Kalki Boutique in Pondicherry. Looking forward to sharing our creations with you and showing you around! Love, the TO BE TWO TEAM (If you need any assistance please feel free to contact us at: tobetwo@auroville.org.in)

AVAILABLE

Available for construction:

Old Cajurina tree, 10 meters long and 40 inch girth - *Ambre*, 9489325088

Auromics sweaters

Auromics has many cotton and silk sweaters, useful for the coming colder season, dresses for ladies and kids, toys. Most items have very small defects. We would like to offer these for free to Aurovilians and Newcomers on Monday 14 November in our showroom from 9.30 am till 5.30 pm. It is located just below Afsaneh Guest house - *Bobby*

Office Space for Rent

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

Gas stove

A new gas stove, size 30 cm, purchased one month ago, never used. Contact *Krishna*: 786 79 660 69

Scooter with canopy

Second-hand scooter with a nice and cool canopy and helmets. Contact *Wu*: 78680 94798

Mobile

Brand new pink kitty mobile with 2 lovely handbags. 2.0'' 1cm, Pure touch-screen; 1.3 Megapixel camera (with Flash), MP3/MP4 a player and download, Bluetooth, FM, MMS, GPRS, E-Map (for GPS), Web camera, Built-in multiple languages, GSM850/900/1800/1900 MHZ networks- Contact *Wu*: 78680 94798

TVS Heavy Duty

Green color, august 2015, 10000km, very good condition. Contact *Anne-Sophie*: 9489002103 / annesophie@auroville.org.in

LOOKING FOR ...

New world tree seedlings available in Baraka

Baraka community has New World tree (bixa orellana) seedlings available. Bixa orellana is a very nice ornamental tree that makes beautiful flowers. The seedlings we grew are ready to be planted by the soon coming rainy season.

Please pass by. Mornings: [8:30 am to 12:00](http://8:30amto12:00.com) (Sundays excepted)
- *Baraka team*

Chess Mates

Hello all, if interested in playing chess (all levels, all ages), please contact *Dorian*: aurovillechess@gmail.com.

Chess Board & Pieces

Looking for chess sets for chess group - Please contact *Dorian*: aurovillechess@gmail.com.

A family of Nepali natives for Lilaloka

We are looking for a family of Nepali natives to stay and live on the land and do the work of watchman, plus some garden and cleaning work. If you have an idea, please contact *Rajan* on his cell phone: 7639845821.

A motorbike

Hello everyone, we are *Ion and Mira* (newcomers). We're looking for a second-hand bike. We are looking for a big bike - Hero Impulse or Honda Unicorn. You can contact us on the phone: 890 3205842 and by mail: ioncondei@auroville.org.in and mira.tonioni@auroville.org.in

A French teacher

I am looking for someone who would like to teach me French. *Sitara*: 9751798408 / tara@auroville.org.in

A used bike, chair & table

I will be living in Auroville for the next five months and would like to buy a used bike. I'm also looking for a chair and a small table (small in size, not in height) for my capsule. Please contact me at: vhauffe@gmail.com or 8870674357. Thank you, *Valerian*

Teenagers' voice-over

Hello everyone, a friend of mine needs teenagers' voice-overs for *Dora and Friends* in the following languages: French, Dutch, German, Portuguese. Anybody interested? Let me know at: 9487567593 - *Matilde Mir (Madhuca)*

Volunteers for Afro-Reggae Festival

Hey there, we are seeking for volunteers for the first ever Afro-Reggae festival to be held at the African Pavilion this 19th of Nov. More info will be given once you drop by to say hello! (Between 11 am to 5 pm) Get good vibes and ideas...See you! *African Pavilion*

LOST & FOUND

A ring (Found): Found on Wed. Nov 2nd in the Town Hall parking area: a thin ring with stone. If it is yours call 0413-2623763. *Lella*

Children bicycle (found): at Unity Pavilion - A children bicycle, white color, brand "Btwin Poply 300" locked with a blue number lock, got left in front of Unity Pavilion gate after an event about 2 months ago. In order not to have it stolen the Unity Pavilion staff moved it inside the compound and after some days put it into the storeroom. Dear young friend if you are missing your cycle which fits the description above, and you remember the number of the lock, come to Unity Pavilion to collect it. The cycle is in our storeroom.

THANK YOU

Heartfelt "Thank you" to Tamil people

While I was in Pondy on Thursday (Nov 3), my ancient moped simply stopped in a street and couldn't be restarted however hard or many times I tried. Before I got anxious, three rickshaw drivers came to help. They spent much time and effort trying to start the engine, and used their own and my tools to repair it. When all these efforts failed, one of them went and came back with a repairman. A rickshaw driver sent the moped and me to the repair place and the problem was fixed in less than 10 minutes. I was deeply touched. And it isn't the first time I've been showered with Tamil people's spontaneous kindness. Deeply, *Anandi Zhang*

Family Festival at Town Hall (30/11)

Dear Friends,
We would like to thank all those who came together to create the Halloween/Diwali festival at Town Hall on 30th October.

Furniture

Unlimited Tamil Nadu has its office in Auromode and we are in need of some furniture - like a little table and chairs for our coaching room. If you have any left-over please call us, *Rita*: 8940878665

2 kittens

Two really beautiful 8 weeks old kittens are looking for a forever home, together (or apart). They are incredibly sweet, playful and naughty and completely ready to cuddle into their new adoptive family's arms. Please contact *Chandana* 96266 51380 or *Aurora* 94435 35087

Laptop or computer with monitor

LFAU (Lands for Auroville Unified) is looking for a small laptop or computer with monitor in good condition for donor communication and related jobs. If you have an extra one lying unused and if you would like to donate, kindly inform at: lfau@auroville.org.in or phone number 2622657. We will arrange to collect it from your place. *Aryadeep on behalf of LFAU team*

A washing machine

Hello community, we at Ponyfarm are looking for a washing machine to share. If you have one in good condition to donate or sell at a reasonable price please contact me. 7094787692. *Elide*

Sewing machine

If anyone has a second-hand in good-condition sewing machine available for sale, please contact me. Thanks, *Tim* (ph.2622381 (home), 2622296 (work) or via timwrey@...)

An Amma

Revelation community is looking for an amma, spoken English essential. Contact: 9362461843

Glasses (Found): at Unity Pavilion - Yellow frame in a blue case, found at Unity Pavilion last day of the Selection Process. Please come and collect (ask *Chitra* or *Kasthuri*).

Green-oval Sun Glasses (lost): opposite Arati Entrance, near the Cycle Path going to Grace. Thanks for the help: anandi7@auroville.org.in -/ 2622547 - *Anandi (Realization)*

A phone (Lost): a Samsung Galaxy Grand Prime with a phone cover of cartoon Minion on 5th Nov 2016 on the way between Town Hall and Swayam Community. If found please report to me, much needed. *Anshula*. Contact No. 9463361880

The interest and involvement in the gardens, the cooking workshop and the wonderful seedlings donated by Pierre and Priya from Buddha Garden were amazing! All the kids with their Halloween painted faces (thanks, Jo and Team!) and the warm feeling of community with the collective singing in the circle along with pumpkin lanterns and beautiful candles from Deepam School were truly touching.

We recognise that celebration is an integral part of any community and is at the heart of our collective wellbeing. Such festivals are energisers for our community!

The gardens at Town Hall are an incredible opportunity for us to meet and collectively create a permaculture project that is a direct solution to the follies of industrialised agriculture — nutritionally, ecologically, culturally, socially and economically. They are, in essence, a model for us to bring local food to the heart of Auroville, community gardens, schools, public spaces. We can educate ourselves on the bounty that is around us: learning to cook it, and the cultural and medicinal values of local food.

Every Wednesday we meet at Town Hall at 3:30 pm. Please come for any amount of time – if you work at Town Hall at least pop in at tea-time and see what is going on, see how this could energise you, build community, start your own garden and get you eating more yummy local produce.
With love, *Krishna*

Thank Miranda (English teacher)

Dear Miranda, the whole English class wants to thank you for the 6-week course that you kept at the English Lab. We are happy to have participated and have learned so much with you. Your method of teaching is very addictive, fun and effective. Thanks so much for your enthusiasm in teaching English. A sweet hug from all your English class.

AA meeting

Hi, I was at Auroville for 2 weeks at the end of October, it was very important for me to go to a meeting of Alcoholics anonymous, like you surely known in AA there is no religion, only an higher power. For us ex-dependent of alcohol and drugs, we need a place and other members of AA to talk about our recovery.
I want to thank you Auroville to let us have a meeting!
I have been sober for 32 years, and it is very important for me to help other people and share my experience in a group.
André

A P P E A L

Financial Support Needed for Urgent Operation

Shaktivel has an appointment with CMC Hospital in Vellore for an urgent kidney transplant. For this OP he needs to pay 6.5 lakhs on the 17th of November of which he only collected up to now 1.7 lakhs.
Please donate to his health account at Financial Service, Acct No: 252340.
Any help is needed and helpful, thank you.
Angelika and Shaktivel (Solar Kitchen)

A New Roof for Eluciole Circus



Dear Parents, Units and other caring Auroville Friends,
We are still working on the new roof for Eluciole Circus!
The metal structure is in place now.
We need your help to finish the roof before the rains start!
so the children of Auroville can have a place to practice the beautiful yoga of the circus arts.

You can help by any amount to
Our account Eluciole circus: 252157

You can contact me for more information: (+91)9787332791

Thanks for all your support,
and for believing in this beautiful project that has been growing over the years.

Blessing, Love and Gratitude to all,
Kalou for Auroville Children

Youth Center Christmas Fair 2016: Donations needed!

Dear Aurovilians,

On the 17th of December the Youth Center shall host its annual Christmas fair. The Christmas fair is a popular Auroville tradition which is always very well attended by all age groups. On this day, the entire Auroville community is invited to participate in various activities such as live music, stage performance, thrilling games for children, rides, stalls, foods and much more. This is a day of celebration and fun which is organised for the community by the Auroville Youth.

To make this year's fair as fantastic as possible we need some help either in kind or in cash. We will sell donated products at the fair, or offer them as game prizes. The cash donated that we receive will be spent on:

Budget Plan

	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT IN RS
1	FOOD: [ingredients, equipment and cutlery]	55,000
2	DECORATION: [Lamps, wire, paints, cloths etc..]	20,000
3	SOUND SYSTEM: [Speakers, cables, chairs, Tarp etc..]	15,000
4	SHADING AND ROOFING: [Stage roof, bus roof, green net, stall roof, etc.]	20,000
5	OTHER EXPENSES	10,000
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	1,20,000

Donations can be put on the Youth Center's Christmas fair account number: 0099.

For in kind donation please call: *Babu* [80987364895], *Satya* [9751678103], *Kiran* [9443026311] or *Manolo* [9488483316]. We will gladly come pick them up.

Thank you! We hope to see you there!
The Youth Center team

ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE AND NEEDED

House-sitting: After a 5 months stay from March till August as a guest (working in PTDC and living in Creativity), I will stay in AV as a volunteer (at Auroville Film Festival with Krishna & Marco) between mid-November and mid-May, intending to become later an Aurovillian. I would enjoy finding a house-sitting in this period (I already did it for a month at Lieve's). I'm a responsible and organized mature woman, loving pets and

plants :-). Thank you for answering at this email: magali.adalios@orange.fr. Best, *Magali*

House available: My house in Quiet is available for house-sitting from 19th Nov till 17th Dec. This is best for a single person who enjoys animals. Please contact *Nandita*: shahnandi@gmail.com or SMS 9488483286

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

A full time job to involve in Savi activities

We anticipate some changes in the team that call for renewal; we need a responsible person to take care of the volunteers & interns assistance, with the following tasks:



1. Welcome interviews of arriving volunteers
2. Volunteers follow-up & records; visiting volunteers & mentors if needed (priority to foreign long term volunteers)
3. Counselling & Mediation when needed
4. Volunteer Introduction Program organization
5. "True stories of volunteers" monthly events preparation
6. Final interviews and testimonies records (experience feedbacks)
7. Relations with foreign educational institutions

After a period of 3/4 months, this team member is likely to handle tasks in the general coordination of the Savi processes.

For this position, we optimally search for a person (Aurovillian or Newcomer) of international exposure, with a good educational background and work skills/experience; s/he will show an interest for education, a sense of commitment, capacity to take responsibilities and adaptation to team work. A maintenance is available. Contact: dom@auroville.org.in with a CV and self-introduction letter.

Savi, a service for volunteers and interns -in Unity Pavilion

Visual Merchandiser for Maroma

Maroma, is looking for a visual merchandiser for their Kalki shops in Pondicherry and Maroma shop at Express Avenue in Chennai. The person should be fluent in written and spoken English with an eye for color, creativity and imagination. Qualifications in art and design, retail design, or retail skills will also be useful. Their job will be to plan and execute the shop window displays on a monthly basis along with maintaining the shelf displays. They will also be responsible for teaching sales staff on how to display products and retail skills. Please send your resume

to: maroma@maroma.com - Attn. Namrita, if interested to work at least half day on a daily basis.

With Regards, *Joshua Johnson (Human Resource & Product Sourcing Manager for Maroma)*

At CIRHU: Volunteers Coordinator Assistant

Dear Friends, CIRHU is looking for a Newcomer or a young Aurovillian ready to join our office for a long term commitment. We are looking for people with humor, flexibility, with a sunny disposition but ready to commit and to assume responsibilities. He or she will be trained as a coordinator of volunteers and interns, so basically it is about contact students, reply to their mails, being in contact with SAVI, Housing Service, various offices in Auroville, guest houses... then welcoming the students once arrived in Auroville, guiding them during the registration process, help them to join the team and so on. After some months of training a maintenance can be provided.

Giacomo (Coordinator of Volunteers and Interns for Auroservice)

Dutch native speaker needed

Avitra is looking for a Dutch native speaker, ideally for full-time, otherwise part-time, with a good command of English for an engagement in the area of proofreading, translation, dtp/layouting, coordination and client communication.

Dutch as mother tongue, and fluency in English (orally and in writing) is a must. A general inclination towards language-related work and relevant skills is a bonus. Specific dtp knowledge is not required, but general familiarity with work on the computer (and typing skills) is important.

Working times are in the range of 3-4 hrs per day, from Mon to Fri. The work would be done on-site and requires some travel (but working partly from home may be negotiable). If you're interested, please send us an email and we will give you more information. If you're not interested yourself but may know someone in your surroundings, feel free to pass on this message.

Michael - Avitra - Auroville international translators [phone +9786714857 / avitra@auroville.org.in]

TAXI SHARING

November 16th: Leaving Auroville at 9.00 am to go to Chennai Airport. The way back is already full. *Simona*: 9489511648

November 16th: I will arrive in Chennai airport on Wednesday 16.11 in the morning at 8.15 am - Anyone wishing to share the taxi by coming from AV to Chennai or going to AV - please contact me by email: klausbecker@berlin.de - Thanks and greetings, *Klaus*

November 17th: Arriving Chennai airport @ 2:15 am, so could share a taxi with someone going up for an evening/night flight on the 16th or someone coming in the night of the 16th/17th and wanting to get to Auroville. Email me (*Swaha*) at: SvahaUS@gmail.com. Thanks!

November 18th: Leaving Auroville at 1 am to go to Chennai airport (1 person on board). So, could share a taxi with someone who is going to Chennai for a morning flight on the 18th of Nov. Please contact me (*Tatiana*): 9159121258 / mahayoga108@gmail.com.

November 21st: We need to be at airport by 22:30. Suggested departure 19:30 - Anyone leaving or arriving wanting to share...Contact: Ulrich, Creativity, ulrich@auroville.org.in, 94433-62398

November 30th: Gertraud Erhardt-Banerjee arrives on 30.11.2016, 02.15 am, at Chennai airport with Emirates DK542 from Dubai. She would like to share a taxi to Auroville. Please contact: gertraud_erhardt@web.de

November 28th: Monday, leaving to Chennai airport with one person around 10:30 am. Coming back empty. Contact: *Mona - Yantra*: mona@auroville.org.in, 9443377168/0413 2622900

November 30th: I will arrive at Chennai airport, around 12.30 am with Air India, Terminal 1. Anyone wishing to share this taxi to Auroville, please contact: bettasalp@gmail.com - *Elisabetta*

December 7th: To Chennai Airport on the 17th at about 4 pm. Contact *Mireille (Samasti GH)*: 8098239606

HEALTH

Psychotherapy and Psychological Help and Healing Talks is again available

Former patients and new ones will get appointments by phone: 2623489 / Mobile 9443752847 after 15.11 2016 or mail: mychello@auroville.org.in - Michael (Madhuca)

AUROVILLE RADIO



Dear listeners!

With anticipation of the monsoon, cultural and other events have ceased. Here is an update from AV radio with recordings done in the past week:

[12 artists](#) talks about their experience at ceramics camp at Vidya Nagar
Loretta reads [Savitri, B. II, C. VII](#), and a session of [Mother's Q & A 4/4/56](#)
Gangalakshmi selection in French [Selections par Gangalakshmi 100](#)

Marineka continues with introduction of the Synthesis of Yoga by Sri Aurobindo with [Synthesis of Yoga](#), and [Synthesis of Yoga Chapter V](#)

Out of our regular programs are also [Thursday's](#) and [Monday's](#) news

Wishing you a happy listening, and you are welcome to pass by the AV radio office (morning hours) if you would like to take one of your favorite programs on a USB stick or maybe if you would like to participate....

Yours, AV Radio Team

SPORTS

MMA classes suspended

Dear Mixed Martial Friends,

This to inform you that due to the not very good physical conditions of the Master, the Auroville MMA classes are temporarily suspended. Hope to recover soon & well, and to fight with all of you again in our typical cheerful atmosphere. I will announce the restart of the course on the [Auroville Mixed Martial Arts Facebook Page](#). Stay tuned!

Giacomo

GREEN MATTERS



Cost-price cashews and veggies

This year, Foodlink sourced organic cashews from the communities of Adventure, Petit Ferme, Courage and Buddha Garden and processed them at Kilyanur (which has traditionally been a cashew processing center). Full, broken and split cashews in packs of 100/250 g are available at PTDC and Foodlink. If you want to reduce your environmental footprint, you can also buy loose cashews in bulk at Foodlink. Pls. call 2622107 in advance to place your order and bring your own container. In an effort to create transparent value chains, you will find a small brochure in the packets and on our notice board, giving you information about

the cashew plots. In keeping with our value of providing healthy, organic food to the community at affordable prices, we are happy to offer Auroville cashews only to the Auroville community at cost-price.

We are also glad that this year, despite inflation, we did not see the need to increase the price of vegetables. We still have a steady supply of seasonal vegetables from the farms, namely louki, snake gourd, coconut, cucumber etc. Recipes for such local vegetables can be found in the book by *Bhuvana* available at PTDC and at this website, maintained by *Priya* (www.earthtoeating.org)

Enjoy! *The Foodlink Team*



New funds

Thanks to the instrumentality of the pioneering Aurovilians who have managed the economy and governance so far to bring it to this remarkable stage. It seems we need to move to another milestone ahead towards our goal. The pressing time has come because the loopholes of the present system have started bothering many of us. Discussions are on the Auronet.

The present system does not assure supporting the basic survival needs of an inmate to live for their lifetime here.

Auroville does not have enough resources to maintain its residents with a basic subsistence at present. The people are taxed when they need the support.

We need to consider seriously what She states in 'A Dream': *'...In this place, titles and positions would be replaced by opportunities to serve and organise; the bodily needs of each one would be equally provided for,...'* and *'There, work would not be a way to earn one's living but a way to express oneself and to develop one's capacities and possibilities while being of service to the community as a whole, which, for its own part, would provide for each individual's subsistence and sphere of action.'*

My appeal to you is to help create a Fund or explore a regular flow of funds to Auroville or devise a mechanism so that this important aspect of Auroville governance is attended to and more trust is generated in Auroville. Now the soul is ready. The collective life of Auroville is being organised to realise the ideal of Auroville.

As we have come a long way from Auroville's inception materially, economically and in the field of governance I feel we should be able to assure a basic subsistence and health care to each and every Aurovillian for their life in Auroville.

RamaNarayana (Courage Community)[9487061185]

- The full text can be read along with the discussions in the following link on Auronet: www.auroville.org.in/article/59413

Ma - Sri Aurobindo

In fact, without Him nothing can move. Yes, it is like that. He is the Mover that is why it is well to recognise the good that He does for us. For always He leads us and brings us closer to the truth of our being, always the very best we can conceive of, always for our good, even if in appearance it is the contrary. Without faltering, He invites us to progress more. He brings us into the sanctuary of Truth where is found the source of Peace, Light and Ananda, where the Lord resides - the Immanent Divine (*Mother indicates the heart*).

There, in that immense cave of the inner being, one must plunge to find the inner support; one must descend and descend further, more and more, plane after plane, consciousness after consciousness, leaving behind all imprints, and enter into the very depths to find the serene Peace. Within this immense quietude of the being, far from the exterior noise, far from the anguish and the pain, far from the thoughts and the imaginations, far, far away from the waves of sensations, one must enter very carefully, there where the ego does not exist, to feel the Presence. There is yet further to go, still more to discover, to turn the consciousness inwards where the Power vibrates, all-powerful, which accomplishes everything. One must go still deeper where there is no act, no impression, no ego, no separate self, nothing but waves of joy and a vibration which is at the origin of everything, like that, equal (*gesture*), and of a perfect equanimity. To feel and be united in this perfect and immutable peace...then to enter into that serene beatitude where the consciousness is completely identified with the central being. There, there is no duality anymore, no existence anymore, nothing at all - to be one with this spark of the Immortal Flame, the Immanent Divine, the Unique and the One, the Soul that resides in us.

And still deeper down in this purifying Flame resides Sri Aurobindo - Immutable Ananda, All-Powerful, the Invincible, the Supreme Lord of our existence, the manifestation of the Omnipresence in existence, the Omnipotence in His effectuations, the Omniscience of the Supreme Power manifested; one who is the Goal, the Master, the Beloved, - who is also the Supreme Lord.

When one truly calls Him, it is from there (*Mother indicates the heart*) that Sri Aurobindo answers. It vibrates by His Name, with His consciousness, there resounds the name of Sri Aurobindo because His imprint is there (*gesture*).

In the very depths, it is He who resides... All existence lives by Him. It vibrates by Him. The whole universe vibrates by Him. He is there in everything, vibrant and animating by His Presence.

The delight of His Name penetrates and purifies all, rings and resounds everywhere in the sublime Joy, eternal and true. With His Name the existence takes on a meaning.

To rediscover the Immanent Divine hidden in everything in this whole universe...To find Him is the eternal game. To feel Him is to feel the immutable Peace of perfect Purity. To realise Him is to find the eternal Joy. To call Him is to unlock the doors of Infinity. This is the power behind the name Sri Aurobindo (*trance*)...

This, then, is the meaning of gratitude: that the Divine exists and a sublime Joy fills our being with a marvellous sensation of self-giving in an act of perpetual thankfulness, and we submit ourselves in a peaceful adoration to the Supreme Lord of our being.

But Mother, Sri Aurobindo has always said that You, You are within us.

Yes, it is true, perfectly right.

Me, I am there as a Presence in the Eternal Flame, the Power that animates and initiates the action, the Peace that renders all sweet and peaceful, the Joy that overflows and sublimates, the Light that purifies, and the Vibrations that sanctions.

Sri Aurobindo is there as a sustaining Entity, and me I am there like a Guide. In fact, it is the same identity in two. One, who observes, the Witness, and the other that effectuates, the Shakti.

So long as one has not realised that, one cannot understand anything. Anyhow, your gratefulness has been well accepted. He has heard your prayer and I give you my blessings.

Yes, my child, he who recognizes Sri Aurobindo and me, in fact, it is the same thing, the same identity, - for him all obstacles, all difficulties, all traps, all the so-called interruptions on the march towards the Truth, are swept away and removed for ever, - in this life, as well as after death and in the lives to come, till Eternity.

Yes, for Him. The Lord is all powerful.

Only to repeat: 'Ma - Sri Aurobindo, Ma - Sri Aurobindo'. (*Trance*).

That is enough. (*Trance*)

THE SUPREME, Conversations with the Mother, recollected by Mona Sarkar.

Submitted by GangaLakshmi (Savitri Bhavan, House of Mother's Agenda)

(Editors note: Reprinted this week in its integral version - last week's paper version had a misprint- Apologies to GangaLakshmi)

A City the Earth Needs - A Tree the City Needs

Considered as one of the most important Trees of Indian Forest, the Madhuca (Illupai in Tamil) has been known since remotest times for the excellent edible oil contained in its seed, immediately solidifying upon being expressed so it is often called "Butter Tree".

The Madhuca is the most important source of food for the forest dwellers in central India and those who roam the desert areas of western India. It must be guarded from deer and bears who will come for miles to eat the fallen flowers oozing their sweet juice. Its musk-scented flowers can be dried and stored almost indefinitely. Tasting almost like pressed figs, they are sometimes mixed with leaves of other plants and made into a vegetable-dish or into pudding or sweet meats. The fruit, which contains one to four shiny brown seeds is also edible. The outer skin is used as vegetable, the inner skin dried and ground into meal. The oil is used for cooking or made or made into soap or candles. It is thought that systematic cultivation of these trees in deforested regions of India and indeed elsewhere in the world, would provide a most potent protection against famine (from "the Garden of Life").

In 1992 I discovered one of those Trees just in front of the small round Building just next to the Kitchen in Vêrité and was curious about its sweet taste and dried itand Ho!, the people liked it very much in the Breakfast-porridge. I asked Joss where to get such a Tree for planting and he said he will provide many more, if anyone of you is interested to do as well. Please go to Madhuca community to view this Marvel (Japanese-stylish) in the entrance-area. It is at least 40 years old and becomes huge like a Banyan which means it is very very slow growing. A girl living there told me the squirrels are having their feast... People just don't know yet about the endless treasures of Mother Nature.

Please call me for your order at: 0413-2623038,

Schima-Dorit



Manisha and evolution in Classical Indian Music.

[Manisha Joshi - Hindustani Classical Music Performance: 11th November 7.30 pm - Sri Aurobindo Auditorium]

Music can be a social experience, but beyond that, it is a heart-and-spirit experience, especially Indian Classical Music. When there is a synchronisation of instruments, sacred language and voice, in their natural environment, the subtlety of all those energies climax to holiness.

Manisha Joshi, a professional singer based in Mumbai, always wanted to visit Auroville, and when the opportunity came, she decided that she wanted to share her other passion ...teaching. The final accomplishment of her stay is a Hindustani Classical Music recital, presenting classical, semi-classical and devotional music and also attempting to mix western and Indian styles together.

A master is above everything a spiritual teacher. She is supposed to take the microcosm of the spirit in you and make it shine and disperse it through the world. Manisha's voice does not only have the purity that one would expect in a Classical Hindustani singer, it also has a movement which touches certain chords of the heart, and this is what makes her so special.

According to her, the tradition can only get richer as its journey evolves, even if some think too many things are being mixed with it. Indian Classical Music has been slipping into all areas of life, from movies to devotional and modern music. Purity goes hand-in-hand with tradition, and, in a new trend of music, which touches a generation that wants to expand with new technology, Manisha decided to present us with a salad that she picked fresh from the garden of Auroville.

She will start with classical songs, revolving around Krishna, usually chosen in traditional concerts as they cover all area of human life and emotions.

Then she will go on with her 4 students, Lata, Meha, Paul and Maxime. She will perform a duet with Maxime and his magical Bansuri and will progress to a western and Indian duet that she will be singing with Paul, an accomplished theatre musician who played for the 100-year-old Shakespeare Globe Theater in London and also composes folk songs. This is will be her experiment with singing western lyrics and western tunes with her own Indian notes, trying to keep a similar octave.

By coming here, Manisha first gave a gift to herself. This same gift got transformed to a gift to her students, then to Auroville. This performance will prove to be very interesting as it combines a clear structure, features distinct elements, progresses coherently to attain a climax and also measures up to the standards of Classical Indian Music, and all of this with a precious 'evolutionary' aspect, so essential in music, as everything always changes.....Evolution, experiment, experience! What a blessing!

Chana Corinne Devor for Auroville Art Service.

For your calendar



AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

Meditation with Savitri read by Mother to Sunil's music
Every THURSDAY at sunset

We follow the sun and the timing changes with the season...

5.30 to 6.00 pm

Enjoy the beautiful open space, an immense sunset, heavenly music in the very center of Auroville!

Reminder to all:

The Park of Unity is a place for silence, meditation and inner work and is to be used only as such.

We request everyone: please **do not** use cameras, I-pads, cell phones, etc. No Photos.

Dear Guests, please carry your Guest Card with you

Access only for the Amphitheatre from 5.15 pm.

Please be seated by 5.25 pm.

Thank you.

Amphitheatre Team

CULTURAL EVENTS

Magnetic Fields at Auroannam

In this edition of Sunday Chill i.e. on Sunday 13th November,

We have Magnetic Fields from Pondicherry,
charming us and you alike with their delightful music.

Show starts at 5 pm,
to be followed by dinner at 7 pm,
which we prepare with so much love.

See you!

Bharat Nivas presents
Odishi Dance Performance

By Sangeeta Dash and her students
"Srishti - the creations of Sangeeta Dash"

Date: Saturday, 19 November 2016

Time: 8 pm

Venue: Sri Aurobindo Auditorium,

All are welcome

For more information, please see next week's news and on Auronet.

Bharatnivas@auroville.org.in - phone: 0413 2622914

Taiwanese Cultural Event

We would like to welcome you to our event on next Saturday, 20th of November, 3-5pm at Tibetan Pavilion

Where we will introduce the beauty, nature, spirituality and ecology of Taiwan.
There is also the Taiwanese and Indian seashell project done by Deepanam students
as well as Taiwanese coloring activities for the children.

It is a fund-raising event for the Taiwanese Pavilion (FS account: 251209) and will be followed by Taiwanese refreshments

Organized by our team: *Ally, Bruce, Yingying, Nien and Patti*

Please register with *Ally* (ally@auroville.org.in, 7639318959) so we can prepare refreshment accordingly.

INVITATIONS

Invitation to the first CAT



CAT - Create Auroville Together - is an initiative of your Residents Assembly Service
Let us meet where we are in touch with our inspiration and feel the resonance, the heartbeat
of Unity in Diversity!

When: Tuesday 15th November 2016 - between 3:30 to 6:00 pm

Where: Unity Pavilion

Theme: Town Planning

THE CITY WE FORGOT...

Auroville is a dream for all humanity. It does not look like other cities, has different priorities. It was designed to change us and change life. How did the city happen and why does it wait to be realized? - **An exploration with Anu**

THE CITY WE DIDN'T FORGET!

Reflections - subjective & objective & practical - in ways the city is pushing to manifest itself, despite us - **With Tim, Judith, Helmut, Toine and you...**

Please book yourself for the next CATs: 2nd CAT on Tuesday 22nd November 2016 is on **Integral Economy...** more details to come / 3rd CAT on **The Charter...** more details to come

CAT is a collaborative space to move together from a relative stagnant system to a culture that unleashes our creative energies

CAT is a springboard for the future and let Auroville build us

CAT is a Space to respond with discernment, respect and in a spirit of collaboration instead of reacting to issues based on likes, dislikes and distrust

We invite individuals, initiatives, projects & groups to contact us and book their CAT.

Come and let yourself be surprised.

If it is raining put on your raincoat and come!

Love, *Inge from Residents Assembly Service and the CAT support team Mita, Sandhya*

[For more info and booking of your CAT Visit us in our RAS office, TownHall first floor / or phone us under 26223701 or write a mail to us: cats@auroville.org.in]

TALKS, SEMINARS

Ganga - The Journey of Self Discovery

A group of students and facilitators from Auroville undertook an adventurous journey - "A river trail - Ganga Yatra" as a part of an Experiential Learning course.

We would love to share our experience at large with the community.

Please join us on 14th November, at 5 pm at SAIER Conference Hall.

On behalf of Ganga Yatra Team

CLASSES, WORKSHOPS

Inner-Work-Workshop

Introduction to the Integral Yoga of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother

15th November (Tuesday)

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

Focus this week on: 'The Inner Being'

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

Place: Savitri Bhavan

Time: 9 am to 12 Noon (please be present by 8.50 am for preliminary study)

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

Tai Chi Hall - Short Pause

November 17-22, there will be no classes at the Tai Chi Hall. We will resume on the 23rd.

Nada Yoga - new schedule

Tuesdays 2 to 4 pm - In Creativity hall of light. Nada Yoga or Yoga of Sound teaches us to perceive sounds in different parts of the body that are connected to the central energetic channel. These ancient Yoga techniques re-align the energy flow and give peace and quiet serenity. In addition to these techniques, during the classes we will also learn many devotional songs.

Contact *Hamsini*: 9487544184. She has been a perpetual student of Nada Yoga for 14 years and has been teaching it for 5 years.

New: Vocal Coaching and Sacred Chanting

We will explore and learn how to develop your vocal instrument. The second part of the class will be dedicated to learning Mantras, Kirtans and Bajhans (devotional and peace songs).

Mondays from 2 pm to 4 pm at Creativity at hall of light.

Contact *Hamsini*: 9487544184.

Community Permaculture Gardens

We meet Every Wednesday from 3:30 to 5 pm at the Town hall permaculture site to manage the gardens and to learn more about permaculture and local food. Krishna: 9843319260

Feminine dance for all women - now 2 sessions

In Cripa, Kalabhum: Tuesdays at 4 pm.

An additional class will be held by Priscila on Fridays at 7:15 am.

Feminine Dance has historically been a mystical art, a dynamic method to experience the energies of the Universe. We will create an opportunity to reconnect joyfully to our body, reawaken the flow of feminine energy, move to the living pulse of life and have fun in the loving presence of other women. Bring comfortable dance clothes. A flowing skirt and hip scarf are recommended.

Contact: galit@auroville.org.in

Buddha Garden adventures in cooking and eating are back!

Every Thursday you are invited to join Sivakala in the Buddha Garden kitchen to learn to cook traditional Tamil food. It will start at 10.30 am and finish with lunch together. Places are limited so please book if you can.

To find out the menu (which will depend on what food is available) and any other information please contact Sivakala: 9585975292 - who will be leading the adventure.

NVC Deepening - Intermediate Practice



Let's dive deeper... Let's practice... For those who already have some prior NVC experience.

- Nov 17 (Thurs)
- 9.30 am-12.30 pm (3 hours)

More info & register (and for venue info) - contact *L'aura*:

joylivinglearning@gmail.com

Limited seats. Registration required.

Connection as Life Energy



Introduction to Nonviolent Communication with *L'aura Joy*, NVC Certified Trainer

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

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

- Nov 19-20 (Sat-Sun)
- 9.30 am-5 pm (with lunch break)

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

More info & register (and for venue info): contact *L'aura*:

joylivinglearning@gmail.com

Limited seats. Registration required. Full participation required (2 full days).

Yoga classes- asanas & pranayama

Iyengar tradition suitable for all levels

Tuesdays and Saturdays: 7.00 am to 8.00 am

Fridays: 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm

New Creation Sports Resource Center Hall (opposite basketball ground), Kuilapalayam.

For further information, please write olesya@auroville.org.in or contact: 915 905 2743

Women Circles @ Joy Hall

Red Tent on new moon

Venue: Joy Community Guest House

Date and Time: Monday the 14th of November at 7:30pm

Facilitated by Prem Shakti

We will gather in the circles of women on the New moon in order to honor the Sacred Menstruation and connect to its hidden gifts, to synchronize our bodies with the cycle of the nature. We will co-create a safe, nurturing and loving space to be relaxed in our feminine energy of transformation, to support oneself and each other and to connect to our bodies, hearts and souls on individual and collective level.

On full moon we are creating a sisterly space to connect heart to heart and to source and share our inspirations. By supporting each other's gifts and visions we will align with our full

potential and create visible culture and consciousness shifts in our life, Auroville and other parts of the world.

Goals

1. Connecting to our individual and collective values
2. Connecting to spirit of Sisterhood
3. Bringing awareness about sacred menstruation, conscious conception,
4. Mothering, and menopause as equally important events of women's life, and
5. Finding creative ways off supporting each other in those life transitions.

Working on rising of collective and connective consciousness

6. Recognising our Limbic imprints and coming out its web
7. Transforming pain into pleasure
8. Awakening our feminine energy
9. Reclaiming the forgotten knowledge of past when women were wise, grounded, centered and connected. When every woman was a healer, a midwife.

The circle will start at 7:30-9:30 pm but we will invite people to start arriving at 7:15 pm.

This will be the first Women Circle of many; the next one is on Tuesday 29th of November.

For more Information Call 944 36 17 308 or 79 04 62 0585

Family constellations with Moghan

Saturday 19th November: 9 am to 6 pm

- Creativity hall of light

Please contact: moghan@auroville.org.in / 9751110486

Sketchers' Club

We plan to organise an outdoor sketching event every week, at a new location, from 4 pm onwards, every Saturday. On 12th November, we shall gather at the Visitor's Center and spend the evening sketching the location. The main purpose of starting this club is to enjoy the activity with fellow sketchers to observe and draw the location. If you enjoy the idea of being in the open, record the reality as you see it, you're welcome to join us!

Love, Lakshay / 9810052574

Note: This is not a teaching session.

Schedule: Sketching club trips shall happen every Saturday, 4 pm till sundown, where we all shall be visiting different places in and around Auroville.

Materials required:

Any drawing medium you prefer.

Sketchpad... and whatever you need to enjoy sketching

Cheers! Lakshay Dharan

Exploring Drawing

Nov. 18-19 Fri.-Sat. / 9-5 (2 hrs. out for lunch)

Creativity Atelier / All materials provided

Fixed fee for Guests / donations happily accepted

PLEASE call Audrey 0413-262-2641 reserve early, leave your name and # on my answering machine and I'll call you back.

The workshop does not happen for less than three or for more than six.

SCHEDULES

Workshop in VERITE

Please contact Vérité to register (24 hour advanced registration required) for the following workshop:

0413-2622045, 7094104329 or programming@verite.in. Contributions requested from guests/volunteers (volunteer reduction by advance application only)

- South Indian Organic Cooking with Rajaveni & Suba
Friday 18 November - from 9.30 am to 12:30 pm

Participants will pick some fresh organic vegetables from the garden with a local team and then learn how to cook them with traditional recipes, and enjoy eating the results!

RAJAVENI is an Aurovillian who has been coordinating the Vérité kitchen for 20 years, and SUBA has been working there for the last 10 years. Both are Tamil women from the neighboring villages, happy to share the local culture with all.

Watsu sessions & Baby swim at Quiet

As long as there are no rains, Watsu sessions at Quiet Healing Center are still available in our heated warm water pool. For bookings, please call the reception at 0413-2622646/2622329 or 9488084966 (mobile).

Also, Baby swim classes for babies between 2 and 14 months are offered by Appie on Tuesdays at 9.30 am.

For more info, contact Appie at 9488818065. Please check with the reception on Tuesdays between 8 and 9 am!

FILMS



C I N E M A - Bharat Nivas - AUDITORIUM
(Film starts at 7:45 pm SHARP!)

- Friday 11 November: "Tale of Autumn" - by Eric Rohmer - France, 1998.

- FRIDAY 18 NOVEMBER: 7:45 PM (sharp!)
"A Passage to India"

- Directed by David LEAN - UK-USA, 1984

With: Judy Davis, Victor Banerjee, Peggy Ashcroft

Synopsis: The film is set in the 1920s during the period of growing influence of the Indian independence movement in the British Raj. This is the epic story of an Indian man, who befriends a British woman and then is accused of raping her; which escalates and endangers the relationship between Britain and India... The screenplay is based on the 1924 novel of the same name by Edward Morgan Forster. The film received eleven nominations at the Academy Awards, including Best Picture, Best Director for Lean, and Best Actress for Judy Davis for her portrayal as Adela Quested.

Original English version with English subtitles - Duration 2h.44'

Note: We request everybody not to bring and eat food inside the auditorium. Thank you!

THE FRENCH PAVILION & CIRHU

Present

"LUMIÈRE"

A documentary by P.A Starubinger

Saturday, 12th November 2016, - 5.00 pm
Cinema Paradiso (Town Hall)

Can we survive without taking food or water for weeks, years, decades?

The director interviewed doctors, researchers and scientists all over the world but also people who experienced long fasts.

This film explores not only traditional Asian spiritual knowledge but also unveils the last discoveries and explanations of quantum physics.

French version - Duration: 89 minutes

AT SAVITRI BHAVAN

Monday, 14th of November, 2016 at 6:30 pm
"THE MOTHER - TERRACE DARSHAN, 1965-1973"

106 Photographs of The Mother selected by Her.
Photographer: Sudha Sundaram;
Photo-presentation prepared at Savitri Bhavan by Tatiana.
Duration: 39min in HD Video.

THE ECO FILM CLUB

Sadhana Forest, November 18th 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!!

HUMAN-Vol 2

86 mins, 2015 Directed by Yann Arthus-Bertrand
What is it that makes us human? that we love, that we fight?
That we laugh? Cry? Our curiosity? The quest for discovery?
Driven by these questions, filmmaker and artist Yann Arthus-
Bertrand spent three years collecting real-life stories from
2,000 women and men in 60 countries. Working with a
dedicated team of translators, journalists and cameramen,
Yann captures deeply personal and emotional accounts of
topics that unite us all; struggles with poverty, war,
homophobia, and the future of our planet mixed with moments
of love and happiness.

(Reminder: Friday - November 11th:- Dr. Seuss - The Lorax.)

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VISITOR CENTER MOVIE SHOW

17th November Thursday 8 pm

JASON BOURNE (2016)

Genre: Action/Thriller / Rated: PG 13 / Dur:2:03 mins /
Language: English/Subtitle: English
Dir: Paul Greengrass / Cast: Matt Damon, Tommy Lee Jones,
Alicia Vikander

Story Line: Jason Bourne is again being hunted by the CIA. It
begins when Nicky Parson a former CIA operative who helped
Bourne who then went under and now works with a man who's
a whistle blower and is out to expose the CIA's black ops. So
Nicky hacks into the CIA and downloads everything on all their
Black Ops including Treadstone which Bourne was a part of.
And Heather Lee, a CIA agent discovers the hack and brings it
to the attention of CIA Director Dewey, the man behind the
Black Ops. He then orders Parsons be found and hopefully
Bourne too

18th November Friday 8 pm

BFG (Big Friendly Giant) (2016)

Genre: Fantasy/Adventure/Drama / Rated: PG 13 / Dur:1:53
mins / Language: English/Subtitle: English
Dir: Steven Spielberg / Cast: Mark Rylance, Ruby Barnhill,
Penelope Wilton

Story Line: A girl named Sophie encounters the Big Friendly
Giant who, despite his intimidating appearance, turns out to
be a kind-hearted soul who is considered an outcast by the
other giants because, unlike them, he refuses to eat children.

"Restoring Connection"
FILM FEST

Women for Justice

Sunday 13.November 2016 at 10 a.m.
in Saiier Conference Hall

A documentary screening and live Q&A
About a women's justice movement in Gujarat.
Nimisha Desai will be present with us, for a live Q&A.
There will be English and Tamil translation.
All are welcome - please invite your ammas!!
More info: See last week's News&Notes or Auronet

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).

NB: Messages with large attachments (more than 1 MB) will not reach our inbox.

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

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

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

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 Paradiso

Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium

Film program 14 November 2016 to 20 November 2016

Internet & Modern Technologies series: The birth and development of the Internet cannot be seen only as a source of information and communication. There are concern with the social implications of the technology; new social networks, virtual communities and ways of interaction that have arisen, as well as issues related to cybercrime. Here we bring you a spread of film touching on the subject!

Internet/Tech Series - Monday 14 November, 8:00 pm:

• **LO AND BEHOLD, REVERIES OF THE CONNECTED WORLD**
USA, 2016, Dir. Werner Herzog, Documentary, 98 mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG

Society depends on the Internet for nearly everything but rarely do we step back and recognize its endless intricacies and unsettling omnipotence. Presented by NETSCOUT, a leader in service assurance and cyber security, the director explores - in a playful yet chilling examination - our rapidly interconnecting online lives.

Internet/Tech Series - Tuesday 15 November, 8:00 pm:

• **EX MACHINA**

UK, 2015, Dir. Alex Garland w/ Dohmna Glendon, Alicia Vikander, Corey Johnson, Mystery-Sci-Fi, 108 mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated: R

Caleb, a 26yrs old programmer at the world's largest internet company, wins a competition to spend a week at a private mountain retreat belonging to Nathan, the reclusive CEO of the company. When Caleb arrives at the remote location he finds that he will have to participate in a strange and fascinating experiment in which he must interact with the world's first true artificial intelligence, in form of a beautiful robot girl.

Internet/Tech Series - Wednesday 16 November, 8:00 pm:

• **ZERO DAYS**

USA, 2016, Dir. Alex Gibney, Documentary, 116 mins, English-Persian-German-French-Hebrew-Arabic-Russian w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG 13

It is a film detailing the claims that America/Israel jointly developed a malware Stuxnet that is being deployed not only to destroy Iranian enrichment centrifuges but also threaten attacks against Iranian civilian infrastructure. The film provides a behind the scenes take on the discovery and the development of the virus, as well as the political developments that caused it to spiral out of control.

Internet/Tech Series - Thursday 17 November, 8:00 pm:

• **WHO AM I - KEIN SYSTEM IST SICHER (Who Am I)**

Germany, 2014, Dir. Baran bo Odar w/ Tom Shilling, Elyas M'Barek, Miles Heizer, Crime- Thriller, 102 mins, German-English w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR

A skilled young hacker finds his life in danger after forming a collective that seeks social justice through the infiltration of international security systems

International - Saturday 19 November, 8:00 pm:

• **FLORENCE FOSTER JENKINS**

UK, 2016, Dir. Stephen Frears w/ Meryl Streep, Hugh Grant, Simon Helberg, and others, Biography-Comedy, 111mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG-13

In the 1940s, New York socialite Florence Foster Jenkins dreams of becoming a great opera singer. Unfortunately, her ambition far exceeds her talent. The voice Florence hears in her head is beautiful, but to everyone else it is quite lousy. Her husband St. Clair goes to extreme lengths to make sure his wife never finds out how awful she truly

is. When Florence announces her plans for a concert at Carnegie Hall, St. Clair soon realizes that he's facing his greatest challenge yet. Based on true events this film at its core is about passion, love, and support!

Children's Film - Sunday 20 November, 4:30 pm:

• **THE SECRET GARDEN**

UK, 1993, Dir: Agnieszka Holland w/ Kate Maberly, Maggie Smith, Heydon Prowse, and others, Drama, 101mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: G

A young British girl, born and raised in India, loses her parents in an earthquake. She is returned to England to live at her uncle's estate. Her uncle is very distant due to the loss of his wife ten years before. Neglected once again, she begins exploring the estate and discovers a garden that has been locked and neglected. Aided by one of the servants' brothers, she begins restoring the garden, and eventually discovers some other secrets of the manor.

WOODY ALLEN Film Festival @ Ciné-Club

Having a penchant for humour and wit, Woody Allen still stands tall in the entertainment industry for his ability to express emotions using slapstick humor. Magnificently endowed in the field of creativity, Allen is also a comedian, actor, director, playwright and a jazz musician - who draws most of his inspiration from literature, philosophy, psychology, Judaism, European cinema and New York City.

Ciné-Club - Sunday 20 November, 8:00 pm:

• **WHAT'S NEW PUSSYCAT**

France-USA, 1965, Dir. Clive Donner-Woody Allen w/Peter Sellers, Peter O'Tool and others, Comedy, 108mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG

Michael James, a notorious womanizer, desperately wants to be faithful to his fiancée Carole, but runs into serious problems since every woman he meets seems to fall in love with him. His psychoanalyst Dr. Fassbender can't help him either since he's busy courting one of his patients who in turn longs for Michael. A catastrophe appears on the horizon as all the characters check into the Chateau Chantelle hotel for the weekend not knowing of each other's presence.

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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