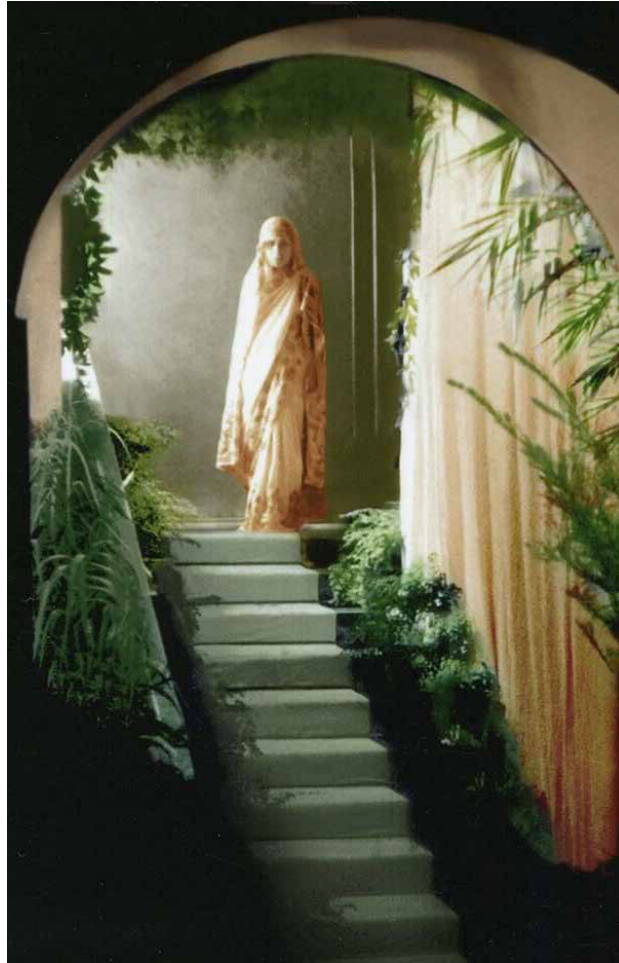


News & Notes

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*Hers is the mystery the Night conceals;
The spirit's alchemist energy is hers;
She is the golden bridge, the wonderful fire.
The luminous heart of the Unknown is she,
A power of silence in the depths of God;
Savitri,
CANTO II: The Adoration of the Divine Mother,
Sri Aurobindo*

The Ponder Corner

From the kindled fire of Energy of Consciousness Truth was born and the Law of Truth;
from that the Night, from the Night the flowing ocean of being.

Rig Veda

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House of Mother's Agenda

"In fifty years the whole world, all the receptive sections of humanity (I am not saying intellectual, I am saying receptive), all the receptive sections of the world will be embraced – not "embraced": ABSORBED in the power of Sri Aurobindo's thought.

Those who already are have the good fortune of being the first ones, that's all."

The Mother, Agenda, 16 February 1972

Indian Literature – 2

(continued from last week)

"And yet these works are not philosophical speculations of the intellectual kind, a metaphysical analysis which labours to define notions, to select ideas and discriminate those that are true, to logicise truth or else to support the mind in its intellectual preferences by dialectical reasoning and is content to put forward an exclusive solution of existence in the light of this or that idea of the reason and see all things from that viewpoint, in that focus and determining perspective. The Upanishads could not have had so undying a vitality, exercised so unfailing an influence, produced such results or seen now their affirmations independently justified in other spheres of inquiry and by quite opposite methods, if they had been of that character. It is because these seers saw Truth rather than merely thought it, clothed it indeed with a strong body of intuitive idea and disclosing image, but a body of ideal transparency through which we look into the illimitable, because they fathomed things in the light of self-existence and saw them with the eye of the Infinite, that their words remain always alive and immortal, of an inexhaustible significance, an inevitable authenticity, a satisfying finality that is at the same time an infinite commencement of truth, to which all our lines of investigation when they go through to their end arrive again and to which humanity constantly returns in its minds and its ages of greatest vision. The Upanishads are Vedanta, a book of knowledge in a higher degree even than the Vedas, but knowledge in the profounder Indian sense of the word, **Jnana**. **Not a mere thinking and considering by the intelligence, the pursuit and grasping of a mental form of truth by the intellectual mind, but a seeing of it with the soul and a total living in it with the power of the inner being, a spiritual seizing by a kind of identification with the object of knowledge is Jnana.** And because it is only by an integral knowing of the self that this kind of direct knowledge can be made complete, it was the self that the Vedantic sages sought to know, to live in and to be one with it by identity. And through this endeavour they came easily to see that the self in us is one with the universal self of all things and that this self again is the same as God and Brahman, a transcendent Being or Existence, and they beheld, felt, lived in the inmost truth of all things in the universe and the inmost truth of man's inner and outer existence by the light of this one and unifying vision. The Upanishads are epic hymns of self-knowledge and world-knowledge and God-knowledge. The great formulations of

philosophic truth with which they abound are not abstract intellectual generalisations, things that may shine and enlighten the mind, but do not live and move the soul to ascension, but are ardours as well as lights of an intuitive and revelatory illumination, reachings as well as seeings of the one Existence, the transcendent Godhead, the divine and universal Self and discoveries of his relation with things and creatures in this great cosmic manifestation. Chants of inspired knowledge, they breathe like all hymns a tone of religious aspiration and ecstasy, not of the narrowly intense kind proper to a lesser religious feeling, but raised beyond cult and special forms of devotion to the universal Ananda of the Divine which comes to us by approach to and oneness with the self-existent and universal spirit. And though mainly concerned with an inner vision and not directly with outward human action, all the highest ethics of Buddhism and later Hinduism are still emergences of the very life and significance of the truths to which they give expressive form and force, — and there is something greater than any ethical precept and mental rule of virtue, the supreme ideal of a spiritual action founded on oneness with God and all living beings. Therefore even when the life of the forms of the Vedic cult had passed away, the Upanishads still remained alive and creative and could generate the great devotional religions and motive the persistent Indian idea of the Dharma. "

(to be continued next week)

Sri Aurobindo,
The Renaissance in India,
pages 331-333

http://sri-aurobindo.in/workings/sa/37_20/the_renaissance_in_india_20.pdf



Townhall Speaks

REGARDING VACCINATION CAMP IN AUROVILLE

Dear Community, we have received only 30 requests for a vaccination camp where the minimum to call for a camp is 70 people.

Due to this reason, we won't be able to request the health officials to organize a vaccination camp in Auroville.

According to the information we have received, all the health centers in our surrounding villages are vaccinating people from Monday to Friday. At the same villages, Saturday and Sunday camps are being set up, including Alankuppam.

You can carry your Aadhar card as ID proof. In areas under Tamil Nadu, both Covi-shield and Co-vaccine are given. Areas that come under Pondicherry are mostly providing Covi-Shield.

If you have any questions regarding this, please contact Hari – 6374157365 (the local Health Inspector).

*With regards, The Working Committee
(Anu, Arun, Chali, Hemant, Partha, Sauro, Srimoyi)*

COVID UPDATE

& NEW GUIDELINES FOR INTERNATIONAL ARRIVAL

Dear Community friends, We here inform you that the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare of the Government of India has issued new guidelines for international arrival that will be applicable after 14 February. The main points are that quarantine after arrival will not be required any more.

Passengers, who are fully vaccinated and belong to countries that have a mutual recognition agreement of the vaccine with India, can travel without any test before departure. The full text of the guidelines is [available at this link](#).

We are also sharing below a note of Santé Coordination regarding the Covid situation in Auroville, see below.

*Kindly yours, The Working Committee
(Anu, Arun, Chali, Hemant, Partha, Sauro, Srimoyi)*

COVID GUIDELINES

Dear Community Friends, the Honorable Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has issued a new press release on 12 February 2022 with the Covid Guidelines applicable up to 2 March.

The key points are:

- Kindergarten and Primary Schools can reopen from February 16th
- Exhibitions are now allowed to be held
- Maximum attendance for marriages is now increased to 200 persons and for funerals 100 persons
- Public events such as social, cultural and political gatherings will continue to be banned
- All the other provisions and relaxations that were announced with the previous guidelines continue to be applied

The official Tamil text of the press release of the Honorable Chief Minister and the English translation are available at [this link](#). We will update as and when there are new guidelines issued.

Please, remember to continue applying all due precautions of wearing masks and maintaining distance when interacting with others and in public spaces/facilities, and regularly washing hands or using sanitiser.

*With best wishes to all,
The Working Committee
(Anu, Arun, Chali, Hemant, Partha, Sauro, Srimoyi)*

INVITATION TO COMMUNITY FOR INFORMATION SHARING MEETING

Friday, 25 February, 4pm – 6pm, Unity Pavilion,

Dear Auroville community, the Council invites you to an Information sharing meeting on Friday 25th February at Unity Pavilion, 4pm – 6pm.

In the first part of this meeting the Council will present their work and members. The second part will be dedicated to give information on present community issues. After which some time will be given for interaction where questions and concerns can be voiced.

The Council would like to do this in a factual and neutral manner. We request all who come to the meeting to uphold a mutually respectful atmosphere. We are in a very precarious and sensitive time period that demands from us wisdom and discipline in speech and action.

We will share further information in the coming days. Depending on the outcome of the meeting we will schedule further meetings.

Happy Auroville Birthday week

*Warm regards, for the Auroville Council
Balaji, Claudine, Ganesh K. Meenal,
Sai Suresh, Suryan, Shivaya and Shiva*

NOTE FROM SANTÉ COORDINATION

This is an update on the current Covid situation in Auroville. The new Covid variant spreads rapidly yet the intensity of symptoms is lower and the period of illness is shorter. The symptoms at times are mistaken as a common flu so people move around with it. There have been some cases in Auroville, but we have information only about those who contacted us and only their names were entered into the quarantine list. Other people have not informed us and managed on their own.

We recommend people who have even minor symptoms to take the necessary precautions and restrict their contacts with others in order to prevent the spread. If symptoms persist beyond 5-7 days, contact doctors at Santé or the Health Centre over the phone and get a consultation. The doctors will advise you about next steps and if tests are required, the coordination team will facilitate the test based on the need and advice of the doctors. Currently, health experts feel doing RTPCR tests for symptoms doesn't add much value as the rate of positivity is very high and the incubation period is short.

We do have rapid test kits that could be given based on a doctor's advice or if you contact the Santé Coordination team. These tests are just to assess if people are positive, mostly for the aged and people with other health problems. Situations when a PCR test is necessary are given below.

If you need to leave India and fly abroad, or you would want to have RTPCR for any reason, you can do it at your will. For a home collection, you can contact Santé Coordination for a reference or do it at a lab of your choice. The cost for home collection is fixed at Rs 1500 with a barcode report within 24 hours.

(Please note that if the test is prescribed for medical and therapeutic reasons by a doctor in Santé or the Health Center, the cost of the test may be refunded at the discretion of the Auroville Health Fund and BCC.)

Address of Government Facility:

Kiliyanur Community Health Centre – Near Bypass Road Thailapuram, 4147-235255: Timing 9am – 1pm. [Location](#)

If you have any questions or need clarification, please write to santecoordination@auroville.org.in or WA 801205151

With regards, Santé Coordination Group

A REPORT ON THE AUROVILLE OUTREACH MEDIA CHANGE OF MANAGEMENT

Issued by the Auroville Foundation on 11-02-2022

Auroville Outreach Media had been provided with the space by Auroville Foundation at Archives Building built with Government of India grants. During the year 2018, the Foundation had purchased equipment such as Camcorder, Scanner, Computers, Printers, External Hard Drives, Furniture etc. for a total value of Rs.10,22,939.00 from the funds received from Government of India. The items were handed over to the Outreach Media team for their outreach work. The assets accounts of the equipment are being maintained by the Auroville Foundation.

Since the beginning of the Crown development work in Auroville this past year, Outreach Media team began to use the outreach contacts and resources of its service to promote its personal and distorted views on the development work against the Auroville Foundation. They have also misused media/social media, where they have established a large network through their work over the years, by publishing misinformation and propaganda. All this has been done through publishing blatantly false or negative information to the world with an aim to accuse the Auroville Foundation Secretary and Governing Board. Considering that the Auroville Outreach Media had been functioning as the "voice of Auroville" for decades, this action has done a lot of potential damage to Auroville's image.

Following this, the Auroville Foundation asked the Outreach Media to stop all public relations work and formed an Information and Public Relation Team / Group as desired by the Governing Board to cater to the official Information and Public Relation needs of Auroville Foundation under Government of India.

In the above circumstances, the Under Secretary, Auroville Foundation sent an email to Ms. Fabienne on 20.01.2022 requesting Ms. Fabienne to hand over all the movable, immovable, tangible and intangible assets including space, contacts of media persons, phone number, email, Soft IP, archives, accounts maintained with Financial Services etc. maintained by the Auroville Outreach Media office to the Auroville Foundation, on or before 22.01.2022, as the same was required for continued information and public relations activities of Foundation.

Ms. Fabienne in her email response dated 21.01.2022 had objected to it and questioned the authority of the Auroville Foundation. In another mail sent on the same day (21.01.2022), she had made it clear that as Executive of Outreach Media she would not comply with the request made by the Foundation, since FAMC of the Resident Assembly is the authority. This understanding is incorrect since the FAMC is a body of the Governing Board, and all units, services, assets, tangible or intangible are under the direct purview and undertaking of the Auroville Foundation.

The subject of handing over all the assets of the Outreach Media to the Foundation was discussed in FAMC of the Governing Board on 03.02.2022, and the necessity for handing over of all the assets was reiterated by the Internal Auditor and the Under Secretary.

Sufficient time and reasonable opportunity had been given to Ms. Fabienne for vacating the premises of Outreach Media and handing over the premises keys and assets there in. Since this had not been complied with till 07.02.2022, on 08.02.2022 around 11.30 am, a team of officials from the Foundation headed by the Under Secretary along with the Information and Public Relations team of Auroville Foundation went to the Outreach Media to request her personally for a hand-over. On seeing this team approaching, Ms. Fabienne behaved in a highly strange manner by locking the door from the inside and preventing the officials from entering the premises.

The Under Secretary repeatedly requested Ms. Fabienne to vacate the premises by quoting the necessity of the premises for use by the Information and Public Relation Team of Foundation and to maintain harmony. This was not heeded by Ms. Fabienne and all of a sudden she came out from a side door, locked the office from the outside, and left the premises.

As there was no prospect of a smooth handing over all the assets of the Outreach Media including the premises occupied by Ms. Fabienne, due to noncompliance and her arrogant behavior, the Foundation was not left with any other option other than fixing another padlock above the present one. So, on 08.02.2022 at 7.00 pm officials of the Foundation reached the Outreach Media and affixed a notice for Ms Fabienne. The following day, 09.02.2022, all the locks to the office were changed by the Auroville Foundation and through an executive order the Information and Public Relations team of Joel Van Lierde and Sindhuja Jagadeesh replaced Fabienne Marechal as Outreach Media executives along with Dev Mohanty and Chandresh Patel as advisors to the team. As no hand over has been done by the previous team, an audit of the Auroville Outreach Media assets and finances is currently ongoing.

*Sindhuja,
Executive of Outreach Media*

PARTICIPATE IN OUR COMMUNITY BUDGETING PROCESS!

Dear Community, we hope you have been following our community budgeting process! We have arrived at the last step, which is a community survey on budgetary priorities, following outcomes arrived at with randomly selected participants. We invite all of you to participate in this survey – and if you've missed the presentations leading up to this survey, to watch the available recordings before filling it in.

Here is [the link to the survey](#).

Below is a recap of the community budgeting process events held to date, with links to all those that were recorded:

- We started (on January 7th 2022) with a community presentation of the overall City Services budget, based on our annual report website: budget.auroville.org.in. This presentation was recorded and is [available at this link](#).
- A few days later (on January 11th, 2022), we held small tables discussions /Q&A on the various sectors that the City Services budget supports, as well as the various sources of funding of the budget, with BCC members and sector representatives.
- We then facilitated in-depth sessions (on January 22 & 29) with randomly selected participants to get their inputs on the key questions being asked in this process: What do Aurovilians consider to be priority areas for community funding? Are there any key services missing in our community that should be budgeted for? Where should funds come from to support our communal needs?
- On February 7, we held a community presentation in which we shared the outputs of the sessions with the randomly selected participants, and shared key information for filling in the survey. This presentation was recorded and is [available at this link](#).
- And now, we are circulating a survey to collect further feedback from the community on the key questions and outcomes arrived at by the randomly selected participants: <https://forms.gle/ZUuokyP33MzS4f9UA>

We are all part of Auroville's communal budget, so we hope you will contribute to identifying our budgetary priorities!

*Warmly, Your BCC members
(Aurosugan, Danny, Enrica, Fabien,
Hans, Inge, Mahi, Mathan, Rathinam, Suryamayi)*

FROM THE ENTRY SERVICE – ES # 121

Dated: 19-02-2022

The following people have been recommended by the Entry Board to join our community. Please share your feedback within 2 weeks for potential Newcomers, Associates and Friends of Auroville and within 4 weeks for Potential Aurovilians, Returning Aurovilians, Youth and Spouse/Partner of an Aurovillian in writing to entryservice@auroville.org.in. We thank you in advance.

NEWCOMER ANNOUNCED:



Benedikt

Kanamuthan

Ramesh

- Benedikt POHLE aka Ben (German) staying in Transformation and working at Matrimandir
- Kaniamuthan IYYANAR (Indian) staying in Muyarchi and working at Solar Kitchen
- Ramesh MISHRA (Indian) staying in Djaima and working at Sacred Groves

NEWCOMER CONFIRMED:

- Agnes MARY (French)
- Eswari BABU (Indian)

AUROVILIAN ANNOUNCED:

- Tina SWEERIN (Indian) staying in Humancape and working at Synthesis & HIVES



Tina

AUROVILIAN CONFIRMED:

- Archana SEKHAR (Indian)
- Friedrich ECKHARDT aka Karthik (German)

YOUTH TURNED 18 ANNOUNCED:



Harsh

Narandra

Tenzin

Varsha

- Harsh NISAR (Indian) staying in Arc-en-ciel and studying at Last School & working at Aneetha's Kitchen
- Narandra Sridar SHANKAR aka Nittin (Indian) staying in Aspiration and working at Talam
- Tenzin JANGCHUP (Indian) staying in Kailash and studying at Future School
- Varsha JAYAVEL (Indian) staying in Acceptance and studying at Achariya College

FRIEND OF AUROVILLE ANNOUNCED:

- Navtej Singh TALWAR aka Sunny (Belgian) – longtime friend and volunteer with various Auroville services, currently staying in Atithi Griha GH



Navtej Singh

LEFT ON HIS/HER OWN:

- Iuliia MAYORSKIKH (aka Yulia) (Russian)

NOTE: The Newcomer probation year becomes effective only after the NC kit has been returned and should not exceed 18 months from the date of confirmation.

A Newcomer becomes an Aurovillian once his/her name has been confirmed by The Admission Committee (aka the Entry Board) after following due process.

The date of becoming Aurovillian is the date of confirmation. An Aurovillian confirmed by the Entry Board is eligible to participate in all community decision-making processes.

A confirmed Aurovillian becomes officially a Resident of Auroville once the individual has filled in and signed the B-Form and his/her name has been entered in the Register of Residents (RoR) maintained by the Auroville Foundation Office (AVF).

A Resident of Auroville is eligible to become an executive of a Unit or Service of Auroville and to get an ID card issued by the Auroville Foundation.

A meeting with the Secretary of the AVF will be arranged by the Entry Secretariat according to the availability of the Secretary and not at any personal request.

Yours, The Entry Service

HOUSING BOARD REPORT

September, October, November & December 2021

- 8 Housing Board Members: Anbu (L'avenir), Angela (Community), Angelo (FAMC), Aravindh (Housing Service), Bharathy (Community), Rima (Community), Sundar (Housing Service) Venkat (Community), Iyappan (Community).
- Resource Persons for the Housing Board are Rama Narayana (Entry Board) & Shiva (AVC)
- The Quorum is fixed at 5 members as per current housing policy.

Meetings: In person every Wednesday at the Town Hall Meeting Room

Visits with the Housing Board

- Sukrit & L'aura 01/09/21
- Island & Glenn 08/09/21
- Raju 15/09/21
- Velu & Suguna 29/09/21
- Pavitra 08/10/21
- Housing Service Team 13/10/21
- Siggii 20/10/21

Request for internet in HS asset. Camilla and Juan asked the Housing Board for the green light to have internet access installed in the house formerly stewarded by Roma, now under the purview of Housing Service. This was agreed with the understanding that they would carry the costs and no reimbursement could be given should they leave the house.

Requests for Newcomers to stay in NC assets Several requests were received from Newcomers asking to stay in the Newcomer assets that they currently live in and complete their Aurovillian process. The Housing Board replied negatively to them all because this ties up the Newcomer stock and prevents future Newcomers from having a housing asset to live in.

Ex-Newcomer overstaying in NC asset in Aspiration The Housing Board sought the assistance of FAMC regarding an ex-Newcomer who remained in the housing asset after her Newcomer status was rescinded. The situation was resolved amicably and the Housing Board decided to transform the house into a House Against Recognised Work (HARW).

Extra Housing Board Meeting. All members agreed that there was currently an urgent need for an extra weekly meeting in order to get through the many pending topics on the agenda. It was agreed that a quorum of members would meet every Friday 10am-12pm.

Allocation of House in Espace The Housing Board agreed to allocate the house formerly stewarded by Dominik in Espace to Manolo for a contribution equivalent to the repatriation sum paid to Dominik when he left Auroville.

Centre Field house formerly stewarded by L'aura A final decision regarding the future plan for the house in Centre Field formerly stewarded by L'aura was put on hold, until there is clarity regarding how the house will be affected by the layout of the Crown Road. Meanwhile it was agreed by the Housing Board that Mukta could continue the temporary arrangement to house sit there.

Extension of Bridging House Agreement The bridging house agreement for Romel & Mimansha in Felicity was extended for 6 months after they clarified their future housing plans.

Clarification of Evaluation Process in Luminosity The steward of an asset in Luminosity objected that the valuation for their asset had been made wrongly and the measurements were incorrect. After investigating, the Housing Board established that the 2 evaluations had been made with differing parameters and neither were wrong.

Extension of Agreement in Celebration The current housing sitting agreement for Velu & Suguna in Celebration was extended whilst The Land Board looks into solutions for the impasse with the land in Edayanchavadi.

Refund of Contribution An enquiry as to whether an Aurovilian could receive the funds back that they had paid for their asset in Kalpana and still remain an Aurovilian was replied to negatively.

'New Community' Guidelines The Housing Service & The Housing Board have worked with the caretakers of 'The New Community' (the house formerly stewarded by Ellen in Certitude) to establish interim guidelines which retain the assets under the purview of Housing.

Newcomer Housing in Aspiration Mukti, Djaima & Promesse Recognising that most Newcomers wish to live in the centre of Auroville, the underutilized Newcomer housing assets located in Mukti, Djaima and Aspiration were assessed by the Housing Board and either repurposed as Houses Against Recognised Work, transferred or repurposed as bridging and emergency housing.

Exchange of Pro Bono Housing A request from Nitin to exchange his pro bono house in Sunship for an asset that was formerly an office in MM Nursery was granted with certain conditions.

Jocelyn Janaka's Request (Ravena Community) As all houses in Auroville are under the Foundation and there's no private ownership, this request was addressed negatively.

HB Maintenances Half maintenance for Rima & Iyyappan was agreed by BCC after a request from HB.

Bridging House Request (Anbu Promesse) A one year bridging house agreement for Anbu in Promesse was agreed.

Housing Service EBike BCC had been requested for funds to get a new battery for the scooter that News & Notes were using in the past. This request was accepted and the scooter is being used by HS & HB for site visits.

Requests for New Permanent Housing The Housing Board received several requests during this period from members of the community in need of new housing for reasons such as; ill health, old age & to solve family disputes. It is not generally possible for the Housing Board to identify new permanent housing solutions in these cases, due to the well known housing crisis in Auroville. The Housing Board has focussed their energies on identifying Housing Service assets that are empty and where possible, repurposing them as Houses Against Recognised Work, or placing them on transfer for a minimal contribution. In this way we hope to ease some of the blockages in the community and we ask those in need of a new permanent house to continue to apply for the houses on offer via AuroNet (paper application is also possible, please make a request to the Housing Service).

Deferral of Fraternal Contribution A request from Aditi to defer the payment of her Fraternal Contribution for her apartment in Kalpana until September 2022 was agreed.

Extension of House Sitting Agreement It was agreed to extend the house sitting agreement for Michiyo, who is house sitting Ruth's apartment in Invocation, for the period of one year.

Request to move to New Community A request from Tanya to move from Vikas to The New Community was agreed.

AVC request re room 'renting' AVC made a suggestion on behalf of a community member who is suffering severe financial difficulties to be able to rent out a portion of their house. The Housing Board clarified that they could not endorse the suggestion.

Request for Additional Space A request to use the upper portion of the house formerly stewarded by Juanita in Felicity as a Volunteer/ Newcomer space was denied as there is a lack of clarity regarding the future use of the asset.

Request for 2 apartments in Djaima The request from Babu and Djaima community for Housing Service to transfer 2 small apartments to Babu was agreed. This decision was based on the lack of other candidates who applied for the assets and Babu's intention to transform the 2 houses into a larger house that would suit his family's needs.

Request for co-stewardship Dr Lucas's request for Maud to become co-steward of his house in Grace was agreed.

EB clarification about potential spouse in NC asset. The Entry Board asked the Housing Board to clarify what would be the position if a Newcomer living in a Housing asset got married. The Housing Board clarified that the spouse would have to have some kind of Auroville status such as Savi volunteer or Newcomer with active communal participation.

Request for co-stewardship The Housing Board denied a request for the stewardship of Siv's house to be transferred to Dasha without any community process, but instead approved for Dasha to become a co-steward of the house and share the house with Dasha when she returns.

Request to waiver the contribution Dheena made a request for a reduction in the amount his son was due to pay for a house that was transferred 3 years ago, this was refused and Dheena subsequently paid the full amount owed.

Request for Child over 18 to become Steward Raju made a request for his daughter to become steward of the asset adjoining his which has been under the stewardship of the Housing Service for several years. He also requested a House grant to assist her. That request was denied because the Board did not feel that his daughter was eligible for a housing grant, however it was agreed that the 2 assets could be transformed into one under Raju & Rina's stewardship. This would be achieved by them making the required contribution as per the valuation.

Grants Approved

Name	Community	Amount approved
Ana	New Creation	Rs.44,470
Claire	Aurodam	Rs.3,50,000
Prakash	NC Field	Rs.3,50,000

Repairs Grants Paid (over 5,000Rs)

Name	Community	Amount
Mathew	Kalabhoomi	90,000.00
Eva & Laszlo	Sharanga	34,050.00

Houses Transferred

Name	Community
Sun Mi Kim	Maitreyea
Gali	Vikas
Bel Jimenez	Sanjana
Danish & Sarah	Sharanga
Raju & Rina	Aspiration

The Housing Board, Anbu (L'avenir), Angela (Community), Angelo (FAMC), Aravindh (Housing Service), Bharathy (Community), Iyyappan (Community), Rima (Community), Venkat (Community).

housingboard@auroville.org.in

Community News

AUROVILLE MATTERS

ACRES FOR AUROVILLE LAND CAMPAIGN

February 2022 – The Mother’s Birthday & the Anniversary of Auroville’s Creation

*“Let us keep flaming in our heart the fire of progress”
The Mother*



The Mother’s guidance is an ever-inspiring flame – a gift we feel with particular force in February, the month of her birth. And as we celebrate, too, the February anniversary of Auroville’s foundation, we remember with warm gratitude the action and generosity of India ... not just for hosting the City of Dawn, but also for actually collaborating in its progress. Sri Aurobindo had foreseen that modern India would play a key role in nourishing humanity’s spiritual future – and in his view, a spiritual future would be the only way forward. As we gather in aspiration around the Matrimandir, the invocations from India’s ancient wisdom become all the more meaningful, inspiring us to keep the flame strong as we progress together for building a more luminous future:

O Flame! Master Strength! O Leader! You gather around you all the peoples of the world and bind them together

...

Come together, all of you, speak in one voice, know with one mind ... May your yearning be one, may your hearts be one, may your mind be one, so that your union be perfect.

And in the stirring words of the ancient Peace Mantra, another treasure from India’s gift to us all:

“May there be peace among all and everywhere. Om Shanti Shanti Shanti”

The Auroville Universal Township needs to consolidate & complete its physical base!

Let us join together with a unified intention to keep manifesting the city of dawn!

Please specify your donations for **“Acres For Auroville”** via check, bank transfer or online.

[Donating & Tax Deductibility information](#)

News, videos, and land information:
www.land.auroville.org,

Contact: lfau@auroville.org.in

Photo: Ashesh Joshi

Quotes: The Mother’s message of 21 June 1954; Rig-Veda, Mandala X, Sukta 191; the Shanti Mantra

Acres for Auroville is a collaboration of Auroville International & Lands for Auroville Unified

THE MOTHER’S BIRTHDAY

21.2.2022, Monday

“The One whom we adore as the Mother is the divine Conscious Force that dominates all existence, one and yet so many-sided that to follow her movement is impossible even for the quickest mind and for the freest and most vast intelligence. The Mother is the consciousness and force of the Supreme and far above all she creates.”

The Mother’s Birthday Meditation

Meditation at 5:45am, at Matrimandir Amphitheatre

Please take note that like last year only Aurovilians, Newcomers and Aurocard Holders will be allowed to attend the meditation. Entrance from the Matrimandir Office Gate from 5am. All are requested to be seated by 5:45am. *Strict COVID protocols to be followed.*

Aurovilians and Newcomers are requested to please bring along their Auroville ID cards as it is no longer possible for those on duty to know or recognise all Aurovilians and Newcomers. Please do not take this personally but as a request to help the reception at the gate work in a quiet and peaceful manner. Your understanding and cooperation will be much appreciated.

Aurovilians with visiting family member/s or friend/s staying with them and holding no Aurocard are requested to come with their guest/s to collect their individual passes from the Matrimandir Access Office between 11am and 12 noon on the 19 and 20 February 2022.

Cellphones, cameras, bags will need to be deposited at the Access Office, as usual, before entering the Park of Unity.

Please do not bring your pets to the Matrimandir.

All are invited to create and maintain an atmosphere of silence and concentration.

Evening Program at 5:30pm

Russian Singing Bells

*“In the unfolding process of the Self
Sometimes the inexpressible Mystery
Elects a human vessel of descent.*

*A breath comes down from a supernal air,
A Presence is born, a guiding Light awakes...”*

- Entrance from the Office Gate at 5 pm.
- Guests are requested to bring along their Aurocards.

Please note that the Inner Chamber will remain open for Aurovilians and Newcomers from 7:45 to 8:45am and from 4:30 to 6:30pm. Covid protocols to be followed as usual.

SARASWATI HELENE PASSED AWAY



This is to inform the community that our dear friend and sister, Aurovilian Saraswati Helene Champaloux, passed away in France at the age of 75 after a long struggle with cancer.

Saraswati received her name from Champaklal in 1991 and joined Auroville two years later. Being a painter, her vision and technique of her expressions gradually changed due to her inner research in light of quantum physicists and the readings David Bohm and Fridjof Capra which aligned with her experience. She held several exhibitions in Auroville such as the Angel’s theme exhibition in September 2000 at Pitanga, which was deeply inspiring and had a wonderful presence.

Apart from her artwork, Saraswati worked at the Auroville Health Center and Auroville Earth Institute. She was known for her warmhearted nature, always giving love and support to the ones around her.

The funeral of Saraswati’s remains took place in France on 16 February, and Auroville friends bade her farewell during a silent gathering at the Matrimandir Banyan tree in the late afternoon of the same day.

Our warmest condolences go out to her daughter Anata and grandson Raphael.

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BABY BORN பிரதன்யா

We are very happy to announce that we have been blessed with a baby girl, Pradanya – பிரதன்யா born at Rajiv Gandhi hospital in the morning on 29/01/2022 Saturday.

With Happiness,
Parents: Prabu @ Manikandan & Parameswari;
AuroYali, Auroville.

LANDS FOR AUROVILLE UNIFIED (LFAU)

Auroville Centre for Urban Research, Administrative Area, Auroville 605101 Tamil Nadu, India

21st February 2022, Auroville and Sri Aurobindo's 150th Birth Anniversary

While India and the world are celebrating the 150th birth anniversary of Sri Aurobindo, it is appropriate to understand Auroville's relevance to the realisation of his evolutionary vision. On the occasion of Sri Aurobindo's birth centenary in August 1972, the Mother gave several inspiring messages. Two of them were as follows:



"Sri Aurobindo's message is an immortal sunlight radiating over the future."

"Sri Aurobindo shows us the way towards a glorious future."

Auroville is meant to develop into and emerge as a broad, unique, futuristic, universal township drawing light and inspiration from Sri Aurobindo's "immortal sunlight radiating over the future". To the extent that Auroville succeeds in imbibing – and radiating – this "sunlight", Auroville will be able to contribute to a "glorious future". This explains why the Mother, referring to her advice to some disciples who were giving their energy and time to developing an organisation called *World Union* in Pondicherry, told Satprem:

"I tell people that the creation of a city such as Auroville has more weight in the history of the earth than all the groupings in the world."

(Ref. Mother's Agenda, V.8, p.253)

Auroville is a double-edged undertaking – with work to be done in the world, in matter, and with work to be done in consciousness – one's own and in the collectivity and group soul.

"Acres for Auroville" is directly related to the work in matter. It, in fact, provides the matter, the material foundation for the embodiment of vision and consciousness.

All fresh energy, all the fresh momentum for the growth of Auroville has to be understood and appreciated as one of the best ways to celebrate Sri Aurobindo's 150th birth anniversary.

With deep gratefulness, we appreciate all collaboration from the friends and well-wishers of Auroville.

With trust in Auroville's bright future,
Aryadeep, Mandakini

Please specify "Acres For Auroville" (all Master Plan priority plots) for all donations via:

- Auroville Unity Fund (checks & bank transfers),
- [Auroville Donation Gateway](#) (credit & debit cards)
- [Auroville International](#)
- [Complete donation & tax deductibility information](#)
- Contact: <https://land.auroville.org/campaigns/acres/>
<https://land.auroville.org/news/>

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

AUROVILLE BIRTHDAY WEEK FESTIVAL

Greetings from Auroville Birthday Festival Team.

This year Birthday events will take place at Current locations

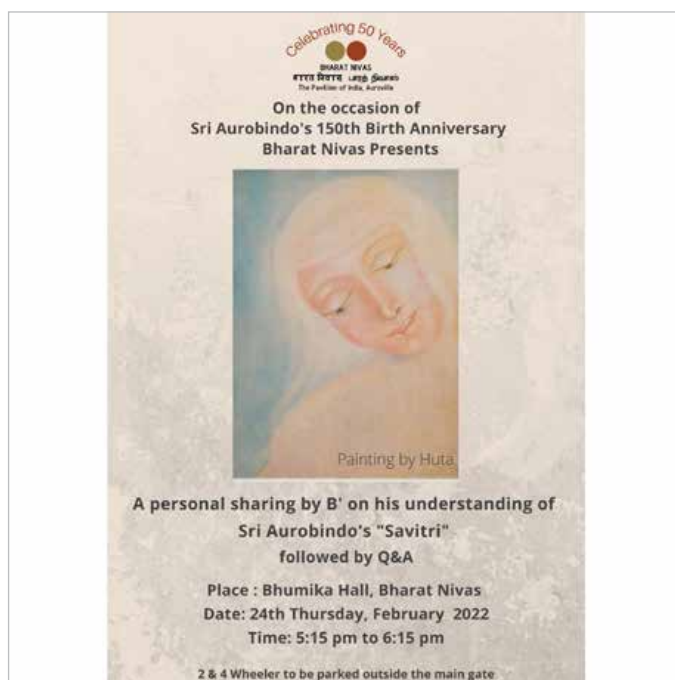
- Unity pavilion- Bharat Nivas – Savitri Bhavan
- Solar kitchen – PTDC – ITS area
- Kalpana – Mahalaxmi Park – Human Scape Junction
- Kalabhumi

You can get program details of the week at all locations . It will also be published at AVnet .

Website for festival details: festival.auroville.org

Thank you for your support,
Festival Team, www.upasana.in

A PERSONAL SHARING BY B' ON HIS UNDERSTANDING OF SRI AUROBINDO'S SAVITRI



HER – "PRESENCE"

Matrimandir, Garden of "Eternal Child",
20 February, 5 – 6pm




Planning a gathering of "PRESENCE" on the eve of The Mother's Birthday in the Unexpected Garden of "Eternal Child", we are keen to bring together all those Auroville pioneers and residents who had a direct Darshan of The Mother in the 1960s and early 70s. If you are one of the fortunate ones or know and can assist some of these 'elders' please join in the symbolic consecration, flaming our aspiration.



Being of course aware that She is ever-present and accessible for everyone, as Nolini stated in his encouraging words after Her passing: "Since we have no longer the support of her body on which we depended most exclusively, we are compelled to seek the true support, the support of her consciousness, the inner reality – her inner presence, her living Person within..."

It is there, living and glorious in its beauty and power and is still at work within us and around us in the world incessantly towards the final consummation of its material embodiment."

Warm Regards, SVARAM, www.svaram.org
0091 413 2622220, svaram@auroville.org.in

NARAD'S PERSONAL SHARING ON THE EXPERIENCES WITH THE MOTHER AND SRI AUROBINDO


 On the occasion of
 Sri Aurobindo's 150th Birth Anniversary
 Bharat Nivas Presents
Narad's Personal sharing On the Experiences with The Mother & Sri Aurobindo (1961-1973)

Place : Bhumika Hall, Bharat Nivas
 Date: 19th Saturday, February 2022
 Time: 3:30 to 4:30 pm
 2 & 4 Wheeler to be parked outside the main gate

THE CITY OF DREAMS VIA FOOD

Dinners, 21 – 28 February, from 6pm to 8pm



Dear community, we are celebrating Auroville's Birthday week by bringing together the diversity and culture of the City of dreams via food.

We will have teams cooking

Dinners for the community at the community kitchen from the 21 – 28 February. Kindly book with us in advance so that we neither disappoint you nor leave us with leftovers in turn wasting food and resources .

We will be serving from 6pm to 8pm. Kindly book via solkitchen@auroville.org.in or 2622197

Date	Day	Cuisine
21.02.22	Monday	Russian/Ukrainian
22.02.22	Tuesday	French
23.02.22	Wednesday	North Indian
24.02.22	Thursday	Wild/Edible Weedy dinner, Nina & Team
25.02.22	Friday	African
26.02.22	Saturday	Italian
28.02.22	Monday	German

Love, Solar Kitchen Team & International cooking Teams

LUNCH AND DINNER DELIVERED TO YOUR HOME



Dear Friends, We deliver Lunch/dinner at your home or your workplace. The delivery system is working even on Sunday too.

1. Indian Lunch/Dinner delivery system for Aurovilians/Newcomers/volunteers and Guests.

2. Also we are making lunch/dinner/snacks/tea for the small gathering/birthday party/meetings/workshops too. The menu is: Rice, Dal, Salad (Veg.), Veg. curry, Chapati.

3. Other Non-Veg. foods for Lunch/dinner based on the customer needs and call us at least a day before.

Please call by in advance WA 8098782233 or 9159837630

Thanking you, Arunkumar and Valli

ANEETA'S KITCHEN

Dear Friends, we are happy to announce that we have started our operations and the kitchen at new location . We are happy to receive you for Lunches and Dinners. Come and enjoy the Indian Cuisine including the Tandoori items!

New Location: Aneeta's Kitchen,
Kuliapalayam Road. Opposite Marc's cafe.

Lunch 12:30 to 3:00pm

Dinner 6:30 to 10:00pm,


Thursdays closed

Extending gratitude towards the community to make this possible!

With gratitude, Aneeta's Kitchen Team

"GRATITUDE CAFÉ" AT NEEM TREE RESTAURANT

Dear Community, on Sunday, 20 February, 2022, the students of Hope Group at Deepanam School will be organizing a "Gratitude Café" at Neem Tree Restaurant. We have been learning about Entrepreneurship & Economy this year and we're keen to explore this hands-on.

WELCOME TO
Gratitude Café
 SUNDAY, 20 FEB | 9 AM - 2 PM
 VENUE: Neem Tree Restaurant
 ON THIS SPECIAL DAY, THE MEALS WILL BE PREPARED AND SERVED BY THE STUDENTS OF HOPE GROUP, DEEPANAM SCHOOL AS PART OF THEIR EXPLORATION ABOUT ENTREPRENEURSHIP.
 COME, ENJOY SOME GOOD FOOD, GOOD MUSIC AND AN AMBIENCE OF GRATITUDE.
 Join us for Breakfast, Brunch or Lunch!

We will be serving breakfast, brunch and lunch from 9:00am to 2:00pm.

We heartily invite you to join us and enjoy the food along with music and an ambience of gratitude.

With Love and Gratitude,

Students of Hope Group, Deepanam School.

FOR FIRST TIME AND YOUTH ENTREPRENEURS.

Want to offer my services as SEWA – assistance in the following areas for individuals/units who/which do not have a qualified and experienced in-house resource.

Project Proposal Preparation

- Government Grant Proposal Preparation
- Focused on first time and youth entrepreneurs.

Surajkiran Venugopal, 9884204918 WA,

surajkiranv@gmail.com

AUROVILLE – A GARDEN CITY AND CAMPUS

Dear community, an idea of co-creating "Auroville – A Garden City and Campus" came and many people have contributed. [This is for your reference.](#)

Warmly, Anandi Zhang

910 - 21 February 2022

HANGOUTS IS ON PAUSE TILL MAY

Please note that the regular Saturday afternoon "Hangouts" at Center GH will be paused till May and in the meanwhile we are hoping to organize some other "get-togethers" for seniors and friends.

More information to follow next month ...

Best regards, *The Hangout Team*

DOG DANGER!!!



Between 5 and 6pm, two white dogs with black patches and their friends began racing around Arka and Mahalakshmi Home (Residence for Seniors).

They can't be stopped once they start racing. A mishap has already occurred. Please keep a watch on your pets and do not allow them to go loose. Don't let your dogs become a nuisance!

Lisa, Resident of Mahalakshmi

Thank you and best regards, AVHS

AURA NETWORK UPDATE



Dear Community, the Aura Network is growing and now with Atithi Griha Guest House on board offering meals, we need a further expansion.

We invite farms and food producing units to share their abundance on the Aura Network to support our local circular economy. To enquire about this, write to: stigmatad@gmail.com.

Birthday Week Blessings, *The Aura Team*

www.auranetwork.app

LATEST NEWS FROM THE TRAVEL SHOP

Our Travel Consultant Mr. Ganesh is available at Kalpana for issuing, re-scheduling for all kind of ticketing Bus, Train, Flights and travel insurance which includes a Covid 19 Cover:



This policy covers Medical Expenses arising out of Covid-19 outside India, including Medical Expenses incurred during Quarantine period subject to the policy terms and conditions. Accommodation and non-medical incidental expenses arising during Quarantine period stand excluded.

Contact:

- One can meet him from 10:00 to 16:00,
- by phone 2623030 or / and by WA after office timings: +91 9894598686,
- by e-mail: travelshop@auroville.org.in or domestic@inside-india.com.

All payments (including Credit / Debit cards use) should be routed via the Financial Service.

Flights from Chennai Airport to Europa and beyond:

- We have a special offer from Lufthansa which is up to 50 % cheaper than other Airlines, if interested please visit our Kalpana office.
- Emirates and Qatar Airways: Everyday flights to Italy, Switzerland, Netherlands, Paris, Frankfurt, Munich, Düsseldorf and Hamburg.
- British Airways: Flights to London weekly 3 days Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday.
- Etihad Airways: Weekly 3 days to Paris, to Milan on Monday, Thursday and Sunday and Thursday only to Rome. On Monday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday to Zurich and Monday, to Geneva.

Important notice:

Most countries require a Passenger Location Form (PLF) to be filed online before traveling which has to include a negative PCR test result.

ALOT LIBRARY BACK AGAIN



ALoT Team, <https://aurolot.myturn.com/library/>

+91 8098776644

Open from 9am to 5pm,
(lunch break 1 – 2pm)

ALoT Container, ITS,
Solar Kitchen Area

AUROMODE HIVE OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, 19 February from 9am to 5pm.



Auromode Hive would like to invite you to an Open House on Saturday, 19 February from 9am to 5pm.

We will have some biscuits and free internet !

All are welcome to try out our coworking space free of Charge!!!

- Open from **9am to 5pm** on All Days Except Sundays
- Fully Air Conditioned, Clean & Quiet, Professional Coworking Space
- Two Fully-Equipped Conference Rooms with Projector
- Reliable **High-Speed Internet** Facility
- **Colour Printing** and Scanning Facilities up to A3 size
- Small Self-Service Kitchen, Restroom & Outdoor Zone
- Easy access to Auromode Guest House, Dining
- 24/7 Power Backup and Security, Parking
- Aquadyn Drinking Water.

For Further Queries contact us:

✉ auromodehive@auroville.org.in

☎ 70921 97375

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Please Follow COVID-19 Regulations

Auromode HIVE Team

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ECO FEMME CELEBRATING THE MOVE TO THEIR NEW HOME.

Open Houses
 Friday the 25th of February
 11:00 - 12:30 & 15:30 -17:00



eco femme

We warmly invite you to two neighboring Open houses in Auroshilpam
Auroville Energy Products (AEP)'s 25th anniversary & Eco Femme celebrating the move to their new home.

Join us to see what's happening and enjoy some refreshments.
 (AEP is also clearing some old stock with discounts and lots of freebies)

You can find us by turning right past Auromode and follow the path to the parking.

We are looking forward seeing you, warmly,
 Kathy, Jessamijn, Carsten, John & Lisbeth


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THE ARTS

The Lotuspond
 EXHIBITION



Images by Willemine
 at the library
 Auroville

Opening times:

- Mornings:

Monday – Saturday: 9am – 12:30pm

- Afternoons:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday: 2pm – 4.30pm

Tuesday: 4pm – 6.30pm

*Kathrin, Auroville Library, 0413 2622894,
avlib@auroville.org.in, library.auroville.org.in*

ARTWORLD The Fine Art Gallery Sarala's Art Centre & Bharatnivas presents Theme: Unity in Diversity



Tapas Ghosal, G Raman, Snehashish Maity, Bodhiselvam, P. Saravanan, Pramathes Chandra, Parag Adhikari, Sajal Sarkar, Ejumale, Nele, Puneet, Kirti Chandak, Nadees Prabhu, Prabhat Biswas

Inauguration of the Painting, Art & Crafts Exhibition
 in the presence of Guest personality
 on Friday, 18th Feb 2022 at 5.00pm
 Venue: Kalakendra Art Gallery

Exhibition: 18th February to 18th March 2022,
 Opening hours: 10:00am to 5:00pm (Sunday open)

Divine Flowers
 A Flower Exhibition on 'Road to the Divine'

Savitri Bhavan
 (Square Hall)



21st to 28th
 February 2022
 9:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
 (Thursday Closed)

*Answering with the flower's answer to the sun
 They gave themselves to her and asked no more.*
 - Savitri, p. 364 Sri Anubinda

Inauguration on the 21st February at 10:00 A.M.
 email: divineflowers@auroville.org.in

Related Programmes - February 2022

Talks:

Narad	Monday, 21 st - 10:30 A.M. Topic - 'Flowers are the Moment's Representation'
Loretta	Saturday, 26 th - 5:00 P.M. Topic - 'The Mother's Flower Road to the Divine - Help and Guidance'
Dr. Alok Pandey	Monday, 28 th - 5:30 P.M. Topic - 'Finding the Divine through Works'

Musical Offering:

Chandra	Monday, 28 th - 10:00 A.M. Flute Recitation
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Special Film:

Thursday, Feb 24th - 4:00 P.M.
'The Teachings of Flowers: The Life and Work of The Mother of Sri Anubindo Ashram'
 Duration: 121 minutes. Made by Loretta

Venue : Savitri Bhavan
 email: divineflowers@auroville.org.in

LIVE MUSIC EVENING: MATTHEW AND HUBERT
 in collaboration with Kalabhumi Music Studio Collective
 Sunday, 20 February, 7pm
 Cafeteria Visitors Center



Cafeteria offers an international menu, Pizzas, Korean dishes, organic French and Indian cuisine, homemade desserts, etc...

Come and enjoy! Cafeteria team

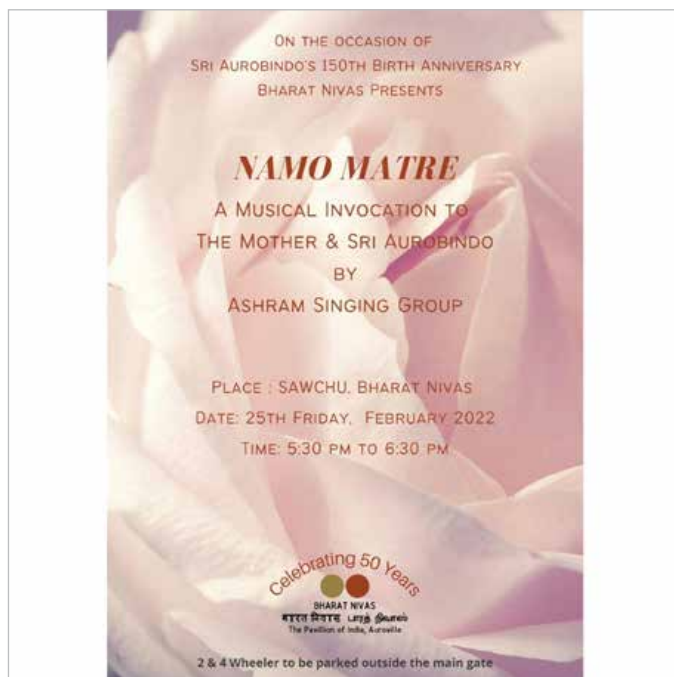
ROAD OF THE WILD LILY

A concert by Shalini Sekhar and Shruthi Veena Vishwanath
 25 February, 7pm, at the French Pavilion



We welcome you to the first sharing of an exciting musical collaboration – this is an intimate concert with very limited numbers, so please RSVP to book a place. *Masks are mandatory.* There will be more sharings next week, so stay tuned, or email us and we will keep you informed.

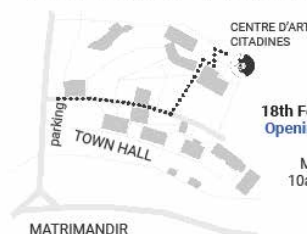
RSVP: wildlilyroad@gmail.com



GETTING CLOSER



PAINTINGS BY PIERRE LEGRAND



18th February - 5th March 2022
 Opening on Friday 18th at 4pm
 Monday to Saturday:
 10am-12pm & 3pm-5pm

The Blue Light Dance Studio
 Bhubaneswar, Odisha
 presents
Exhibition of Odisha Handicrafts

- Ornaments including, Filigree
- Stone carved Statues
- Sambalpuri saree-Dress material
- Item of golden grass
- Folk arts including patachitras and appliques

Few of our items put to exhibition are accredited with awards by **Sant Kabir Award & National Award Ministry of Textiles (Government of India)**

opening of the Painting, Art & Crafts Exhibition in the presence of Guest personality on **Friday 18th Feb 2022 at 5:00pm**
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Opening hours: 10:00 am - 05:00 pm (Sunday open)
 Contact: +91 82493 35483
 0413 - 2622488

BHARAT NIVAS
 भारत निवास
 The Pavilion of India, Auroville

SYNOPSIS OF THE COSMIC DANCE:

Poems by Sri Aurobindo Interpreted in Dance



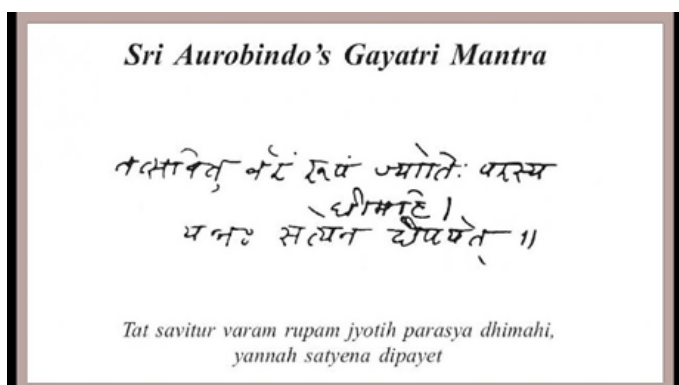
For many of us, Sri Aurobindo’s sonnets and other shorter poems have been gateways to his Yoga.

In this programme we, a small group of dancers, interpret eight of his most memorable poems in music, voice, and movement, showing how the rhythms of these inspired works transcend the written word.

In an attempt to shift the collective energy, we try to give expression to the beauty and transformative power of some of Sri Aurobindo’s supreme verbal creations.

LIVE STREAMED PERFORMANCE OF SRI AUROBINDO’S GAYATRI MANTRA

Thursday, 17 of February



Broadcast at 7:00pm and at 7:45pm

The Auroville choir and instrumental ensemble will present “Om Tat Savitur”, a composition by Holger on Sri Aurobindo’s Gayatri mantra, on Thursday, 17 February.

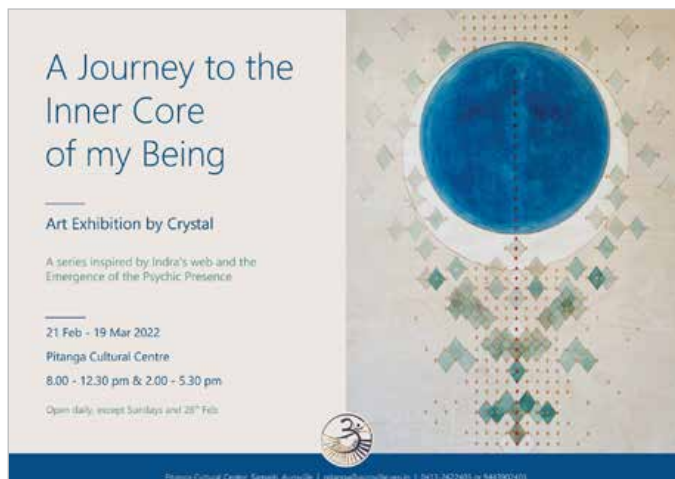
The performance will be live streamed from CRIPA, with no audience. It will be broadcasted twice, at 7:00 pm, and at 7:45 pm. You can [follow the performance here](#). We hope you join us in our aspiration for Sri Aurobindo’s Light.

Submitted by Nuria, AnCTeam

KALARIPAYATTU



A JOURNEY TO THE INNER CORE OF MY BEING



TAXI SHARING

To Chennai Airport on Sunday, 13 March

To stay ECO friendly: Looking for 1 or 2 passengers to share a taxi from Auroville to Chennai Airport on Sunday, 13 March. Departure from Auroville around 11:30am.



- Please contact me via WA +34685673777
- or via sms on Indian mobile +917289907792
- or please leave a message in PTDC as I am volunteering there everyday.

Thanks, Sunny.

To Chennai Airport on 16 March

Hello, on 16 March, morning 10am I am looking to take a taxi from Auroville to Chennai Airport. Would be happy to share the taxi with 1-2 people.



Let me know if anyone is going to the airport on the same date and would like to share.

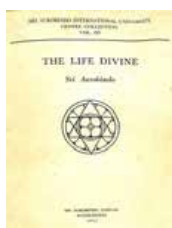
Divyanshi divyanshi@auroville.org.in

AVAILABLE

Sri Aurobindo's and Mother's books for distribution

Dear friends, we have accumulated quite a number of books by Sri Aurobindo, Mother and disciples, which we will be giving away during the Birthday Week:

- Tuesday, February 22 to Saturday, February 26
- During opening hours



Welcome to pass by and take what you like.

Auroville Library team, Kristen

MotorBike Available

I have a **Honda Navi**, November 2016 (White), that is available if anyone is interested, please kindly send me a message, +91 7598701238

Warmly, Bitna

House Clearing

February 27, Sunday, 1pm to 5pm

Antique furniture, 2 solar panels with tubular batteries and UPS, Vibration plate, speakers, printer, singer bed, mattresses, Tools, Cloth, Books in German and English, book shelf, office chair, kitchen stuff, dietary supplements, Avenger Bike and others. Please contact/WA Shola 8220289812.

Best regards, Shola

Cruiser Available

Bajaj Avenger Cruiser 220, 2016 model for sale, excellent condition, 16,000km, coming with helmet and cover, maharashtra number plate.

Power fit massage for full body vibrational therapy, with 2 motors, rarely used.

Interested please contact/WA: Shola 8220289812

Thanks and warm regards, Shola

Desktop Computer Available

Hello everyone, I bought one desktop that I didn't use much. It has 1 year and it's still in warranty 2 years more. Screen samsung 24inch, UPS, 8Gb RAM, 1Tb Toshiba internal memory, etc. Contribution requested

Sunja +91 9787628294, sunja.fr@gmail.com

Speakers available

Creative 2.1 speakers without Bluetooth in good condition suitable to use with laptop and computers available for give away. Kindly contact me.

Sitharth, 7845726955

Karma Needs a Home

Karma is a nice female dog whose owner has returned to Europe for several months. She is approximately 6 years old, weighs about 8 kilos and is about 40 centimeters at the withers. She is friendly with humans, cats and dogs. She is solid. She urgently needs a place where she is safe. She needs to be groomed. She is vaccinated against rabies and spayed.



Contact Anne WA 9488084684 or Antonio 9655005037

LOST AND FOUND

E-bike Charger Lost

I lost my E-bike Charger, serial number 415. If found please contact lucia.suarez@hotmail.com, 6383056349

Thanks Lucia

HELP NEEDED

GROWING FOOD FOR AUROVILLE

Your help is needed.



Siddhartha Farms mission to grow organic food for the community depends on functioning infrastructure and machinery. At present our old tractor is in very poor condition and will need costly repairs, therefore we have decided to move forward to get a new one with equipment. The old one will bring 1.25lahks, the needed balance is 8.75lahks. If you would like to make a donation towards it, it will be highly appreciated, our account is #0486.

*Many thanks for your support,
Herbert and Siddhartha Farm Team*

AUROVILLE RADIO TV NEEDS YOUR HELP!



We are happy to announce that the Auroville-RadioTv is going to move to the first floor of the Archives building.

The new location having more potential for growth, we have re-thought the studio taking into consideration the various needs of the community to become a full flesh recording studio in the next future. The project is therefore divided into two phases.

The first phase will allow the radio to shift its regular work without major interruption. It is expected to be finished by March, thanks to a great team and a generous donor. However, our budget is short of 5 Lakhs to finish in a timely manner.

We appeal to you to help this essential service of Auroville that have adapted to the pandemic constraints by streaming our events and meetings (with more than 15k view in the last month only!) despite a very low budget and a lack of manpower.

We are counting on your support to continue serving the community at our best. Please donate!

Financial account number **251369**, specify "Donation for relocation – Phase 1".

In addition, we are also proud to say that the project is realized with the help of Auroville units only!

Thank you!

THANK YOU!

AUROVILLE CRICKET TEAM HAS A NEW UNIFORM



We, the Auroville Cricket Team, would like to thank the **Yuvab Unit** for sponsoring us with a new Jersey/Uniform to kick start the new year and the season!

With gratitude, Auroville Cricket Team

WORK OPPORTUNITIES

HANDYMAN FOR REPAIR SECTION

Housing Service

Dear Community, housing Service is looking for a handyman for a full time work.

- Monday to Saturday: 9 to 12 and 2 to 5.
- Full time maintenance will be available.
- Aurovilian with proven skills in plumbing, carpentry work, electrical work and basic masonry work.

He will be working on site under supervision of a member from Housing Service. If you're interested please contact the Housing Service housing@auroville.org.in before 05/03/2022 to receive an application which should be completed and submitted to the Housing Service.

Applicants will then be invited to meet with the HS/HB.

Thank you, Housing Service Team

GAU SEVA AT SADHANA FOREST!



Your heartfelt service is needed at the Sadhana Forest Gaushala! You are most welcome to join us on any day from 6am onwards, and have a vegan breakfast at 8:45am. Breakfast is offered as a gift, and there is no need for prior booking. If you would like to contact us please email sadhanaforest@auroville.org.in, WA 8525038274 or call 8122274924.

*Looking forward to welcoming you!
The Sadhana Forest team*

LOOKING FOR

Looking for a House



My name is Pawan. I am a newcomer residing in Maitra 2. As my NC period comes to an end I am eagerly looking for house sitting options. We are a family of 3. My wife, my son who is 7 and going to Deepanam and myself.

*I will be really thankful for any leads and opportunities,
9119762631, mitpawan@gmail.com*

Voices and Notes

TO MĀ MOTHER OF LOVE

This new sanction of new times explodes the wormy barks with their labyrinths of forgetfulness, ignorance and false wealth... She resurrects in us Her irrevocable Force with Her honey pot where all is possible.

The fiery beings return with their golden moments which extend into that immense bird which flies over the Divine Plan that she has transmitted to us.

When the archers strike all the targets at the same time, supported by the sound of the magic flute, justice is done again in a white uplift that liberates and raises the collective Consciousness.

With Her golden steps and Her varied pallet She pulls us towards all kinds of explorations with multiple liberating facets. Her light guides our acts to come in the surprise of Her vast silent pause where She smiles.

With the seal of immense gratitude where Her perpetual movement is anchored in the fire of Her eternal Embrace.

*With Joy's Grace, Ganga Lakshmi
Savitri Bhavan, House of Mother's Agenda*

AT THE VERY BEGINNING OF AUROVILLE

Dear friends, as I was about to read the "Revue d'Auroville", covering the turmoil that shook AV on December 5 and 9, a presence came to me and inspired the following text. It does not provide a miracle solution because it depends first of all on us, Aurovilians, on our capacity to harmonize and unify opinions and desires around the same task, in this case the implementation of this "City that the Earth needs".

At the very beginning of Auroville (1970/71), when we were going to see Mother every week ("Talks with Aspiration") to confide in her our collective problems and to receive from her solutions, all her answers always pointed to the root of the fundamental problem: the fact of always wanting to «tirer la couverture à soi» (pull the rug out from under oneself) as she used to say in French... and the same answer to that was given to us in the form of the many "Mother's guidelines" that should be at the heart of our collective life as the major reference when making decisions.

This little text received... and transcribed below is for me a reminder of the essential; it gave me, above all, the joy of feeling Her loving and determined presence and of accomplishing Her task for which we have been called

Thank you for receiving it in the simplicity of your heart, source of this inspiration and of this sharing.

Bhagwandas

My Children, the time has come to go beyond your opinions that separate you and create divisions and conflicts that are totally contrary to the new consciousness that is coming down to earth.

I already told you, my city is coming down to incarnate on this earth that we have prepared together for a long time.

Your love, your courage and your perseverance have brought life back to this desert land and it is a wonderful example to the world.

Consider now that this city I speak of will be an oasis for the world that will need it. It will be an example to be replicated elsewhere to spread the seeds of a new society, a new world.

Consider that it could be the living, embodied symbol of my «supramental boat experience» that I recounted (Agenda I, February 3rd 1958) when I was still in my physical body.

You will now emerge from this brief but intense turmoil that has divided you to all get to work, each in his or her own way, around this great task and responsibility of building My City, as you have already done for this sacred place where Sri Aurobindo and I work.

It was a magnificent realization of the soul of my city which now calls for your new and primordial unification through the three pillars on which it will stand: Sincerity, Courage and Brotherhood. These are qualities that you already carry in your divine nature and through which My strength and My love will be able to accomplish this manifestation from which you will benefit greatly.

Let's work My dear children; "No words, acts" as I told you at the very beginning of this great Adventure.

This is a universal beginning of the great Supramental change in which you have the privilege of participating.

Love one another as I love you and in a spirit of fraternal collaboration put yourselves at work to embody it.

Bhagwandas



AUROVILLE RADIO



Dear Aurovilians, from next Tuesday 22nd February onwards your favorite radio organizes **Tamil Language lessons live online** with Jasper. We invite 2 volunteers willing to learn Tamil and be part of the program. Those who are interested please write to radio@auroville.org.in

Please check the latest podcasts of your favourite radio! Stay tuned!

[Here you can listen](#) to the stream channel (playing 24/7).

[Here you can see](#) on-air schedules.

Last published podcasts

- [Soul Tacks – Se.3, Ep.12 “Mixed Bag plus Old Grey Whistling memories”](#)(Music)
- [Audible Weed Walk – Ep.70 “Edible Wild Flower – Aesthetics”](#) (Food Education)
- [Aarohan – Ep.42 “Soulful Sympathetic Strings”](#)(Music)
- [The Hitchhiker’s Guide to the Galaxy, read by Lili – Ep.7](#) (Literature)
- [Tamil Epics – ep.18 “சிலப்பதிகாரம்”](#) (Tamil Culture)
- [Marlenka’s Weekly Offering – ep.43](#) (Integral Yoga)
- [Une série hebdomadaire de lectures par Gangalakshmi – 384](#) (Integral Yoga)
- [The Life of Sri Aurobindo in Tamil-Ep.4, Sri Aurobindo “ஸ்ரீ அரவிந்தரின் வாழ்க்கை வரலாறு”](#)
- [Happiness, Love and Laughter – Ep.132 “Dinesh, Mira and Coffee: An Auroville Love Story”](#) (Wellness)

Last Youtube live videos

- [Community Budgeting Process – Outcomes of the Facilitated Sessions](#) (City Life)

Please help us to relocate the radio!
Donate to F.A. number 251369

...and more! on www.aurovillerradio.org

For more information write to radio@auroville.org.in

Peace and Love

REVOLUTIONS

Chers Amis of Auroville, like Mother and Sri Aurobindo, our lighthouse in The Tempest, Those willing to settle in Auroville must be Radical Revolutionaries who have already dropped their blind conditionings, Their ignorant prejudice, Their ordinary staggering. **Auroville – 1.1.2022**

“There’s no enemy outside our Soul. The real enemies live inside us: Anger, Ego, Greed and Hate.” **Anonymous**

“Arguing with stupid people is like trying to kill a mosquito on your cheek. You may or may not kill it, but you will slap yourself.” **Anonymous too**

Way of life

They must understand clearly that they are embarking on an adventure aiming to put everything in Question. Because what is asked to our soul is a complete change of consciousness. I know very well that this change can’t come overnight. But their new pretenders must not enter the Golden Gate with an fire burning in Their hearts.

They must be willing, sincere servitors of the Divine Consciousness, willing to overcome the pathetic darkness, miseries, pretensions of their Nature.

It must be evident to those coming and living in Auroville that we didn’t come here to lead a comfortable Bourgeois life of ease and self-satisfaction. There are too many on this Earth and they participate actively in the environmental and psychological impoverishment of this planet.

Seventeen pages of policy won’t help in this respect. We are here to become true spiritual anarchists. Free in God Light, blissfully creative and loving.

All along history many attempts have been made to liberate humankind of his crass stupidity and alienations.

Along this horrific and painful history of humankind many fearless, generous, partially enlightened women and men have risen up to fight their madnesses and blatant injustices. Among a swarm of them all over the world: the fantastic Fourier, Proudhon, Marx (Karl), Prosper-Olivier Lissagaray who participated very actively in the Paris Commune (1871) and wrote its marvelous Tribulations. Also, I don’t forget a great American (North) revolutionary, Joe Hill, who has been shot mercilessly for his actions in defense of the workers rights. Innumerable are the magnificent Souls who fought for Truth, freedom and human True Unity.

Incalculable are the great Chinese anarchists who have been Tortured, exterminated ferociously. Please, see the Telling of Majian about the revolt and repression on the Tiananmen Square.

Makno (Ukraine), a great ruthless anarchist, a bit too bloodthirsty against bourgeois and exploiters but a small, puny apprentice compared with Stalin and his friends.

(See Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn for further clarification). The sixties have been the witnesses of a surge of New Types of Revolutionaries. First of all, Bob Dylan, the King Poet and his Ducinee Joan Baez.

Then the Rock in Roll sweeping shaking waves with my super dear and lovely Rolling Stones at the Helm, the charming sweet and romantic Beatles and so on and so forth...

At this point of my essay I would like to mention the powerful “International situationists” who radically influenced and inspired decisively many revolutionary movements in the world. Their impacts on the Paris 1968 revolt and elsewhere were dominating against all kinds of worn out ideologies.

Unfortunately, most of them (except Raoul Vaneighem) who wrote “The savoirfaire for the use of young generations” were alcoholics. That I would like to encourage our young generations, here in Auroville, to read this book. So they Quarrelled and dissolved in thin air.

For me, Soham, humble seeker of the ultimate and pervading Truth, the greatest of the great Anarcho-Marxists were the Marx Brothers.

They tirelessly, except when Harpo was playing croquet to relax a bit, with a unique transcendent sense of humour put everything in question.

They were blissfully jolly joking sweet eternal children playing with a crooked society of falsehoods; they were pitiless with the vain, Greed, swindlers of all categories. Great Heroes indeed!

The time has come for me to Quote Martin Luther King: “the capitalism, it’s the socialism for the riches and the free enterprise for the poors”.

In the past, Marxism, Socialism, Capitalism etc... have sown their horrific insanities all over the world, they have exploited credibilities, hopes, insatisfactions and blindgreeds of the human race spreading confusion, maladies of all kinds, wars, relentless miseries and so on and so forth.

Here, in Auroville we are supposed to show the world that Divine Truth and Divine Love with its beautiful smile can govern for the harmonious benefit of all.

Shall we be up to the wonderful task given to us, or shall we sink pitifully, miserably (simply because we cling hysterically to our ridiculous, powerless Ego) without any possibility of redemption in the deep obscure dust of History.

The choice is now! Alleluia!

Soham

P. S. I don’t forget the long fraternity of saints, seers, blissful worshippers of the supreme and perennial Truth – Love, who trod in all directions the Indian Holyland, so many spiritual anarchists!

Like Sri Krishna, Buddha, Sri Chaitanya, Mirabai, Sri Ramakrishna, Swami Vivekananda and so on and so forth!

Alleluia!

To finish with fireworks, here is a quotation from Sri Aurobindo’s Life Divine: “The complete individual is the cosmic(comic?) individual, since only when we have taken the Universe into ourselves – and transcended it – can our individual be complete”.

P. P. S. By the way in passing, don't you think or suppose, dear friends, that these deadly new viruses and their herd of mutants could not be a consequence of an anarchic accumulation of electronic pollution?

When it reaches a high level of intensity, spontaneously new viruses are created from the void.

It created a natural selection of choices most porous to the over use of electromagnetic waves.

Something interesting to Ponder...

You have been warned!

DREAMWEAVING THE CROWN: preparing for the final sessions

The dreamweaving architects are hard at work as they prepare for the final dreamweaving sessions this Saturday and Sunday (19/20th) in Unity Pavilion. Some are exploring forming into larger teams as they 'weave' together the ideas they have taken from each other in the six weeks' process so far, others are further developing their initial ideas. Some of them, along with participants from the focus groups and those randomly selected, have also been walking sections of the Crown for closer observation.

On Saturday, the final presentations will be made in the Unity pavilion, focusing upon key ideas and how the ideas of other architects, as well as detailed feedback from peers, experts, focus groups, and random selected members of the community, have been integrated into their designs for the Crown. Participants from all these groups will have the opportunity to ask questions and receive responses.

The Saturday session will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 6 p.m. There will be seating at the back of Unity Pavilion for community members who wish to watch live (as silent observers only). The sessions will also be live-streamed so that everybody can watch. We encourage everybody to tune in to share these important moments in this experiment in collaborative planning. The links for live streaming are

<https://youtu.be/UFO6GzlrUo> (morning)

<https://youtu.be/1qaZyvyvwuE> (afternoon)

The Sunday session, which will not be live-streamed, is an opportunity for the architects, peers, technical experts, focus group members and randomly selected Aurovilians, to deeply reflect upon the process and outcome of the previous six weeks. This will conclude with participants writing down which aspects of the designs resonated with them and why. Their deliberations will be integral to the final report which will be forwarded, along with other material collected over the past weeks and inputs from the wider community, to the Vastu Shilpa Foundation for them to consider in drawing up the Detailed Development Plan for Auroville. There will also be feedback and comments from the Vastu Shilpa team who are coming all the way to attend both the sessions, and from Dr. Doshi who would be joining online.

Soon a presentation of the Dreamweaving on the Crown exercise, including the process, outcome, lessons learned and possible future applications, will be made to the larger community. We are aware that there may be some confusion as we understand the Auroville Festival shared details of a Dreamweaving community session on 26 February. We would like to clarify that the timings and location for this final sharing are yet to be decided. We will announce the details following this weekend's sessions.

For any questions and suggestions, please feel free to reach out to dreamweaving@auroville.org.in. An FAQ has been produced and updated and can be found on Auronet.

The Citizens' Assembly and Dreamweaving teams

LEONARDO TOWN-PLANNER: THE THREE-TIERS IDEAL CITY

Leonardo da Vinci, world-known for the Mona Lisa, the Last Supper and the Vitruvian Man, was a painter, sculptor, writer and musician – a scientist and mathematician, anatomist, botanist and inventor. A Renaissance man with humanist sensibilities, Leonardo was also an architect, engineer and town-planner; centuries ahead of his time, he



transformed urban planning foreseeing multi-tiered cities built upwards instead of outwards; with efficient transport infrastructure at the lowest level, integrated with nature.

Urbanism was born as a discipline in the XVth century. The first example is Pienza, nearby Florence; the stellar citadel Palmanova is another example, both are part of UNESCO's World Heritage. The Renaissance ideal city streams from the precepts of classical Greco-Roman architecture and urbanism, efficient, clean: healthy site, design with-standing nature's, griddle layout, large spaces for public activities, majestic architectural orders.

But Leonardo's quest for a perfect city stretches beyond rational beauty and monumental harmony. In his job-application to Ludovico Sforza, Leonardo stressed designing fire-resistant, portable bridges, and harps on hydraulic engineering. In 1482 the Duke of Milan called him; Milan was a typical medieval city with overcrowded streets, piled-up houses, open sewers; the bubonic plague killed a third of the population. Building the Lazzaretto for contagious patients – isolated by a moat, ventilated, one latrine per person – lasted 20 years.

The Codex Atlanticus and Manuscript B gather Leonardo sketches for an ideal city. He planned a rational, healthy city along a river. His fusion of architecture, engineering and technology was a turning point in urban design, and so was his subdividing the newly multi-tiered city by functions; an underground waterway flushed away effluents. Leonardo devised extensive canals (connecting the whole city like the circulatory system) for goods, travelers and waste moving seamlessly, and for irrigation. Their water's level was regulated by locks and basins, and had revolving bridges. The traffic (horses and carts) were on the canals' and basins' level, the wagons were offloaded easily. Leonardo designed stables with sloping floors, the waste slipped into a stream underground; the fodder was conveyed by a slide in the walls; the plastered shaft was clean so the hay wasn't stuck. Leonardo's ideal city was built on levels linked by vertical staircases outside the buildings; he stressed winding staircases, with no corners, making harder for men to urinate. Services, trade, infrastructure, dwellings for the ordinary citizens occupied the intermediary tier with workshops and retail shops, on whose top the shop-owners and artisans lived. He devised a paddle-wheel for streets cleaning. Porches provided ventilation and shelter. The city's upper tier presented ventilated indoor walkways. To prevent dampness, while limiting earthquakes' damage, the streets' width matched the height of elegant tall buildings, with fresh-air vents and arches on pillars. The residences, lighted with airshafts, had winding staircases linking the floors; the main entrance was on the upper level, the tradesman's door on the lower.

Leonardo did the plumbing and sewers of Sforza's castle but, due to the enormous cost and the French invading Milan, his ideal city wasn't built; but is now studied by contemporary visionaries, urged by the climate change and the pandemic. The three layered, car-free – one of the largest in Europe – CityLife district (Town Hall exhibition), by giants such as Hadid, Hisozaki and Libeskind, evoke Leonardo's planning; his influence also manifests in Roger's early description of the town.

[More details are here](#)

Paulette

KALI YUGA HAS ENDED

Kali Yuga has ended
 On 29 February 1956:
 This auspicious day
 When the Supramental Consciousness-Force
 Has joined the terrestrial play.
 On that day a New World is born.
 The Age of Mind or the mental consciousness
 Characterised by falsehood and divisiveness
 Is now being upgraded
 By the Supramental Truth-Unity Consciousness
 In all its psychological and physical
 Expressions and manifestations.
 We call this an involution
 Of the Divine Consciousness
 In an evolving material Earth body
 Composed of you, me and We.
 As with any birth
 The Supramental starts as a seed...
 Then this Divine Consciousness
 Slowly grows, as a Child does
 Exerting its control and influence gently
 Compassionately, lovingly
 Just enough force the earthlings can bear
 Otherwise everything will just explode.
 The Avatars who have precipitated this birth
 Are Sri Aurobindo and the Mother
 Whom have envisioned and even created
 A special sanctuary, a Cradle
 We call Auroville
 The City of Dawn
 A receptacle for the receptives
 Whom will consciously serve
 As the transitional beings
 For the cutting edge
 Psychological transformation
 And physical transmutations
 Needed for the Divine Manifestation
 Of the new apex species
 The Supramental beings
 Soon coming in a few hundred years.
 That is why in Auroville's Charter
 Although cryptic is very specific:
 To live in Auroville,
 One must be a willing servitor
 Of the Divine Consciousness.
 This evolutionary process is unstoppable
 And all terrestrial players
 Including of course all humans,
 Just so that you remember,
 Consciously or unconsciously
 Are carried by this Supramental tsunami.
 Each unique individual in the hierarchy
 Plays its unique role awake or unwittingly,
 As humans are mere puppets
 In the hands of larger forces.
 The Supramental Consciousness-Force
 Although magnanimous
 Has to fulfill its divine purpose.
 So it's pretty obvious what that means:
 Either one joyfully surfs the wave

Or one gets agonisingly swept away.
 This has always been the case
 With any previous species
 Co-evolving for billions of years:
 Adapt or go extinct.
 The psychic beings within
 Born from the One Supreme
 Goes through countless physical incarnations
 Awakening through the ages
 Towards a reunion with its Divine Source.
 That is why they say:
 Surrender to the Force...
 There is no other happier way
 Than this willing surrender
 To the Divine Mother
 Until reached a complete identification:
 A Total Reunion.
 So for the willing servitors:
 The surrendered stillness within
 Even in each moment's action
 One must nurture and maintain,
 Ever receptive and self-giving
 To the new Supramental Child
 That is ever growing and changing:
 None other than the Earth herself
 And her intertwined earthlings.
 So rejoice as coming very soon
 A Life Divine.

Zech, 2022.02.12

CLASSES, WORKSHOPS & HEALING ARTS

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- Wednesdays 3:30 – 4:30pm (5-8yrs) and
- Saturdays 3:30 – 4:30pm (7-10yrs)

At the European House next to the International House. Age groups can be flexible – please request. Bring a Yoga Mat if you can.

- Classes **In German** on request.
- **Prior Contact** is very recommended.

Welcome to this special adventure!

- mothersworkforTheMotherswork@auroville.org.in,
- ulrike@auroville.org.in, WA 00491745803786,
- SMS & signal/telegram 9751513906

WALKING FOR YOUR HEALTH

Monday and Wednesday at Gaia field, 5 to 6pm



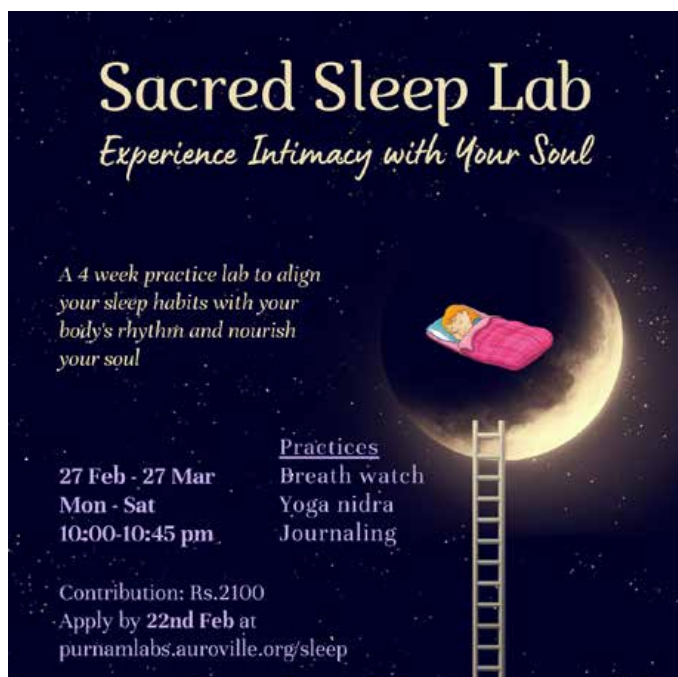
Walking for your health! Every Monday and Wednesday at Gaia field from 5 to 6pm. Walking exercises that anyone can do!! Keeps you healthy and happy! Bring your walking shoes and water and join us!

For more info WA Yasmin, 9442644061

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with 'Sacred Sleep Lab',
Monday to Saturday, 10-10:45pm
27 February 2022 – 27 March,

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27 Feb - 27 Mar
Mon - Sat
10:00-10:45 pm

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- "Taking care of sleep is taking care of your soul"

If you are one of the persons like me who hit the bed at night with all the stress from the day, if you are one of the persons like me who aspire to get deep rest every night and wake up fresh in the morning to handle the next day efficiently, then come join me in creating a sacred time before sleep where you will transition into sleep peacefully and enjoy deep rest. You will be doing these simple yet profound practices to prepare yourselves before sleep – connecting with the natural breath, yoga nidra and journaling before we sleep.

Here are the important details:

- 27 February 2022 – 27 March, 2022
- Monday to Saturday, 10-10:45pm
- [Visit our webpage](#) to read more details about the lab and to apply.
- The lab has only limited seats to create space for deeper sharings about the practices. So, apply at the earliest
- Last date to apply: Tuesday, 22 February.

*Warmth, Raam, For Purnam Labs,
Purnam Center for Integrality, Auroville*

MUDRA-CHI WORKSHOP

Saturday, 26 February, 4:30pm
Savitri Bhavan
at Garden Within

Anandi ayun, Certitude

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Please contact me for an Appointment

Lakshmi 8489764602 or

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Under Synthesis activity of ASSA trust

BIODYNAMIC CRANIOSACRAL THERAPY (CST)

The therapist listens to the subtle movements and Pranic blockages expressed inside the person. When from a quiet, desireless, center the light of consciousness illuminates the blockages on the Pranic body from past unresolved experiences, the inner intelligence naturally balances and dissolves tensions; it finds its way to integral harmony and health. A process of clearing, integration and expansion occurs.



The immediate result is a state of deep relaxation. The progressive dissolution of old patterns stored on the energetic body frees the conditionings on the emotional and mental bodies. When noise clears on these bodies a path opens towards the connection with our inner silent being.

Mila has long experience with this therapy (since 2000) and offers it to AV, NC and Volunteers on donation. My contact number: 7598213931



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We offer transformational practices addressing all issues of body, mind, emotion and soul, for conscious evolution. Acupuncture, Shiatsu, QiGong, TaijiQuan, Energy work, Fasting Natural Horsemanship, Horse Assisted Therapy, Medical Clowning, Yoga Nidra, Gentle Birth & Pregnancy, Integral Regression Therapy, Trauma Therapy, Advanced Classical Homeopathy Systemic Constellation & Family Constellation

Regular classes in TaijiQuan and QiGong

- **Dynamic QiGong with Andres**
 - Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
7-8am behind Kalabhumi
 - **Taiji Quan and QiGong with Michael & the Taiji- Family**
 - QiGong Tuesday, Thursday
4 – 4:45pm

QiGong is the “Yoga of China”, a holistic system to practice and refine the body, our life-energy, the mind and to nourish our soul. Suitable for all ages. Bodywork and Meditation
 - TaijiQuan (TAI CHI)
Tuesday, Thursday 4:45pm – 6pm
- Learn “Chen Style TaijiQuan Practical Method” from disciples of the lineage holder Master Chen Zhonghua. Authentic Chinese Martial Art.
- **Venue:** “The Learning Community” near Transition School



Integral regression therapy training

- The 7-Module training in Integral Regression Therapy starts on **19 & 20 February** with **Modul 1** Reliving and transforming

Integral regression therapy and energy work based on Sri Aurobindo and The Mothers integral Yoga, integrating trauma therapy, past life regression therapy, inner child work, NLP, and a client centric approach.



Typically, integral regression therapy addresses unexplainable pains, traumata from accidents or early childhood, questions about past lives, life purpose or restricting behaviour patterns. Sigrid An in- depths training through a series of webinars the theory of this deeply healing approach is transmitted. Therapists wishing to integrate this approach in their psychotherapeutic or body-mind – healing work shall come for presence sessions, for four 3 day workshops to Auroville, to practice facilitating the 2hrs therapy sessions, and their own personal transformation.

Sigrid Lindemann is integrating her large professional background in this focussed approach to transforming deep, longstanding issues towards an evolving consciousness and purpose of life. Sigrid is a transpersonal regression therapist, trainer in hypnotherapy and teacher of advanced classical homeopathy, with her background in Integral Yoga, living over 20 years in Auroville, Pondicherry.

All info: Sigrid, contact@auroville-jiva.com, WA 9626006961

Natural Horsemanship

- Individual and group sessions ongoingly
- Timings: afternoons 4 – 6pm or mornings 8 -10am

Mirrabelle offers webinars, classes and workshops in Natural Horsemanship. Natural Horsemanship focuses on body language of horse and human, which is universal, by effectively using intention and centered presence to communicate clearly, with purpose, and without violence. This is the key to building a vocabulary with the horse, your partner. Experience yourself beyond words! 7 horses and ponies of all sizes and temperaments are curious to know you!



Natural horsemanship improves your self confidence, your trust, your skills in nonverbal communication – and it’s just fun time to BE with a sensitive, naturally trained horse! Mirrabelle lives with horses since she is 3 years young. Past 10 years she fulfils her life’s dream to bring children, adults and horses together in a healing way, in Auroville, Sharnaga Guesthouse. Mirrabelle has studied human and horse psychology, and offers consultancy on all aspects of horse care – hoofs, nutrition, psychology, care, riding and therapy!

Contact: WA 9626565134, contact@auroville-jiva.com

Family Constellation Workshop, 19 February



“An episode in an unremembered tale, it’s beginning lost, it’s motive and plot concealed, a once living story has prepared and made, our present fate, child of past energies.”

Sri Aurobindo, Savitri

In our lives “hidden dynamics” can cause results we never intended. Unconsciously these Dynamics create our Fate. To become aware of them, can bring back Choice. Applying Family constellation technique we can, in an intuitive way, find the insights and energy to choose consciously for the changes we want.

In our healing workshops we offer participants to be part of a group experience. You might either do your own constellation, be chosen as a representative in someone else’s constellation or be an attentive and involved observer. In whatever way you participate, you will have access to a field of truth and awareness that will resonate with your own story and help you generate the needed energy to go for the changes you want in your life.

Moghan is a psychotherapist and trainer and offers Family constellation facilitator trainings as well as group and one on one sessions since over 15 years.

Time: Saturday, 19 February, 9am to 6pm.

Full attendance is required

Venue: Creativity community. Hall of Light

Registration: contact@auroville-jiva.com, 09626006961

Registration beforehand mandatory!

Journey of the Soul, 22 February, 10 am – 2pm

- **Venue:** Sharnaga Guest House Yogahall

A 1 day workshop to explore the “Layers of the heart”, an inner journey described by the Mother, and more recently by Soleil Lithman, a long term associate of Auroville. After a short Intro, we will follow a guided meditation. This workshop is an opening toward the dimensions of inner work proposed by The Mother. A workshop for all.



Facilitator Sigrid Lindemann, an Aurovilian researcher for over 20 years, international faculty in integral regression therapy.
contact@auroville-jiva.com

Explore your mind

- 3-day workshop in hypnotherapy, 4, 5, 6 March



"The answers you seek never come when the mind is busy, they only come when it is still" What is hypnosis? How do the right and left brain function practically? How do conscious and subconscious interact? Explore the depths of your mind and relax! Meditate with ease! Expand your therapeutic toolbox!

Apply Selfhypnosis Workshop combining experiential learning and "Theory of the Mind" Certified course from Ekaa www.ekaa.co.in

- Info meeting: 2 March 5- 5:30pm at Sharnga Guesthouse Terrace
- 4 March Friday 4 – 7pm,
- 5 & 6 March Saturday, Sunday 9- 5pm
- at Sharnga Guesthouse Yogahall

Trainer: Sigrid Lindemann Certified Faculty in Hypnotherapy, Regression Therapy and Classical homeopathy, Germany and Auroville

Venue: Sharnga Guesthouse Yogahall, www.sharngaguesthouse.in

- Workshops with Nirupam Gyan Sufi are planned for September 2022: *The Sufi Way* and *"Gurdjieff Sacred Dances"*
 - Venue: Sharnga Guesthouse, www.sharngaguesthouse.in
- Sharnga Guesthouse** is a green oasis, with a huge Banyan Tree, horses, birds, a lively tropical garden, with a small pool, gym and rooms from simple to AC, single to family units. A Yoga Hall, AC lounge with big screen, and the great service and international cuisine make it a perfect spot.
- YEP We do offer adventure camps with kids programs, <https://www.facebook.com/YEPAV> parallel with wellness and healing sessions for parents: forest walks, camp fire, visits to various activities in Auroville, Yoga and TaiChi, art sessions, bird watching, etc! WA 09626565134

TRANSFORMATIONAL YOGA-INTENSIVE

5 days: Tuesday, 22 – Saturday, 26 February, 9am – 10:30am

Hello dear Friends, come and join this Intensive workshop to purify the mind, body, emotions and prana. We will practice asanas along with Pranayama, Raja & Mantra yoga and Meditation. Designed for those who want to work on self discovering & inner Progress :)

You will learn:

- hatha yoga asanas
- how to breathe
- achieve clarity, peace and stillness
- improve balance
- boost positivity
- stabilise emotions
- self love, self esteem and self compassion
- to be present
- deepened relaxation
- greater self esteem

Transformational yoga is inspired by Mother and Sri Aurobindo's Integral Yoga teachings. It is an innovative and highly effective yogic system, which synthesizes techniques of Hatha, Raja, Mantra, and Kundalini Yoga to bring about rapid transformation within the mind, body and spirit. Powerful, yet gentle, everyone can reap the benefits of this purifying yoga practice.

For registration please contact Lakshmi Lakshmiprem369@gmail.com or 8489764602



VÉRITÉ CLASSES & INTENSIVES

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Registration required for the following Classes & intensives

Somatic Series: Releasing Through The Shoulders, with Maggie

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, 21, 22 & 23 February, from 9:30 to 10:45am

(attend all 3 sessions for maximum benefits)

In this series we focus on creating mobility and comfort in Shoulder joints, through a system of slow mindful movements. Somatics is mind-body training based on neuroscience. Open to all and especially beneficial to those who have discomfort or stiffness in the Shoulders, rounded shoulders, and those who play racket sports, musicians etc.

Diaphragmatic Breathing, Joints & Glands And Systematic Relaxation, with Viraj

- Workshop 1: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, 21, 22 & 23 February, from 9:30 to 11am

- Workshop 2: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 1, 2 & 3 March, from 9:30 to 11am

(attend all 3 sessions for maximum benefits)

Learn yoga practices that strengthen & support the breath, relax the nervous system, slow down the heart rate, and improve joint health & blood circulation throughout the body. We will explore breathing through the diaphragm in crocodile pose (makarasana), and subtle movements of the joints from forehead to toes, along with regulation of the glands, then followed by systematic relaxation of the whole body. These practices develop resilience & better management of stress.

Well Being Of The Bowels, With Viraj

Thursday, 24 February, from 9:30 to 11am

Healthy bowels are vital to well being.

Learn how to align with "nature's call", by understanding the process that prepares the body to flush toxins out of the system and through simple practices that work on the digestion / elimination system.

Beneficial for all, but especially for people suffering from irregularity or constipation.

Come and learn the art of being able to relax and eliminate well!

Prana: Tuning Life Energy Training, With Ananda

Friday, Saturday & Sunday, 25, 26 & 27 February, from 9:30am to 4:30pm

Prana is the universal life energy. Yoga is tuning body-mind-spirit to wholeness. Prana Yoga is based on Hatha yoga, Pranayama, Meditations & Siddha. Through conscious postures, breathing, movement & stillness open the self enhancing, transforming, healing, grounding & tuning the energy flow to detox, rejuvenate the body-mind-energy, build immunity, enhance sensitivity, perception, expand awareness, enrich self-healing and open to higher states of consciousness.

In this training, welcome to learn, practice and experience

- Warmup, asana sequences for healthy body, spine & energy flow
- Foundation & advanced Pranayama, awareness exercises
- Yoga Nidra, Nada Yoga, chakra awareness, meditations
- Cleansing kriyas and anti-viral herbs building vital Immunity
- Modern science of respiratory, nervous and lymphatic systems
- Inner science of energy: Chakra, Nadi, Vayu, Mudras, Bandhas

Speaking From The Heart: Non-Violent Communication, With Vega & Edo

Friday & Saturday, 25 & 26 February, from 9:30am to 1:30pm

Learn the basics and principles of Non-violent Communication, a practice that helps to restore

Connection to and communication from the heart, which is our nature

Yoga Of Forgiveness, With Dr. Sehdev

Saturday, 26 February, from 2 to 4:30pm

From the Darkness of Hatred & Indifference

To the Light of Forgiveness is a momentous step

From Fear & Festering Revenge

To the Courage of Being is the True Journey of the Spirit

We must let go

What ties us to the prison bars

And dream once again of Freedom.

In this freedom alone

lies our true

Redemption.

New Class: Hatha Yoga – Sun & Moon, With Taher

Every Monday, from 8 to 9:20am, starts 21 February

Hatha Yoga is a preparatory process of Yoga. The word "ha" means sun, "ta" means moon. "Hatha" means the Yoga to bring balance between the sun and the moon in you, or the Pingala and Ida in you. You can explore Hatha Yoga in ways that take you beyond certain limitations, but fundamentally, it is a physical preparation – preparing the body for a higher possibility.

SERENDIPITY ACTIVITIES AND TREATMENTS UPDATE

Dear Auroville friends and guests, we would like to let you know that

- Lhamo's classes of tai chi and qi gong are suspended until March 12th.
- Sanaan keeps on sharing his experience with karma yoga in the garden using permaculture principles every day (except Sunday) from 2 to 4:30pm.
- As for treatments, Sara is giving shiatsu massage (by appointment only +91 9443617308);
- Simona is giving shiatsu, ayurvedic and hot-stones massage (by appointment only +91 9489511648)
- and Stefania is giving Bach flowers and Inner Discovery Counseling (by appointment only +91 9486363442).

Just a reminder that Serendipity (ex. Joy Guest House) is located in Center Field, opposite Center Guest House.



Love, Serendipity Team

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CHINESE FIRE CUPPING

Chinese fire cupping and moxibustion therapy.

- By appointment
- Contact: Chun, WA +91 8098900708, chun@auroville.org.in



QUIET HEALING CENTER



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Watsu® 3 with Gianni De Stefani

Monday 21 – Sunday 27 February, 8:45am – 6:30pm

Watsu 3 is for people who have given enough practice sessions to develop a comfortable, intuitive awareness of how to float another person and who are ready to adapt and further explore aquatic bodywork outside the fixed form of Watsu 2. Powerful stretches and advanced techniques are introduced, while rolls that require a spontaneous adaptation are learned as a gateway into Watsu's "Free Flow".

- You can only participate in this advanced course after having shown and passed your Watsu 2 mastery!

Watsu® 1 with Petra and Gianni

Tuesday 1 – Monday 7 March, 8:45am – 6:30pm

Watsu is an aquatic bodywork modality, developed by Harold Dull in the 1980s and given in a warm water pool (ideally 35°C).

In this course, you will be taught the basic movements and positions of Watsu, connect them with long, gracefully flowing transitions and adapt this work to people of different sizes, shapes, and dispositions. You will also learn about your own body mechanics and how to support and move each person as effortlessly as possible. You will experience floating other people and being floated, thereby creating space for deep relaxation and nurturing body, mind and spirit.

Prerequisites: no previous experience required.

CINEMA

AUROFILM PRESENTS

At Multi Media Centre Auditorium (MMC, Town Hall)

There will be no film show on Friday 25. We wish you a concentrated Birthday week.

Rendez-vous the week after!

THE TEACHINGS OF FLOWERS

The Life and Work of the Mother of the Sri Aurobindo Ashram

Savitri
B H A V A N

Thursday, 24 February 2022, 4pm at Savitri Bhavan.

Duration: 121min.

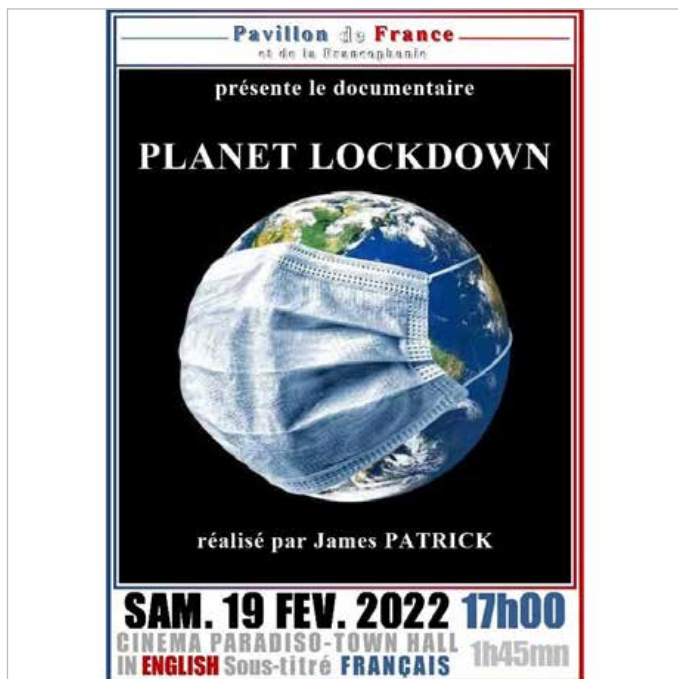
The Mother used flowers and their true essence to impart the spiritual teaching of the Integral Yoga and for the manifestation of a new consciousness. Integral Yoga links the visible, tangible world with our inner worlds using the true meaning and qualities of flowers. Earth is formed from the stardust in the nebulae of our cosmos, and we are made of earth. And in the evolution of Earth – in all its beautiful aspects – each flower has some particular quality which we also have, or want to have, because people and flowers alike are children of the earth and the stars.

- A film by Loretta Shartsis,
- Cinematography by Caren Lindfield.

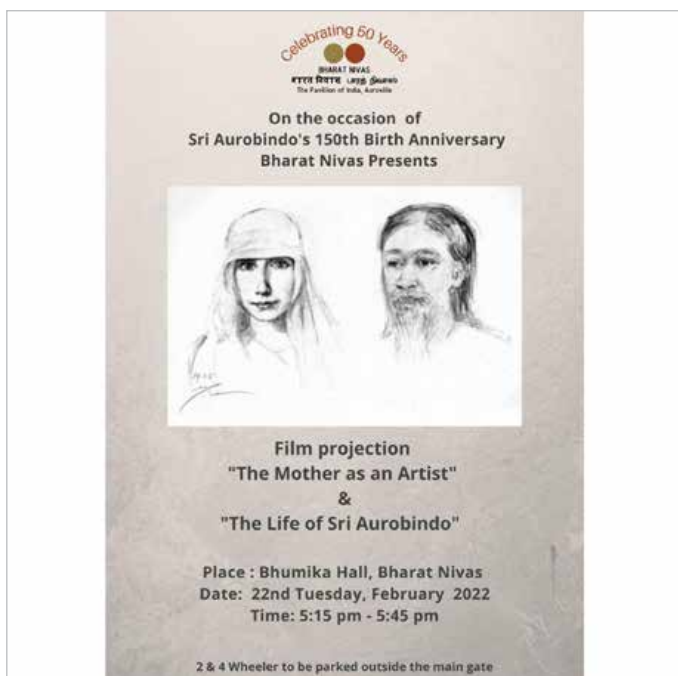
This beautiful film is part of the Divine Flowers Exhibition at Savitri Bhavan in the Birthday Week from 21 to 28 February.

THE FRENCH PAVILION PRESENTS

Planet Lockdown
Saturday, 19 February, at 5pm
Town Hall – Cinema Paradiso



Documentary directed by James PATRICK
In English subtitled in French, duration: 105 min
Planet Lockdown is a documentary about the situation the world is in. The directors spoke to some of the world's brightest and bravest minds, including epidemiologists, scientists, doctors, lawyers, protesters, a statesman and a prince. These brave souls had the courage to speak the truth and inspire us to do the same. We must have the courage to overcome our fears. And once we do, everything becomes easier.



COUNTRY MUSIC BY KEN BURNS



Dear Superfriends, today I would like to kindly advise you to watch the super fantastic and wonderful film (I am not exaggerating). "Country Music " early days" until 1945 By Ken Burns. It shows Delightfully. The great deep beautiful soul of North America. Don't miss it, it's a pure marvel. On YouTube, Netflix or whatever. **Soham**

ECO FILM CLUB

Every Friday at Sadhana Forest

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 "pre-views" of short Sadhana Forest films
 - 20:00 Dinner is served
 - 21:15 Free bus from Sadhana Forest back to Solar Kitchen
- Before the movie, at exactly 16:30 you are welcome to join us for a full tour of Sadhana Forest and an update of our most recent work! After the film, you are welcome to join us for a free 100% vegan organic dinner!
- The bus service is operated by Sadhana Forest. For more information about the bus service please contact Sadhana Forest at 8525038274.
- **Note:** Families and children are welcome! Dinner for children will be served at 19:00:)



Friday 25 February

2009 / 59 minutes / Ben Southwell

The first nest of the season is an exciting time for the scientists of the island. Mark Carwardine has been to see it without Stephen and reports back saying it was the highlight of the trip. Under the roots of a tree, Lisa the kakapo sits on her nest and will be monitored by the researchers with remote cameras until the eggs hatch. The parrot appears to have no sense of danger with all the disturbance around her as the monitoring equipment is set up. Mark finds it poignantly sad that these birds are so trusting, given their precarious status. But, after the best season on record, the world population of kakapo parrots is now at 201 individuals, nearly eighty more since when the episode aired.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT NEWS & NOTES

**Hard deadline
for submissions or cancellations:
Tuesday 3pm**

The content of News & Notes is 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.

Visiting hours: call or email for appointment.

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CINEMA PARADISO
Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium
 Film Program
 21 February 2022 to 27 February 2022

Cinema Paradiso-Multimedia Center is in operation at 50% seating capacity as per the regulations. It is open to all. Mask is a must (and not scarves etc.) as well as standard Covid19 protocols. Please come prepared and enjoy the films.

Please note: we have rolled back our timing to 8:00pm for now. To organize seminar/program please contact us via email. If as per regulation, there are any changes we will let you know.

Indian- Monday 21 February, 8:00 pm:
CHANDIGARH KARE AASHIQI
(Does romance in Chandigarh)

India, 2021, Dir. Abhishek Kapoor w/ Ayushmann Khurrana, Vaani Kapoor, Yograj Singh, Romance-Comedy, 117mins, Hindi w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (PG)

From the director of *Kai Po Che* comes this progressive story, where Manu, is a bodybuilder from Chandigarh. He has some successes in competitions but the gym he is associated with does not do good business. Things change when confident and a head-turner Maanvi joins as a Zumba teacher. Maanvi makes her way into Manu's heart. But will their love story survive the knowledge that she had a gender transition a few years ago? *The film is acclaimed for its good acting and storytelling.*

Potpourri - Tuesday 22 February, 8:00 pm:
MY WEEK WITH MARILYN

UK-USA, 2011, Dir. Simon Curtis, W/Michelle Williams, Eddie Redmayne, Kenneth Branagh, Biography-Drama, 99 mins, English-French w/ English subtitles, Rated: R

Sir Laurence Olivier is making a movie in London. Young Colin Clark, an eager film student, navigates himself a job on the set. When movie star Marilyn Monroe arrives for the shooting, the entire city is excited to see her, but Olivier is struggling to meet her many demands and acting ineptness, and Colin is intrigued by her. Colin's intrigue is met when Marilyn invites him into her inner world where she struggles with her fame, beauty, and aspirations to be a great actress.

Interesting - Wednesday 23 February, 8:00 pm:
THE REASON I JUMP

USA-UK, 2020, Dir. Jerry Rothwell, w/ Donna Budway, Jeremy Dear, Documentary-Drama, 82 mins, English W/ English subtitles, Rated: G

Based on the book by Naoki Higashida, this is an immersive cinematic exploration of neuro-diversity through the experiences of nonspeaking autistic people from around the world. The film blends Higashida's revelatory insights into autism, written when he was just 13, with intimate portraits of five remarkable young people. It opens a window into an intense and overwhelming, but often joyful, sensory universe.

Every Thursday, we will screen winning films from Auroville Film Festival (AVFF) 2022

AVFF 2022 - Thursday 24 February, 8:00 pm:
LEARNING FROM THE INTANGIBLE
Cinema Paradiso AWARD for AV

Auroville-India, 2019, Dir. Alessandra Silver w/ TLC students, parents and facilitators, Documentary, 85 mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated: G

The world is craving for change in every field. How to redesign education with this evolutionary purpose? This is a journey into Integral Education and the challenges between this dream and the reality at TLC. *The director will be present for Q&A.*

International - Saturday, 26 February, 8:00 pm:
MINARI

USA, 2020, Dir. Lee Isaac Chung, w/ Steven Yeun, Yeri Han, Alan S-Kim, Drama, 115 mins, Korean-English w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG13

Jacob Yi relocates his Korean-American family from California to 1980s rural Arkansas, to start afresh and capture the elusive American Dream. However, new beginnings are always challenging, let alone start a 50-acre farm to grow and sell Korean produce, on top. But, amid sincere promises, cultural unease, fleeting hopes, and the ever-present threat of financial disaster, Jacob is convinced that he has found their own slice of Eden in the rich, dark soil of Arkansas.

Children's Matinee - Sunday, 27 February, 4:30 pm:
ENCANTO

USA, 2021, Writer-Dir. Jared Bush-Byron Howard-Charise Castro Smith w/Stephanie Beartriz, Maria Cecilia Botero, John Leguizamo, and others, Animation-Adventure, 102mins, English-Spanish w/English subtitles, Rated: G

The Madrigals are an extraordinary family who live hidden in the mountains of Colombia in a charmed place called the Encanto. The magic of the Encanto has blessed every child in the family with a unique gift -- every Mirabel. However, she may be the Madrigal who can save Encanto. *A must see!*

MARCEL CARNÉ FILM FESTIVAL @ Ciné-Club
Sunday 27 February, 8:00 pm:

LES VISITEURS DU SOIR (The Devils Envoys)

France, 1942, Dir. Marcel Carné w/Arletty, Fernand Ledoux, and others, Romance-Fantasy, 123 mins, French w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR

At the end of the 15th century, two minstrels, Gilles and Dominique, come from nowhere to the castle of Baron Hugues. Gilles charms Hughes' daughter Anne, while Dominique charms both Hugues and Anne's fiancé, Renaud. Gilles and Dominique are not really in love; they have been sent by the Devil to drive people to despair.

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. *Pl donate to "Cinema Paradiso" (account #105106) or set up for a monthly contribution. We need it now more than ever.*

Thanking You,
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ACCESSIBLE AUROVILLE PUBLIC BUS



Auroville TO PONDICHERRY				
	Trip 1	Trip 2	Trip 3	Trip 4
Svaram	7:00	9:30	14:15	17:00
Verite Udayogam Junction	7:02	9:32	14:17	17:02
Auroshilpam Youth Center Junction	7:04	9:34	14:19	17:04
Town Hall Parking	7:06	9:36	14:21	17:06
Mahalakshmi Home	7:10	9:41	14:27	17:11
Vikas Radial Junction	7:11	9:43	14:30	17:13
Solar Kitchen (Round About)	7:12	9:44	14:32	17:14
Certitude Enterance	7:15	9:47	14:34	17:17
New Creation Road	7:19	9:52	14:39	17:22
SBI Bank / Kuilapalayam	7:20	9:54	14:41	17:24
Handy Market (ECR Junction)	7:24	9:59	14:46	17:29
Quiet Healing Center – Junction	7:27	10:04	14:49	17:33
Lotus Hotel, SV Patel Road	7:37	10:16	15:01	17:50
Ashram Road Junction	7:40	10:20	15:05	17:55
Ashram Dinning Hall	7:45	10:20	15:05	17:55

Pondicherry TO AUROVILLE				
	Trip 1	Trip 2	Trip 3	Trip 4
Ashram Dinning Hall	8:00	13:00	15:30	18:10
Ashram Road Junction	8:02	13:02	15:32	18:14
Lotus Hotel, SV Patel Road	8:06	13:06	15:36	18:18
Quiet Healing Center – Junction	8:18	13:18	15:48	18:30
Handy Market (ECR Junction)	8:21	13:21	15:51	18:33
SBI Bank / Kuilapalayam	8:26	13:26	15:56	18:38
New Creation Road	8:28	13:28	15:58	18:40
Certitude	8:35	13:35	16:03	18:45
Solar Kitchen (Round About}	8:38	13:38	16:06	18:48
Vikas Road Junction	8:39	13:39	16:07	18:49
Mahalakshmi Home	8:40	13:40	16:08	18:50
Town hall Main Parking	8:45	13:45	16:13	18:55
Auroshilpam Youth Center Junction	8:47	13:47	16:17	18:57
Verite Udyogam Junction	8:49	13:49	16:19	18:59
Svaram	8:50	13:50	16:20	19:00

AV Bus Fares

- Trip 1, resumed from 10.01.2022 as the schools in Pondicherry opened partially.

Fare regulations:

- Cash / Account payment.
 - Aurovilians/ New Comers, Rs.100 / per round trip.
 - Guests/ Volunteers- Rs.150 / per round trip.
- Monthly Bus passes:
 - General Passengers bus Pass: Rs.550 / 10 round trips allowed in a month.
 - Students bus pass: Rs.850 / per month.
 - Workers of Auroville Units/ Service from Pondicherry Rs.850 / per month

Email: avbus@auroville.org.in

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**EMERGENCY SERVICES****Ambulance (24/7):**

- Auroville – 9442224680
- PIMS – 0413 2656271

Security (24/7):

- Auroville Safety & Security Team – 9443090107
- Auroville Police Station – 0413 2677318
- Kottakupam Police Station – 0413 2236148
- Vanur Fire Station – 0413 2677368

Health

- Health Center – 0413 2622123
- Santé – 0413 2622803 / 0413 2623937
- Farewell – 8903836246

Mental health 24/7 support:

- Matram – 9487746051

India Emergency Response Service (24/7)

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