News & Notes

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It is a mistake of the ethical or religious mind to condemn Power as in itself a thing not to be accepted or sought after because naturally corrupting and evil; in spite of its apparent justification by a majority of instances, this is at its core a blind and irrational prejudice. However corrupted and misused, as Love and Knowledge too are corrupted and misused, Power is divine and put here for a divine use. Shakti, Will, Power is the driver of the worlds and, whether it be Knowledge-Force or Love-Force or Life-Force or Action-Force or Body-Force, is always spiritual in its origin and divine in its native character. It is the use of it made in the Ignorance by brute, man or Titan that has to be cast aside and replaced by its greater natural — even if to us supernormal — action led by the Light of an inner consciousness which is in tune with the Infinite and the Eternal. The integral Yoga cannot reject the works of Life and be satisfied with an inward experience only; it has to go inward in order to change the outward, making the Life-Force a part and a working of a Yoga-Energy which is in touch with the Divine and divine in its guidance.

All the difficulty in dealing spiritually with the works of Life arises because the Will-in-Life for its purposes in the Ignorance has created a false soul of desire and substituted it for that spark of the Divine which is the true psyche. All or most of the works of life are at present or seem to be actuated and vitiated by this soul of desire; even those that are ethical or religious, even those that wear the guise of altruism, philanthropy, self-sacrifice, self-denial, are shot through and through with the threads of its making. This soul of desire is a separative soul of ego and all its instincts are for a separative self-affirmation; it pushes always, openly or under more or less shining masks, for its own growth, for possession, for enjoyment, for conquest and empire. If the curse of disharmony and perversion is to be lifted from Life, the true soul, the psychic being, must be given its leading place and there must be a dissolution of the false soul of desire and ego. But this does not mean that life itself must be coerced and denied its native line of fulfilment; for behind this outer life soul of desire there is in us an inner and true vital being which has not to be dissolved but brought out into prominence and released to its true working as a power of the Divine Nature. The prominence of this true vital being under the lead of the true inmost soul within us is the condition for the divine fulfilment of the objects of the Life-Force. Those objects will even remain the same in essence, but transformed in their inner motive and outer character. The Divine Life-Power too will be a will for growth, a force of self-affirmation, but affirmation of the Divine within us, not of the little temporary personality on the surface, — growth into the true divine Individual, the central being, the secret imperishable Person who can emerge only by the subordination and disappearance of the ego. This is life’s true object: growth, but a growth of the spirit in Nature, affirming and developing itself in mind, life and body; possession, but a possession by the Divine of the Divine in all things, and not of things for their own sake by the desire of the ego; enjoyment, but an enjoyment of the divine Ananda in the universe; battle and conquest and empire in the shape of a victorious conflict with the Powers of Darkness, an entire spiritual self-rule and mastery over inward and outward Nature, a conquest by Knowledge, Love and Divine Will over the domains of the Ignorance.

These are the conditions and these must be the aims of the divine effectuation of the works of Life and their progressive transformation which is the third element of the triple sacrifice. It is not a rationalisation but a supramentalisation, not a moralising but a spiritualising of life that is the object of the Yoga. It is not a handling of externals or superficial psychological motives that is its main purpose, but a refounding of life and its action on their hidden divine element; for only such a refounding of life can bring about its direct government by the secret Divine Power above us and its transfiguration into a manifest expression of the Divinity, not as now a disguise and a disfiguring mask of the eternal Actor. It is a spiritual essential change of consciousness, not the surface manipulation which is the method of Mind and Reason, that can alone make Life other than it now is and rescue it out of its present distressed and ambiguous figure.
Work Group Report

Forest Group Meeting 05 February 2016 at Nine Palms

Present: Diego, Kumar, G. Vengadesh, V. Boobalan, P. Elumalai, Ambre, Ingrid, Julu, Mari, Sandeep, Bhama, Mohini, Satyaaji, Ilango, Aurore, Rita (chair), Rollo (guest), Enea, Madda, Shanti, Aravinda, Jasmin, Laurence, Eric, Shivaji, Kannypappan, D. Segar, Ilyanar, Prabhu, Jan, Jeremy, Jonathan, Kareem, Quentin, Dominik, Glenn, Xavior, Yuval, Rishi, Achilles, Alain, Cathy, Tierry, Nadine

1. The Forest Group was informed that it could no longer use the city service vouchers, new vouchers would need to be made with “Auroville Forest Group” as the heading.

2. Prabhu came again to express his wish to take up work in the Forest and settle there, he has informed the group by email of his intent.

3. Forest Group members wishing to be on our mailing list should send a requesting mail to Glenn via the group’s mail: forestgroup@auroville.org.in.

4. Mohini from 9 Palms presented a building application for her house and explained the chosen site. The group agreed in principle for her to build a house on the chosen location. Comments were made about the description of the building materials and she agreed to look with her architect at bringing it in line with the Forest guidelines and present again a detail drawing to the group.

5. Kareem from Forecomers presented his housing application for a house he plans to build himself, which will be built partially on foundations of an old structure. The group approved his request and recommended that he should inform the Green Group.

6. Segar, SAIEER transport, has requested to take stewardship of 3 plots that make up 5 acres, of which he was leasing from the landboard last year for cashews. He was recommended to take this request to the next level by meeting with all the direct stewards in the area on the land to discuss his plan and to keep in mind that doing green work on these plots does not automatically mean that settling on the land is possible. A meeting was set for 12/02/2016 at 4 pm.

7. Shivaji and Shanti (9 Palms) and Quentin (Revelation) reported that a local farmer has pushed into Auroville land and reported that a local farmer has pushed into Auroville land and that Shivaji and Shanti as stewards were requested again to write to AVES and WC to ensure that this is followed up and the poles removed ASAP. Quentin brought a document from AVES which states that the electrical line passing through Revelation that the landowner wants to connect is a temporary one and at some point will be removed.

8. Succession of presence and settling on FG places was discussed and the potential need for guidelines. It was felt by the group that this complex issue is so dependent on each particular place and the needs and investments of the steward that the most efficient way to deal with this is on an ad hoc basis, of which a FG sub-group would be formed to work with the steward, new potential stewards and other necessary AV working groups. This has been successfully implemented in the past in such cases as Fertile Field, Evergreen etc.

9. Jasmine presented an invitation for fund raising for land “LANDING AUROVILLE”, which will happen on Sunday 7th Feb from 4 to 6 pm at the Unity pavilion.

10. Nadine and Thierry came to introduce themselves and express their wishes to find a place to build their Yurt and work in the forest. Also Alain/Cathy came to share their wishes to work and settle in the greenbelt forest area. Both parties were explained that FG does not have any land that requires a new settlement and that so many people have come over the years pursuing this same goal without much success. They were explained that their best avenue of exploration would be contacting existing settlements or following up on a new initiative by landboard/housing to settle people on small unutilized plots.

11. Iyyanar (Freedom) came to request the official stewardship of 3 small plots of cashew plantation that he manages and wants to develop. He was requested to draft a potential future land use plan for these plots which could then be forwarded to the landboard/TDC/FAMC with the request.

12. The Green security group was discussed and it was reiterated that presently Fabian (9585509205) is the coordinator for an emergency. Diego will resend the present list to the FG email and requests any new volunteers to add themselves and old to update cell numbers etc.

15. Next month’s forest meeting will be held at Baraka, on Friday, 4th March. 

A big thank you to the Nine Palms clan for hosting such a harmonious meeting!!

Wastewater Treatment Plant

The TDC announces the proposal for a waste water treatment plant in the Residential Zone for a two week period of feedback. The feed-back will be collected and discussed by the persons mentioned below. The conclusions will be published in News & Notes.

WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT Residential Zone - Follow up meeting

Wednesday, February 3rd 3 pm at CSR and Friday, February 5th 2016, 11am, L’avenir.

Present: Tency, Christian and Tom (Water Group), Toby and Sauro (L’avenir), Jan (Study on Waste Water), Joseba (project holder Maitreyee), Sonja (Housing), Nele, Fabienne and Mario (Residents); Christian, Tom and Sonja attended only on 3rd February and Mario only on 5th.

Background: Several new housing projects coming up in the Residential Zone II are in urgent need of a waste water treatment facility. An assessment of the multiple small waste water treatment plants that have been built over the years in the Residential Zone shows that many of them are not working properly. They suffer from poor maintenance and are a cause of nuisance (bad odor, mosquitoes and flies). Some of the systems are more than 20 years old and the structure and pipe systems leak. A detailed study on waste water management was conducted for the area. The study comes to the conclusion that the use of individual small waste water treatment plants should be discontinued and that a single treatment plant with a sewer system network would be the preferred option. The findings of the study were presented at the General Meeting: January 27th 2016 (on invitation by RAS and L’avenir). However difficulties have been encountered acquiring a suitable plot for the treatment plant and the pipes leading to it. The time frame is estimated at 2-3 years, which is too long to be a realistic solution for the new residential projects. The follow up meetings were held in order to find a workable solution.

Summary and conclusion of the meetings:

1) A single, temporarily, treatment plant, well maintained and expandable for future needs, would be the best option (see point 6 also);
2) The number of residents who are in immediate, urgent need of waste water treatment facility (Maitreyee & 2, Serenity, Sanjana and Swayam) is about 300 persons in 5 projects. Other projects might be connected later;
3) A pilot treatment plant with sewage system network to connect these projects will be built;
4) A feasible location has been determined as being in the triangle formed by the Ring Road, the Vikas Radial and Maitreyee (see attached map). The exact location will be decided based on an adequate (and equal) buffer distance to all residences in the area;

5) The communities will be connected with a gravity-flow sewer pipe system. As interim solution the treatment plant will consist of a set of settlers and the treated water will be percolated into the ground. The sludge will be retained and digested at site until it can be pumped off and transported by sludge truck to a suitable location for post processing;

6) After 1 year of operation the plant performance will be evaluated. The results of this assessment will determine whether the operation of the plant is to be expanded and upgraded, or if an alternative location has to be found to build an additional /substitute plant;

7) Reliable process supervision and adequate maintenance of the plant are key factors for good operation. An annual budget has to be provided to ensure this on a long term basis;

8) Planning, designing and implementation of a sludge processing plant should start, a suitable place needs to be found and allocated.

See map on Auronet

TDC

Funds and Assets Management Committee (FAMC)

January 2016 Report

Regular members: Anandi (Auroville Board of Services), Chali (Sri Aurobindo International Institute of Educational Research), David (Forest group), Michael (Auroville Unity Fund), Ranjith (Working Committee), Rathinam (Budget Coordination Committee), Sauro (L’avenir d’Auroville), Sonja (Housing Service), and Ulli (Auroville Board of Commerce).

Temporarily out of station: Matriprasad (Auroville Council); Mr. Srinivasmurty (Finance & Administrative Officer, Auroville Foundation; currently Secretary-in-Charge) is no longer attending.

TRUST & UNIT TOPICS

The Auroville Board of Commerce (ABC) recommended, and FAMC approved, the reappointment (after initial 2 year term) of executive Anita at White Ant Studio. The other executives are Fabian, and Elvira.

ABC recommended, and FAMC approved, the reappointment (after initial 2 year term) of executive Shandra at Eye See. The other executives are Sourya, and Aurovic.

ABC recommended, and FAMC approved, executive changes at New Dawn Carpentry. Appointments of Chaitanya and Dhanasu, and the resignation of Carlos. The other executive is Ricardo.

ABC recommended, and FAMC approved, creation of the new commercial unit, Aurinoco Systems with executives Chandresh, Manu, and JV. The activities as listed on the unit application are: Auroville community network, including fiber optic infrastructure deployment across whole of Auroville; setting up network centers and community centers to bring intranet services to Auroville units and residents.

ABC recommended, and FAMC approved, the formal closure of the unit “Sunbliss Cafe”.

The Auroville Board of Services (ABS) recommended, and FAMC approved, Auroville Health Service executive resignation of Alice. The remaining executives are Manfred, and Franca.

The ABS recommended, and FAMC approved, Integral Health Service executive changes: reappointment (after initial 2 year term) of Sumeet, and the resignation of Veronica. The current executives are: Jocelyn B., Ruslan, and Manfred.

The ABS recommended, and FAMC approved, Auroville Village Action Group executive changes: appointment of Bridget, and resignations of Santo, Auralice, and Kathy. The current executive is Abha T.

As requested by the FAMC, the ABS created a provisional new team at Eco Service that started work on a trial basis in mid-December. The team is composed of Kali (Part-time supervisor and liaison to advisers/AV and other outreach (and sales/scrap dealers), Alex (Part-time supervisor, admin (all) and liaison to advisers/AV and other outreach, volunteers, education), and Palani K. (Full-time site manager, maintaining all book records & employee matters). Provisional Advisers for Eco Service are: Ribhu, Chandrah N., Angela R., Shama D., Sourya S., Auralice, Gillian, Marc B.. The ABS has been requested to work with this the team on a budget through 31 March 2016.

FAMC continues to follow the situation at Hers. One member spoke with one of the executives and several pertinent questions were answered. FAMC await an updated Hers trial balance sheet, and information on a first stock taking. FAMC would like to see another executive added to the team, who will work in the Hers shop on a daily basis.

The Free Flow Trust trustees informed FAMC that from 1 April 2016 they would no longer welcome Auroannam under the Trust due to ‘non-cooperation’. The trustees have asked Mawite, the executive, to find another Trust. In response to this notice the FAMC wrote Mawite that she needs to be under a Trust or the unit will need to be closed. Mawite was requested to submit a trial balance sheet before the end of the month. Free Flow Trust was requested to document in detail the steps they had taken and the facts concerning “non-cooperation” which was their stated reason for asking Auroannam to leave the Trust. Mawite responded to the FAMC however a trial balance sheet was not submitted. FAMC have asked the Free Flow Trust trustees if they’ve had renewed contact with Mawite.

FAMC have been reviewing balance sheets in regards to outstanding loans and liabilities. FAMC asked the Guest Facilities Coordination Group (GFCG) to check in with Sharnga Guest House about their loans and liabilities. Some information was provided by the Sharnga Guest House executive. Upon review of this further information the FAMC requested the Guest House Trust that Sharnga Guest House should not allow any further loans (Rs. 5 lakhs and more) without checking with the Trust first (reference the ABS Guidelines). Also the trustees were requested to work with the current executive to identify and appoint a second executive (pending from March 2015).

FINANCE TOPICS - nothing new this month

LAND TOPICS

FAMC met with Land Board (LB) members to discuss: stewardship, land purchase and sales, and the Swami land exchange.

HOUSING TOPICS

Housing Service (HS) and Housing Board (HS/B) wrote to both the BCC and FAMC requesting support to be able to provide additional grant funds to youth, in addition to the usual Rs. 4 lakhs per annum. An allowable grant would be up to Rs. 7 lakhs only. This is meant for 2nd generation Aurovilians; for youth of Aurovilians living and working in Auroville for many years. The grant would be provided per ‘housing’, not to an individual, therefore a young couple would be eligible for Rs. 7 lakhs maximum. The request was approved by the FAMC.

FAMC asked L’avenir to provide the No Objection Certificate (NOC) for the Humanscapes housing project as soon as practically possible.

It was reported to the FAMC that the HS has gone through the usual process to transfer the housing asset used by Petra Janko. There has been one request for stewardship. Many Auromodèle Community residents seem to be favourable to the potential new steward however the closest neighbours are being given ‘final say’, and they are reportedly often out of
Auroville, and are refusing to accept the family who wants to move there. FAMC has requested the HS to take a collaborative and cooperative approach: invite the residents to meet; ask for detailed objections which may be responded to.

FAMC was asked by the HS/B to consider the best use of the housing asset formerly stewarded by Juanita, in Felicity. The exploration is ongoing.

HS has been allocated site permission in the International Zone for temporary housing. The land is being encroached and needs fencing for protection. FAMC approved in principle to pay for required fencing from cyclone relief / land protection funds. Two estimates will be submitted to the FAMC.

OTHER TOPICS
The FAMC and Working Committee (WCom) met and discussed:
1. Swami land exchange status; 2. space allocation in general (underutilized assets); 3. Governing Board (GB) approved “Guidelines" (for Commercial Trusts and Units under the Auroville Foundation) to be updated and changed to "regulations".

Gowri and Raman have continued to live at Service Farm while talks of using the land for exchange have been ongoing. FAMC received a communication from them that help is needed with fencing, water, and house repairs. The HS will see to the housing asset. FAMC have sanctioned funds to repair a part of the fence that was damaged by TNEB work, and to establish a water connection with the closest village. Perhaps a 'country' bore well will be installed since the ancient one has collapsed and is unrepairable. In parallel, FAMC are insisting that access to New Service Farm no longer be blocked by the adjacent farm manager.

The FAMC met with the Auroville Council subgroup that worked on the FAMC mandate revisions. There was an open sharing. Several points were clarified by the subgroup, and changes the FAMC requested were noted by the subgroup.

Following up from previous reports
In September it was reported that the ABC wrote to the FAMC that guest houses are incoming generating units and should be moved from being under the purview of the ABS to that of the ABC. In January the FAMC met with representatives of ABC, ABS, and the GFCG to discuss guest house registration. There was an open sharing during which it became clear that flexibility is needed to address the current reality. In the subsequent conversation among the FAMC members it was decided to create a new Trust to oversee those guest houses that offer more than accommodation. FAMC has formed a subgroup to formulate the Trust special objectives, and make any trustee recommendations. This is a time-sensitive task as new Trusts are approved by the Governing Board (GB), and the GFCG to discuss guest house registration. There is normally a very crowded place, in fact way too small and inadequate to face the challenges. However, we are very happy that a new project is in the pipeline for an integrated reception to Auroville called “The Welcome Hub." This new public facility for Auroville would be sited in the International Zone and care for all those who wish to engage with Auroville in a way beyond what the Visitors' Centre is there to do.

Anyone who wishes to stay in Auroville for some time as a volunteer, guest, or potential Newcomer can avail themselves of a more or less one-stop service in this welcome house where the offices of Entry, SAVI, and Guest/Accommodation Services share the same space along with counters for the other needs that may be there. If you can do your C-form, get an Auro-card, sim card, place to stay, a place to work, find out everything you need to know to join Auroville, as well as rent a bicycle and have a cup of tea; well, wouldn't that be a blessing! By the time Auroville is fifty, let's do this.

The Aspiration Program for Newcomers (Aurovilians join too) and the Welcome Talks for applicants all continue on a regular basis. Another fun potluck at Dreamers’ Cafe for Newcomers (Aurovilians too) took place on February 6th.

New members are joining the Entry Service. We are beginning trial periods with Girli, Christiane, and Aurora. Jitta will be moving on beginning of March. Ishita will be concentrating only on the B-forms. Others have volunteered as resource persons or for special assignments.

Now there is the go-ahead from the Auroville Council for the New Entry Policy. We begin on 21 February with the statuses of Friend of Auroville (re-instated), Spouse/Relative of Aurovillian, and Associate of Auroville. The Mentor aspect of the policy is still coming together after some workshops organized with potential members.

As mentioned in the Working Committee Report (N&N 6 Feb), visa policies have tightened up and overstaying or misuse of visas result in blacklisting your name so that renewals are not granted. This has already happened to some Aurovilians. The Auroville Entry Visa is only valid for living and working in Auroville itself, and any travel inside or outside of India must be registered in the Entry Service for Newcomers or in the Residents' Service for Aurovilians. Please keep track of your own passport/visa expiry (start at least two months before expiry) to avoid disasters.

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Last note for those starting a Newcomer Process: please return the Newcomer Kit (the five forms needed to start) within one month after you pick it up. The Kit cannot be accepted until all the forms are done. Entry Service does not have time or staff to chase people with reminders. If the Kit does not come back in time, the Newcomer process goes on hold. We have to keep moving but that depends on the Newcomer . . .
From The Entry Service


We would like to inform the community that our team is happy to recommend the following persons as Aurovilians and Newcomers. We will wait for two weeks (Newcomers and Returning Aurovilians) and one month (Aurovilians), from the date of this publication, for your feedback, before confirming.

AUROVILIANS:

Balaguru RAMASAMY (Indian from Madurai) - Staying at Promesse, working as a technician at AUREKA.

Chitra BALAGURU (Indian from Chennai) - Staying at Promesse, working as a hygiene inspector and senior caregiver at Health Services.

Annalisa CASELLATO (Italian) - Staying at Maitreye 2, working as a technician at AUREKA.

Gregory Paul HAYLLEDICK (South African) - Staying at Reve, working as a consultant for the Dairy Group and also as a coordinator for circle gardens.

CHILD OF AN AUROVILIAN:

Praveena BALAGURU (Indian from Madurai) - born on 21/06/2014, studying at Deepanam school.

Erin Male HAYLLEDICK (South African) - born on 12/06/2006, Home school.


NEWCOMERS:

Sebastien CUENIN (French) - Staying at La Ferme, working at Botanical Garden.

Rosanna ZIGONI (Italian) - Staying at Sve dam, working at Auromics.

Deepa MANIKANDAN (Indian from Kuilappalayam) - Staying at Dana, working at Deepanam & Dehashakti.

Gael Le VASSEUR (French) - Staying at Reve, working as a guest house manager at Reve.

Margarita (ISORA) GONZALEZ (Spanish) - Staying at Dana, working as a receptionist at Pitanga.

Gabriel BELLONI (Argentinian) - Staying at Reve, working as a carpenter at New Dawn.

N.B. The announcements done in the News and Notes are FOR FEEDBACK ONLY and sometimes, after announcement, there can be either an extension of status or a decision to stop the process. We have added Confirmation Section below:

CONFIRMATION OF NEWCOMER STATUS:

Simona SAVARDI (Italian)

CONFIRMATION OF NEWCOMER TO AUROVILIAN STATUS AFTER ANNOUNCEMENT IN N&N AND CONSIDERATION OF FEEDBACK RECEIVED FROM RESIDENTS:

Beatrice BALDACCHINO (French)

Berengere (Bee) BERIEAU (French)

Maria Teresa ALEMAN (Spanish)

Gianpietro COLLA (Italian)

Paula MURPHY (USA)

Jeremy Wakefield ROSKE (USA)

We will soon invite you to fill in the B-Form request for a meeting with the AV Foundation Secretary with the aim to add your name to the Register of Residents.

Dear Newcomers,

The Entry Service team would like to inform you of the timings designated specifically for you to collect or submit the Newcomer Kit. Please pass by our office in Town Hall during these hours only: Monday & Wednesday at 2 pm to 4 pm. Please return these Kits within one month or the process goes on hold. We are open for B-Forms and Recommendation letter matters, on appointment only.

For all other matters, the office is open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10-12am, except for every last week of each month when we are closed to the public to do the internal office work.

The Entry Service team (B, Chitra, Eva, Ishita, Matilde, Neeti, Jitta)

Minutes of the General Meeting on Restructuring TDC

2nd February 2016 in SAIER.

75 people were present and it was a very good topic-related discussion. Participants received clear answers from Carel (WCom), Sauro (TDC) and Aster (Governing Board). Helmut and Ganesh explained their situation, pointed out some shortcomings and mistakes, and stated their intention.

The following points were clarified:

1. Who is willing and able to do what? (We need to look at our maintenance system).

2. How should these new people be included in our existing TDC structure?

3. What work can be done in House or needs to be outsourced?

It was agreed upon to organize a 1 day workshop around this topic soon.

A preparatory meeting on a possible workshop took place on the 8th of February in the office of the RAS. We were present: Amy, Christiano, Fabian, Ganesh, Jaya, Meera, Mona, Pashi, Peter, Sauro, Suhasini and 2 members of the RAS.

A workshop would be premature; the same team will meet again soon.

With Love, Your Residents’ Assembly Team

News&Notes 13th February 2016 [636]
AVC Report

Dear friends,

After an extended period of scattered reports on different topics, here we are to give you a consolidated report on the different major topics in the Auroville Council. As you know, we have 3 new members - Sandrya, Marc and Sundar - and we take this opportunity to welcome them once again! Here are some of the topics needing update:

Growth

Entry Policy
Following the last round of meeting with those who “strongly disagreed”, a report was published in the News and Notes dated 9th of December 2015 upon making minor modifications to the drafts. There have been 2 “Mentor Pool” workshops since then that have been well attended. Following this, we met with the Entry Service, RAS and Study Group to see how best to move forward during this transition period of exploration and change. Four things were observed:

• The present Entry Service is once again understaffed and an urgent call was needed to be sent to the community. This was announced 3 weeks ago.

• The new policy is not an end in itself. It is simply a starting point of an exploration on visioning “Entry” into Auroville, and needs deeper reflection together with the community for the next few months. The Study Group (Jaya, Isha, Helena) will help put together these “visioning workshops” that can widen and strengthen this new approach to welcoming people to Auroville.

• The present office space of the Entry Service is neither welcoming nor sufficient for the demands of the new policy, where different statuses have been introduced. A new project called the “Welcome Hub” is being envisioned presently with Project Holders K.V. Babu, B and Dominique.

• The proposed new Entry Policy will continue to explore the “Mentor Pool” as well as implement the new statuses of joining Auroville. The Auroville Council will help the Entry Service to make the necessary changes as seen in the new policy, such as revised application forms, administration etc.

In the spirit of experimentation, the next 18 months will be a continued process of learning and change, with the active participation of the community.

Economy

FAMC Guidelines / Mandate
The last General Meeting was an exploration on the questions “Should FAMC be composed through a selection of members from the community according to their skills and vision for an holistic approach for the Auroville Economy, or constituted by members representing a large number of working groups well aware of day to day issues?” The feedback received again in the General Meeting has been compiled and is now being processed by the subgroup of the Auroville Council who will then pass the results of their work for further action. A decision making process for the same will be held soon.

Aurocard: The various individuals and groups (financial services, IT, BCC) were contacted to understand the problems faced by units and individuals with ‘Aurocard’. Different ideas and proposals have emerged. Currently, it appears that the Financial Service is in charge of this problem and strives to continue to follow the subject to achieve a practical solution for all.

Infrastructure

Housing Policy
The Auroville Council formed a sub-group in October to review the Housing Policy. Following that, the sub-group continued its work until the beginning of December, at which point we felt the need to pause and reflect, perhaps open to the community for more input on directions to take. Since then, we have met with members of the Active Residents Assembly who took on the topic of Housing. We are envisioning a collaboration with the larger community. We will publish more on this topic soon.

Education

Workshop guidelines
The precedent AVC asked Auroville Campus Initiative, as Resource Persons, to come up with guidelines for workshops held in Auroville by foreigners receiving compensation for their work in their own country without any contribution to Auroville, except the use of some hospitality venues. ACI then presented to the new AVC, guidelines which were addressed to all the stake holders of workshops, both Aurovilians and non-Aurovilians. AVC received strong reactions from the main stake holders. A new subgroup was formed, composed by: Guy (Quiet), Dominique (Savi), Dhanya (Verite and AIP), Vikram (AV consulting ), Bridget (Pitanga), Joster (Inside India ), Veronique and Daniel for the AVC. The Subgroup is working on defining the field of action and the legality of these activities taking in consideration the new legislation. The work is in progress.

Justice

Windarra arbitration implementation
The Implementation Monitoring Group (IMG) was composed of Ramalingam, Iyanar, Jeff for the Farm group, Mandakini and Eric for the Workingcom, Auroanand and Daniel for the AVC. The group has met every Thursday in Windarra thanks to the hospitality of Hendrik of Aurospirul and in the Town Hall. The questions - where is Human Unity, what is farming today in Auroville, how workshops can be integrated - have been explored. The implementation of the arbiters’ decision continues with minor adjustments based on ground reality. The Auroville Council hopes that after the time of division unity will prevail.

Other topics worked on presently:

Justice:
Appeal Process
Proposal for platform to help people with empathy
Environment
Mobility
Garbage disposal in Auroville bio-region
Economy
Leaving Auroville Allowance
Food - Facts
Infrastructure
Space allocation in Town Hall for the different offices
Media/ communication
Proposal for moderation on the Auroville Intranet
Health
Goup relocation and rehabilitation
Mental Health / Care for the elderly
Relations
Management of Integrated Animal Care
Loud parties at Youth Centre
Organization
Matrimandir - new executives and assessment of internal functioning
ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTHER’S ROOM DARSHAN ON 21ST FEBRUARY 2016 & 29TH FEBRUARY 2016
(14TH Anniversary of the Supramental Manifestation on Earth)
Tokens for Darshan will be registered on:

Days: Tuesday 16th & Wednesday 17th
Timings: 9 am - 12.30 pm and 3 pm - 6 pm
At: PITANGA, Samasti.
This is a service for Aurovilians & Newcomers only.

We inform you dear friends that from now on we will not be able to take requests on mail (Sorry for the inconvenience). So to register your name(s) for Mother’s Darshan tokens, we invite you to come or send someone to Pitanga with a requesting note. We will do our best for your requirements. Registration on phone will be taken only for people who are sick or not mobile.

Collection of tokens will be on Friday 19th and Saturday 20th at Pitanga from 9-12.30 pm and 3-6 pm

Darshan timings: The token given by the Ashram enables you to go for Darshan usually between 12 noon and 4.30 pm with the limit of 30 persons per slot. The time slot 3.30 - 4 pm is reserved for Aurovilians taking the bus.
Transport: The bus will start from Matrimandir at 3 pm following the usual route and coming back to Auroville at 6 pm. The trip is restricted to those who are going for the Darshan.

Reminder from the Ashram: Auroville will not be granted extra tokens, beyond 240 tokens provided in the regular 8 time slots.

Reminder from us: There are four ways to go to Sri Aurobindo’s Room or Mother’s Room without a token on Darshan days.
You may join the queue of devotees at 5-6 pm on the previous day, spend the night waiting on the street and enter the Ashram compound for Darshan from 3 am onwards.
You may go on the day itself, join the queue between 3 am and 6 am.
You may go in the morning of the Darshan day and get your token at the Ashram. In this case you will probably need to wait or come back later at the time indicated on the token.

You may join the queue on Darshan day before 5 pm as the queue is generally over between 5 to 6 pm.
Kumar, Mallika, Meha, Susmita in collaboration with Pitanga team

Welcome to another Manifestation workshop on the Way Forward!

Dear Aurovilians and Newcomers!
Join us in our continuing efforts to align our individual actions with our collective vision. This process was strengthened by the Auroville Retreat 2015!
Be open and allow yourself to be inspired by Sri Aurobindo’s words:
“How long will you tread the circling tracks of mind
Around your little self and petty things?
But not for a changeless littleness were you meant,
Not for vain repetition were you built;
Out of the Immortal’s substance you were made;
Your actions can be swift revealing steps,
Your life a changeful mould for growing gods. “
‘Savitri’

Tuesday 16th February 2016 from 10 am - 5:30 pm
Lunch break 12:30 pm - 2 pm at Unity Pavilion
Share the Power of Collective Aspiration
Explore Abundance
Combine efforts
See how you can free yourself from your daily routine
Either - full morning - full afternoon - or full day!
The YEP team offers to take care of the children in the afternoon - TANTO Pizza will be offered for lunch against a contribution of Rs 50/- per person (sign up by sending a mail to: raservice@auroville.org.in)

Love, Residents Assembly Service (Inge, Slava and volunteers)

Houses for Transfer or Exchange

Stephanie’s House at Discipline (Transfer)
Free standing house / two stories
Ground floor: 2 bed rooms with bath attached / Living and kitchen.
First floor: Big hall
Store room, fully Solar Energy

Kayandana’s house at Transformation (Exchange)
Free standing/ two stories
Ground floor: Verandha, Kitchen, Utility, dressing
First floor: bedroom, sit-out, toilet

Warm Regards,
Housing Service Team (Satyakam, Devasmita, Sonja, Balu, Venkatesh, Vika, Ole)

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Arts for Land
Here is a first update on the newly launched initiative ARTS FOR LAND: So far a total of 70 art works have been generously donated by 25 artists - paintings, sculptures and ceramics. Thank you, Auroville artists!!
Already before Sunday’s Landing Auroville event, it became clear that with the number and quality of the works donated, it would be necessary to allow more viewing time and to open the auction to a wider public, therefore we would launch the initiative and start taking bids, but not conclude any sales on that day. The art works were beautifully displayed at the Unity Pavilion during Sunday’s event. By the end of the evening, offers (and in some instances, counter-offers) were received for 8 works totalling over 1 lakh rupees.
Photographing and cataloguing all the pieces is in process, as is preparing a site for online viewing and sales / auction.
Unity Pavilion has kindly offered to keep the larger paintings, as well as sculptures and ceramics on exhibition; options are presently being explored to make the entire body of work accessible as a single exhibition. We will keep you updated as Arts for Land unfolds its wings!
Any suggestions or offers for collaboration are most welcome!
Contact: LFAU or aravinjajasmin@auroville.org.in (tel. 97877 97814).

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Windarra access

As part of the road development in the Industrial Zone, a new access is needed from the Ring Road to the Kottakara-Alankuppam tar road. The present entrance goes through Kottakara or through Alankuppam, both options are sub-optimal. This access has been looked at for many years and areas have even been reserved to develop a new road to connect the Ring Road with the mentioned tar-road.

The necessity is to open up and connect the Industrial Zone. Applications for units are put on hold because the Industrial Zone cannot be accessed and the project holders end up requesting a site in the Reve area due to this absence of access.

All alignments that were studied have one feature in common: they will affect Windarra. The Northern route is not possible because of private lands and the closeness to the spirulina farm. The Southern route is impossible because the road would cross farmland and pass too close to existing houses.

There is already a (mud) road right in the middle of the community, running from East to West. The TDC's proposal is to widen this road and make it ready for four-wheelers, i.e. a stabilized road (like the Transition Radial) of approximately 5 meters width with a 11 meter wide carriage way.

This access road with an entrance to the Industrial Zone needs to be protected by an adequate entrance gate. The TDC proposes to make a gate equivalent to the one at Visitors Centre.

POSTINGS

YEP

We, the YEP Team, are happy to welcome your children in YEP WEEK, a program for guest kids age 7 to 12 which will be held weekly from Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 1:30 pm. The kids will be taken from place to place to discover and experience Auroville in an authentic way, through visits and activities set-up and facilitated by Aurovilians. The children will be involved in community life, play interactive games and have fun. To register your child please contact us via email: yep@auroville.org.in, or call us on: +91 763921750 (if we are not reachable on phone please send us an email). Mirrabelle & Aurore (Fertile)

From Ecoservice

Dear ALL,
It is one month now since the new Team has been active in Ecoservice. We hope the transition has not been too disturbing for the communities.

The team has been focusing on understanding this impressive waste machine we seem to have created. Let's share a few facts!

Last month YOUR Ecoservice collected 12.7 tons of stuff, from which 9 tons has been separated into 60 different categories and sold to local dealers and 3.7 tons (24%) has been buried into Auroville’s land (landfill)!! By recycling we diminish the pressure on our natural resources (tree, mineral...). When the stuff comes to Ecoservice if it’s DIRTY and WET, it is landfill, so let’s make an extraterrestrial effort to keep it CLEAN and DRY!

We would be very happy to welcome any citizen of this planet to come by and see the reality behind the waste bin. Palani, Kali, Alex

Women Temple: Date Correction

7-9 pm, Wednesday 17th. February (not 27!!! as the flyers say by mistake) - Butterfly Barn in Sve-dame (more info in last week’s News & flyers). Dariya

The TDC will survey this area beginning next week (16-02-2016).
See map on Auronet

Sincerely yours, L’aventur d’Auroville/TDC

INVITATION = All are invited to attend Auroville International’s General Assembly meeting at Unity Pavilion’s multipurpose hall on Saturday morning, 20 February from 9.45 am onwards. During the meeting, Centres’ activities will be presented and new AVI Board members elected for the coming two years.

The invitation also counts for the various presentations given to AVI members throughout the year by Aurovillian project holders regarding their respective projects, plans and undertakings. Daily from 9.30-12.30 in the morning and 2.30-4.30 afternoon, also at Unity Pavilion.

A detailed overview of the scheduled meetings will be posted on the door of the Unity Pavilion main hall, as well as on Auronet.

For all AVI matters, contact vani@auroville.org.in/ This column is maintained by mauna@auroville.org.in

Permaculture

Dear Friends,
We hope you are enjoying to see the emergence of permaculture at the Town Hall. I am convinced, due to our deep aims and intentions in Auroville, that we can become a leading light on a global level in using permaculture in public spaces. The work is fun, it creates community, we get to work with people we don't usually have any interaction with, it reconnects us back to the earth and our food. This is a big call to all those who think about these things and don't manage to make the connection, we need you! A community based public space permaculture project needs the community!!! So come along and get involved. Learn something that you can re-create at home and let's honor Mother Earth together!

No workshop this Saturday

Love, Krishna, Greg, Martin, Xavier and team!

Creating a Readers’ group on Mother’s Agenda in Italian

This is an announcement for creating a Readers’ group on Mother’s Agenda in Italian for Italians.

L’AGENDA DI MERE: Gruppo di lettura in Italiano con Jannnaka - C’è come una favola dietro a tutto questo….Qualcosa di indicibilmente bello, una storia che Sri Aurobindo ha cercato di far scendere sulla terra: e adesso è certo che si sta realizzando!!...Jannaka invita a Luminosity i New Comers ed i turisti italiani per condividere IN ITALIANO alcuni momenti dell’Agenda di Mere. Mercoledì 17 febbraio ore 17 Le fotocopie dei passi proposti sono pronte gratuitamente. Chiamate Jannaka al 948.762.96.48 o scrivere a lestellenoi@gmail.com.

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**Available**

**Office Space**

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

**Motorbike Honda Hero Splendour Pro 97cc**

With electric start, built November 2013, colour black and blue, in good maintained condition, 7650 km, insurance until January 2017 + seat cover + saddle bag, PY registration. Contact: evelyneginouard@wanadoo.fr - Evelyn (AVI France)

**Row houses with garden in Sanjana Housing Project**

The work is going on in Sanjana Housing Project between Arati and Sukhavati communities. There are still row houses with garden available in the range from small studio to a three bedrooms apartment in our last block. You are most welcome to have a look and choose between different sizes. The construction of this block is expected to be completed end of 2017.

For appointment and details please contact Veronica: veronica@auroville.org.in.

**Computer / cellphone technician**

I am in touch with a competent computer / cellphone technician who is now available for work in Auroville. He has B.Tech in Computer Technology plus Cellphone Certificate, lives locally, speaks English, and is well known to me since many years. If you see any possibility of making use of his skills, or can perhaps place him in some other context, please contact me. Thanks, ph.262-2296 work; 262-2381 home; email: timwrey@auroville.org.in - Tim

**100% Cotton Cloth**

Happy to share with you all a new technology of solar powered loom & a 100% cotton cloth not organic but definitely not less than organic as it is weaved on solar powered loom. The cloth is available in white & natural color (Off white) with zero shrinkage. If you want to buy or want to have a look at this technology, you are always welcome at the Unit, SHRI AROHAN, Kottakarai, back side of Ganesh Bakery. Or you can reach me on mobile number 944285046 or through mail on: sanjaykusale@auroville.org.in / sanjay.kusale@gmail.com. Sanjay.

**Hindi/Sanskrit teacher**

I am looking for someone with prior experience to teach me basic Hindi and Sanskrit for an hour, 2-3 times a week, for the next 2-3 months. I'm an absolute beginner, so a little patience one, that is a bit heavy, and not a mountain bike. To give or to sell, I would be more than glad to be contacted at: eliaskassner@hotmail.de or 7094384792

**A desk chair and a couch.**

My name is Elisa, I am a student at Future School and staying in AV for a total of 4 month! As I recently moved into Kailash I am looking for a desk chair and a couch. If any of these two (or maybe both) are in your possession and you'd be willing to rent, donate (would pass them to Kailash after my time) or sell, I would be more than glad to be contacted at: eliaskassner@hotmail.de or 7094384792

**Lady cycle**

I am looking for a simple lady cycle, not the Indian traditional one, that is a bit heavy, and not a mountain bike. To give or to buy. Thanks, Fanny 894 023 16 13

**Java language teacher**

Someone familiar with Java language to teach me the basics of this object oriented language (OOL). I have programmed in machine language and HTML4 so I am familiar with the basic concepts of programmes, but I know nothing about OOL. I have 3 weeks here at Auroville to learn it and can devote 2 or 3 sessions a week with an affordable tutor. jockm2@gmail.com or phone JockM at Needam Guest House, Tel 0413 2622359

**Job**

My name is Kowsalya d/o Selvi and I am an Aurovillian living in Courage community. I am looking for a job and I am a fresher and I have completed my master degree in computer science in Pondicherry University in the year 2015. I could easily adopt the work whatever the job is. Recently I am doing voluntary job in Kindergarten. As my mother is having difficulty to run the family as we are three girls so I just have to find out a job and help her out. As I am a fresher I would like to gain some experience and I know that people would look for experienced person. But it would be nice if the freshers could have chance to gain or get the experience. If you find out if any job vacancy is available please call me to this number: 9489861069 or 2623393. Thank you...with regards, Kowsalya.

**Shelf, chair and rugs/carpet**

Looking for a low long shelf/bookshelf, a wooden chair and a carpet or rugs. If you have any of these items and don't want them anymore please contact: tisamri@gmail.com or call/message me on 9486422616. Amrita
**Steel cupboards or shelves**
Do you have any steel cupboards or shelves to help us store art supplies in a semi-outdoor environment? If you have one you no longer need, one we can even creatively fix up and use in our new art center, please contact us! -Krupa for Sankalpa: krupa@auroville.org.in

**LOST & FOUND**

**Brown leather wallet (lost):** May have dropped at the Pink Floyd concert (Bharat Nivas). If found please call Centre Guesthouse. Yvonne Ryan

**Camera (found):** A camera was found in the Sri Aurobindo auditorium in Bharat Nivas, on the 2nd of Feb. If you lost your camera there, kindly write a description of it to: kalai@auroville.org.in to confirm. Kind Regards, Riju

**THANK YOU**

**Landing Auroville**

Thank you to everyone who brought their energy to the celebration of LANDING AUROVILLE!!
We thank Rakhal, Aachal, Karen and all who helped make these amazingly inspiring videos.
We thank Soundarya, Yaroslava, and Chitra for bringing beauty through dance and Tamil poetry.
We thank the artists who generously offered their work for our continuing ‘ART FOR LAND’ & all those who contributed the ACTION for the LAND is just beginning - so join us, we offer many opportunities for your involvement!!

**APPEAL**

We would like to call on all Residents of Auroville to send their visual contributions to appear on the cover of News and Notes.
Send your paintings or drawings.in Jpeg format to newsandnotes@auroville.org.in or bring your original piece to have it scanned at our office on Monday or Tuesday mornings.
Inspired pieces for the two special covers of Auroville and Mother’s birthdays most welcome!

**From the Basketball team**

Dear Community,
We, the children of AV, are asking you for a generous contribution to help successfully complete the restoration of the certitude basketball court. It has now been going on for the last 20 days and we have not been able to play as the work is not complete due to our funds running out.
We ask you from the depth of our little hearts, if you have a bit of compassion and care for our future...please...contribute!
With all our tiny heart love, the Children of AV

All amounts will fill our little beings with joy - Account #250035
Especially relevant to the dearest PARENTS of The Children! Do not forget about your child's awesome super-deluxe extra-curricular activities!!

**ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE AND NEEDED**

**House sitting1:** I am a Savi volunteer in Verite and Quiet healing center looking for house sitting for 2.5-3.5 months from February. Also possible, a room with attached bathroom and kitchen(private or shared) in an Aurovillian guest house.
Yaor, phone: 8525959872, email: yaor30@gmail.com

**House sitting2:** We are a NC family of 4, looking for a long-term house-sitting. Small house which can fit a flexible family will do as well. Sent with love, Ohad & Priscilla. Mobile 9443763298. Landline 2623107

**House sitting3:** This is Shanks. You must've seen me play guitar with Krishna and Rolf lately, riding a white bullet all over Auroville. My girlfriend Arpan and I are open to house-sit for anyone who is going away for the summer and needs their house to be looked after. Please call/message me on 9943310229/09867393326 or mail me on: chungates@gmail.com.

**House sitter:** We are looking for a responsible person to take care of our house (it is in Happiness, one gate after Felicity) from the end of March until the end of May. We have a cat and a dog. Basic expenses are required. Great place to be in in summer. If you are interested, please send me an e-mail at: efratdevir@gmail.com - Thanks, Efrat

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**Auroville-grown food.** We remind you all that the ACTION for the LAND is just beginning - so join us, we offer many opportunities for your involvement!!

**To Ramesh and AV-security**

For all the work here and in Pondy! At last I got my on 25 Nov stolen motor bike back! Appie, Shakti
February 14th: Sharing possibility both ways, Taxi to Chennai domestic airport, leaving around 7:30 am on Sunday, 14th February. One person going from here and coming back empty. Contact: mona@auroville.org.in, Mona (Yanta), 2622900

February 14th: Leaving Auroville around 7 am to airport on 14 Feb, Sunday. Only one person going to get dropped. Suitable for sharing both ways. Thanks. Lalit: lalit@auroville.org.in, 9443790172

February 16th: Leaving Auroville for Chennai between 12 - 3 pm. Returning from Chennai between 12 - 3 am (early morning) on the 17th. Contact me if you wish to share either or both journeys. Mobile: 8903553927 - Ajith

February 17th: Vigyan arriving in Chennai airport at 5.35 am and will be traveling to Auroville. Anyone interested in sharing the taxi please write: vigyan11@gmail.com or g.aleksejs@gmail.com or call me 7639312630, Alexey

February 17th: Leaving Auroville around 1 pm to Auroville on 17th Feb, Wednesday. Only 1 person coming back. Suitable for sharing both ways. Thanks. Lalit: lalit@auroville.org.in, 9443790172

Eco Femme is looking for a team member!

We have a position available in our marketing and sales team. One major focus will be to manage the online shop but as we are a small team, the work will entail a variety of tasks. We would particularly like to invite Auroville youth to join. For a more detailed description please email: jessamijn@ecofemme.org, / ph: +91 9486491981

Correction from Santé Ingo’s Phone Number (Homoeopath)

Please note that in last week's N&N, the mobile phone number for Ingo, one of Santé's homeopathic therapists was printed incompletely. Ingo's correct mobile number is: 9489325085
Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

Integral Health

Classical homeopathy hypnotherapy midwifery child care coaching

Classical homeopathy offers long term treatment with a “constitutional remedy”, acting like a personal tonic for years. A 2 hrs session and short follow-ups are needed to determine the remedy. Classical homeopathy is effective in chronic conditions, f.ex. migraine, auto-immune diseases, hormonal issues, chronic pain, recurring complaints, hormonal unbalance. 3 weeks follow up time required.

PC remedies, information medicine for Diabetes, High Blood pressure and Trauma have shown very effective. We provide 84 PC remedies for Trauma, infectious diseases and chronic diseases. The developer of PC remedies is Dr. Harry van der Zee, internationally renowned homoeopath [www.arhf.nl] “Harmony and Samata” are homeopathic remedies carrying the energies of Mother and Sri Aurobindo. The remedies and information can be obtained free of cost, just pick up in remedy box. Consultations are generally held in English, French and German, and Tamil.

Malar certified in homeopathy and offers consultation for homeopathic First Aid and PC remedies. Malar is managing the office, mailing of remedies, the First Aid Kits and PC remedies. Malar is managing the office, mailing of remedies, the First Aid Kits and PC remedies on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 9 - 12 a.m.

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

Please make an appointment beforehand via Integral Health, Prayatna 2623669
Sigrid sigrid@auroville.org.in, www.sigridlindemann.com / Peter peterh@auroville.org.in - mobile 9787698464, Ingo ingo@auroville.org.in 9489325085 / Malar malar@auroville.org.in 9585012007

T R A V E L

Latest News from the Travel Shop

at Inside India in Auroshilpam. 09:00 to 13:00 and 13:30 to 17:00

Latest Offers from Airlines:

Emirates had extended their special offer to Europe till the 21st of February

Qatar airways has special offers to Europe till the 28th of Feb.

Etihad Airways has special fares to Europe.

Jet Airways has special offers to all their destinations.

Hotels: International and Domestic Hotel bookings can also be done at discounted rates through us. International Flight Tickets / International Hotel booking - 04132622078, travelshop@auroville.org.in, Domestic Flight Tickets / Trains / Bus / Travel Insurance 04132622604 / 2623030, domestic@inside-india.com, doulat@inside-india.com - Tours and Domestic Hotel booking - 0413 - 2622047, insideindia@auroville.org.in
AROVILLE RADIO

These are the latest programs published by AurovilleRadio this week. All the recordings are available in CD or ready to be copied on your memory stick at the AurovilleRadio premises in Town Hall, opposite the Financial Service.

**Mother’s Q & A - 23/11/55** (The Mother 09/02/2016)
Mother says all forms of deity are forms of one Reality. She says that "miracles" are only what we can’t explain. - [English, 28 Minutes]

**The time is...NOW!** (Integral Yoga 08/02/2016)
Yesterday's Landing Auroville - land party brought together many of good will to actively participate. - [English, 90 Minutes]

**Manifestation on the Way Forward Part 2** (Governance 07/02/2016)
Second part of the Manifestation on the Way Forward at UP on Friday 5th of February. - [English, 143 Minutes]

**Manifestation to the Way Forward** (Governance 07/02/2016)
Recording of second Manifestation to the Way Forward at Unity Pavilion on 5th of February. - [English, 101 Minutes]

**AIAT - New Campus** (Educational Centers 07/02/2016)
AIAT inaugurated yesterday the New Campus which will focus on training youth from the bio region. - [English, 74 Minutes]

**Jazz - A tribute to Pink Floyd** (Music 06/02/2016)
A tribute to Pink Floyd by Rita Marcotulli with Jazz Ensemble. Performed at the Sri Aurobindo Auditorium - Auroville - [English, 84 Minutes]

**Ayurvedic Health Education, part 3** (Healing 05/02/2016)
Third part of Ayurvedic health education by Dr. Geeta Auropremi - [English, 45 Minutes]

**Info on Restructuring of TDC** (Governance 05/02/2016)
Recording of informational meeting on proposed restructuring of TDC. - [English, 116 Minutes]

**Savitri, B. 1, C. 2** (Sri Aurobindo 05/02/2016)
The king starts his journey for humanity through the planes and parts of his being which are also cosmic planes. - [English, 27 Minutes]

You can listen to all of the programs and more on www.aurovilleradio.org/. For more info call 0413-2623331 or email radio@auroville.org.in

SPORTS

**4th annual Badminton Tournament**

The Auroville badminton team would like to conduct the 4th annual Badminton Tournament in the newly build Badminton court at Certitude Sports Ground. We will be holding matches for our community players and the categories are: Sub Junior Boys doubles, Sub Junior Girls doubles, Junior girls doubles, Junior boys doubles, Women doubles, Mixed doubles and Men’s doubles

**Registration**
Registrations of all categories are open from **Wednesday 3rd of February** and will be closed on **Wednesday 17th of February 2016**.

We invite all players to register themselves and come and enjoy the moment together and have fun!!!!!!!!!!!

**Event details**
Matches will start from **Friday 19th of February till 27th and we will hold all the finals on 28th of February 2016. We will have matches regularly happening in the evenings till we reach the finals of all the categories. We will regularly keep you posted on the upcoming matches.

**For registration Please contact:**
Bharathy - 9751110018 / 9443610598 / Manickam - 9443001761 / Palani - 9443535172

**It’s Dirtball time!!**

The 15th edition of the annual AV week basketball league in Certitude Sports Ground is here. Ladies and gents, boys and girls, we need you to sign up urgently so we can make the teams. ONLY SIGN UP IF YOU ARE IN A UROVILLE AT THE TIME! Remember this is open to EVERYONE, regardless of gender, for the young and the less young, as long as you want to play basketball.

Will tip off on 20th February. The time will be announced as well as your teams.

Please give us your names or write them down. Sign-up sheets are available @ Solar kitchen, la terrace, AV bakery, visitor center, certitude Bball court and New Creation Bball court among other locations.

Hope to see you sprinting around the dirt court soon!

The Certi-Bball crew
Auroville Birthday Tennis Tournament  2016
In Certitude
LEAGUE I A:  SINGLE / DOUBLE
AKASH / PRASHANTO / ASHWIN/ SUNDER
AKASH / PRASHANTO VS ASHWIN/ SUNDER
(Two winners of round-robin proceed)
LEAGUE I B: SUKRIT MURTHI TAMAIL VIJAY
SUKRIT / MURTHI VS TAMAIL / VINAY
LEAGUE I C:  RUSLAN / MANIKAN / ADI / NAMGYAL
RUSLAN/ ADI VS MANIKAN/ NAMGYAL
LEAGUE I D: GEOGIO / ANAND / JOSEPH / ARVIND
GEOGIO / ARVIND VS ANAND / JOSEPH
LEAGUE II A:  NC FRED / LOUIS / RAMAN / FRANCOIS GR.
NC FRED/ LOUIS VS RAMAN / FRAMCOIS GR.
LEAGUE II B: FREDERICK / GIRI / DENIS / JESSE / STAND BY:
VASANTH. DILIP
FREDERICK, DENIS VS GIRI, JESSE
TEAM III (JUNIORS):
CYRIL , EMIL KAPUR , AKSHEY , AMAN KAPUR
PLAY ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN ARRANGEMENT
TEAM IV (WOMEN):
ANANDAMAI , AUROSYLLE, TASHI , SWADHA , KALI
PLAY ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN ARRANGEMENT
General understanding for a harmonious completion
1) For the preliminary rounds arrange your own timings and
courts for both the single and the doubles
2) Choose an umpire whose call stays undisputed
3) Decide whether you play one set till 9 games, with two
differences or best of three sets
4) Enter your results in the chart at Certitude
5) In case of inability to play inform well in advance for re-
    scheduling or replacement
6) Inform well in advance when out of station
7) Attempt to finish these first rounds by the middle of Feb.
8) Welcome are contributions in kind, like balls, t-shirts, shoes,
trophies or in cash to tennis-acc#: 252024
Enjoy the game, Love all - Frederick: 9486475457 / Manickam:
9443001761

EATING OUT

Organic Lunch in Joy Community
Tuesday at 12:45: Traditional Italian Food / Friday at 12:45:
World Fusion Food / Saturday at 12.45: Typical Japanese Food
We serve a beautiful organic lunch accompanied with the usual
family atmosphere of Joy Community. Ingredients are all fresh
(some from our beautiful vegetable garden) and depend on the
inspiration of the season, garden, and the chef of the day. For
Italian food, some of the dishes are homemade lasagna,
gnocchi, tagliatelle pasta, ravioli, etc. For world fusion food,
some of the dishes are Thai curry, Mexican enchiladas,
Caribbean fried plantains, etc. For Japanese food, some of the
dishes are gyoza (Japanese momo), makisushi, tempura, etc.
By reservation only (1 day in advance). Please call 04132622584
or 9442328120.
Joy Community team Pizza night in Joy Community
Date: Tuesday 16th of February / Time: 6.30 to 7.30 pm
We are happy to announce a beautiful night in great
accompany with the usual Italian community at Joy and the
most loved food of the world: Pizza! We will have even
watermelon to refresh while enjoying a Cirque du Soleil show
and then a Trockadero show in our open air cinema set-up. A
feast for those with a light heart. Advance reservation
required, please either call (04132622584 or 9442328120) or
email (joycommunity@auroville.org.in) or pass by Joy
Guesthouse. Fixed contribution from guests; free donation
from Aurovillians, Newcomers and SAVI registered volunteers
(please bring your card).
Joy Community Team :-) 04132622584
or 9442328120
Sunday Chill cum Market @ AuroAnnam
Market will start at 4pm and ends at 10 pm with delicious and
healthy food that will be served from 7pm onwards in context
with the Marathon event.
From 10pm onwards there will be dancing music in context
with Valentine's Day, please call us at this number for inquiry
or booking- 8940108632, 8940345627
Thank you Mawite

GREEN MATTERS

AV Green Centre Sunday green walks
Sunday, 14th February 8.30 -11.30 am : the Urban Garden Project.
Meeting point at the Town Hall main parking at 8.30 am.
The walk will take you through a discovery of the Urban Gardens at the City Center, with a ‘warm-up’,
some planting work, refreshments and ending with a power point presentation on Urban Framing.
Everyone welcome but be there on time to not miss the walk!

Sunday 21st of February 3.30 - 6.00 pm Revelation with Patrick
Details in the next News and Notes.
The Sunday walks to Farm & Forests are organized by the Auroville Green Center: avgreencenter@auroville.org.in and published weekly
in the News & Notes, on Auronet and the many posters on Auroville’s noticeboards.
Noble Silence

During the night in my bed I hear no sounds. There is deep silence around me, but in the early morning I hear the songs of the birds. What do I mean by silence? If I happen to enter a deaf and mute school, it is what I can hear from those students. There will be a very minimum of sound.

Except on November 2nd, it is what I experience at a cemetery. There is a very deep silence. Not even a single mourner will be there. I wouldn’t like to have thunderous sounds when I am with my lover. It is more than enough to be in silence beside her.

I understand noble silence means to shut all my senses for the higher purpose of having a very good dialogue with God. Deep silence brings concentration to me. When I am focusing my attention on the divine beings of God the Absolute, I am not in need of songs and bhajans. This religious experience I may not be able to share in words. I may remain in this silence in the presence of God for hours.

The benefits of practicing noble silence in my day to day life are that my soul is enriched with refreshness, restoration, ravishing and real healing. Let this be a timely call to keep silence to be free from the stresses and harms of the noise pollution of modern life.

In fine, I would like to recommend you to go to the forest, the desert or any wilderness and have a great enchanting encounter or delightful discourse with your creator. There is bliss, peace, smiles and joy in silence.

By Vincent Raja.K. Petite Ferme

Matrimandir Lotus Pond – two different looks.

First of all I think that in the Matrimandir structure itself all three (Vedic) oceans are represented (not necessarily depending on any fixed idea of size or proportion. From this point of view one could even say that they are there expressed in a more perfect way than in previous (spiritual) buildings. Otherwise one could at the same time say that the Matrimandir represents a new creation and need not necessarily be compared to earlier geometrical designs (not even Vedic).

Second, in regard to the lotus in the pool: when the Matrimandir will be surrounded by the lake it will be exactly that, but not on the subconscient level (among many other symbolisms, of course).

Rejoice! The Force is here! Thank you Christian! OM Nishtha

Mother’s Birthday at the Matrimandir

20.2.2016, Saturday, 5.30 to 6.30 pm
Preparing the flower decoration for the early morning meditation the next day.
Aurovilians are invited to bring flowers from their community to be included into the decoration as a symbolic gesture of unity.
Please bring the flowers to the Amphitheatre between 5.30 and 6.30 pm.

21.2.2016, Sunday, 6 am
Meditation for Mother’s birthday with recorded text of Her experience of the Supramental Boat.
Photography allowed without flash and only from the ‘Photo Spot’ as indicated on the map.
Enterance: Second Banyan Gate from 5.15 am.

21.2.2016, Sunday, 5.45 pm
Vedic Chanting and meditation by the Chanting Group of Auroville at the Mini Amphitheatre in the Garden of Unity.
Enterance: Office Gate from 5.15 pm.

22.2.2016, Monday, 5.30 pm
A meditative concert
By Jean Christophe Bonnafous on Bansuri (the Indian flute) and Indre Jurgeleviciute: on the ‘Lithuanian Harp and voice.
Enterance: Office Gate from 5 pm.
Bonne Fête!
AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

Meditation with Savitri read by Mother to Sunil’s music
Every Thursday at sunset
From 5.30 to 6.00 pm (weather permitting)

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

Reminder to all: The Park of Unity is a place for silence, meditation and inner work and is to be used only as such. We request everyone: please do not to use cameras, i-pads, cell phones, etc.
Dear Guests, please carry your Guest Card with you - No photos there.
Access only for the Amphitheatre from 5.15 to 6.00 pm.
Please be seated by 5.25 pm
Amphitheatre Team

INVITATIONS

Reminder New Colors Fair
A Fund raising event for “The Jared Scott Miller Library”
Date: Saturday 13 February, 2016. Time: 4 pm to 8 pm
Free Entrance! Don’t Miss it!
For more details Contact: Renana (9865 4444 72) / Nikadass (Kumar) (9585 5132 79) / newcolors2002@gmail.com
Donations are Welcome!
Financial Service Account Number: 251908
Route: (Visitors center- Edayanchavady Colorful temple- turn right- 500 meters- New Colors)

The French Pavilion opening
The French Pavilion and its team are pleased to announce the opening of the Pavilion on Saturday, February 13, at 10 am.
Mr. Janvier - Kamiyama, Consul General of France in Pondicherry, Ms. Hélène Charpin, Vice Consul, Mr. Olivier Litvine, Director of the Alliance Française will honor this event with their presence.
We invite all French and non-French people living or staying in Auroville to come and join us for this ceremony.
Drinks and cakes will be offered on this occasion.
Paulo and Anna will sing some French songs during this event.
Location of the Pavilion: opposite the Visitors Center, next to the motorcycle parking.
See you soon!
Claude J. for the French Pavilion
AV, 8 February 2016

Auroville Marathon 2016 Events
Auroville Marathon Market in Visitor Center,
February 13th 9 am to 6 pm. February 14th, 9 am to 1 pm
Marathon Market exhibition of Auroville Arts and Crafts - Visitor Center
February 13th 9 am to 6 pm. February 14th, 9 am to 1 pm
Kabir Musical evening - Visitor Center Amphitheater
February 13th, evening Visitor Center 4 pm to 7 pm

Open House at Ness
You are most welcome to our OPEN HOUSE at NESS
Date: 13th February, 2016 Time: 10.30 am - 12.30 pm
Place: New Secondary School, Aspiration, Kuilapalayam, Auroville

Presentation by visiting students from T.C.V
The 7th batch of visiting Tibetan students from T.C.V. will present a short Presentation and share some of the activities that they have done during their stay in Auroville.
On Monday the 15th at 5.30 pm at Pavilion of Tibetan Culture.
All are invited. (Note that there will be no circle song).
Pavilion of Tibetan Culture.
Create & Connect: Expressive Arts Therapy Symposium
February 19-21, 2016 in Auroville, India
Registration is now closed for full attendance in our unique program, but we are happy to offer two portions of the event open to the public.

Friday, February 19th from 9 am to 12 pm at Pavilion of Tibetan Culture
Introduction & Interactive Panel featuring 3 international and 3 local presenters, including a celebratory opening with the visiting Vanaver Caravan. Anyone curious about the expressive arts therapy fields is welcome to attend (no registration required!)

Saturday, February 20th from 5 to 6:30 pm at Sankalpa, International Zone
Community art exchange including our Art Cart and song/dance/art in our new art center again with the Vanaver Caravan, with a special invitation to families and children from all backgrounds to interact and play together! No registration needed - please come and bring an instrument too.

This event is a collaboration between Sankalpa: Art Journeys, Prasad Family Foundation and Manahkshetra Foundation.

Look forward to creating and connecting with you!
Krupa & Iyyappan J. for Sankalpa (a subunit of Thamarai)

EXHIBITIONS

Andes
Photos by Jacky for Deva Image
Aurelec Cafeteria & Art gallery
open from 8 am to 5 pm

In the fall of 2014, photographer and educator Jacky, led a group of students on a three-month expedition through Bolivia and Peru. Trekking through diverse and rich landscapes, they visited sacred sites and lived with indigenous tribes in the remote mountains.
This selection of photos of their journey offers a glimpse of the magnificent Andes, the longest continental mountain range in the world.

More photos: facebook.com/devaimage
Contact Jacky: avjacky@auroville.org.in

UP CYCLING EXHIBITION
By Marc, Ok and Orly
@ UPCYCLING STUDIO IN UDAVI SCOOL
Inauguration 4-7 pm, 20 February
10am-4pm, 21-27 February 2016
Please come with your clean waste plastic bag, we recycle them together

'Bavities'
By Huta
February 15th to March 2nd, 2016
In the Square Hall
10-12, 2-5 daily except Sundays

TALKS, SEMINARS

Insight Seminars invites you to 'INTERACTIVE SESSIONS on AUROVILLE'.
Introductory sessions for those wishing to explore various aspects of Auroville; whether they are Guests, Newcomers or Aurovilians.

Introduction to the Vision and Concept of Auroville:
16th February 2016, Tuesday
Presented by Shivaya
Auroville Economy & Organisation
17th February 2016, Wednesday, Presented by Bunty

Auroville Finance: 18th February 2016, Thursday,
Presented by Lyle
Wildlife in Auroville: 19th February 2016, Friday
Presented by Tim

Time: 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. including question and answer session.
Venue: Insight Seminar room, Ground Floor, in the Inside India building - Auroshilpam (opposite CSR; behind Auromode Guest-house).
*The presentations are free of charge. Anyone may walk in.
CULTURAL EVENTS

Join the CaravAnanda (reminder)
To Sing for Auroville
Feb.13th 8 pm at Cripa (Kalabhumi)
Meditative Chants/Evolutive Chants based on Mantras from various horizons.
A collective improvisation gets in tune with each one of your voices whatever it sounds like.

Adishakti's Ganapati at Bharat Nivas:
Date: 16th February (Tuesday) / Time: 7.30 pm
Venue: Sri Aurobindo Auditorium, Bharat Nivas, Auroville

Dear Friends,
We at Adishakti would like to cordially invite you on the 16th of February, Tuesday at 7:30pm for our new revived show; ‘Ganapati’ that has been written, arranged and directed by our dear Veenapani Chawla. This show day will particularly be special for us. After performing about 50 shows of Ganapati across the globe we bring Ganapati back to Bharat Nivas with humble and warm memories, where the play was first opened 17 years ago. We return with the play now with fresh energy and a new cast. We are extremely excited to begin our Ganapati tour at the Sri Aurobindo Auditorium at Bharat Nivas on 16th February and then immediately travel to Mumbai, Pune, Bangalore and Chennai. This is a special moment for us. We would be so happy for you to share this moment with us and wish us good luck for the journey ahead.

Hope to see you there.

Kalabhum Festival: We Love Alive!
Dear Aurovilians and Guests,
On Saturday February 20th in Kalabhum will take place a very joyful event! From 3:30 pm till night there will be Live Music, Food, Dance, DJ and entertainment for adults and kids as well. Take note of it and share it with your friends…With Love!
Anna Taj & festival team

Songs & Poems of Kabir
In Original, with English Translations
Presented by Sehdev Kumar
(Based on his book, The Vision of Kabir)
Accompanied by Monica Carello
Kabir, a 15th century weaver-sage, is one of most loved and admired mystical poets of the world.

Place: Unity Pavilion
Saturday, February 20, 2016
7:30 – 9:00 pm
All are welcome.

First Full Moon Festival
Celebrating the First Full Moon of the Lunar Calendar through a fundraiser for the Northeast Asian Centre
Sunday, February 21, 2016
Unity Pavilion
16:00 - 17:00 Asian Culture Fair
17:00 - 18:00 Traditional Art Performance
18:00 - 19:00 Asian Dinner Buffet (On Booking)
After Dinner: Floating Chinese Sky Lanterns

Dinner Price
Adult Rs. 350 | Under 10 years old Rs. 200
Dinner Ticket Stall on Feb 17-18th
Solar Kitchen 12:00 - 14:00

Dinner Booking via email (until Feb 18th) koreanpavilion@auroville.org.in
Organized by: Chinese Group | Japanese Group | Korean Pavilion
**HATHA YOGA BY DONATION**

Aiming for a full-body workout assisted by the breath and small breaks in between the vinyasas to let the body, mind and soul align. The class will end with a deep relaxation “yoga-nidra” to give the self-healing processes full effect.

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Please bring an open mind, a generous heart and a yoga-mat if possible (“few available”.)

Many Sun salutations, the Pavilion of Tibetan Culture and Jake Starting from February on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday's at 5 pm to 7 pm

**AUROLIRE, READING FESTIVAL AT CYTADINES**

Monday 15th, February at 6 pm: Powerful Women in French

Wednesday 17th February at 6 pm: Le Petit Prince - Reading in French with a slide show

With Ann, Monique, Natacha, Véronique, Sylvie, Maggle, Nadia, Marie, Frédéric, Antoine Ananda.

Saturday 20th February: 10:30 to 12:00

French Creative writing class at the French Pavilion

Contact Florence 7639322654 / lesbaladantes@gmail.com

**ADVENTURES IN COOKING AND EATING.**

Come to Buddha Garden kitchen to learn to cook a range of dishes using locally grown Auroville food.

On Wednesday February 17th with Sivakala you can learn to cook some delicious Tamil dishes.

On Thursday February 18th with Efrat you can learn to cook some creative dishes using locally grown produce. Both days start at 10 am and finish at around 2 pm. Places are limited so please contact: priya@auroville.org.in or SMS 9443222653 to book and get further information.

**WE ALL HAVE OUR UNIQUE WAY OF DRAWING**

COME FIND YOUR OWN.

Feb. 19 and 20 / Creativity Studio

9-12 and 2-4, both days

All materials provided - Guests 500 / all others by donation

6 places only, so confirm that you are coming.

Questions and reservations: Audrey 262264

Leave your name &# on the answering machine.

**LEC COOKING CLASS: COOK WITH LOCALLY GROWN VEGETABLES**

The next session this season will be on Feb 13 (Saturday) in Life Education Centre (LEC) at 10:30am.

The session will include demonstration of Varaghu Pongal . It is pongal made with kodo millet and lentils. Tasty and more nutritious than the regular pongal, it is easy to prepare and can be a simple meal with sambar, chutney or other vegetable dishes.

Come watch the demonstration and be inspired to cook with local vegetables, millets, and legumes. Copies of recipes will be made available during the class. The bi-monthly cooking sessions are offered by Buvanasundari.

LEC is located opposite Isaiambalam School in Kotakkarai.

**TABLA & VOCAL RHYTHM CLASSES**

Offered by friend of Auroville, Rashmi Bhatt continues till 1st week of March.

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**SCHEDULES**

*Special Events for this special Birthday month*

**Monday 15 February to Wednesday March 2**

Visionary Paintings by Huta

in the Square Hall, open 10-12 and 2-5 daily except Sundays

**Friday 19 February**

The 6th Dr. MV Nadkarni Memorial Lecture

By Jamshed Mavalwalla

‘Surrender’ in Savitri

in the amphitheatre 4-5 pm

**Saturday 27 February**

Solo Violin performance by Ladislav Brozman

*Bach: Sonata in D-minor and Ysaye : 5th Sonata*

in the Picture Gallery, 5 pm

**Sunday 28 February**

By special request a talk by Dr. Alok Pandey on the Supramental Manifestation

*The Day of the Lord: February 29, 1956*

in the amphitheatre 7.45 – 8.30 am (after the Birthday Bonfire)

**Lundi 29 Février**

Douze Prières et Méditations de la Mère

Jouées et mises en scène par Céline

à l’amphithéâtre de Savitri Bhavan 6.30-7.30 pm

*Everyone is Welcome*
There will be conversation, games, and you will already start being on Communication skills to make it more enjoyable along the way. There will be some grammar but emphasis will be on Communication skills to make it more enjoyable. There will be conversation, games, and you will already start writing and acting out dialogues from the 4th session.

For the A2 and B1 levels, interested students please contact the Lab by email or phone to register. Once we have enough students, we will start the class and days and timings will be announced accordingly.

French Certification Course

French Certification Course for Level 1 and Level 2 based on a course book called "Le Nouveau Taxi". The course will start from Feb 15th and it will be on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays for one and a half hours. The exact timings will be announced once the requirement of the students is clear.

Info about the teacher: Ludovic is French and he got a Masters in FLE (Teaching French as a second language), from a French University. He has developed great experience teaching French over the last 10 years and has taught all around the world especially in Canada and China. He taught at the Alliance Française in Chengdu in Southern China and at Capital University of Beijing. In Canada, at Ottawa, he taught French for the English-speaking public servants who work for the Canadian government, especially at the Ministry of Canadian Resources and the Ministry of Communication. He can teach all levels: beginners, intermediate and advanced. He is planning to start a newcomer process and become Aurovilian.

Ongoing Classes: Beginners and Intermediate English with Stephan continue. Christiane continues to teach French, and many students have appreciated her love for teaching, her commitment to her students and her approach. Please contact the Lab to join classes, and here is a reminder that she is available to Aurovilians and Newcomers for one-on-one sessions.

Tamil classes also continue with Saravanan and Chandrima remains available as earlier for classes in Hindi, Sanskrit and Bengali. Piero remains available for Italian.

Tomatis Ear-Retraining programs continue to be offered for language integration and therapeutic applications. For the list of applications, please look at the Tomatis page on our website (www.aurovillenlanguageclub.org) and click on the Tomatis page and on "Tomatis Presentation".

Contact us at: Phone: 0413-2623661, 2623088 and Email: all@auroville.org.in

The term “meridians” comes from Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) and describes the energetic channels that move and flow inside the body. TCM discovered 12 main meridians that are responsible for the circulation of qi (life energy or prana). People often carry blockages in one or more meridian, which can result in pain, problems, and disease. The purpose of this workshop is to open the meridian channels.

Part one (1 hour) - you will learn about the functions of the meridians and five elements theory. Part two (2.5 hours) - You will learn a series of meridians exercises and yoga asanas (standing, sitting, prone and supine) which are easy to practice at home on a daily basis. Kids age 10 and above are also welcome!

YAOI is in Auroville as a Savi volunteer. He has completed a 2 year senior diploma in Zen Shiatsu therapy and Traditional Chinese Medicine, and has studied Hatha Yoga with Surinder Singh.

HOLISTIC APPROACH FOR MANAGEMENT OF DIABETES TYPE 2 with Dr. Geeta Auropremi

Friday, 19 February - 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

A holistic approach to positive health, including basic asanas, pranayama and naturopathic practices.

DR. GEETA AUROPREMI has 30 years of experience in Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy. She has an MD in Gynecology and Pediatrics, a YTTC certificate and diploma in Yoga, and Post-Graduate degrees in Yoga & Naturopathy.

CONSCIOUSNESS AS MEDICINE with Dr. Yogesh Mohan

Saturday, 20 February - from 9 am to 12:30 pm

A consciousness approach to dealing with stress, common health problems and diseases, beyond what is written in medical texts. Experiential knowledge from a practitioner’s perspective on inner healing.

DR. YOGESH MOHAN, MD (JIPMER), PGM (ISB) brings the essence of 20+ years of work. Professor & Head Medical Education, Saveetha Medical College, Former Head Integrative Medicine Apollo Chennai.

Please contact Vérité to register for these workshops: 0413 2622045, 7094104329 or programming@verite.in

Contributions requested from guests/volunteers (volunteer reduction by advance application only)

AMY LIVING LEARNING -
Inspiration from our World Café

"Restoring connection through Truth & Reconciliation" (from Jan 25/16)

We watched 3 short films on Truth & Reconciliation in South Africa, with the intention of creating a similar process in Auroville. We'd like to share a glimpse of the depth of the conversation we had.

In response to the questions, “How does this process touch me? What could I gain from such a process (as an individual, or as a victim or perpetrator)” the participants shared several touching insights...

“What touched us mostly was how radical this process is, as it goes against the mind which wants to be “right.”

“It’s a jump into the heart, which is so powerful.”

“We talked about nourishing the heart of humanity and not wanting to hold someone out of our hearts. Very strong to be listened to as victim - can be very healing.”

“Evolutionary and revolutionary to realize we are brothers/sisters at the source.”

“Truth in facing oneself (and others) means taking responsibility as a perpetrator (for how I feel, my actions and motivations).”

“Sincerity creates truth, love and understanding, and trust follows.”

“Forgetfulness as not wanting revenge.”

“Forgetfulness: It’s over, it was terrible, I survived, and I don’t want to keep hate in my heart. Letting go of tightness and motivations.”

“Courage, and clarity of the process, letting go of the story.”

WORKSHOPS IN VÉRITÉ (24 hour advanced registration required)

LIVING FROM THE HEART with Julie

Wednesday 17 February - 9.15 am to 12:30 pm

Are you at a cross roads in your life? Do you want to figure out what you really want, and how to align your life to your dreams. You will connect to the answers within and learn how to work with your inner critic.

JULIE is a Certified Life Coach from the Coaches Training Institute in London. She combines her extensive coaching, yoga and business consulting experience to facilitate clients finding insight and purpose.
"The victim and perpetrator touch their own humanity, and something happens between them."

"As offender, the courage to confess: understanding how I have wronged, how I can grow from this process."

The complete compilation of responses from our Table Work is posted on Auronet (by Restorative Auroville on Feb 9).

For your calendar:
1. Our next World Café: "Restoring Connection - Finding Unity in Community"

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**REGULAR CLASSES**

**Note from the editors**

The *Regular Classes* column is published once a month. Guest-houses are kindly requested to put this page up on the notice boards. (Kindly inform us of any changes/cancellation in your regular event - the regular events schedule will be published On March 5th, 2016. - Editors.)
as qi, ki, prana, ruach, pneumonia, lung, num, baraka a.o., was referred to by the Mother as the ‘inner, or true vital’ (29 May, 1962, Agenda Vol.3) and may play an essential role in one’s integral yoga, spiritual development and general well-being. Mauna is a Dutch, long-term Aurovilian who started off in the Ashram in 1971. Having studied t’ai chi chuan in the Stevanovitch ‘School of the Inner Way’, she has been giving Tai Chi classes in Auroville throughout the nineties, which resulted in the currently well-established school in Sharmgna. These ‘Working the Chi’ sessions can be seen as a kind of pre-créche to the same. Please bring loose clothing. For more information please contact Mauna at 9636168323 or Joy Community at 9488204778.

Clay classes for children and adults with Saraswati and Anna. Please mail to aurokatruya@gmail.com for details. Regards Saraswati 978571633.

Cooking class: Every Monday from 10 am to 2 pm there will be a cooking class for 4 months starting from December. These classes will include north Indian, Italian and Thai cooking. Anybody interested to learn these mouthwatering recipes are most welcome and I assure you that by the end of the sessions you will be able to please anyone with your cooking talents. Contact number: 9443635114.Meha.

Cultural & spiritual experience: Trimbai legend Shiva temple visit. Time: 6pm - 7.30pm (please bring your own vehicle) date: every Tuesday. Contributions requested from guests/Volunteers. Volunteer reduction by advance application only. Please register for all the programs in advance by contacting 0413 2623806, 2623394 or Mohanamprogram@gmail.org.in

Dance Offering : Listening - Allowing - Unfolding - Celebrating - Offering: with Dariya and friends Thursdays 5 - 7 pm in Verite Hall Sharing a unique space to be, to express, to connect, to communicate and offer our prayers with free dance and contact improvisation. Everyone is welcome! Thank you for coming on time to begin together!

Drawing: Every Tuesday in Creativities Atelier/Studio is an open studio focused on drawing. Help is there if you want it 2-4:30. From 5-7 is figure drawing. All materials provided for both.

Eco-Femme: Open hour at Eco Femme! Every Thursday from 10:30 to 11:30. All are welcome to join us for a weekly discussion: on menstruation and the environment, Eco Femme's work, eco-friendly menstrual products, how we related to menstruation world-wide. We are located in Sarcon Campus (opposite Svaram Workshop, and near Ganesh Bakery and HERs). +91 9487179556 / info@ecofemme.org

Exploring Meditation: Every Wednesday from 5.15 to 6.15 PM. Witnessing our inner world using different meditation technique that were used by spiritual traditions around the world. No previous experience needed!

Venue: Pavilion of Tibetan Culture International Zone.Auroville. Facilitator- Yalalom Emet from Djaima Community. For information call 0413 2622401 or 8489067332 or 7639404518

Farmer market - Reminder: Farmer market every Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm at Youth Center

Feminine dance: Tuesdays at 4:00 at Cripa hall (in Kalabumi). 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 helpful. galit@auroville.org.in

Flamenco In Cripa Every Wednesday: From 4 to 5’30 pm. Starting 13th of August. We will practice the flamenco position and attitude for dancing, the movements of hands, arms, body, legs and foot. We will listen to flamenco music to understand the roots of this dance. We will create a flamenco choreography. Come and enjoy with us, Flamenco team.

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

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

From the Food Lab: Horizon. (In front of Sve-dame). Mon.,Tues.,Thurs. 4.00 to 6.00pm. Call Lorenzo before coming at 09443632274. All relevant information about the after effects of food on your body for e.g. allergies, intolerance, chronic pathology. Homeopathic Immunopharmacology is available.

Hatha Yoga Classes In Arka: For beginners and intermediate. Bryony has been teaching Hatha Yoga for the last 12 years in the south of France. The yoga she teaches is based on the Sivananda tradition and includes relaxation, pranayama and 12 basic asanas with some variations. The sessions always follow the same format enabling the student to develop his or her own personal practice.

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Hypnotherapy and Chakras Healing at Arka: Marcella, Aurovilian, is a qualified Hypnotherapist and Past Life Regressionist from the reputed California Hypnosis Institute (India), now Ekaa. Languages: English, Italian Contact: Tel. 9443338734 or email: abalancedstate@gmail.com

Hypnosis enables conscious access to the memory of a consenting person, which then provides the tool to therapeutically work with earlier experiences still influencing a person today. This includes fears and phobias, addictions, trauma, inner child work, discovering personal resources, past life regression.

Chakras Healing works with our thought processes and there is a corresponding thought processes for every chakra. Our thoughts affect our emotions (how we feel), then the energy field of our body, and finally generates changes in either our physical body or our physical space. It is possible to heal each chakra and hence heal physical, mental and emotional states.

Ikabana lessons: Ikebana - The Japanese Ancient Art of Flower Arrangement (Sogetsu School of Tokyo). Classes for all levels. For further information please contact: Valeria Raso Matsumoto, cell.9442992827, valeriaraso@hotmail.com

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

Venue: SAWCHU. Date & Time: Starting from Friday, January 15, 2016 from 4.30-6 pm

Thanks! Elike (Vikas)

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

Leela: the game of the self knowledge (2000 years old): come play the game of your life. Sundays, 9.30 to12 (above 15 years old) Info, Veronique J., 948 85 12 678 - SVEDAME, Butterfly Barn in German, English, Spanish, French, Italian and Russian. In SVEDAME, Butterfly barn. Contact Veronique J. 948 85 12 678 (leelathegame.blogspot.in)

Marbling & Lampshade Training: Marbling is a method of play of creative painting with surface design, which can produce patterns
similar to smooth marble. The patterns are the result of color floated on either plain water or a viscous solution known as size and then carefully transferred to an absorbent surface, such as paper or fabric.

Timing: Every Thursday Month of September from 02.00 pm to 04.30 pm. Contribution: Minimum Rs.350 Requested (come and learn take one tea cup with you). Please register in advance by contacting 0413 - 2623806. mohanamprogram@gmail.com

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

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

Salsa in SAWCHU: Salsa dance class followed by practice. Every Tuesday 6pm-8pm. SAWCHU in Bharat Nivas. Free and open to all Aurovilians, Newcomers and Guests.

Sanskrit Mantras: Venue: Joy Community Hall Date and time: Friday 5.30 to 6.30 pm. Chanting Sanskrit mantras is performing an ancient prayer. Through the harmonic rhythm, repetition and participation in the chant, the mind gains clarity, the ability to concentrate increases and a person becomes more tranquil. Through daily chanting the mind gains qualities which are essential for the benefits of Yoga and Spiritual Scriptures. The specific pitches and rule of intonation and syllabic length will be learned in these classes in the traditional way. Contact 0413 2622584

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

Silent Meditation Among Friends: Pavilion of Tibetan Culture: Wednesdays and Fridays: 5 to 6 pm (starting January 16th) We invite you to Silent Meditation with Carsten Marsh who has been practicing Zen meditation since early 1980s with various Zen groups in Europe, USA and New Zealand. He will give a brief instruction on Zazen (Zen sitting posture) at the beginning of each meditation session. Everyone is welcome and requested to arrive a few minutes early, as meditation will begin promptly at 5pm. “You should sit in meditation for twenty minutes every day - unless you are too busy; then you should sit for one hour.” old Zen adage

Skyworks: Tree Climbing Workshops: Workshops. You want the experience without learning all the knots? The ropes are already positioned in the trees. The knots are tied and fastened before. You “hook on”; After being fitted with your “saddle” and some short instruction on safety and climbing techniques, you are off and climbing! Call Satyaaji for conditions and appointment 958 516 82 82. Thank you

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

Soul Bath / Unity Journey: With Aurelio and Team. Now every Wednesday 5.30-6.30pm in Unity Pavilion!!

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

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

Reception francophone: Tous les mardis de 17:00 à 18:30 à La Terrace, en haut de la Cuisine Solaire, Ananda et Michiko sont à la disposition des visiteurs francophones qui voudraient poser des questions sur Auroville. Les auroviliens et newcomers francophones peuvent aussi participer.
Tamil Literary Classes: Ilaignarkal Education Centre organizes Tamil Literary Classes every Thursday evening 5 pm-6 pm. Regular attendance is appreciated. Lectures by seasoned professors in Tamil Literature, history and culture are open to all / Now we are ready again to continue our Classes on sewing, hand embroidery, drawing, painting and simple handicrafts for Auroville workers, their wards and Aurovilians interested. Better fix your schedule with our craft instructor / We have created facilities for simple natural Beauty Corner for women only. Contact. R. Meenakshi (Ilaignarkal Education Centre, Phone No: 0413 - 2623 773, Email: tamil@auroville.org.in)

T’ai Chi Hall @ Shangra: There will be no regular classes from Jan 25 until February 15. From February 15: Monday 7.30am-9am Chi and 24-form; Tuesday 7.30am-8.30am Chi; Tuesday 8.30am-9.30 am 24 form; Wednesday 7.30am-8.30am 127 form; Thursday 7.30am-8:30am 108 form; Friday 7.30am-8.30form 108 form; Saturday 7.30am-8.30 am 127 form

Thai Yoga Massage: Workshop A inner exploration of the body, energy and spirit. Every Sunday from 9.30 to 12 am. In Terrasoul Community (Windarra Farm). In the Sunspace. All levels. Juan mv. 9443431482

Theater class and Use of the Voice for Actors and People who want to Speak in front of an audience class:

Use of the voice class: every Wednesday 10.15 to 12.30 at Cripa. We explore techniques on breathing, resonance, voice and we also focus on the correct English pronunciation.

Theater class: every Thursday 10.15 to 12.30 at Cripa. We explore many different methods and theatrical languages from Stanislavskij to Michael Checov, Strasberg, Meisner etc. so that the actor can have the larger knowledge of the tools she can use for the interpretation of her character. Those are not workshops, but a regular appointment for actors to train constantly their vocal, imaginative, physical instruments. Whoever wants to regularly participate to the classes is welcomed.

Therapies - Vani: Journey to the memory of the body: Journey through the trauma memories in the body by means of hypnosis, and belief systems in order to release and heal these traumas, by getting aware & deprogramming these past belief systems that keep you from living a very joyful life in the present. Fusion of Hladina Method, Hypnotherapy, Radikal Healing. Awakening the intelligence of the body. Awakening your own healing power, experiencing the Presence within by quietening the thought process and contacting your inner body. Fusion of deep guided relaxation, visualisation, energy work, pranic healing, acupressure & reflexology. Life Coaching: Using awareness, visualization & imagination techniques. Life coaching is very useful in period of changes and doubts in order to get in contact with your intuitive self and find the creative & dynamic thread of your life again.

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Ultimate Frisbee: Every Saturdays & Mondays, 5pm till sundown at Certitude. Helps improve stamina, hand/eye coordination, and focus through running, throwing, & catching the disc; along with patience & teamwork. Bring running shoes if you have them. Contact mark@auroville.org.in with any questions or just come ready to play.

Vedic Astrology: Chart reading and interpretation. Call 9843948288 or email vitkram@auroville.org.in for an appointment.

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

YEP for kids aged 7 to 12: To enjoy activities with other kids & discover Auroville. Every week from Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 1:30pm - Information & registration: yep@ auroville.org.in or 7639321750

Yoga classes: New Colors invites you all, for a yoga class on every Sunday at 8:00 am. This class is for all ages. For further details contact; 95855 13279 Mail id: newcolors2002@gmail.com

Yoga Classes: Vinyasa flow classes by Bebe in Creativity every Thursday 5 to 6.30 pm starting on Thursday October 8th , open to all levels.

Restorative Hatha Yoga: Venue: Joy Community Hall (Center Field) Date and Time: Monday 9 to 10 am Restorative Hatha Yoga lessons for mixed abilities; it is suitable for beginner and intermediate levels seeking a restorative practice. The class includes 3 phases for balance: opening, main and closing. We will aim to develop stillness/calmness of mind and body through asanas and gentle pranayama.Contact 0413 2622584

Zumba classes: With Lakshmi are resuming at New Creation Dance Studio on Mondays 6-7pm and Thursdays 6-7pm...

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**CINEMA - BHARAT NIVAS - AUDITORIUM**

Reminder: Friday 12, Saturday 13, Sunday 14 - "PANORAMA OF CONTEMPORARY INDIAN CINEMA"!!! (Program in last issue of N&N, Auronet and posters)

**FRIDAY 19 FEBRUARY - 7:30 PM (Film show starting at 7.45 sharp)**

1/ "THE MAGIC OF MÉLIÈS" a 15' short documentary directed by Jacques Mény, opens this Friday film show. It presents the life and films of film pioneer Georges Méliès in the very early days of Cinema. Original French version with English subtitles.

2/ "THE GENERAL" Directed by Buster KEATON - USA, 1926 Cast: Buster Keaton, Clyde Bruckman, Paul Girard Smith... Synopsis: Buster Keaton plays Johnny Gray, a Southern railroad engineer who loves his train engine, The General, almost as much as he loves Annabelle Lee. When Northern spies steal the General (and, unwittingly, Annabelle), the story switches from drama and romance to adventure mixed with Keaton's trademark deadpan humor as he uses every means possible to catch up to the General, thwart the Yankees, and rescue his darling Annabelle... As always, Keaton performs his own stunts, combining his prodigious dexterity, impeccable comic timing, and expressive body language to convey more emotion than the stars of any of the talkies that were soon to dominate cinema... Original silent film with music and English cards - Duration: 1h.15’
THE ECO FILM CLUB
Sadhana Forest, February 19th, 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!!

THE GHOSTS IN OUR MACHINE
2013, 93 minutes, English, Directed By Liz Marshall
The Ghosts in Our Machine illuminates the lives of individual animals living within and rescued from the machine of our modern world. Through the heart and photographic lens of animal rights photojournalist Jo-Anne McArthur, audiences become intimately familiar with a cast of non-human animals. From undercover investigations to joyful rescue missions, in North America and in Europe, each photograph and story is a window into global animal industries: Food, Fashion, Entertainment and Research. The Ghosts in Our Machine charts McArthur’s efforts to bring wider attention to a topic that most of humankind strives hard to avoid.

After the film we will have a skype session with the filmmaker for an audience Q&A.

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

VISITOR CENTER MOVIE SHOW
18th February Thursday: NO SHOW
19th February Friday: NO SHOW
Sorry for the inconvenience, Suresh

AT SAVITRI BHAVAN
“JOURNEY TO THE LIFE DIVINE - Part 2”
To create a new world with and for a spiritual life was The Mother’s dream already in France. This film is about how The Mother and Sri Aurobindo worked this out in the Ashram. It reveals the meaning of Sri Aurobindo’s withdrawal in 1926, and shows that on every Darshan a new consciousness-force was brought down. One way in which The Mother worked for the evolution of consciousness was by giving flowers to the sadhaks, to help them to become aware of the states of consciousness represented by each flower - efforts to help spirit and soul to blossom and to support the opening of the psychic.

The film shows then several episodes in the history of the Ashram: the creation of the Sri Aurobindo International Centre of Education, the Ashram School, and especially The Mother’s attempt to give importance to physical education to make the body ready for the descent of the new consciousness force, The Mother playing her New Year music and message in 1955 and her achievement of the Supramental Manifestation on Earth in February 1956. The film ends with images of Ashram life today: meditation at the Samadhi, how Darshan happens, and the sending of relics to centres of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother.

The Department of Physical Education, Sri Aurobindo Ashram made the film in 2010. Duration: 90min.

Monday, 15th of February 2016, at 6:30 pm

L’HOMME APRES L’HOMME
A Powerful introduction to Sri Aurobindo’s and Mother’s evolutionary Action
2 filmed interviews with Satprem, Mother’s confident for 20 years.
“Satprem” - Le Chemin vers l’interieur - 30 mn
"L’Homme apres l’homme" - 1hr
The 2 films will be in French with English subtitles
On Tuesday 16/02 at 4.30 pm
At Cinema Paradiso - Town Hall

INTEGRAL YOGA OF SRI AUROBINDO
13th February, Saturday, 7pm
Savitri Bhavan video room.
Duration 50 minutes.

A highly engaging animated motion graphic presentation of the fundamental ideas and underlying geometry behind the knowledge and process of Integral Yoga. It gives a broad overview of psychology, cosmology and transformational practice of Integral Yoga leading towards psychic, spiritual and Supramental transformation. After the video show there will be discussion with the director, Manoj Pavitran, and the animator Hemant Shekhar.

CIRQUE DU SOLEIL AND TROCKADERO
Venue: Joy Guesthouse garden
Date & Time: Tuesday 16th of February at 8 pm.

Le Cirque du Soleil: The show is a synthesis of circus styles from around the world, with its own central theme and storyline. The show employs continuous live music, with performers rather than stagehands changing the props. The company's creations have received numerous prizes and distinction, making it the largest entertainment company in the world.

Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo: this is an American all-male drag ballet corps which parodies the conventions and clichés of romantic and classical ballet. The dancers portray both male and female roles in a humorous style that combines parodies of ballet, posing and physical comedy with “straighter” pieces intended to show off the performers' technical skills.

Other information: We have set-up a fantastic open-air cinema in the gardens for those nostalgic of summers when multiplex didn’t exist (drop-in ok). Before the show we’ll have a pizza night (reservation required: 0413 2622364)
Indian - Monday 15 February, 8:00 pm:
- COURT
India, 2014, Writer-Director Chaitanya Tamhane w/ Usha Bane, Vivek Gomber, Pradeep Joshi, Drama, 116mins, Marathi-Gujarati-English-Hindi w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR(PG-13)

A sewerage worker’s dead body is found inside a manhole in Mumbai. An aged social activist who uses folk music to spread his message is arrested, accused of inciting the sewage worker’s alleged suicide. Lawyers from both sides of the aisle, and the rote ideologies they represent, are scrutinized as the trial plays out. Winner of the National and many international awards, this debut film by the director is a MUST see! This film was scheduled in January 2016 but could not be screened due to technical issues.

Potpourri - Tuesday 16 February, 8:00 pm:
- PLEASONTVILLE
USA, 1998, Writer-Director Gary Ross w/ Tobey Maguire, Jeff Daniels, Joan Allen, and others, Drama-Fantasy, 124mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated:PG-13
A teenager in the 1990s, David is lonely and flees reality by watching Pleasantville - a 1950’s B&W sitcom, where everything is just that pleasant. As circumstances unfold strangely he and his sister Jennifer find themselves in Pleasantville with a set of more than any other in genre history, The Matrix.

Cultural - Wednesday 17 February, 8:00 pm:
- DANCE QUARTET: Three Ballets by Heinz Spoerli
Dance - Germany, 2012, Dir. Agnes Méth w/ She Yun Kim, Arsen Mehrabian, and others, live-recording-ballet, 94 mins, Rated: NR

The Salzburg Festival presented here a unique production: the Zurich Ballet: The Swiss grand master of dance, Heinz Spoerli created three works set to three of the greatest works of the string quartets literature: Janacek’s ”Intimate Letters,” Dvorak’s "American Quartet” and the famous Schubert’s “Death and the Maiden” presented here in a powerful choreography. The association of the talented Hagen Quartet accompanying the beautiful pieces of Spoerli offers a moment of rare pleasure.

Korean - Thursday 18 February, 8:00 pm:
- NO FILM SCHEDULED

International - Saturday 20 February, 8:00 pm:
- THE GUARD
Ireland, 2011, Writer-Director John Michael McDonagh w/ Brendan Gleeson, Don Cheadle, Mark Strong, and others, Comedy-Thriller, 96mins, English-Irish w/ English subtitles, Rated: R

Sergeant Gerry Boyle is a small-town Irish cop with a confrontational personality, a subsersive sense of humor, a dying mother, a fondness for prostitutes, and absolutely no interest whatsoever in the international cocaine-smuggling ring that has brought straight-laced FBI agent Wendell Everett to his door. This is #1 of a series of three films – of which we had screened the second one “Calvary” on 9 January 2016. The producer of this film, Floria Fernandez Marengo, the producer of this film, Floria Fernandez Marengo, the producer of this film, Floria Fernandez Marengo, the producer of this film, Floria Fernandez Marengo, the producer of this film, Floria Fernandez Marengo, the producer of this film, Floria Fernandez Marengo.

Children’s Film - Sunday 21 February, 4:30 pm:
- PAPER MOON
USA, 1973, Dir. Peter Bogdanovich w/ Ryan O’Neal, Tatum O’Neal, Madeline Kahn, Comedy, 102mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated PG

During the Great Depression, a bible selling conman finds himself saddled with a young girl, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old, a smart talking 7 year old.

Ciné-Club - Sunday 21 February, 8:00 pm:
- BOUND
USA, 1996, Dir. The Wachowskis w/Jennifer Tilly, Gina Gershon and others, Drama-Crime-Romance, 108mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: R

Corky, a lesbian ex-con hired to work in an apartment as a plumber, meets neighbors Caesar, who launders money for the Mafia, and his girlfriend Violet. The two women have a love affair and decide to steal $2,000,000 that Caesar has in custody before he gives them back to Mafia boss Gino Marzone. Caesar is set up by the two scheming women as a scapegoat but things start to go wrong when he reacts in an unexpected way.

Rating codes we often use are from Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA): G=General Audience, 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. For scheduling programs at MMC/CP venue: please email us at: mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in.

We appreciate your continued support. Please make a contribution to “Cinema Paradiso” account (#105106) at the Financial Service.

Thanking You, MMC/CP Group - Account# 105106, mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in
3rd Auroville & Puducherry Village Heritage Festival 2016
13th & 14th February 2016
Saturday & Sunday / 10 am to 5 pm

Arts & Craft Market ✧ Traditional Games & Performances ✧ Traditional Food & Workshops ✧ Seminar on Bioregion Culture & Heritage

Day 1 - 13th Feb 2016
10 to 11am - Official Festival Opening
- Demonstration of local craft: Pottery, basket weaving and leaf craft
- Traditional food competition: Traditional Games

11 to 12pm - Folk dance by Thilaka Priya Natya academy, Puducherry, Street Theatre by Mohanam youth

12 to 1pm - Traditional games
(Palankuthu, Nandi, Heavy stone lifting, Thayam, Aatu pull attam)

2 to 5pm - Come & Learn Craft and cultural workshop
-Pottery -Metal craft -Stone carving -Marbling &lampshade -Basket weaving -Bamboo craft
-Kolam -Kalattam -Kummi -Thappattam -Siamlam

3 to 3.30pm - Seminar on AV bio region culture and heritages by R. Meenaikshi, Thamizh heritage centre, Auroville

3.30 to 4pm - Folk music and dance by Mohanam children group

4 to 5pm - Traditional Games
(Vazhukkumaram Eruhal, Kabadi for Women's)

Book fair at the avenue all are welcome!

Video Room: Sanjeev Nagar village temple festival Kolam sacred mandals, Mohanam village tour, Mohanam summer camp 2013, Puducherry Village Heritage Festival 2015, Earth day 2009, Yezu

Day 2 - 14th Feb 2016
10 to 11am - Opening Sound Ceremony by Mohanam sound crew
-Authiyans (Gypsies) dance and music

11 to 11.30am - Folk dance and music by Shivalaya Natyaanjali - Alankuppam

11.30 to 12pm - Seminar by A. Arivian Thazhi Arakattalai on culture & Heritage of Puducherry

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-Kolam -Kalattam -Kummi -Thappattam -Siamlam

3 to 3.30pm - Folk music and dance by Mohanam children

3:30 to 4pm - Traditional sports
-Kha kha, Pannaai adaalathal, Kannam Poochi

3:30 to 4:30pm - Kolam competition by village women

4:30 to 5pm - Closing ceremony with culture Folk music performance by Thamizh Group

With best compliment from Mohanam, Tamil Heritage Centre Auroville.

Where:
Bamboo Land,
Mohanam Cultural & Heritage Centre
(way to Color of Nature / opp. imagination)
Alankuppam, Auroville.

For more info:
0413 2623806 & 2623994
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Hibiscus Music Festival
@ Sve-Dame

“Let it Go”
7 Bands in Concert!

Saturday 13th Feb 2016
5:30 pm - 12 am
@ “Well Cafe”

5:30 pm - Alain (Comemuse)
6 pm - Francois Friends (Folk Balkan)
6:30 pm - Magic Laurent
7 pm - Dinner @ Well Café
7 pm - Kenny Band (jazz)
8 pm - Krishna Shank’s – Sowri (Groove Funk)
9 pm - Juliette Katz (Soul French)
9:30 pm - Santra (Tibetan Folk)
10 pm - Gilani (Brazil)
10:30 pm - Laurent Nada Prem Joel (Reggae)
11:30 pm Jam

Contact - 8098565426 Louis