News & Notes

25th February 2017 .......... A weekly bulletin for residents of Auroville .......... Number 688

28th February 1968
Auroville
Birthday
"Wherever thou seest a great end, be sure of a great beginning. Where a monstrous and painful destruction appals thy mind, console it with the certainty of a large and great creation. God is there not only in the still small voice, but in the fire and in the whirlwind.

"The greater the destruction, the freer the chances of creation; but the destruction is often long, slow and oppressive, the creation tardy in its coming or interrupted in its triumph. The night returns again and again and the day lingers or seems even to have been a false dawning. Despair not therefore but watch and work. Those who hope violently, despair swiftly: neither hope nor fear, but be sure of God's purpose and thy will to accomplish.

"The hand of the divine Artist works often as if it were unsure of its genius and its material. It seems to touch and test and leave, to pick up and throw away and pick up again, to labour and fail and botch and repiece together. Surprises and disappointments are the order of his work before all things are ready. What was selected, is cast away into the abyss of reprobation; what was rejected, becomes the cornerstone of a mighty edifice. But behind all this is the sure eye of a knowledge which surpasses our reason and the slow smile of an infinite ability.

"God has all time before him and does not need to be always in a hurry. He is sure of his aim and success and cares not if he break his work a hundred times to bring it nearer perfection. Patience is our first great necessary lesson, but not the dull slowness to move of the timid, the sceptical, the weary, the slothful, the unambitious or the weakling; a patience full of a calm and gathering strength which watches and prepares itself for the hour of swift great strokes, few but enough to change destiny.

"Wherefore God hammers so fiercely at his world, tramples and kneads it like dough, casts it so often into the blood-bath and the red hell-heat of the furnace? Because humanity in the mass is still a hard, crude and vile ore which will not otherwise be smelted and shaped; as is his material, so is his method. Let it help to transmute itself into nobler and purer metal, his ways with it will be gentler and sweeter, much loftier and fairer its uses.

"Wherefore he selected or made such a material, when he had all infinite possibility to choose from? Because of his divine Idea which saw before it not only beauty and sweetness and purity, but also force and will and greatness. Despise not force, nor hate it for the ugliness of some of its faces, nor think that love only is God. All perfect perfection must have something in it of the stuff of the hero and even of the Titan. But the greatest force is born out of the greatest difficulty."

Thoughts and Glimpses, SABCL, Vol. 16, pp. 392 - 93

After all, the whole problem is to know whether humanity has reached the state of pure gold or whether it still needs to be tested in the crucible. One thing is evident, humanity has not become pure gold; that is visible and certain. But something has happened in the world's history which allows us to hope that a selected few in humanity, a small number of beings, perhaps, are ready to be transformed into pure gold and that they will be able to manifest strength without violence, heroism without destruction and courage without catastrophe.

But in the very next paragraph Sri Aurobindo gives the answer: "If man could once consent to be spiritualised." If only the individual could consent to be spiritualised... could consent. "All would change if man could once consent to be spiritualised; but his nature, mental and vital and physical, is rebellious to the higher law. He loves his imperfection." Something in him asks for it, aspires, and all the rest refuses, wants to continue to be what it is: the mixed ore which needs to be cast into the furnace.

At the moment we are at a decisive turning-point in the history of the earth, once again. From every side I am asked, "What is going to happen?" Everywhere there is anguish, expectation, fear. "What is going to happen?..." There is only one reply: "If only man could consent to be spiritualised." And perhaps it would be enough if some individuals became pure gold, for this would be enough to change the course of events.... We are faced with this necessity in a very urgent way. This courage, this heroism which the Divine wants of us, why not use it to fight against one's own difficulties, one's own imperfections, one's own obscurities? Why not heroically face the furnace of inner purification so that it does not become necessary to pass once more through one of those terrible, gigantic destructions which plunge an entire civilisation into darkness? This is the problem before us. It is for each one to solve it in his own way.

This evening I am answering the questions I have been asked, and my reply is that of Sri Aurobindo: If man could once consent to be spiritualised....And I add: Time presses... from the human point of view.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS, 27 March 1957

MOTHER
The total expenses incurred by L’avenir d’Auroville/TDC from April 2016 to 31st January 2017 corresponds to Rs. 41,33,403/- (41.33 lakhs). The income realized in this period is the following: 6.46 lakhs from City Services, 1.69 lakhs from project contributions, 5.23 lakhs from Stichting de Zaaijer for the Water Monitoring project, 15.00 lakhs from GOI grant, 0.20 lakhs from other donations & 26.47 lakhs is the reserve from the previous years.

Table 2: L’avenir d’Auroville Human Resources 2016-17 (cost in Lakhs rounded up figures)

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Human Resources represent the major share of expenses for an amount of 28.29 lakhs. This category includes Aurovilians on maintenance as per existing guidelines, external staff, consultants and volunteers. There are also Aurovilians who work part-time or full-time in L’avenir d’Auroville without receiving any maintenance and they are not accounted.

The following table gives a break-up of cost (total does not tally exactly due to round up of decimals) for the department of Human Resources. Annex 1 gives further details of the scope of work due to round up of decimals for the department of Human Resources and other annual contributions.

### Consultants' Expenses

Consultants’ expenses that normally represent costs incurred under Human Resources have been greatly reduced during nine months; no major new engagement has been undertaken in the last nine months periods. Costs under “Consultants” include external professionals (4.59 lakh) as well as Auroville registered units (0.19 lakh). There are also consultants who are retired professionals and are offering their service without any costs except for conveyance and transport.

### Details of the staff: HUMAN RESOURCE L’AVENIR/TDC

#### 1. Maintenance of Aurovilians

- **Mr. Cristo** (April’16- January 17) regional development
- **Mr. Tom** (April’16- January 17) water and infrastructure
- **Mrs. Divya Lieser** (part time maintenance April-November 16, full time December 16 to January 17) communication and office coordination
- **Mr. Pino** (part time maintenance October-November 16 and full time Dec’16-Jan’17) urban design and building permission
- **Mr. Fabian**, (Dec’16-Jan’17) planning and urban design
- **Ms. Tejaswini**, (Dec’16-Jan’17) planning and urban design

#### 2. Auroville Technical Staff:

- **The following members have received a full-time maintenance (Rs 16,370/-) for the following functions:**
  - **Ms. Deoyani**, GIS and land use (April’16-June’16)
  - Full time maintenance for March and April 2016 - Rs 29,600
  - Housing contribution for March and April 2016 - Rs 8,540
  - Part-time maintenance for May 2016 - Rs 4,200
  - **Mr. Vinayagamurthy**, GIS (April’16-Jan’17)
  - **Mr. Anbu**, Emergency and Mapping (April’16-Jan’17)
  - **Mr. Ramesh**, Water monitoring project (April’16-Jan’17)
  - **Mr. Boobalan**, Site supervision, land registration, asset survey (April’16-Jan’17)

- **Mr. Manu G.**, Special Housing Project Sacred Grove (April’16-Jan’17)
- **Mr. Paul Vincent**, Land protection (April’16-Jan’17)
- **Mr. Dheena**, Accounting and reporting (April’16-Jan’17)
- **Ms. Vallideivani @ Meera**, WAT Consultancy & Engineering (April’16-Jan’17)
- **Mr. Krishnamurthy**, Water Monitoring Project (Dec’16)
- **Mr. Govind Ranjan**, TDC WAT Member(Nov’16-Jan’17)
- **Ms. Mamata**, TDC reorganization work with the Council (Dec’16-Jan’17)

All maintenance are running according to the guidelines and policies of the BCC and the HRT. It has to be noted that on request of the FAMC and Working Committee, the TDC has absorbed in 2012 all GIS and mapping experts in the other service units of Auroville in order to provide a unified city service.

### 2. External Staff

The following are the external staff employed from April 2016 to March 2017 with related assignments:

- **Mrs. Vijayaavalli**, part-time secretary, building application and Work Allocation Team. 9,200/- per month including school allowance + social security’s and social benefits (April’16-Jan’17)
- **Mr. Karthikeyan**, attached to the Auroville Foundation Office 23,000/- per month from April 2016 to Dec 2016 and 26,000/- from Jan 2017 + social security’s and social benefits.
- **Ms. Priya**, Full time Secretary: amount paid 9,335/- per month from April ’16 to Jan’17 + social security’s and social benefits.

### 3. Consultants

The following units/consultants have been employed during 2016-17:

- **Mr. Balamurugan**, consulting fees amount paid 3.15 lakh for regional planning, liaison with panchayat, local authorities, bioregion and land protection.
- **Mr. Govind** amount paid 1.05 lakh retainer fees as a quantity engineer for Work Allocation Team and other projects evaluation till Oct 2016, before being accepted as a newcomer.
- **Mr. David Stein** amount paid 0.36 lakh paid for Green Belt Master Plan related work

### Auroville Units:

- **Auroville Wind System**: amount paid 0.18 lakhs for road design.
- **Shama**: amount paid 0.02 lakhs for uploading planning data

### 4. ACUR costs:

The TDC occupies 202 square meters in the Town Hall, one full wing on the second floor and shares part of the other wing and the library. The cost for the maintenance of this space is 35,000/- per month covers the following:

- Security 24 hrs
- Maintenance, repair and cleaning of the office
- Maintenance of office furniture and equipment, hardware and software
- Electricity & generator (diesel and maintenance) & UPS maintenance.
- Water
- Internet access and hardware/software assistance
- Waste disposal
- Maintenance of Town Hall Garden

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In addition TDC has contributed to ACUR a one-time amount of Rs 15,000/- for the annual tour of Town Hall staffs & workers.

Miscellaneous Costs:
- Travel and visits are mainly cost for local trips especially to Chennai, Vanur and Villupuram to meet government officers, Taxis for WAT meeting and other allowances etc amount to Rs 1,12,262/-.
- Other major office expenses are:
  o Computer maintenance & stationeries (98,818/-)
  o Telephone, Email & internet (99,357/- x 4 lines).
  o Capital expenses: are related to computer systems, with high configuration and Internal & External HDD Backup Disk (70,350/-), water monitoring related equipment’s, rain gauge etc. (27,700/-). Office telephone instruments (1560).

For further information concerning this report, please contact avenir@aurville.org.in

Forest group meeting Notes 3 Feb 2017,

Udumbu - Present: Venkatesh, Diego, Achilles, Yves, Rishi, Patrick (RV), Jan, D. Segar, V. Boobalan, Naimeh (Evergreen), Natasha, P. Elumalai, Jean, Aurore, Sri, Julia, Jessamijn, Gijs, Nathalie (Revelation), Martin (Samriddhi), Mita, Ranjith, Sauro, Sundar, Eric, Quentin, Glenn, Satyaji, Marc (Fertilized east), Dave, Philippe, Rajavelu, David (Aurodam), Ambre, Rita, Dany, Bee, Natacha, Fabian, Thanajayan, Kanneypann, Dominik, Agnes, Christoph, Michael (volunteer Pitchandikulam), Sangaraparanan, Yuval, Marti, Hans.

1) Love Cacti? Volker is looking for someone to help and eventually take over the cactus growing in Botanical garden. Please get in touch with him!
2) Good news on David’s legs! They are good and he is able to walk and cycle. Hooray!
3) AV land near Samriddhi - Martin, Mita and Sundar from the Council and Ranjith from the working committee came to hear and share about the long dispute between Thanajayan (steward of 4 plots in this area) and Sangaraparanan (previous steward, who has built a small dome on one of the plots). It was decided we will have a trial year in which Thanajayan will remain steward and Sangaraparanan can stay on the plot given that there is no further development. Detailed conditions for this trial year will be described by Martin in an agreement which will be sent to the FG for approval. Further, Thanajayan needs to get a surveyor to come in order to be able to fence the plots.
4) TDC-FG dialogue - with the wish to build trust and bridge the communication gap between FG and TDC on landuse and protection matters the first step will be to map green zones in the city area according to three categories (1) for development, 2) TDEF, 3)Protected/not to be touched. A good GPS will be available next month which maybe could be used for this. Glenn and Sauro will be in touch next week to coordinate this. Further, FG urges maps to be updated according the current plans (e.g. delete the radial through Revelation), this would help to increase trust. Sauro will also send the two maps of 1999 (RA approved) and 2001 (gazetted version that includes the radial 4 access roads).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Outcome of the Decision-Making on the proposed New Appeal Process

The Appeal Process is approved! Residents Assembly Service has registered 237 votes (214 - yes, 23 - no) which are only 13.8% of our population (1718 registered residents).

If you didn’t vote, we would really like to know why. Please write to us at: raservice@aurville.org.in and feed us with your vision on how the decisions should be made in Auroville as per your opinion.

Thank you for your participation!
The Auroville Council and the Residents Assembly Service team

Reason for the difference was that the gazetted version had to fit legalities. There are only a few pages that are binding, the rest is up for negotiation. FG very much appreciates Sauro’s coming to the meeting.

4) Fertile Field stewardship over new plots - last year stewardship was given to Fertile Field for 2 small plots and recently another plot was added. The plots are officially still with the Land Board and will be up for (cashew) lease while they have been planted with trees by Fertile Field. Fabian will send a letter to the other members of the Green Group to process this request.

5) Pitchandikulam stewardship over new plots - Pitchandikulam Forest expressed interest in becoming stewards for some plots recently purchased or already under the Land Board. All plots are in the enclosed area between Gratitude, Alchemy, Pitanga, Sharanga and Pitchandikulam Forest. These plots tie together so far isolated pieces of land under Pitchandikulam stewardship which by now have developed into dense patches of forest. It is envisioned to prepare a long term development plan for this area in collaboration with the neighbouring communities and stakeholders which will aim to combine elements of forests, medicinal gardens, park areas and pockets of farming.

The Forest Group in this meeting discussed and internally approved the request of Pitchandikulam Forest for the allocation of stewardship for the newly acquired plots. Fabian will send a letter to the other members of the Green Group to process this request.

6) Baraka-house rebuilding- Bee and Sri want to rebuild the house they are staying in, same surface. Design is approved by FG.

7) Samriddhi-New Creation Road rerouted. Temple land has been fenced for cultivation and the road through it now follows the Samriddhi boundary. Fabian will send the link with official regulations on what is and isn’t allowed on temple land.

8) Bliss Forest Work Group - Bliss Forest and steward need some attention and support. Friday 10 Feb at 15.00 meeting at Youth Centre for those who are interested to be (once weekly) involved. Group so far incl: Glenn, Christoph, Dominik, Jeremy.

9) Skate park - Phillip shares the current situation related to the skate park and the forest around it. Since the project proposal is with L’avenir and the land is not under the FG, the FG refrains from involvement.

10) Sharing maintenance - Boobalan wishes to share his maintenance, his gesture is appreciated and approved by the FG, given that the maintenance stays connected to Siddharta Forest. Diego will write a letter to Savi for Evergreen to register a volunteer.

11) Evergreen Volunteer- Diego will write a letter to Savi for Evergreen to register a volunteer.

12) Zoning- The Zoning group has sent a proposal on how to approach zoning for long term use and management, feedback is welcomed. First feedback is to incorporate recommendation made by Paul and Glenn on this-Dave will send this document to the FG.

Next meeting: 15.00 pm, 3 March, Baraka

Announcement from FAMC & L’Avenir

Dear Community, it has been brought to the FAMC’s attention that residents and unit stewards have been constructing buildings, sheds, parking structures, etc. of a permanent nature on infrastructure corridors. Please be reminded that L’avenir d’Auroville is the planning authority of Auroville and any structure that a resident or unit steward wishes to build, first needs to be submitted to L’avenir d’Auroville for approval. This ensures, among other things, that we as a community do not build on infrastructure corridors which are necessary to the further growth of Auroville.

The FAMC and L’Avenir wishes to make a strong statement that planned development of the city and its infrastructure corridors, such as future roads and pathways, should not be compromised by unapproved structures. If necessary, the FAMC will endorse demolition and removal of such unapproved structures. FAMC & L’Avenir
New land purchase!

Art For Land Auction - 3 pm on 25th February
Gala Closing Ceremony & Concert - 5 pm on the 28th

This special month of February has been made even more special by the Land Board’s announcement of this week’s purchase of another 1.86 acres of land. We warmly thank all donors for the ongoing vital support that has made this new purchase possible!

Solidarity from the Visitors Centre boutiques and eateries! As pledged, VC units have contributed as land donations a part of their sales proceeds from Marathon weekend on February 11th & 12th. We acknowledge with warm appreciation this solidarity from the VC Cafeteria & Kiosk, VC Info Service, Mantra, WorkTree, Glimpse, Minature, Maroma, To be Two, Catami Dreamers Cafe, Aurosipril, New School Crafts, Eco Femme, & Auroline - as well as other participating units, whose donations are also on the way to LFAU.

The beautiful ‘Art for Land’ exhibition is gracing the walls of Unity Pavilion with over 300 beautiful works donated for the land by more than 70 Auroville and friend artists, many of whom enjoy wide renown. Several works have been seen and touched by The Mother. Also on exhibit are Loretta’s rare photographs of The Mother and Sri Aurobindo - on sale with all proceeds to benefit Auroville’s land. And don’t miss the rich variety of dedicated events for the land this week at Unity Pavilion (see the schedule below).

This special month is finishing with two not-to-be-missed events for the land at Unity Pavilion:

1- the ‘Art for Land’ Auction - February 25th at 3 PM

Pre-auction bidding has started at the Unity Pavilion, by email unitypavilionauroville.wordpress.com/ or by clicking on the works of the online gallery at Art For Land Web Site. Winning land-donation bids will be decided on Auction Day at Unity Pavilion, with Auroville’s Jesse and Paul as the inspired auctioneers! Come to bid, or to be present for this rare event of beauty and unity!

2- the Gala Closing Ceremony for “Coming Together for the Auroville land” - February 28th at 5 PM

This inspiring and joyous event with music by N A D A K A, wraps up the special land-solidarity month of February!, Auroville pioneers and artists will be special honored guests, and refreshments will be served,. All are welcome to share this moment of energy and solidarity for Auroville!

We remind all Financial Service account-holders of Unity Pavilion’s special offer to encourage monthly land contributions. If you visit Unity Pavilion on the 25th and 28th to sign up for a recurring monthly land contribution, irrespective of amount, you will receive a photo of your selection from Loretta’s rare photograph collection.

Settling winning donation bids after the Auction

ART FOR LAND is non-commercial and all proceeds are land donations to be used for securing Auroville’s unified & harmonious base. All works have been donated by the artists and are distributed through a donation auction whereby donors submit donation-offers for specific works of art. Shipping of works is at the winning bidder’s expense, but can be organized via Unity Pavilion.

For settlement of winning land-donation bids:
- by credit card: make your donation via the ‘Auroville Donation Gateway’ www.auroville.com/donations/ using the specific option “Land Purchase - City Area & Master Plan Priority Plots - Acres for Auroville”
- by cash, bank transfer or check: to “Art for Land” - Unity Fund account No. 252412. For donations in foreign currency, please visit Financial Service at Town Hall with your Passport / Visa and deposit your winning bid in the above-mentioned account.

Tax exemption: Land donations by Indian donors through the above options are tax exempt under sections 80G and SSR 100% via 35(i)(iii). Foreign donors in countries offering tax exemptions must make their land donations via the AVI center of the country where they pay taxes in order to settle their winning bid.

The ‘Art for Land’ Exhibition cum Auction is part of the growing efforts to secure needed funds and raise awareness for Auroville’s still-missing land.

The Unity Pavilion intends to continue Art for Land each year as an ongoing action of unity for the land.
Solidarity Events for Auroville Land this week at Unity Pavilion
Information at 0413-2623 576 / unitypavilionauroville.wordpress.com/

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The above programs are Fund Raising Programs for Auroville Land
- ALL ARE WELCOME -

The beautiful ART FOR LAND website with its gallery of artwork is now online Art For Land Web Site

- or via your country’s Auroville International center: www.auroville-international.org
More information & tax deductibility www.colaap.org
‘ACRES FOR AUROVILLE’ is a collaboration of ‘Lands for Auroville Unified’ & ‘Auroville International’
Introducing the Water Group

In January, the Government of Tamil Nadu declared all 32 districts of Tamil Nadu officially “drought-hit”, based on the poor rainfall during the monsoon of 2016. But in 2015, many parts of Tamil Nadu were inundated with unrelenting rains during the monsoon period, causing flooding and havoc. One question that’s buzzing through Auroville right now is, “What does that mean for us?” On a bigger scale the question becomes, “What is the status of water security in Auroville?”

Since its beginning, our community has relied on underground aquifers as its primary source of water. Like everywhere in India, the aquifers here are drying up. This forces us to get both serious and creative about finding other solutions, such as utilizing multiple water sources like rainwater, wastewater, and even desalinated water. It also makes us examine how best to utilize the fresh water that we do have: to reduce our consumption and reuse or recycle it. And it pushes us all to think about what kind of relationship we want to have with water in the City of the Future.

In 2015, the TDC invited a group of people to come together to focus on these questions. We are called the Water Group. We are working to collect current, accurate, on-the-ground data on our current situation. We aim to share information about the current water situation of Auroville with the community. In general, we are working on helping Auroville move toward becoming water-sensitive city.

Are we experts? No. But combined we have decades of water experience, in waste-water treatment, geography, town planning and education. Are we closed? No. On our bookshelves, we have the past water plans of Auroville and recognize that for some reason all of them failed to take hold. Our group aims to be inclusive, transparent, and communicative. In turn we hope for the community’s feedback and active participation.

The Water Group recognizes that we cannot work alone. Water, the very essence of life and our great unifier, is a necessity for all, and each one of us has work to do on this. So this is both an introduction to the Water Group and an invitation to you to ponder what it means to be “water sensitive”.

In the meantime, if you’d like to connect, we can be reached at: watergroup@auroville.org.in

Thank you,
Auroville Water Group (Christian, Giulio, Nele, Tency, Toby, Tom, Aditi, Camille, Gilles B, Ing-Marie, Julie, Mariu, Pavneet, Paolo, Ramesh)

Houses available for transfer

Re-announced:
2. Creativity E-block First Floor Hemant’s House: Area - 111.20 Sqm. Three bedrooms apartment with kitchen, passage, toilet, open terrace and a balcony. * Available in April 2018
3. Auromodel Anu & Pierre workshop and residence (2 separate buildings). Area - 3305 sqm + 90 Sqm. The place as a whole could accommodate a professional, such as artist, architect or a quiet unit with residence, or it can be split into 3 to 4 parts to be shared by friends, as a semi collective set-up. Ready now.

5. Quiet Hilde’s House: Area - 100.36 Sqm. Semi-permanent structure with sloped thatched roof, supported on granite pillars with unplastered brick walls in cement mortar. Living cum kitchen, toilet, sit out and mezzanine

Housing Project under construction
1. **Kalpana** - 26 apartments of different sizes available. Studio - 8 nos, 1BHK - 10 nos, 2 BHK - 5 nos, 3 BHK - 3 nos. Will be ready next year 2018.
Contact Person: Satyakam - Satyakam is available every Thursday afternoon from 3 to 5.30. For appointment e-mail to satyakam@auromodele.org.in
2. **Auromodele Orchard** - Several houses are still to be built. Will be ready in 2018. 7 out of 14 are available for booking.
Contact person: Padmanabhan, Auromodele

For more information contact: Housing Service (Town Hall); Phone; (0413) 2622658; e-mail: housing@auroville.org.in

L’avenir d’Auroville / TDC - Site and Building Applications feedback - 25th Feb 2017

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

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

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

**INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS**

- **Site Applications:** No New SA
- **Building Applications**
  1. SAILER, Temporary eating space / Cafeteria on plot no IR. 199/6 for 112.5 sq.m. for Auroshika Cafeteria

**COLLECTIVE PROJECTS**

- **Site applications:** No New SA
- **Building Application**
  1. Dehashakti School Sports, Semi-Covered structure for playing games on plot no. BO 17/2 and 17/3 for 268 sq.m.

For additional information, please write to avenir@auroville.org.in, call 2622-170 or come directly to L’avenir d’Auroville/TDC office in the Town Hall. For more information on the location of the plots mentioned above, you can find this same announcement with map(s) on the Auronet page of L’avenir d’Auroville/TDC.

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**FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

Introducing a New Community

Introducing a new community called Spirit. The actual space for this community doesn’t exist yet, but there is a collection of people who share this movement and philosophy. “Spirit” will involve space and facilities for Natural Learning (or Unschooling) for kids who don’t feel comfortable in the conventional schooling system, but who are enthusiastic about learning. Another aspect of “Spirit” will be a centre for parents to learn, discuss and practice Conscious Parenting. “Spirit” will also host guests with families, where their kids can have a recreational time while learning together. As Auroville is trying to develop itself as a city, and finding its shape and direction, we (the movement behind Spirit) are waiting for the right opportunity to plant the first seed and place the first brick.
In the meantime we are discussing possibilities and are holding regular sessions on ongoing research about Conscious Parenting and Natural Learning.

Here’s a brief description of:

Conscious Parenting
Helping parents in dealing with their children and also observing how we as adults might want to improve our behaviour and attitude towards them. Furthermore, through a more conscious dealing with children we will also be able to improve our relationships among adults (at work and in general).

Natural Learning
Also known as Unschooling, is a new approach to educational practices that focuses on allowing children to learn naturally, through playing, household responsibilities, hands on practice, and social interaction; rather than the traditional school curriculum.

Natural Learning encourages the children to take up activities facilitated by adults.

Natural Learning differs from conventional schooling mainly in the philosophy that grading, reward / punishment and other features are counter-productive to the goal of the natural and healthy education of children and their mental stability.

We will be contributing articles to News & Notes regularly, so please look for us for more discussion, or contact us on: AurovilleSpirit@gmail.com
Submitted by Gino

POStINGS

Photography Contest: Capturing Water in Auroville: Calling all photographers! You are invited to participate in a photo contest to capture the essence of water in Auroville. The Water Group is seeking an image for use on its upcoming website, Auronet page, and on social media based on the theme of “water in Auroville”. Time to unleash your creative energies and take this any direction you want!
Photographs must be in .jpg, .gif, or .png formats. Submissions are due to: watergroup@auroville.org.in by March 15th. The winner will be decided by March 22nd, World Water Day!
The chosen image will be the main image that the Water Group uses to communicate with the wider community, with full credit given to the photographer. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact: watergroup@auroville.org.in

Water Group

Invitation to Adults for Nature Camp: We’re gearing up for another successful AV Nature Camp for this summer. Part of this success depends on camp counselors, or the adults who choose to come along. An ideal camp counselor would be one who is: mature and responsible, likes to work with children in the outdoors, and one who is willing to share their own passions with young people in an outdoor setting. Does this sound like you?
There will be three camps of 12-days each, starting in May.
Camp is situated in the beautiful hills near Kodaikanal. The cost per adult is Rs 3600, and all food, lodging, and transport will be provided.
If you are interested in participating in one of the camps, please write an email with your name, age, community, your contact number, a short paragraph on why you’re interested in joining Nature Camp and what skills/activities you could contribute to camp. Please send the email to: naturecamp@auroville.org.in by March 15.
We look forward to hearing from you! AV Nature Camp Team

Now in Spanish. Anandi’s Translation. First Edition in Buenos Aires. Second, Prisma - Auroville, India. For more information: anandij@auroville.org.in - Anandi

The Auroville Library of Things (ALoT)

The Auroville Library of Things (ALoT) aims to make sharing things in Auroville convenient and efficient. We intend to have an ample inventory of things to cater to the artist, the inventor and the child who resides inside all of us. We plan to begin with toys, tools and kitchenware and eventually include all kinds of things that can be incorporated into a library system.
This is to ensure that we collaborate utilising our things to their maximum potential as opposed to individually owning them.
As a community, we can then move towards a cognizance of dynamic accessibility of things as opposed to their static ownership and hopefully stand as an example of collaborative consumption that may inspire sweeping changes in other parts of India.
In order to manifest this idea, we had an open discussion on 14 of February, at SAIER Conference Hall. It was attended by a mixed group of 25, including Aurovilians, newcomers, volunteers and guests and we received a lot of valuable feedback and suggestions. What was most heartwarming though, was that everyone in the room recognised the need for such a space.
A space where the community can come together to share much more than just their things. A space where generosity, abundance and the pure joy that comes from sharing can be felt and accessed by all! Min

Inviting All Children to a New Video Story! : For all of you who love children’s stories that inspire, I have recently created a little video of my book, Yaroslava’s Flowers, with narration done by Marienka. It is a story about a little girl who experiences the magic of flowers and their power to transform the world and herself. Please visit the following link on my website to view the video, free for all: truthyoga.wordpress.com/books/yaroslavas-flowers/
Or, you can also see it on Youtube at: www.youtube.com/watch?v=8P8TOXmR3xQ&t=2s
Copies of the book can be found at Freeland Bookshop and the Visitor’s Center bookstore, if interested.
Thank you and Enjoy! Noel P.

The book is born: After a very interesting process, the colourful book for adults and children, is here: The Ever-Changing Story of The Living Goddess, Kumari, the Flower Girl!
The book is based on creative Vision boards, collages made from recycled material, enhanced by simple positive inspiring poems. I dedicate it to the child in each of us, to the innocence, simplicity and beauty of it. It is not a book to read through once, it can rather be used similar to a Tarot deck, again and again, welcoming us to pause, to contemplate, connect and create intuitive stories silently inside or verbally with a friend or a child. Some ideas about how to work with it are at the end of the book.
You can get a copy for yourself or a friend in PTDC, Svedame handicraft shops, at the Visitor Center bookshop or with me. I am also happy to donate copies to those of you who work with children or in Art therapy, or if you would like to have a copy, yet your money abundance is not up to it, I am happy to exchange it for something coming from you.
With gratitude for all the support and appreciations along the way.
Darinya: darinya@auroville.org.in

A new Italian book by Paola: The new Italian book “SAVITRI - La scoperta dell’Anima e la vittoria sulla Morte” (ed. La Lepre) by Auroviliana Paola De Paolis is now available at SABDA Bookshop in Pondy. Paola

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Litter Free Auroville 2017:
Litter Free AV 2017 is planned to be held from 17 March (Friday) to 9 April (Sunday). We urgently need the help of VOLUNTEERS to prepare for the event from March 1st. Contact: marc.baranard@gmail.com with the subject line 'Volunteer (your name)'.

LITTER FREE AUROVILLE CAMPAIGN is also calling for CREATIVE PEOPLE and ARTISTS to participate in its exhibition “re-farming-waste” from 17th March to 9th April in Kalakendra. The way to participate can be: 1. With already made ART and DESIGN pieces in which is present the waste. 2. Participating there in the workshops during that period, where we will collect different materials to have a common experience re-shaping and giving life and beauty to the waste. Interested in this experience, please contact us!

Clara: +91 7639065609

A proposal for the celebration of Auroville’s 50th anniversary: Dear all, we would like to propose to review the plans for a large and expensive celebration of Auroville’s 50th anniversary. We feel that although it is a significant achievement for Auroville to even still exist after half a century, it would be more appropriate to make this event a time of introspection and reaffirmation of our original aims, to be more focused on our internal processes and to share this achievement in a quiet way with a meditation under the banyan tree with our fellow Aurovillians rather than with a big public event. It will be nice to find a way to see how many people share this view and if it’s not too late to change the program, if that’s what the community wants.

Gabi and Monica [monica@cita@auroville.org.in]

Visiting the Kochi Biennale: A group of 17 people are travelling from Auroville to Kochi by Tempo Traveller to visit the Kochi Biennale. They will leave on March 5 early morning and arrive back on March 9 late evening. Costs of the travel will be shared. There are two places vacant on this trip and there is even a double bedroom booked for these two people. Travel: A little more than Rs. 2,000/- per head - Stay: Rs. 1,000/- per night for the double room non-AC with breakfast. If you would like to go, please immediately email with the subject line ‘Kochi trip’:

- <aurovillearts@auroville.org.in>
- <magalicrouze@gmail.com>

Submitted by Krishnadevanandan

AVAILABLE

Soprano Ukulele: I have a basically brand new soprano Ukulele “Wiki” brand with Akila strings which I would like to pass on for what I got it for. It’s in perfect condition and barely used. If you are interested please call: 7094956887 or write to: kevinhauser@hotmail.com. Thanks, Kevin

Lap top: ACER lap top computer reconditioned, black (new hard disc). Very light, size of a tablet … excellent condition. Please contact Bernard: 90 47 43 68 02

Various items: 1 small gas stove (1 burner ) new, never used, 1 CD player ONIDA - 1 small CD player with USB key to connect to computer, and 1 loudspeaker. Contact: 78679 66069 preferably between 7 pm and 9 pm. Krishna

Office or Household work: Neelavathi has been working at the Unity Pavilion, replacing Parvadhan who had an accident and could not work for some months. Her works was keeping the offices clean as well as help out with tea, lunch serving during workshops and in other ways. Now Parvadhan is well and coming back to work and we are not able to keep Neelavathi. We are very happy with Neelavathi’s work and can warmly recommend her for either office or household work. Please contact Neelavathi directly on: 9787400151 or Unity Pavilion for more information: 0413-2622074

Jaya for the Unity Pavilion team

Mountain bike: Dear community and friends, I am selling a lady size mountain bike (21 gears) in very good conditions. If you are interested please write a sms to: 8108 3733 56 or email at: morten.huebbe@gmail.com. Thanks, Morten

Yamaha FZ-S: Two years old motorbike. Low mileage. Tamil Nadu plates. Please contact Manolo: 9159008653 or go directly to the garage behind Aurovilo.

LOOKING FOR...

A tale writer: I am looking for someone who could help me adapt in English a tale that I wrote in French about Auroville’s bird. The translation in English is done but it will need to be rearranged. The person must be fluent in English and understand French, having experience in writing tale for bird. The translation in English is done but it will need to be adapted in English a tale that I wrote in French about Auroville’s bird. I would like to pass on for what I got it for. It’s in perfect condition and barely used. If you are interested please call: 7094956887 or write to: kevinhauser@hotmail.com. Thanks, Kevin

Clare: +91 7639065609

Auroville birds pictures: Hi AVbird lovers, I’m preparing a CD catalogue on Auroville’s bird songs to identify the birds we hear every day while walking in the forest. In addition to good quality recording of their song, a friend suggested me that I should put their photo in the CD booklet in order to better identify them. To be done every day is looking for photos taken in Auroville in very good quality of the following birds: - Common, Jungle, Yellow-Billed Babbler or Seven Sisters / - Magpie Robin / Asian Koel / Loten’s or Purpl Sunbird / Purple-Rumped Sunbird / Black Rumped Flameback (woodpecker) / Spotted Owlet / Common Iora / Indian Golden Oriol / Rufous Treepie / White-Throated Kingfisher / Cuppersmith Barbet / White Browed Bulbul / Redvented Bulbul / Black Drongo / Indian Robin / Common Myna / Southern Coucal / Indian Tailorbird / Common Hawk Cuckoo or Brain Fever / Hoopoe / Indian Jungle Crow / Dove / Indian Peafowl or Pavo or Parakeet. Of course many are missing; it is the list of what I have already been able to record. Many other birds in Auroville are beautiful but often they do not sing … for a CD on birdsongs it is not very useful … ;-) You can send me your photos to: chlo@auroville.org.in. Please write in your message: - name of the bird (if you know it), male or female or juvenile (same if known it), location, date, day time and your name which will appear if you wish in the CD booklet. Thanks and love, Chloé.

Vehicle: We are looking for a one year used bike/TVS/scooty from a single owner in a good working condition for office use with lien free documents. Interested owners please contact Stephan: info@auroville.com / Tel: 0413 2622069

Musicians: Looking for musicians (Guitar; clarinet; drums; violin; accordion) knowing traditional European Folk music to play for dancing - dance circle (Scottish; Chapelloise; Bourée; etc...). This would be for the 27th of February, but meeting beforehand. Place to be determined. Contact Lucile Pinteaux: lucilepinteaux@gmail.com

LOST & FOUND

Found at Guest Service: Dear Balaganesh, we found your little pouch with some cards in it on the desk of our office. We are waiting for you to pick it up. Auroville Guest Service (above the Solar Kitchen) 0413-2622675

Mobile Phone 1 (Lost): IPHONE 4S white with a blue flower of life sticker - lost on Saturday morning after a scooter sand slipping on the road in the Transition School area. Contact: Jasmoon777@gmail.com. Thank you, Jas
Mobile Phone 2 (Lost): (Lenovo) K4 Note. Black and grey. Lost on 14th of February in Adishakti area. Contact Venkat: 9003024763

Set of keys (Lost): I've lost a set of keys on Thursday Feb 16 late afternoon. One safety key and a little brown key on a pink keychain with a picture of Ramana Maharshi. Probably lost on the way from Kupilalayam to Svedame. If you've found them, please drop them off at the News & Notes office. Thank you!

Helmet (Lost): A helmet that is black with a white sticker that reads “Vipassana Centre”. Found on the ground near the Auroville Arthouse on Feb 24. Contact: gabrielle.levesque@umontreal.ca

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T I M E - M A R K E R S

Taxi leaving from Auroville to Tiruvanamalai March 1st:

Philippe: Taxi leaving around 10 pm on February 28th / March 1st:

Isabelle (New Creation): Taxi with 3 seats available departing at 4 am from Auroville and back empty around 5/6 pm. Contact Nathalie at:

March 9th: Taxi with 3 seats available going to Chennai airport at 4pm. Call 7639318959 or email ally@auromode.org.in.

March 10th: Leaving Auroville around 1 to 2 pm - will come back empty around 5/6 pm. Contact Nathalie at: natnat101@hotmail.com

March 14th: Wednesday - leaving Auroville at 11.50 pm to Chennai airport at 4pm. Call 7639318959 or email ally@auromode.org.in.

T I M E T E M P T O R S

Looking for house and cat-sitter: We are looking for a house-sitter from 19th of April to 22d of June. We need a person or a couple responsible, who loves cats. No students, no parties... If you are interested, call 04132623407 or write to: iele@auromode.org.in. Emanuèle and Yvelise, Sukhavati community.

House in Quiet: My house in Quiet (beach) is available for house-sitting from 3rd March - 17th March. I have a cat and 2 dogs that require care. If you are interested please email: nandita@sharan-india.org or SMS 9488483286 - Nandita

House in Auromodel: Independent tiny house in a garden available at Auromodel, attached bathroom, and small kitchen, it is available for long-term volunteer or newcomer, feel free to contact me for further information. Thank you, Fred: 96 26 01 7247 or fred1@auromode.org.in

House Sitting 1: My name is Matthew and I am an English university professor just moved to Auroville. My wife Yangmi (Korean) is an arts therapist and dancer and we are currently volunteering in AV, on our way to becoming Newcomers. We are looking for house sitting beginning around the end of February until early summer. We are both clean living, quiet and considerate house guests and would appreciate any opportunity to take care of your property in your absence. Please contact us on m.b.tildesley@gmail.com or call 827 0405 287. Thank you so very much. Matthew & Yangmi.

A C C O M M O D A T I O N S A V A I L A B L E A N D N E E D E D

Transparent plastic glasses (Lost): Come in a blue case. Contact ‘Catherine Reby’ at Auromode Guest House or 8754772435

A scarf (Lost): I've lost a scarf, silk with a few shades of orange, a gift from my beloved sister. If you've found it, thanks to send to Gall an email (magalichirozue@gmail.com) or a sms (bad phone reception) 84 89 28 14 78 ;-) Love

TVS Keys (Found): Set of 2 keys, with a key ring tag “Power, found last week Thursday at Town Hall Cafeteria.”. Pick up at News&Notes office.

TH A N K Y O U

Thank you, Deepam team! I want to express my very sincere admiration for what Angelika has created for differently-abled children from Auroville’s surrounding. Having started 25 years ago under the tamarind trees in Kupilalayam, then helped by Franca and the late Marieka, she managed to have her Deepam “Light” centre grow, mature and expand through hard work, persistent fund raising and by partnering years ago with co-executive Selvi and other skillful individuals, therapists, teachers and volunteers. Both the singing, dance and hatha yoga performances by some of the pupils during the recent 25-year celebration were testimony to the great care and time that must have gone into these and to the patient, loving relationship between adults and children...

Hare OM~ -mauna

T A X I S H A R I N G

February 23rd: A taxi will go empty to Chennai Airport to pick up 1 person arriving at 3.15 pm. Sharing both directions possible. Contact Celia at: celia.demengin@gmail.com or 8940298585

February 24th: A taxi will leave AV to reach Chennai Airport latest by 11:30 pm and return to Auroville. For sharing the taxi (both ways), please call Stefan: 9442041433 or email: stefangebert@gmail.com

February 28th: To Chennai Airport - Isabelle (New Creation): isabelle@laseveorangee.be

February 28th: From Auroville Road (near My Market). Time: 3 pm we have to be at the airport at 6 pm - Please contact Bernard: 90 47 43 68 02

February 28th: A taxi will go empty to Chennai airport for a pick up. 1 person arriving 8.45pm. Sharing both ways possible. Contact Jokevanhoey@hotmail.com or phone 8098073089

February 28th / March 1st: Taxi is leaving around 10 pm on 28th of Feb with one passenger to catch Etihad flight at 4.40 am on 1.3.17. Sharing is possible both ways. Please email Tine: tine@auromode.org.in or call / sms: +91 890 3938 649 = Thank you!

March 1st: Taxi leaving from Auroville to Tiruvanamalai (Vipassana centre or other) at 9 am on March 1st. Please contact Gabrielle at: nandita@sharan-india.org or SMS 9488483286

March 2nd: To Chennai Airport Int’l - Leaving Auroville (Kupilalayam) Youth Camp at 2 am. Contact Michel: 9047736134 / Joss: 8270711163

March 3rd: 2 seats available departing at 4 am from Auroville and back empty from Chennai Airport to Auroville. Contact Maurizio: 9047654120 or m.vanden@rimay.net

March 4th: To Chennai Airport - Leaving at 9 pm. Claire (Arkia): clairegarand@gmail.com / Cell: 7094915701

March 7th: To Chennai Airport - leaving at 7 am - Lily (New Creation): 7598286658

March 8th: To Chennai Airport - Leaving Auroville at 2 pm. Contact: vonlieser@gmx.de

March 8th: I will leave Chennai airport for Dubai on Wednesday 8.march at 9.45 am. My taxi starts around 5 am. From AV - taxi sharing in both ways possible. Klaus, pls send SMS to: 8056 382631

March 9th: Taxi with 3 seats available going to Chennai airport at 4pm. Call 7639318959 or email ally@auromode.org.in. Regards, Ally

March 10th: Leaving Auroville around 1 to 2 pm - will come back empty around 5/6 pm. Contact Nathalie at: natnat101@hotmail.com

March 14th: Wednesday - leaving Auroville at 11.50 pm to Chennai airport. Please call Elisabetta: 848752165 or elisegala@gmail.com

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**WORK OPPORTUNITIES**

Graphic & Advertisement Designer: auroville.com (Auroville Online Store) is looking for a graphic designer & marketing assistant to help strengthen the online presence with visuals and text. Candidates should have basic or advanced knowledge of Adobe Photoshop, Corel Draw and similar software. It is a full-time job. If you are interested please send us a mail to: info@auroville.com. Contact: Stephan or Luise

Content writers: Part-time content writers are needed for communications work with Auroville Village Action Group especially for website and social media updates and report writing. Preferably Aurovillian or newcomer with a flair for communications and good English writing skills. If interested, please send a brief introduction about yourself to: avagoffice@auroville.org.in

**AUROVILLE RADIO**

Dear listeners!
Our live streaming can be heard on: radio.garden/live/villupuram/auroville-radio/

Following is an update from AV Radio with programs made this past week:

Stefano has covered Rage&Beyond, and following events which all accompany Art for Land fundraiser in the month of February - Beyond Time, Frederick - Early Days in AV, Sri Aurobindo and The Mother, Coming of the New Force, and within it Steve covered the music of Loving for Mother's Land. Once again we had a chance to hear The Peacemakers by...

**TRAVEL**

Latest News from the Travel Shop
Located at Inside India in Auroshiptam.

We are open from 09:00 to 13:00 and from 13:30 to 17:00.

Latest Offers from Airlines:
- Oman Airways has special fares to Europe
- Qatar Airways has special fares to Europe
- Gulf Air has special fares to Europe
- Emirates has special fares to selected European destinations
- Lufthansa has special fares to selected European destinations
- Currently several Airlines departing from India are giving short term offers for selected destination, lasting only for a few days. If someone is interested to avail of them we need to have their travel itinerary with us and will monitor and inform you as soon an interesting offer is available.

**FOOD MATTERS – EATING OUT**

Aurosoya ecological news!

We are happy to inform our Auroville community about our next level of development that tries to assist the greater sustainability of our environment. To that objective we have the following news:
1) All our products are now packed in a bio-degradable plastic.
2) In our efforts to become a more non-diary based production, the sweet section that is now held in Farms Fresh will stop, and will be available at Aurosoya. (On Order) Dreamer’s café will continue to provide its usual selection of Aurosoya tarts. Please note that we also make yummy dark chocolate vegan cakes with homemade soymilk or coconut (On Order Only).
3) Our exquisite Tempeh (about which people rave a lot!) will soon reach Auroville shops (for the time being it is sold on our premises).
4) Not to be missed our delicious Caviar de Tofu or [Tofu Spread] also available at Aurosoya (on order too)
5) Reminder of soya drink bottles to be returned, thus recycled... kindly drop them at PTDC. And if you know of any available source of 200ml second-hand soya bottles, please let us know! - Thank you for your support, wish you all a beautiful day. Aurosoya team.

Dolce Vita Bistro Café – Special 28/02 breakfast!
Special Auroville birthday opening: Dolce Vita Bistro Café will be happy to receive you on 28th of February for breakfast from 7:30 am to 11 am. Join us to savour tasty sandwiches, omelet, fresh juices, vegan cake, nice coffee... in a warm atmosphere :-) - Dolce Vita team

Terra Soul community kitchen:
We are now offering lunch for the third time in Terra Soul community kitchen. It is becoming a great happy moment. This time we invite you to experiment the delightful blend of tastes of a fusion of MoMos (steamed dumpling with different sauces).
Venue: Terra Soul Community, near the Ganesh Bakery, Saturday 25 Feb, 12h30 to 2 pm. To book: Francisco 9159676139, francisco@auroville.org.in. We wish you a sweet Mother’s week along with Auroville - Happy listening! Your AV Radio Team

**GREEN MATTERS**

26th of February from 8 am - 10.30 “Success” with Rik - tel 9486363471
Success is about 62 acres of which 12 acres is perambokke and ravines. In the early years the land was empty with open views to the sea and Pondicherry. Now it’s almost all dense forest. The forest is mainly managed as a sanctuary without human interference and biomass extraction. Walking paths are kept to a bare minimum. Only along the borders with private land are more actively managed buffer zones to enable better protection. Also the domestic area is located within this buffer zone. So don’t expect clear paths and a few scratches are almost unavoidable...
Route description: From the Solar kitchen turn right, past Certitude, take a left onto the tar road and shortly after take a right at the Ami corner and follow this dirt road direction Forecomers, all the way until the junction before the yellow Forecomers gate. There turn right and follow this road which ends in Success.

Next walk: Sunday 5th March; Baraka with Achilles: description and directions in next week’s News&Notes, Auronet, etc.
The Infinite is below, above, behind, before, to the right, to the left. I am all this. This Infinite is the Self. The Self is below, above, another, hears another, knows another – there is the finite. The Infinite is immortal, the finite is mortal.

One who knows, meditates upon, and realizes the truth of the Self – such one is the true city of Brahman. All things that exist, all beings and all desires, are in the city of Brahman … The lotus of the heart, where Brahman exists in all his beauty, the moon, the lightning, and all the stars. What is in the macrocosm is in this microcosm. As large as the universe outside, even so large is the universe within the lotus of the heart. Within it are heaven and earth, the sun, the moon, the lightning, and all the stars.

Within the city of Brahman, which is the body, there is the heart, and within the heart there is a little house. This house has the shape of a lotus, and within it dwells that which is to be sought after, inquired about, and realized.

Absorbed in the Self, the sage is freed from identity with the body and lives in blissful consciousness. The Self is the immortal, the fearless; the Self is Brahman. This Brahman is eternal Truth.

Statement from the Service providers in the Prosperity Area

Regarding the proposal to build a students’ hostel (Mitra 2) in front of the Solar Kitchen

We consider the relocation of this hostel - meant for visiting students, volunteers and interns - out of place in this location. We believe that a students’ hostel makes much more sense located either in the International Zone, or near and around Bharat Nivas, in the Industrial Zone, or even the Cultural Zone.

This is the only area we have for our internal collective services, serving Aurovilians in a service-based economy. Presently we need to expand and diversify those services to serve the increasing number of Aurovilians and Newcomers. And in front of and around Solar Kitchen is the only available space for it, also to maintain together this special atmosphere of our own.

We wish to keep and respect this as an Auroville internal services plaza, a meeting point, a safe and easy accessible location for a collection of very much needed services.

We oppose the location of a students’ hostel and we ask for your support and signature.

Thank you, Cycle Kiosk; FreeStore; Library; Nandini; PTDC; Santé; Servicelink; Solar Kitchen

Matrimandir: As Above, So Below

Matrimandir is not a building, nor is the Chamber a white marble hall with a crystal globe. Matrimandir is a state of consciousness, a living temple within our heart that is the heart of the world, the Self in its myriad manifestations. Where without and within are one, below and above are one, microcosm and macrocosm are one, there is Matrimandir: our utmost Self, one with the Atman, eternal, imperishable. As in the Upanishads… Paulette

“Where one sees nothing but the One, hears nothing but the One, knows nothing but the One - there is the Infinite. Where one sees another, hears another, knows another - there is the finite. The Infinite is immortal, the finite is mortal. The Infinite is below, above, behind, before, to the right, to the left. I am all this. This Infinite is the Self. The Self is below, above, behind, before, to the right, to the left. I am all this. One who knows, meditates upon, and realizes the truth of the Self - such one delights in the Self, revels in the Self, rejoices in the Self. He becomes master of himself, and master of all the worlds. Slaves are they who know not this truth.

He who knows, meditates upon, and realizes this truth of the Self, finds that everything - primal energy, ether, fire, water, and all other elements, mind, will, concentration, speech, sacred hymns and scriptures, indeed the whole universe - issues forth from it. The Self is one, and it has become all things. When the senses are purified, the heart is purified; when the heart is purified, there is constant and unceasing remembrance of the Self; when there is constant and unceasing remembrance of the Self, all bonds are loosed and freedom is attained.”

Thus the venerable Sanatkumara taught Narada, rada, who was pure in heart, how to pass from darkness into light. Within the city of Brahman, which is the body, there is the heart, and within the heart there is a little house. This house has the shape of a lotus, and within it dwells that which is to be sought after, inquired about, and realized.

What then is that which, dwelling within this little house, this lotus of the heart, is to be sought after, inquired about, and realized? As large as the universe outside, even so large is the universe within the lotus of the heart. Within it are heaven and earth, the sun, the moon, the lightning, and all the stars. What is in the macrocosm is in this microcosm. All things that exist, all beings and all desires, are in the city of Brahman … The lotus of the heart, where Brahman exists in all his glory - that, and not the body, is the true city of Brahman.

Absorbed in the Self, the sage is freed from identity with the body and lives in blissful consciousness. The Self is the immortal, the fearless; the Self is Brahman. This Brahman is eternal Truth.”

Chandogya Upanishad

FROM THE PROBIOTICS HOUSE

TIP # 7 - PROBIOTICS RECIPES

Maintaining the health of your gut is probably the number one thing you can do for your overall health. One of the easiest things you can do is to add beneficial bacteria, known as Probiotics, to your daily diet. Surprisingly, 80% of our immune system is located in our digestive system! That means by boosting gut health, we naturally boost our immunity too. For you, I’ve come up with some Probiotics Easy Recipes. Here are a couple of them:

1. Probiotica Lemonade:
   A fizzy and tangy fermented lemonade.

   **Ingredients** - **Serves 2+**
   - Juice of 2-3 lemons
   - 1-2 tablespoon of organic jaggery (or brown sugar)
   - 2 capsules of Probiotica Drink Supplement
   - 750 ml of water structured with Probiotica Ceramic Rings
   - A glass jar

   **Instructions**
   1. Pour the jaggery into the glass jar and add just enough hot water to dissolve the jaggery.

   **Notes**:
   - Lemons or limes can be used, or a mixture
   - Blending this with ice cubes make a delicious smoothie (or Margarita if using limes!)

2. Probiotica Green Juice:
   as if green juices weren’t healthy enough 😊

   **Ingredients** - **Serves 1**
   - 2 stalks celery
   - 1 handful parsley
   - 1 handful spinach leaves
   - 1 handful cabbage leaves
   - 1 capful of Probiotica Drink Supplement

   **Instructions**
   Place all ingredients in a juicer and juice thoroughly, stir well, and enjoy!

   **Margarita For MGEcoduties - Probiotics House**

   **Reve - Auroville. Phone: 0413 - 2623774**
   **Email: mgecoduties@auroville.org.in**

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Statement from the Service providers in the Prosperity Area

Regarding the proposal to build a students’ hostel (Mitra 2) in front of the Solar Kitchen

We consider the relocation of this hostel - meant for visiting students, volunteers and interns - out of place in this location. We believe that a students’ hostel makes much more sense located either in the International Zone, or near and around Bharat Nivas, in the Industrial Zone, or even the Cultural Zone.

This is the only area we have for our internal collective services, serving Aurovilians in a service-based economy. Presently we need to expand and diversify those services to serve the increasing number of Aurovilians and Newcomers. And in front of and around Solar Kitchen is the only available space for it, also to maintain together this special atmosphere of our own.

We wish to keep and respect this as an Auroville internal services plaza, a meeting point, a safe and easy accessible location for a collection of very much needed services.

We oppose the location of a students’ hostel and we ask for your support and signature.

Thank you, Cycle Kiosk; FreeStore; Library; Nandini; PTDC; Santé; Servicelink; Solar Kitchen

Matrimandir: As Above, So Below

Matrimandir is not a building, nor is the Chamber a white marble hall with a crystal globe. Matrimandir is a state of consciousness, a living temple within our heart that is the heart of the world, the Self in its myriad manifestations. Where without and within are one, below and above are one, microcosm and macrocosm are one, there is Matrimandir: our utmost Self, one with the Atman, eternal, imperishable. As in the Upanishads… Paulette

“Where one sees nothing but the One, hears nothing but the One, knows nothing but the One - there is the Infinite. Where one sees another, hears another, knows another - there is the finite. The Infinite is immortal, the finite is mortal. The Infinite is below, above, behind, before, to the right, to the left. I am all this. This Infinite is the Self. The Self is below, above, behind, before, to the right, to the left. I am all this. One who knows, meditates upon, and realizes the truth of the Self - such one delights in the Self, revels in the Self, rejoices in the Self. He becomes master of himself, and master of all the worlds. Slaves are they who know not this truth.

He who knows, meditates upon, and realizes this truth of the Self, finds that everything - primal energy, ether, fire, water, and all other elements, mind, will, concentration, speech, sacred hymns and scriptures, indeed the whole universe - issues forth from it. The Self is one, and it has become all things. When the senses are purified, the heart is purified; when the heart is purified, there is constant and unceasing remembrance of the Self; when there is constant and unceasing remembrance of the Self, all bonds are loosed and freedom is attained.”

Thus the venerable Sanatkumara taught Narada, rada, who was pure in heart, how to pass from darkness into light. Within the city of Brahman, which is the body, there is the heart, and within the heart there is a little house. This house has the shape of a lotus, and within it dwells that which is to be sought after, inquired about, and realized.

What then is that which, dwelling within this little house, this lotus of the heart, is to be sought after, inquired about, and realized? As large as the universe outside, even so large is the universe within the lotus of the heart. Within it are heaven and earth, the sun, the moon, the lightning, and all the stars. What is in the macrocosm is in this microcosm. All things that exist, all beings and all desires, are in the city of Brahman … The lotus of the heart, where Brahman exists in all his glory - that, and not the body, is the true city of Brahman.

Absorbed in the Self, the sage is freed from identity with the body and lives in blissful consciousness. The Self is the immortal, the fearless; the Self is Brahman. This Brahman is eternal Truth.”

Chandogya Upanishad

News&Notes 25th February 2017 [688]
Corinne of Auroville Art Service talks with Marc as he prepares for the upcoming Litter Free AV event (March 17 - April 9 / Kalakendra, Bharat Nivas)...

Thoughts on trash art...
Can you really combine art and waste?
Isn’t art supposed to be beautiful, something you want to look at, that makes you feel good and inspires you to great things in life? And isn’t waste garbage? The things you want to discard and never want to see again?
So what incites artists to want to create out of waste? What is their main motivation? And, to go further, what is their true motivation?

Contemporary art has reflected its preoccupation with discarded material. Some artists make everything out of nothing, and this nothing could end up being useful. Some, like Dariya, an Aurovillian artist who published a book of collages from discarded newspapers and magazines, create an inspiring and natural beauty of figures with a fearless attitude of play.

Overall, I could classify trash art as a breakdown of pre-existing materials to reinterpret them and to offer them a new form with a new purpose.
But trash art is not only for the avant-garde or for the ecologically-conscious and a conversation with Marc Barandard, one of the artists running the Upcycling Studio and managing the Litter Free AV event, describes what art and waste could really symbolise.

I was not convinced that activist talk about consciousness of waste and garbage in the community and the world could really create art that touches by its beauty. Marc countered my skepticism with strong words: “There is no limit in art, the limit is yourself, also there is no boundary between art and nature.” He underlined this by adding, “I like things to be different, I feel different and unique, I’m conscious of my individuality and I want to live it well.”

In 1990, Marc won the Prix Jeune Créateur at the Salon du Meuble by le Jury du Grand Prix de la Critique du Meuble Contemporain for his original furniture design. This encouraged him to further his creative exploration in design.

Is he an alchemist who wants to turn trash into gold?
Does he want to prove subconsciously that death can be defeated by transformation?
Does he want to show us that with belief and passion an abandoned item can become beautiful?
Can the beauty of reformed trash sincerely amaze YOU?

Come to the exhibition of Trash Art at Kalakendra and find out!

Dominique D’Art

Light click
Click light
You
A moment
A smile
A space
A now for ever

Gracias amiga
In Her Love,
Anandi

Birthday Week at Matrimandir

25.2.2017, Amphitheatre, 6 - 7 pm
Solo Offering by Nadaka on his Raga Guitar
Entrance from Office Gate at 6 pm. Guests are requested to carry their Aurocard.

26.2.2016, Mini Amphitheatre in the Unity Garden at 5.30 pm.
A Heart Of Silence
A musical offering by the Russian Singing Bells, duration 1 hour
Entrance from the Office Gate at 5 pm. Guests are requested to carry their Aurocard with them.

28.2.2017 Evening, 5.30 pm
Sunil’s/Savitri music at the Amphitheatre
Entrance from Office Gate at 5 pm. Guests are requested to carry their Aurocard with them.

Meditation for Auroville’s Birthday on 28.2.2017 Early Morning
5 to 6.30 am in The Matrimandir Amphitheatre
Collective Meditation with Dawnfire
Entrance from the Second Banyan Gate, open from 4.15 to 4.55 am only. Please note that the gate closes at 4.55 am. All are requested to come early and be seated by 4.55 am. Please remember to bring along a torch light and to switch off your cellphones. Please do not bring your pets to the Amphitheatre.
Photos may be taken without flash and only from the PHOTOSPOT
(please look for directions to the PHOTOSPOT)
Access is limited to the Amphitheatre only.
Please help us to maintain an atmosphere of silence for concentration.
Visitors are requested to either carry their Aurocard or collect personally free tokens
(only 1 per person) available at the Visitors Centre (upstairs) on February 26th and 27th
between 3 and 5 pm. Only token holders will be permitted to attend the meditation.
A special note for Aurovilians: those of you who do not wish to take photos and do not wish to be
disturbed by those who do, are requested to come from the Office Gate and be seated on the
northern side of the Amphitheatre. However, please note that after the meditation you will need
to access the Office Gate via the Oval Road on the west and not be able to cross over through the
Garden of Unity (Banyan Tree). We also request you to please not take photos in the ‘No
Photography’ zone out of respect for those who choose to sit in that area.
We are trying to organise the event a little differently this time as a practice run for the coming
year which will see large crowds and ask the cooperation of all to make it work.

BONNE FÊTE and see you there!

AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

Meditation with Savitri read by Mother to Sunil’s music
Every THURSDAY at sunset
We follow the sun and the timing changes with the season...
FROM MARCH ONWARDS 6.00 to 6.30 pm
Enjoy the beautiful open space, an immense sunset, heavenly music in the very center of Auroville!
Reminder to all:
The Park of Unity is a place for silence, meditation and inner work and is to be used only as such.
We request everyone: please do not use cameras, I-pads, cell phones, etc. No Photos.
Dear Guests, please carry your Guest Card with you
Access only for the Amphitheatre from 5.45 pm.
Please be seated by 5.55 pm.
Thank you.
Amphitheatre Team

INVITATIONS

Programmes at Unity Pavilion from February 24 to March 3

Ongoing Exhibition: Art for Land* - Daily 9 am to 4.30 pm
Friday 24 February 3 to 4.30 pm: Fog of Bwindi - Film by Anna Bohlmork followed by Interaction with Dr. Sehdevkumar
Friday 24 February 5 pm - 6.30 Dance workshop Moving Together* based on Tribal Dance
7pm - 7.30 African dance Performance*
8pm - 10pm Pan African Dance* with Music videos
Saturday 25 February 10 am to 12.30 pm: Discover the grace of Odissi* workshop for All Ages with Devasmita
Saturday 25 February 3 to 6 pm: ART FOR LAND* AUCTION* of 300 works donated by more than 70 artists with Auctioneers Jesse and Paul
Donation auction to benefit Auroville’s land
Saturday 25 February 8 to 10 pm: Carnatic Flute Concert with Hindustani Slide Guitar and Mridangam* (Gordon, Joel and Umayalpuram Mali)
Sunday 26 February 4 to 6 pm: Tea Ceremony, A Meditative Space* (Sign up only)
Sunday 26 February 7 pm: Guitar, Bass and Drums*, concert by Amando, Dhani and Peter
Monday 27 February 10 am to 12 noon: Mudra and Navarasa - Nine emotions* Workshop by Devasmita
Monday 27 February 3 to 4 pm: Presentation by Wasteless
Monday 27 February 7 pm: Rhythms of Joy* Dance performance by Devasmita and Madhumita
Tuesday 28 February 5pm: Closing and Celebration of the Art for Land Exhibition* with Solo Performance by N A D A K A
Wednesday 1 March, 5.30 to 6.30 pm: Sound Bath by Svaram
Wednesday 1 March 7.30 to 10 pm: Movies on New Economy Experiments
Thursday 2 March, 5 to 5.45 pm: Healing and Peace Meditation in the Hall of Peace
Thursday 2 March, 5 to 6.30 pm: Kabir or Freedom from fear: Lecture by Dr. Sehdev Kumar
Friday 3 March 4 to 6.30 pm: CAT 11

*Fund raising Events for Auroville Land in connection with the Art for Land Exhibition
ALL ARE WELCOME

Open house of “Terra Amata”
Habitat of international zone (near international house and Tibetan Pavilion)
Architect, contractor and project holder will be there to welcome you.
Tuesday 28 February at 5 pm
Submitted by Louis

Art for Land Auction
of more than 300 artworks donated towards Auroville Land
at Unity Pavilion, Auroville

25 February 2017, 3 pm
Auctioneers: Jesse and Paul

All artworks which are on exhibition at Unity Pavilion shall
be auctioned. Paintings, Sculptures, Photographs and
Ceramic items by renowned artists are on offer.

All are Welcome

All Proceeds go towards purchase of land for Auroville

Bidding can be done online via the website
http://artforland.auroville.org till 25 February 3 pm
Closing Celebration of the Art for Land Exhibition

Unity Pavilion, 28 February 5 pm

with a solo performance by
N A D A K A

All are Welcome
AVI Invites You on 28th February

Auroville International invites you to join in creating Auroville’s Symbol in the International Zone after the Birthday Bonfire at 7:30 am.

We hope as many different nationalities as possible will join us in creating a universal image representing Auroville’s aspiration for Human Unity.

The symbol will be marked on the ground and made up of people holding hands or standing side by side. Individuals of all ages are invited to all fill it in.

A drone will take our photo from above. If it comes out well, we would use the image as part of our 50th Anniversary Celebration.

Head towards the Visitor’s Center and turn right towards International House / Pavilion of Tibetan Culture / Solitude

Tea, juice and cake will be served.

Submitted by Julian Lines

Invitation to Fertility Garden Kitchen

Dear all,

This is an appeal and an opportunity to visit the Sustenance Farm in Auroville.

This farm was started in the year of 2009 and the actual production was started in 2011 onwards, it takes a minimum of 3 years to disinfect the residues of toxicity in the soil.

Now, the toxic-free organic cultivation has begun and about 23 types of agro products are being produced and supplied to Food-Link. During the Sustenance Farm project preparation itself, it was felt that due to the smallness of the farm holding, that from the 4th year onwards, the vertical expansion has to be launched. As per the schedule in 2017, the vertical expansion and value addition has begun.

On Auroville birthday 28th February 2017

the “Fertility Garden Kitchen” is being opened in Sustenance Farm. This will also be a centre for toxic-free, conscious food, food material, value addition produced in a spiritual way and cooking classes will also be given.

All are cordially invited to grace the occasion to and to participate in this inaugural function.

Please come and grace the occasion and give your blessings.

Sincerely yours,
Ramalingam for The Sustenance Farm Team

Let us meet where we are in touch with our inspiration and feel the resonance, the heartbeat of unity in diversity in action!

What is Education in Auroville? (CAT 11)

Friday March 3rd from 4:00 pm to 6.30 pm at Unity Pavilion

The first of two sessions in March and April starts with a presentation by four Auroville students - Aloe, Amara, Leela and Tara who will share the children of Auroville vision on education based on a questionnaire across schools

Followed by an interactive process and an exploration on:

The Sharing of Resources - The Auroville students envisioned the sharing of buildings, materials, teachers and students... How can the community contribute to the availability and accessibility of resources to all Students of Auroville?

The Equality and Variety of Subjects - How can we create a system that exists without a hierarchy of Knowledge? How can the community help provide a larger scope of subjects, courses and interests?

The Students Voice - How much of a say should students have in regard to their education?

We welcome you join to listen, observe & contribute

CAT is a space to unleash our creative energies.

CAT aspires to be a springboard towards the future.

CAT is a space where we respond with discernment, respect and a spirit of collaboration.

See you there! Love, Inge, Mita, Sandyra for the CATs team.

TALKS, SEMINARS

The Greek myths in relation with the yoga of Sri Aurobindo

Every Monday, from 5:00 till 6:00 pm, House of Mother’s Agenda at Savitri Bhavan

Topic of Monday 27th February: Jason and the quest of the Golden Fleece (the beginnings of the spiritual journey: third part)

The aim of these talks is to present the deep meaning of the Greek myths. These myths illustrate the spiritual journey up to the point where Sri Aurobindo and the Mother started the yoga of transformation.

- By Claude de Warren - Everyone is welcome!

Talk - “The Mother as a Painter” in Russian

Dear friends, we are happy to invite Russian-speaking Aurovilians, newcomers, guests on this occasion at Savitri Bhavan

On the 28th February at 7.30 am.

The Talk is dedicated to our sweet Mother, but to a very specific personality of hers, her personality as a painter.

The Mother’s paintings and drawings will be shown on video.

The talk will be given in Russian by RozaTuh and Alena Demidenko.

After the “main part” we will have a free interaction with tea, sweets and fruits.
**CULTURAL EVENTS**

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**Songs & Yoga of KABIR**

Prof. Sehdev Kumar  
*Author of THE VISION OF KABIR*, Prof. Kumar will present the songs of the great 15th century poet-sage in original and in English translations, with commentary on his Bhakti Yoga.

Friday, February 24, 2017  
5:00- 6:30 pm  
Butterfly Barn - Sve-Dame

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**My Burning Heart**

This is the true story of an ordinary man who all of a sudden has a contact with his soul. But the contact is fleeting and leaves him with a life which no longer makes sense.

During the years when the Beat Generation was starting on its journey in search of something still unknown and finding a voice through writers such as Jack Kerouac, Satprem began a similar adventurous journey, but knowing very well what he was looking for. He finally found it and was able to embody it in himself once and for all.

Saturday 25th of February, 7.30 pm  
At the Library  
20 seats only available - Booking is required. Please email to Francesca@auroville.org.in

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**Jugal Bandhi: Hindustani and Carnatic Music**

Saturday 25 February at 8 pm  
Unity Pavilion

Joel 'Veena' Eisenkramer: Hindustani Slide Guitar  
Gordon Korstange: Carnatic Flute  
Umayalpuram Mali: Mridangam

A concert in support of fundraising for lands for Auroville

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**Bharatnatyam performance**

Diya Dance Studio students of S.Caveri are presenting Bharatnatyam performance at the Sri Guru Sidhanantha Temple in Karuvadikuppam Pondy next to Sivaji statue on the ECR road.

They are performing on the occasion of Maha Shiva Raathiri on 25th Saturday 9:30 pm to 10 pm Natyanjali dance festival.

The performance is by Auroville children. All are welcome. For Diya Dance Studio - S.Caveri

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**27-28 February 2017: Two Days Vedic Chanting in Bharat Nivas**

**Vedic Chanting by 12 Students of Sri TKV Desikachar**

(Student and son of Sri T.Krishnamacharya and students who have trained in Vedic Chanting from this school, Chennai)  
Presented by Senior Teachers: Srimati Jyotsna Narayan & Srimathi Saraswathi Vasudevan:

Date: Monday, 27th February, 2017 - Time: 5 to 6 pm  
Venue: SAWCHU, Bharat Nivas  

**PROGRAM:**

A few Shanti Mantras from the Vedas will be chanted: Gayathri (Samhita, Krama, Jata, Ghanam), Sarawathi Prarthana (Samhita, Krama, Jata, Ghanam), portions from the Taittiriya Upanisad, (Siksavalli Bhrguvali), a few Suktams (Sraddha Suktam, Purusa Suktam, Durga Suktam). Duration: one hour.

All Vedic Chanting singers and interested Aurovilians & Guests are welcome.

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**Vedic Chanting/followed by a short introductory Teaching class**

By the Students of Sri TKV Desikachar.

Date: Tuesday, 28th February 2017, Time: 7 to 8.30 am (Early Morning Session)  
Venue: under the Piple Tree, in the back of the Sri Aurobindo Auditorium and in front of Bhavishyate, new Building, Bharat Nivas.

Short chanting followed by a presentation on the rules of chanting illustrated by simple passages from the Vedas and compositions inspired by the Vedas. A few simple passages will be taught. Hopefully, this process of sharing and teaching will continue throughout the year in Bharat Nivas.
Dance Improvisation by Paulo B Pereira
Date: Tuesday, 28th February 2017
Time: 11 am,
Venue: India Space, Bharat Nivas
Duration: 30 minutes (1/2 Hour).

Paulo resided in Auroville until 1998 (for 30 years) performing and teaching dance. He later settled down in his home town Belo Horizonte and founded the AVI Brazil. Besides this, he trains teachers in Rolf Gelewsky's Dance method in Brazil and is pursuing a post-doctorate course in Gelewsy's pedagogical approach to dance at the Federal University of Minas Gerais - UFMG, Brazil.

During his short stay in Auroville this time, Paulo is happy to share again a few moments of dance with us.
All are welcome.

Bharat Nivas presents
Hindustani Classical Recital (Vocal & Instrumental)
Offered by
Pandit Debashish Haldar: Sarangi
Tapabrata Mitra: Sitar
Lakshmi Santra: Vocal
Biplab Barma: Tabla
Date: Saturday, 4th March 2017,
Venue: Sri Aurobindo Auditorium,
Time: 8 pm

More details will be published in the next week's News&Notes.
For more information write to: bharatnivas@auroville.org.in & auditoriumteam@auroville.org.in

Musical Evening around the piano
With Dominique, Yaroslava, Alain
Bach / Beethoven / Schubert / Dvorak / Borodin
Saturday 4 March at 7.30 pm at CRIPA
(Latecomers not admitted)

Adishakti Theatre presents
Remembering Veenapani Festival 2017 – Final weekend!
Friday 24/02 at 7pm
Mein Hoon Yusuf Aur Yeh Hain
Mera Bhai
An ensemble play directed by Mohit Takalkar
Saturday 25/02 at 7pm
The Raghuraman Trio
performing a repertoire of jazz.
Karina Collis on Drums, Avishek Dey on Bass and Raghuraman Ramasubramanian on Guitar
Sunday 26/02 at 7 pm
Massive Vibe Live
Lively sax, harmonica and hang solos, uplifting percussion and visual magic.
Produced and with lyrics by Queen Be! Part of the global tour ‘Perfect as You Are’

Full program at: http://adishaktitheatrearts.com/february-2017/ - free entry for all performances - Contact: 0413 2622287

C L A S S E S , W O R K S H O P S

Hindi Class
Learn to speak and/or read, write Hindi at New Creation every Sunday at 1.30 pm to 2.30 pm.
Contact Shiv at: 9884035536 at Reach for the Stars.

Bharat Nivas in collaboration with Japanese Pavilion invites you to participate in “Let’s enjoy ORIGAMI”
Friday 3rd March 3 pm–4 pm at SAWCHU (Bharat Nivas)
March 3rd is Hina-Matsuri, the Doll’s Festival for girls in Japan. People display a set of dolls which are wearing ancient court costumes and pray for the sound growth of girls in the family. So, in our March workshop, let’s make these Hina Dolls and celebrate the day together with some sweet and tea. Special thanks to UpCycling for recycled papers! Bookings not needed, all are welcome!
Contact; Tomoko or Emiko on: letsenjoyorigami@gmail.com

Family Constellations with Moghan
Friday 3rd and Saturday 4th of March
9 am to 6 pm - in Creativity Hall of Light
Please contact Moghan: 975110486 / moghan@auroville.org.in

Sacred Harmonies workshop
With the Russian Singing Bells
At CRIPA (Kalabhumi)
27th February and 6th March, Mondays, 5.00-6.30 pm
Meditation on sound and collective experience of creating music together using the elements of the Integral Yoga practice. The sound of this uniquely tuned bell plates becomes an instrument of exploring the inner dimensions of our being as well as the field of collective harmony and collective intuition. Led by Vera Joshi.
No registration required (except for groups). Contribution requested from guests.

NEW - Anirveda classes.
Posture, confidence and psychology in self defence
Every Thursday 16.30-1745 in Butterfly Barn, Sve Dam.
We learn:
- 7 movements of self-defense. To do them with precision, power, presence and relaxation.
- To discern what is a real danger and what is not, and to act accordingly.
- Techniques to calm the mind and body.
Anirveda means self-reliance, confidence, being non-depressed. Open to all above 16 yrs. No previous experience required!

Mini Women Retreat
Friday - Sunday, March 10-12, daily 9am-5pm, plus an evening. Butterfly Barn, Sve-dame (plus nature places in Av). More info next week NaNa or with Dariya at 9786658967

Lilaloka Workshops March 2017
1. "Giving back to Earth" - Clay modeling for adults - Letting go of the past to welcome the present moment - Friday and Saturday, March 3rd and 4th from 9:30 to 11.30 am
   During the first morning, we will be exploring our blockages, tensions, fears, messages that keep us in old patterns. We will let them go in the Earth in order to free ourselves from them. The second morning we will make space for transformation :-). In Joy, connected to our inner child, we will model the clay as a force of Trust, becoming aware of our own resources. Opening to renewal and to the potential of 2017... Booking - Contact Céline: 822029131 or celineperroud@yahoo.fr (Céline is an experienced art therapist) - Contribution: Guests Rs. 500 per person for 2 mornings.

2. Fairies and Acrobats for parents with children - Sunday, March 5th from 9 to 12 am
   Come and join us for a moment of creative joy. The workshop will teach you the technique of how to make your fairy. Wings are removable, dolls are bendable. On the end of the session, we will teach you the technique of how to make your fairy. Wings are removable, dolls are bendable. You will learn about the various possible body movements. You will also learn about the connection to our inner child, we will model the clay as a force of Trust, becoming aware of our own resources. Opening to renewal and to the potential of 2017... Booking - Contact Anna: 9943528729 (3 to 5 pm) - annachmkr@gmail.com - Contribution: Guests Rs. 500 for a parent with child.

Technical information for both workshops: Location: Lilaloka, situated in the cultural zone, opposite Last School - Free contribution for Aurovilians and Newcomers. All the proceeds of the workshops go to Lilaloka’s project.

Inner-Work-Workshop
Introduction to the Integral Yoga of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother
28th February (Tuesday)-Focus this week on: 'Self-mastery'
- Overview with multimedia presentation
- Questions and Answers
- Practice in Daily Life
- Complimentary Concentration Exercises
- Creative Arts, Interactive Games
- Life of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother
- Introduction to the Reference Books
   These Workshops are conducted every Tuesday, each week with a different focus. Study, play and creativity go hand in hand with various inner exercises.
   Place: Savitri Bhavan - Time: 9 am to 12 Noon
   (For those who are new to Yoga, from 8.45 to 9 am there will be a brief presentation on Yoga and Spirituality.)
   Led by Ashesh Joshi (Contact: 9489147202, 0413 2622922)
   No Registration required (except for groups)

SCHEDULES FOR MARCH 2017

QUIET

Watsu® & Liquid Flow Basic with Dariya & Daniel
Wednesday 1 - Monday 6 March 2017 (6 afternoons)
1.30 PM - 6.00 PM (27 hours)
Quiet Healing Center (tel. 0413 2622329 / 9488084966)
Watsu & Liquid Flow are aquatic bodywork modalities given in a warm water pool. During this course, you will practice basic techniques and qualities of moving another person in water. You will experience floating people and being floated, on the surface and under water, creating a space for deep relaxation and nurturing body, mind and spirit. No previous experience required!

Tantsu® 1 with Xavier
Wednesday 1 - Monday 6 March 2017 (6 days)
8.45 AM - 6.30 PM (50 hours)
Quiet Healing Center (tel. 2622646/ 9488084966)
During the first 4 days, you will learn the basics of Tantsu: cradling someone in a comfortable hold, which gives access to a deep level of stillness and relaxation. The following 2 days will take you deeper into body-listening and exploration of various possible body movements. You will also learn about the hara, meridians, and body-mind connection. This course (on land only) will teach you Tantsu as a joyful expression of caring love. No previous experience required!
Antigym® Workshop with Francesca  
Saturday 4 March 2017  
9.00 AM - 12.30 PM  
Quiet Healing Center (tel. 2622329 / 9488084966)  
Developed in the early 1970s by the French physiotherapist Thérèse Bertherat, Antigym is a unique method of bodywork which enables you to better understand and (re)claim ownership of your body. The movements that are suggested are subtle, precise and exact. They take into account thoughts and emotions while respecting the body’s structural integrity. As body and mind are intertwined, the method focuses on the entire being.

More than 40 years after its creation, Antigym is known and practiced worldwide. Benefits of Antigym practice:  
- improved mobility and muscle tone;  
- decreased stress and muscular tension in back, neck, shoulders, etc.;  
- improved ease of movement and coordination;  
- your movements and your breathing regain their natural volume;  
- you discover the pleasure of living in a body that is autonomous and free.

Francesca started practising Antigym in 2007 as a new owner of her body. She became a certified Antigym practitioner in 2010 and has been teaching it ever since.

Watsu® & Pregnancy with Xavier  
Wednesday 8 - Thursday 9 March 2017 (2 days)  
8.45 AM - 6.30 PM (15 hours)  
Quiet Healing Center (tel. 2622646 / 9488084966)  
This course offers water students and practitioners the necessary tools for giving sessions to pregnant women and gaining a deeper insight into the fascinating world of pregnancy and birth in relation to aquatic bodywork. It also offers specific indications and contraindications in the context of pregnancy and will allow you to give a precious support to future mothers.

With Watsu, we can help relieving specific pains and create psychological conditions to better prepare pregnant women for childbirth. The course also focuses on the prenatal energetic connection with the receiver. You will study the anatomical basis of our respiratory system to better understand its functioning.

to incorporate these elements into your water work, you will practice, explore, share your feelings, and practice again and again.

Prerequisite: Watsu Basic

Heart Beats, Intuitive Dance Retreat with Julie  
Friday 10 - Sunday 12 March 2017 (3 days)  
10.00 AM - 5.00 PM (18 hours)  
Quiet Healing Center (tel. 2622646 / 9488084966)  
Come explore your inner rhythm and move to the beat of your heart. Take time out from life’s busy-ness to connect with yourself and others in joy.

Certified life coach and dance & movement therapist Julie will guide you through an energising mix of meditation, ceremonies, art and creative movement and dance to connect you with your essence. Letting go of dancing to impress, instead dance to express.

Connecting with your own unique rhythm, you’ll experience a deep sense of release and lightness. You’ll feel energised and connected, centered and grounded.

Julie trained with the Coaches Training Institute in London and the Creative Movement Therapy Association in India. She facilitates private coaching and dance therapy sessions, workshops and retreats, attuning people to the frequency of their heart beat.

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### LEARNING ACTIVITIES PROGRAM - MARCH 2017

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<td>Prana Vashya Yoga (for regular Student)</td>
<td>By Helena - Mon/Fri 4.30 to 6 pm This practice is a 60 asanas sequence focusing on the development of strength with flexibility. The breath remains the key throughout the series and the practitioner focuses on maintaining the breath and movement during the whole practice. Drop in.</td>
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<td>Introduction of Prana Vashya Yoga</td>
<td>Wednesday 4 to 5 pm This is a shorter class of one hour where Helena will give an Introduction to the practice of Prana Vashya Yoga: mainly directed for those that wish to continue in the same school of Yoga.</td>
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<td>Wednesday and Friday 8:30 to 9:30am The Beginners class will be focused on simple yoga asana; dedicated to those that are approaching yoga for the first time.</td>
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<td>Acro Yoga</td>
<td>By Helena - Thursday 4.30 to 6 pm Acro Yoga is a dynamic partner practice that blends the wisdom of yoga, the dynamic power of acrobatics, and the loving kindness of healing arts. This practice cultivates trust, playfulness and community through movement. Drop in.</td>
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| Traditional Mantra Chanting | By Sonia  
**Beginners:** Thursday 6:15 to 7:15 pm  
**Regular students:** Friday 6:15 to 7:15 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 students of Yoga and Spiritual Scriptures. The specific pitches and rules of intonation and syllabic length will be learned in the classes in the traditional way. |
| Sanskrit Classes | By Appointment with Sonia Sanskrit is the key to enter into the wide world of Indian Traditional Culture. The Sacred Scriptures as well the Secular Scriptures are found to be written in Sanskrit language, thus a fundamental knowledge of Sanskrit is a must for students of Yoga and Spiritual Scriptures. |

50 % discount for Savi registered Volunteers. Multiple classes discount available. On donation basis for Aurovilians and New Comers.

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Joy Community is located in Center Field, after Nandanam School, next to Center Guest House.

For info and reservations, please contact us at: (0413) 262 2584 or (0)9442328120

Email: joycommunity@auroville.org.in  
https://www.facebook.com/joycommunityguesthouse
ARKA WELLNESS CENTER – MARCH 2017
Phone: 0413-2623799 / Website: www.arka.org.in

**Internet facility is available in Arka: Monday to Saturday; 9:00 am to 4:30 pm**

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Exhibitions

In the Picture Gallery: **Meditations on Savitri Books Four to Seven**
Paintings made by Huta with the Mother’s guidance and help.

In the upper corridor: **Sri Aurobindo’s: a life-sketch in photographs**

In the Square Hall: **Glimpses of the Mother: photographs and texts**

Films

Mondays 6.30pm

March 6: **The Path of Later On**
This story was written by The Mother when she was 12 years old.
Cristof reads the text; the illustrations in black and white illustrations are by Sushanto. Duration: 16:00 min.

March 13: **The Soul of India**
In an interview with Narad, Dr. Alok Pandey speaks about India - the age-old laboratory of evolution. Duration: 55 min.

March 20: **Journey to the Life Divine**
This film, created in the Ashram, shows the lives of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother from childhood on and their joint work for a new step in evolution step towards a divine life for mankind and the earth. Duration: 100 min.

March 27: Meditations on Savitri, Book Two, The Traveller of the Worlds - Cantos 1-4
Film by Manohar of Huta’s paintings illustrating passages from Savitri read by the Mother accompanied by her own organ music. Duration: 46min.

Regular Activities
Sundays 10.30-12 noon: Savitri Study Circle

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

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

Mondays 5-6pm: The Greek myths in relation with the yoga of Sri Aurobindo, Led by Claude de Warren in House of Mother’s Agenda

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

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

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

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

Thursdays 4-5 pm: English of Savitri, led by Shreddhavan

Fridays 3-4 pm: Exploring the Bhagavad Gita, led by Dr. Jai Singh

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

Saturdays 5-6.30 pm: Satsang led by Ashesh Joshi

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

Full Moon Gathering
Saturday 11, 7.15-8.15 pm in front of Sri Aurobindo’s statue

The Library and Digital Library are now located in the Main Building
The Reading Room is open Monday to Friday from 9 - 4.30
The Digital Library can be accessed on request Monday to Friday 9 - 12.30
Exhibitions, Main Building and Office are open Monday to Saturday 9-5

Everyone is welcome

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Pitanga Cultural Centre, Samasti, (0413) 262 2403/2622994 - pitanga@auroville.org.in.

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For appointment: Phone 0413-2622606 Mobile 7094104329 treatments@verite.in

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Please note: To support the work of the presenters and staff, we ask all participants to please come in time for all classes and workshops. Contributions requested from guests/volunteers (volunteer reduction by advance application only)
We remind you that the bus is Accessible to All, it means that everybody will be able to use it. People who have no physical problems, wheelchair users, mothers with buggies, people with temporary or permanently reduced mobility included. The differently able residents and guests who want to use the bus must call us one day or one hour in advance and they will be picked up at their communities.

For those who would like to contribute more to support the Accessible Auroville Public Bus here is the account number 251675
- With Gratitude, AV Bus Team (- Email contact: avbus@auroville.org.in)

### Regular Events in March

**Note from the editors**
The Regular Events column is printed once a month, and sent via pdf weekly.
Guest-houses are kindly requested to put this section up on their notice boards for their guests.
Kindly inform us of any changes/cancellation of your event, or if you want your regular event to be added to the listing.

**“NEW: now weekly online Regular Events!**
http://www.auroville.org/contents/4201**

### Online Auroville Events Calendar
(No need to log in for guests! - Just scroll down the page)
The schedule of events for the week can be accessed by all, including Guests and Visitors, on the Auronet login page: www.auroville.org.in
Auroville Aikido: at Auroville Budokan (Deshakshi): Beginners: Monday and Wednesday evening 6.00-7.00 pm with Surya, and Saturday morning 6.30-7.30 am (mixed levels) with Murugan /John/Surya. Advanced (morning classes) with Murugan/John: Tuesday & Thursday 6.00-7.30 am, mixed levels as above. Please be at the Dojo/Budokan at least 15 min. before class starts. We welcome beginners seriously considering joining but no drop in for the sake of it… Beginners may wear long loose pants & t-shirt with sleeves for the start (no tight fitting please) then a white “keikogi” will be required. For all activities at the AV Budokan: Health Fund or private insurance necessary. Contribution required for the Dojo. For Children classes & general info, please write to budokan@auroville.org.in or contact Surya: 0413-2623-813 or 9655-485487

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

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

Art & Yoga with Asha: Mondays, 5-6.30 pm, Sankalpa Art Center (behind Pavilion of Tibetan Culture, International Zone). Explore breath, movement and energy in your body, while deepening self-awareness, balance and intuition. Our tools of understanding include the chakras, the Mother’s 12 qualities, colors, mandalas and sound. Asha (Aurovilian from Spain) weaves the wisdom of 35 years of healing and balancing practices into her teaching. Her training and experience include Hatha yoga, Pranayama, Vinyasa, Tai Chi, and Qi-Yo Yoga, Naturopathy, Hypnotherapy, and Acupunture Massage.

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

Authentic Tamil culture: Meena, a Tamil Aurovilian, offers courses every Sunday morning to explore the beauty of the authentic Tamil Culture. Meeting point: Courage Gate. The course can be tailored to your choice including: 1. Cooking lessons, 2. How to make kolaam, 3. How to wear a sari, 4. Hanna design on hands and feet, 5. How to make flower garlands 6. Tailoring. If you are interested, please call Meena to talk about the details of your class and fix the time. During the day call: 9877702180, after 5 pm you may use the landline: 0413 2623263.

AVYA Auroville Youth Activities: a brand new website presenting the regular and special activities in Auroville youthactivities.auroville.org.in. The primary goal is to provide the Auroville community (especially children/parents), with an organized and simple overview to become aware of the Activities available in Auroville, for the AV Youth. If you wish to add your activity to the website, kindly send your contact details (sport, name, phone number, email) to youthactivities@auroville.org.in.

Bharatnatyam classical dance classes at Yatra Arts Foundation Every Saturday evenings 4.30pm to 5.30pm and on Sunday mornings 9.00am to 10.00am.

Buddha Garden Activities: 1) Introductory tour: every Monday at 10.00 am until lunch time. For further details contact Priya: priya@auroville.org.in. 2) Demonstration vegetable garden: at the back of the Visitors Centre. Come and help us every Tuesday 4.30 - 5.30 pm. Meet at the Visitors Centre back entrance at 4.30 pm and ask for Spiras (8531913924). 3) Adventures in Cooking and Eating: every Thursday at Buddha Garden, starting at 10.30am and finishing with lunch. For further details contact Sivakala 9585975292

Capeoira (Group Ginga Saroba): Join us Capeoira family! Classes open to all levels, led by Prof. Samuka da India and his students
• ADULTS: Monday 5:15 PM - SAUCHU (Bharat Nivas) or Tuesday 6:00 PM - Deepanam School
• KIDS: Monday & Friday: 1.15 PM - Deepanam School - Contact us prior bringing a new kid
• CONTACT: 9489328435 (Prof. Samuka) or info@ginga-saroba.com | www.ginga-saroba.com

Capeoira (Group GDPo Capoeira): Monday 6-7:30pm @ Bamboo Land (Near Imagination) / Friday 6-7:30pm @ New Creation dance studio / Saturday 11am-12:30pm Music Class @ Bamboo Land (near Imagination) Classes led by Instructor Camaleao (Jeremy) with over 20 years of Capeoira experience. Axe!
For more info visit: www.gingadocapeoira.in / info@gingadocapeoira.in | 9489322615.

Children Activity Garten: in a friendly home-environment for all children from 2 to 6. Open Monday to Friday from 9 to 3:30 and during the whole year & school holidays. Contact: egle@aurorvile.org.in or 94880 47368.

Chinese fire cupping /Moxibustion Therapy: Fire cupping(火罐) and Moxibustion (艾灸) are both ancient therapies based on TCM theory. They can remove one’s blockage and accumulated toxin from deep inside the body as well as improving your immune system, effective in acute and chronic internal organ disorders such as pain, stiffness, fever, chill, cough, wheeze, nausea and vomiting etc… By appointment only: Chun - 80989-00708 / chun@auroville.org.in

Clay classes for children and adults: with Saraswati and Anna. Please mail to aurokatrusya@gmail.com for details. Regards Saraswati 9785771633

Coaching and Personal Development based on NLP with Christine P. At Prayatna (Integral health center): 9489080493 / or contact@auroville-holistic.com. See details and comments on our website (on the workshop pages www.auroville-holistic.com)

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

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

Cuban Salsa: Learn and practice Cuban Salsa, every Wednesday, 6-8 pm at African Pavilion. Class is Free and all are welcome. Instructors: Mouhsine & Camilla. For questions, email serrar@gmail.com

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

Dance Offering: Listening-Allowing-Unfolding-Celebrating-Offering. Welcome to weekly gatherings. To listen deeply to your body, allow life to express itself uniquely and unfold through movement, to celebrate together and offer the fruits of our practices. Free- authentic dance and contact improvisation. MONDAYS, 5 - 7 pm, in Vérité.

Darkali Fitness Track open hours: Now, redesigned Darkali Fitness Track is open every day, from 6.30 a.m. till 8.00 a.m. and from 4.00 p.m. till 6.30 p.m. Please come not later than 15 minutes before closing time: it can take 45 minutes to do all the exercises, jogging takes 15 minutes. Please note, in case of rain the Fitness Track will be closed until the path is dry. Way to the gate in Google Maps: goo.gl/ldpTgF. Darkali Team
**Eco Femme open session:** Eco Femme welcomes you on every Thursday from 10.30 am to 11.30 am for a small talk about our work, sustainable menstrual products and menstruation experiences. Contact number: 9487179536

**Farmers Market:** The Saturday Market is ON! Every Saturday at the Youth Center, 10 am - 2 pm. A community celebration of local food, creativity and handmade organic veggies and hand-processed food from AV Farms, eco-green products, fantastic jewelry, snacks and kefir, handmade clothes, music, and Delicious Dosai lunch! See you there. YC 0413-2622857

Feminine dance for all women: in Cripa, Kalabhum: Tuesdays at 4pm. An additional class is held by Priscila on Fridays at 7-15 am. Feminine Dance has historically been a mystical art, a dynamic method to experience the energies of the feminine. We will create an environment of trust, safety and respect to our body, reawaken the flow of feminine energy, move to the living pulse of life and have fun in the loving presence of other women. Bring comfortable dance clothes. A flowing skirt and hip scarf are recommended. galit@auroville.org.in

**Flamenco In Cripa Every Wednesday:** From 3:15 to 4:45 pm. We will practice the flamenco position and attitude for dancing, the movements of hands, 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 at Savitri Bhavan, House of Mother's Agenda:** French classes at House of Mother's Agenda, every Monday and Friday from 5 pm to 6 pm.

**From the Food Lab:** Horizon. (In front of Sve-dame). Mon., Tues., Thurs. 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Call Lorenzo before coming at 9498362724. All relevant information about the after effects of food on your body for e.g. allergies, intolerance, chronic pathology. Homeopathic Immunopharmacology is available.

**Heartbeats - Dance Therapy** with Julie. (Resumes Jan 19th) Thursdays from 5-6:30 pm, Sankalpa Art Center (behind Pavilion of Tibetan Culture, International Zone). Come explore your inner rhythm and move to the beat of your heart. Be guided through movements and music that will bare your soul, while letting go of dancing to impress, instead dancing to express. Julie facilitates private coaching and dance therapy sessions, workshops and retreats around the world, combining her strategy consulting background with a passion for yoga, dance and meditation.

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

**Quantum Shiatsu Massage** With Sami A. Latzke. Regression Therapy with Sigrid Lindemann www.auroville-holistic.com

Contact us by mail for more info: contact@auroville-holistic.com.

**Improvisation Theatre Workshop:** EVERY FRIDAY in English, 4.30pm at SAWCHU (Bharat Nivas) - For all and everybody! Contact: Véronique : 948 85 12 678 - Emanuelle : 994 39 70 834. We share a lot of improv's exercises and collective games. Please come and have fun together!

**Informative talks about Auroville:** At the Guest Service, Above Solar Kitchen. **Questions and Answers:** In French every Wednesday at 10.30 am with Krishna / In English (and German) every Friday at 10.30 am with Roswitha. **Introduction on Mother’s Agenda:** In English and French every Thursday 10.30 am with Pavitra. 2622675

**Leela, the Game of the Self Knowledge (a 2000 years old game):** Come and play the Game of your Life! Sundays, 9.30 am to 12.30 (above 15 years old), in SVE DAMA, at the Butterfly Barn. English, Spanish, French, Italian, German and Russian versions all available. Contribution kindly asked. Always better to call before to confirm, please contact: Véronique J. 948 85 12 678 www.leelathegame.blogspot.in

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

**Mandala & Meditation:** Daily practice from 4:30 to 5 pm, at Art Cart (VC) on Tuesdays/Fridays, Sankalpa Art Center on Mondays/Wednesdays/Thursdays. A simple co-creation and affirmation practice, bringing awareness within community through metaphor of an impermanent artform. Open to all.

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

**Mixed Martial Arts:** We train together in MMA and Grappling (Brazilian Jiu Jitsu and Sambo). Venue: Dehashakti Gymnasium. When: Every Monday, 5:30 to 7:00 pm. Starting from the age of 15, I can teach only 13 persons per lesson, so be regular and punctual. No zip, no jewelry, not dirty or sweaty clothes. Short nails. Clean feet. Please stay at home if you / have open wounds or infections or skin diseases. Aurovilians and newcomers: free contribution; fees apply for Volunteers and Guests. See you in the fray, Contact Giacomo: 9487340778 giaccomoauroville@gmail.com.

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

**Nada Yoga:** Tuesdays 2 to 4 pm - In Creativity hall of light. Nada Yoga or Yoga of Sound teaches us to perceive sounds in different parts of the body that are connected to the central energetic channel. These ancient Yoga techniques re-align the energy flow and give peace and quiet serenity. In addition to these techniques, during the classes we will also learn many devotional songs. Contact Hamini: 9498794184. She has been a perpetual student of Nada Yoga for 14 years and has been teaching it for 5 years.

**Nonviolent Communication (NVC):** workshops, practice groups, facilitation, mediation, coaching. Contact Laura (NVC Certified Trainer): 9442788016, joylivinglearning@gmail.com, www.joylivinglearning.org, www.facebook.com/JoyLivingLearning

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

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

**Panchakudam Forest - Nature Walks:** Fridays at 4 pm. Led by our resident wildlife expert, Dr. Bubesh Gupta, we walk through Panchakudam Forest to identify birds, insects and other wildlife, and to talk about birdsong, habits and their environment. We invite you to come and enjoy this unique forest sanctuary! Meeting place: At the bike parking place inside Pitchandikulam Forest. Please do not bring larger vehicles inside the forest gate. The walk will start promptly at 4 pm. If you have binoculars, please bring them, but this is not essential. The walk will last for about an hour. Free for all; registration is required as numbers are limited. To register, please email: panchakudam.outreach@auroville.org.in or call 8489818523.

**Pilates with Savitri:** at New Creation Dance Studio on Mondays at 5pm, basic level - on Tuesdays at 7.30am, intermediate level - on Saturdays at 7.30 am, basic level, savitri@auroville.org.in

**Pilates with Teresa:** At Arka. All classes last one hour. Tuesdays, Thursdays, 7:30am: focus on breath & use of the core - Tuesdays, 10am: General class - Wednesday 5:30pm: General class - Thursdays, 7:30am: focus on alignment - Thursdays, 10am: general class - Fridays 5:30pm: advanced class only for regular practitioners - Saturdays, 10:00am: general class. **Advance, beginner…everyone is welcome!!!** Teresa: 7867999952 / teresa@auroville.org.in

**“Praana Vashya” Asana Yoga:** At Joy Community Guesthouse Hall, Center Field. Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday 4:30 to 6 pm.
Contact: 0413-2622584/9442328120. This practice is a sixty asana sequence focusing on the development of strength with flexibility. The breath remains the key for practice throughout the series and the practitioner focuses on maintaining continuity in the breath and movements during the whole practice. Drop in class, fixed donation for attendees (50% discount for under 30 with ID proof), free donation for AVs, NCs & long-term volunteers (with SAVI registration proof).

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

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

Quantum Shiatsu Massage: With Sami A. Latzke. www.auroville-holistic.com. Contact us by mail for more info: contact@auroville-holistic.com

Readers group IN ITALIAN: Mother’s Agenda - for Italians tourists and Newcomers to explore Auroville through the Mother’s Agenda. L’Agenda di Mère in Italian per condividere il viaggio di Mère…e per condividere il viaggio di Auroville e turisti italiani. “…è come una favola dietro a tutto questo….Qualcosa di indubbiamente bello, una storia che Sri Aurobindo ha cercato di far scendere sulla terra: e adesso è certo che si sta realizzando!” Mercoledì, ore 17, alla Libreria Creativa con Janaka. OPPURE SU APPUNTAMENTO: 948.762.96.48 - janaka.om@auroville.org.in - Le fotocopie dei passi proposti sono gratuite...perché, come ha detto Mère: “Questa Agenda è il mio regalo a quelli che mi amano”.

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

Regression Therapy with Sigrid Lindemann. www.auroville-holistic.com. Contact us by mail for more info: contact@auroville-holistic.com.

Restorative Circles (RC): workshops, practice groups, calling a live Circle, and other questions. Contact Laura: 9447288016, restorative@auroville.org.in, joylivinglearning@gmail.com, www.facebook.com/RestorativeAuroville

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

Sankalpa Art Cart: parked on the Visitor’s Center stage, next to cafeteria) Tuesdays and Fridays from 4-6 pm, Wednesdays from 10-12 pm. An open and welcoming space for creative expression and connection through various media, for all ages and no art experience necessary.

Sanskrit Mantras: at Joy Community GH Hall, Centre Field. Drop in classes on Thursday at 6:15 to 7:15pm (NOT HAPPENING on 2/2 9/2); and Regular Classes on Friday from 6:15 to 7:15pm. Chanting Mantra is performing an ancient prayer. Through the harmonic rhythm, repetition and participation in the chant, the mind gains clarity, the ability to concentrate increases and a person becomes more tranquil. Through daily chanting the mind gains qualities which are essential for students of Yoga & Spiritual Scriptures. The specific pitches and rules of intonation and syllabic length will be learned in these classes in the traditional way.

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

Singing & Dancing Celebration around the fire in Yatra 2017

Joyful spiritual songs from all over the world - keyboard and drums - Bring your instruments and join us! Every Thursday of February at 7:30 p.m. at Yatra - Near Newcreation, Sports ground/La Piscine. Osivo: 91962983216

Skeet skewers: outdoor skating event every Saturday, each time at a new location and around Auroville, from 4 pm until sundown. The main purpose of starting this club is to enjoy the activity with fellow skaters to observe and draw the location. If you enjoy the idea of being in the open, record the reality as you see it, you’re welcome to join us! Note: This is not a teaching session. Bring your own preferred drawing medium, sketchpad... and whatever you need to enjoy! Love, Lakshay, 9810052574.

Skywarks: Tree Climbing Workshops: RECREATIONAL. You want the experience without learning all the knots? The ropes are already positioned in the trees. The knots are tied and tested before you hook on. After being fitted with your saddle and some short instructions on safety and climbing techniques, you are off and climbing! Kids of all ages welcome. ADVANCED You want to learn the ropes and get off the ground. During class we teach both the double and single ropes techniques plus demonstrate many of the new climbing devices available. You will learn to install the ropes in the trees, tie and use several climbing knots and ascend and descend both with the knots but also with ascenders and descenders. For conditions/appointment call Satyayaji 8531033545

Solitude Farm activities:
1. Community garden at Town Hall - Meet at the gardens near Cinema Paradiso on Wednesdays at 3:30pm ( Libyan's days begin at 4pm)
2. Weekly farm tour with Krishna - Saturdays 11:30am
3. Cooking workshop to learn how to use local, traditional ingredients and their nutritional benefits - Saturdays 3pm
4. Volunteers welcome! Drop by to visit or call Krishna 9843391960

Somatic Explorations with Maggie - every Wednesday from 5-6pm in Vértex Hall. A gentle, easy and effective way to gain more ease in your 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

Sound Bath - Unity Journey: Take a shower of soothing waves & vibrations. Every Wednesday 5.30- 6.30 pm in Unity Pavilion. Aurelio & team will create and share an experiential space of deep relaxation through a basic tuning process and an exposure to the soothing waves and vibrations of pure acoustic instruments. Gongs, bells, chimes, strings and diverse new & archaic sound sources will invite the listener into a sound journey through inner landscapes and synesthetic contemplation towards a Unity experience. Contact 0413-2622220. svaram@auroville.org.in - www.svaram.org

Sound Massage And Bath With Tibetan Singing Bowls: Lying on a mat with bowls of different pitches, sound energy flows right through your cells helping a beautiful resonant cocoon of peace, melting away tightness and discomfort while tuning you up to its healthy grounding vibrations. The powerful bronze bowls take us deep inside into our true home…. Info & booking for guests: Antarjyoti, tel (land)0413/262 37 67. Mail: antarcalli@yahoo.fr

Sound Therapy and Exploration in the Body for Self-Healing: Harmonizing and restoring healing sessions through the magic of the sounds from a specially designed sound bed and other music instruments that enhance the self-healing powers of your being...The aim is to put you in a state of relaxation which enables you to see or feel yourself deeply according to your own awareness. In addition to the sound journey, you will be guided through your body to explore new dimensions which has an action and a benefit on the lower energetic levels. This exploration based on the concepts of Chinese Medicine will help you reconnect with your organs and holistic being. In case of emergency I may help releasing sciatica pain (“Ischias” in German). To book your appointment, please call Ishaa at: (0413) 2622192 / (+91) 99433 05092

South Indian Classical Dance (Bharatnatyam): Bharatnatyam dance classes offer by Bharatnatyam Classes offered for beginners & advanced levels. Weekly twice. The classes are offered for children and adults. If you are interested please contact me after 4 pm 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.

Spirital coaching with Sitara: tools: Bach flowers, mandala and affirmation work, spontaneous writing, hypnosis, meditation,

**Spontaneous Singing with Antoine:** Creativity - Hall of Light. Every Wednesday, 5 pm - 6:30 pm. Max 10 people - Please come on time
9487955035. CONTACT: okjeonglee@gmail.com for an appointment.

**Waraku Practice in Auroville Budokan:** Waraku is a Japanese Budo based on ancient Shinto wisdom. The ancients taught the ‘Kototama’, the power of sound. The universe is made of sound. During Waraku keiko (practice) we enter into the ancient spirit of Japan; we learn to activate and coordinate our body, mind and spirit through powerful spiral movements and through sound; we celebrate this awakened energy in partner practice using a wooden sword, the Tsurugi. The practice will be directed by Sep and Yoko, direct disciples of Maeda Hiramasa Sensei, the founder of Waraku. Hours of practice: Mondays from 7 pm to 8.30 pm / Fridays from 7.30 pm to 9 pm. Minimum age is 15. For further information contact Sep: overlaet@gmail.com / 8487955035. For all activities at the Auroville Budokan, please note: Health Fund or private insurance necessary - Reasonable contribution required - for the Budokan.

**Yoga classes – traditional style:** Classes at shanma GH (yoga hall) with Christine P. on Monday/Tuesday/Thursday from 4.30 to 6 pm on mon/tues/thurs from 4.30 to 6 pm. Guest can drop in. For Aurovillean and Newcomer registration must be done by mail previously. Private classes on request.

**Youth Entertainment Program presents the “YEP week”:** a program especially designed for guest kids, to enjoy their stay, and discover Auroville. We will take them from place to place, where the kids will participate in various activities facilitated by Aurovilians. This program (Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm) offers a good balance between visits, activities and free playing time. Joyfully. YEP Team (+91-9626565134)

**The Youth Center Pizza Nights are on Fire:** And so is the fire. And so is the fire. And so is the fire.
**The Eco Film Club**

Sadhana Forest, March 3rd, 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!

**EDUCATION FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE**

53 mins / English / 2012 / Directed by Tom Hallatt & Dave Hallatt

“Education for a Sustainable Future” presents information on how today's practices in schools are socially unsustainable. The documentary film critically analyses what is considered socially relevant in a new education system which brings out the most potential in all of humanity whilst also detailing specific educational methods from a wide range of sources on how to nurture social skills, critical thinking techniques and a larger variety of important practices to positively reinforce from our earliest years onwards. It must be recognised that a sustainable education is one of the most critical components of any advanced society.

(Reminder: Friday 24/02- The World's Smallest Girl)

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

**Visitor Center Movie Show**

2nd March Thursday at 8 pm

**ARRIVAL (2016)**

Genre:Sci-Fi/Drama / Rated: PG 13 / Language: English/Subtitle: English / Dur: 1.56 mins

Dir: Denis Villeneuve / Cast: Amy Adams, Jeremy Renner, Forest Whitaker

Story Line: When twelve mysterious spacecrafts appear around the world, linguistics professor Louise Banks is tasked with interpreting the language of the apparent alien visitors.

3rd March Friday at 8 pm

**A MONSTER CALLS (2016)**

Genre: Fantasy/Adventure/Drama / Rated: PG 13 / Dur:1.48 mins / Language: English/Subtitle: English

Dir: J.A. Bayona / Cast: Lewis MacDougall, Sigourney Weaver, Felicity Jones

Story Line: A boy seeks the help of a tree monster to cope with his single mother’s terminal illness.

**At Savitri Bhavan**

Monday, 27th of February 2017 at 6:30 pm

“BUILDING MATRIMANDIR - LABOR OF LOVE 1971 - 2008”

The documentary about the construction of the Matrimandir is showing archival footages of the early stages of the construction, as well as a more comprehensive coverage of the final stages - and there are also interviews with some of the builders. The film is impressive and shows a special part of the growth of Auroville.

“The Matrimandir will be the soul of Auroville” The Mother said - and that it “wants to be the symbol of the Divine’s answer to man’s aspiration for perfection. Union with the Divine manifesting in a progressive human unity.” And also that “The Matrimandir wants to be the symbol of the Universal Mother according to Sri Aurobindo's teaching.” Duration: 52min.

Followed by MATRIMANDIR FROM ABOVE in HD. Both films by Auroville Video Production. Duration: 6min.

**The French Pavilion Presents**

**FOOD COOP - Documentary and Discussion**

Saturday 25th February 2017

5 pm at Cinema Paradiso - in English, subtitled in French

In an economic crisis, in the shadow of Wall Street, an institution that represents another American tradition is growing … Intense, chaotic and impolite; the Park Slope Food Coop was born in Brooklyn in 1973 when some utopians decided to set up a cooperative supermarket in their neighborhood. The main principles of the Park Slope Food Coop are uncompromisingly opposed to everything defined by The American Way of Life: each member devotes 2 hours 45 work per month and in exchange benefits from exceptional quality food products at very low prices.

The documentary will be followed by an exchange and discussion at Le Morgan with a representative of the movie director who is participating in a similar initiative in France.

Next week: Saturday 4th March at 5 pm - "Those who don't want to heal,…" a movie by J-Y Billen, in French only - The approach to bioanalysis is a fundamental shift in the interpretation of the meaning of disease, it is a new vision out of all duality and causality. According to this vision disease expresses what we do not know to live in consciousness.

**Film : L'Homme après l'homme**

A powerful introduction to Sri Aurobindo’s and Mother’s evolutionary Action

2 filmed interviews with Satprem and Sujata:

- “L'Homme après l'homme - Man after man" - 1h00 - (1981)

Both films will be shown in the original French version with English subtitles.

On Monday 27/02/2017 at 4.30 pm

At Cinema Paradiso (MMC Auditorium) - Town Hall

Please note that this is the last projection of the season
### A New Economic Paradigm

A series of movie screenings covering various aspects of the economy and giving new perspectives on the economy in the broadest sense, setting the stage for creating a new economic paradigm in alignment with the Mother’s vision.

Every Wednesday, 7:45 pm at Unity Pavilion

Wednesday, March 1, 7:45 pm at Unity Pavilion:

**CROSSROADS: LABOUR PAINS OF A NEW WORLDVIEW**

English/1 hr 03 mins/2013.

Crossroads: Labor Pains of a New Worldview is a documentary exploring the depths of the current human condition and the emergence of a worldview that is recreating our world from the inside out.

Weaving together insights and findings from biology, psychology, network science, systems science, business, culture and media, the film reveals the inner workings of the human experience in the 21st century, urging viewers to step out of the box and challenge their own assumptions about who we really are, and why we do what we do.

Crossroads places evolutionary context to today’s escalating social unrest, natural disasters, and economic failures. It illuminates the footsteps of an integrated worldview, penetrating its way through the power of social networks to illuminate the footsteps of an integrated worldview, providing a reality check for all viewers and a clarion call for those who carry the seeds of the emerging worldview.

*All are welcome.* Contact: new.av.economy@gmail.com

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### Money Moksha

**“MONEY MOKSHA” - Animated Short of 9 min**

Dir. Mike Sosteric Sharp, Canada 2017.

**At Cinema Paradiso on Friday, 3 March 2017 at 5 pm.**

As Sri Aurobindo wrote in The Mother, money is an important spiritual topic, and force. Money is not something we must reject; money is something that we must control so that we can manifest the world envisaged by the divine Maha Shakti.

Money Moksha - deceptively simple yet spiritually, psychologically, and economically sophisticated. It undermines the psychological, emotional, and spiritual foundations of Capitalism by bringing into focus and calling into question the foundations of Capitalist economics, reveals the true nature of money, discusses the strength of money as a mode of exchange, exposes the addictive nature of accumulation, focuses attention on the psychological, emotional, and spiritual pathology that arises as a result, and suggests solutions.

Money Moksha is based on the book Rocket Scientists’ Guide to Money and the Economy.

**To download the book for free, visit:** moneymoksha.com/auroville-citizens-page/ and enter password: themother or contact: eagle@auroville.org.in. It is also possible to watch the short again and to have workshops with adults & students.

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

- The contents of News & Notes are a reflection of the growth process of this community towards its ideals of harmony, goodwill, discipline and truth. Editing of submissions, mainly for reasons of space and clarity, is done according to an established policy.
- How to submit material: Material (no pdf files, please) may be sent (in English only) to the email address (below).
- Articles for the Notes section no longer than 500 words. All articles and reports need to reach us by Tuesday noon.
- The Tuesday deadline (5pm) is absolute as the News is given to the printers by Wednesday 2 pm.
- We regret not being able to attend to visitors on Wednesdays due to work pressure.
- The archives are found at http://www.auroville.org/contents/186
- And regular events at http://www.auroville.org/contents/4201

**The News&Notes is available for all to download from the Auroville website at http://www.auroville.org/contents/4186**

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### Safety Advice for our Guests

Welcome to Auroville, the universal city in the making!

Be aware that incidents of theft, harassment and aggression are not uncommon in this area.

*If you are confronted with a potentially dangerous situation:*

- Call our emergency line immediately.
- If you do not have a phone, approach one of the security guards posted at road junctions in Auroville.
- They will call one of the Security in Charge.
- Try to note the offender’s vehicle plate number and any detail that can help identify the vehicle or the offender.
- Report the incident to your Guest House manager.

**The laws of India must be respected:**

- Consumption, possession and selling of drugs are illegal in India.
- Smoking in public places is illegal in India.
- If you want to drive a motor vehicle, you will need an International Driving Permit or an Indian Driving License.
- In case of any dispute, the Auroville Council may be consulted and publishing of disputed material suspended.

**The use of alcohol or drugs is contrary to the spirit and ideals of Auroville.**

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**Auroville Emergency Contact Numbers - Save them in your phone now!**

- Auroville Safety and Security Team: (Emergency line): 94430-90107 (24/7)
- AVSST Office: 0413-2623400 (9.30AM to 12.30PM - 2.30PM to 4.30PM on weekdays) avsecurity@auroville.org.in
- Ambulance: Auroville: 944224680 - Pims Hospital: 0413-2656271
- Farewell: mobile number: 8903836246. reachable 24/7.
Indian - Monday 27 February, 8:00 pm:
• **RUDAALI (The Mourners)**
India, 1993, Dir. Kalpana Lajmi w/ Dimple Kpapadia, Rakhee Gulzar, Raj Babbar and others, Drama, 128mins, Hindi-Rajasthani w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (PG)
Based on a short Bengali story by Mahasweta Devi, this classic film is set in Rajasthan. It tells the story of a woman named Shanichari, who was abandoned by her mother shortly after her father’s death. Bad fortune follows as she marries an alcoholic, who leaves her with little hope of a brighter future for herself and her mentally challenged son. She falls in love but her sense of duty keeps her with her crumbling family. Throughout her lifetime of misfortune she has never cried - until Bhinkni, an experienced mourner, enters her life and asks her to be a professional mourner. **Wonderful story telling, gorgeous set up and costume, and haunting melodies make this film a repeated must see!**

Potpourri - Tuesday 28 February, 8:00 pm:
• **BABAM VE OGLUM (My Father and My Son)**
Turkey, 2005, Writer-Dir.Cagan Irmak w/ Fikret Kuskan, Çetin Tekindor, Hümeypa, and others, Drama, 108mins, Turkish w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (PG)
Sadik is one of the rebellious youth who has been politically active as a university student and became a left-wing journalist in the 70’s, despite his father’s expectations of him becoming an agricultural engineer and taking control of their family farm in an Aegean village. On the dawn of September 12, 1980, when a merciless military coup hits their family farm, he becomes an agricultural engineer and taking control of their family farm in an Aegean village. Throughout her lifetime of misfortune she has never cried - until Bhinkni, an experienced mourner, enters her life and asks her to be a professional mourner. **Wonderful story telling, gorgeous set up and costume, and haunting melodies make this film a repeated must see!**

Cultural - Wednesday 1 March, 8:00 pm:
• **ROMEO & JULIET: Kenneth Macmillan’s ballet**
UK, 2012, Dir. Ross Mac Gibbon w/ L. Cuthbertson, R. Bonnelli and all members of the Royal Ballet house, 158mins, Rated: NR
This magnificent ballet is a real masterpiece and Macmillan is an amazing story teller. So many performances had already been given since the premiere in 1965 that it could be seen endlessly. In this last version everything is in superlative: the two lovers are immensely moving in their enthusiasm as well as their despair and all the dancers are excellent. The costumes and stage scenery are sumptuous and the stage scenes are fantastic, and wonderfully synchronized to the music by Prokofiev.

East Asian - Thursday 2 March, 8:00 pm:
• **ONEULUI YEONAE (Love Forecast)**
South Korea, 2015, Dir. Jin-pyo Park w/ Joon-young Jung, So-yeon Kim, Seo-jin Lee, and others, Romance, 118mins, Korean w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (PG)
Hyun-woo is a weather reporter known for her stunning looks and class on television. In real life, however, she’s a boozehound who can shatter any preconceived notions of her in the blink of an eye. Dong-jin is the married producer Hyun-woo loves. Hyo-bong is a young photographer who falls for Hyun-woo at first sight. At the center of it all is her childhood friend and schoolteacher Jun-su, who has a deep and long simmering love for Hyun-woo. The “love story” of her life now unfolds as she juggles three relationships with three men of different personalities.

International - Saturday 4 March, 8:00 pm:
• **MISTRESS AMERICA**
USA, 2015, Dir. Noah Brumbach, w/ Greta Gerick, Lola Kirke, Comedy, 84 mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated: R
Tracy is a lonely college freshman in New York, having neither the exciting university experience nor the glamorous metropolitan lifestyle she envisioned. But when she is taken in by her soon-to-be stepsister, Brooke, a resident of Times Square and adventurous gal about town, she is rescued from her disappointment and seduced by Brooke’s alluringly mad schemes.

Children’s Film - Sunday 5 March, 4:30 pm:
• **CAPTURE THE FLAG**
Spain, 2016, Dir. Enrique Gato w/Dani Rovira, Michelle Jenner, Carme Calvell and others, Animation, 94mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG
A young surfer rallies his friends to stop a billionaire from rewriting history as a way to hoard Helium 3, the clean energy of the future.

HAL ASHBY Film Festival @ Ciné-Club
Ciné-Club - Sunday 5 March, 8:00 pm:
• **THE LAST DETAIL**
USA, 1973, Dir. Hal Ashby w/Jack Nicholson, Randy Quaid and others, Comedy-Drama, 104mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG
Two Navy men are ordered to bring a young offender to prison but decide to show him one last good time along the way. This film is much like John Schlesinger’s Midnight Cowboy in that they are both road trip as well as buddy movies. They are about friendships that forged in extreme circumstances and the effect that these experiences have on each character’s lives. Though the film’s storyline diverges from the more existential theme of the Darryl Ponicsan novel from which it was adapted, the film was, is, and remains the only real deal film about navy enlisted men. Hollywood never did sailors so well as it does them here.

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

For scheduling programs at MMC/CP venue: please email us at mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in. We appreciate your continued support. Please make a contribution to “Cinema Paradiso” account (#105106) at the Financial Service.

Thanking You,
MMC/CP Group
- Account# 105106, mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in