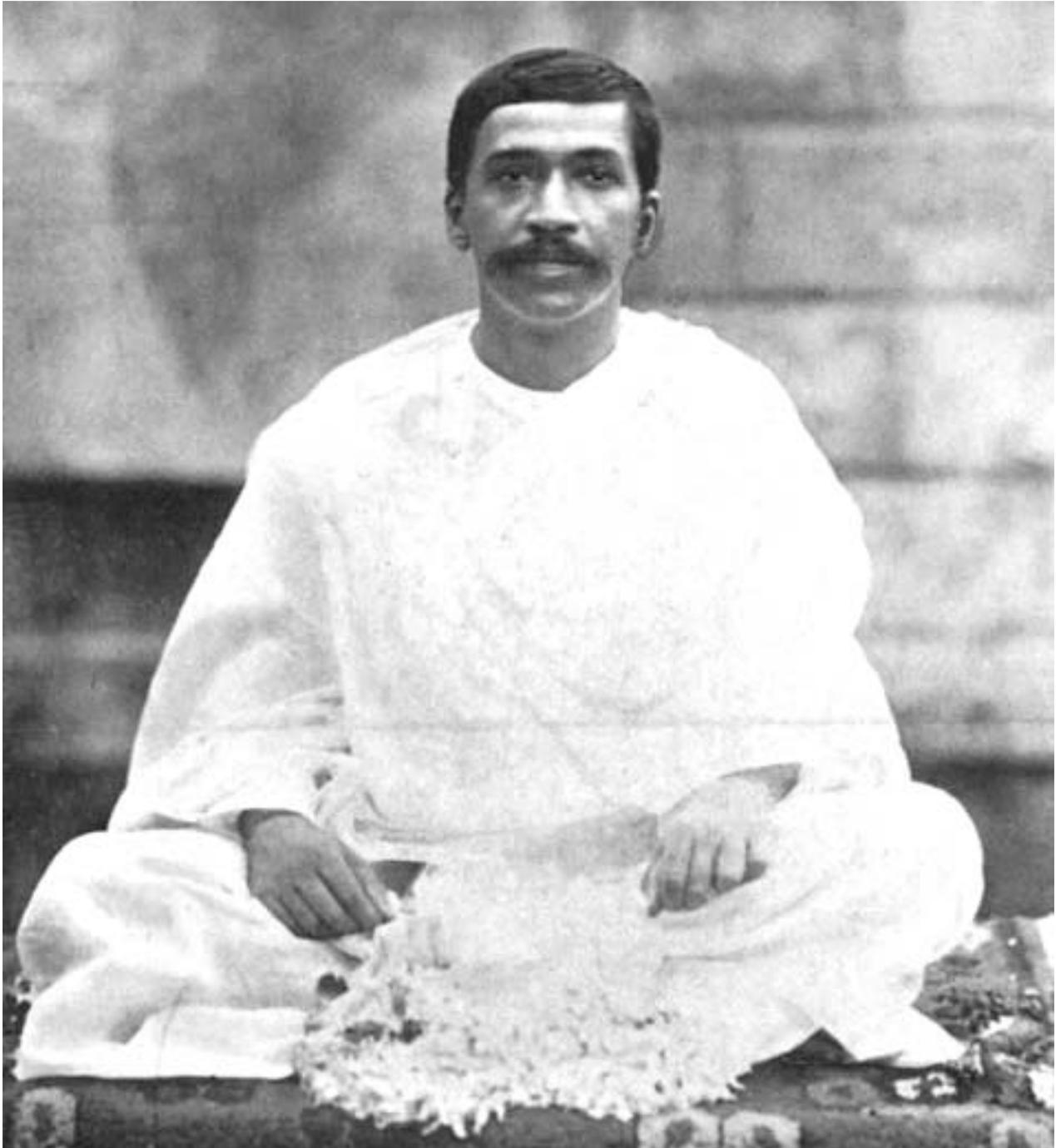


News & Notes

12th August 2017.....A weekly bulletin for residents of Auroville.....Number 710



HOUSE OF MOTHER'S AGENDA

IDENTITY OF THEIR CONSCIOUSNESS

IDENTITY OF CONSCIOUSNESS AND PATH

The opposition between the Mother's consciousness and my consciousness was an invention of the old days (due mainly to X, Y and others of that time) and emerged in a time when the Mother was not fully recognised or accepted by some of those who were here at the beginning. Even after they had recognised her they persisted in this meaningless opposition and did great harm to them and others. The Mother's consciousness and mine are the same, the one Divine Consciousness in two, because that is necessary for the play. Nothing can be done without her knowledge and force, without her consciousness – if anybody really feels her consciousness, he should know that I am there behind it and if he feels me it is the same with hers. If a separation is made like that (I leave aside the turns which their minds so strongly put upon these things), how can the Truth establish itself – from the Truth there is no such separation.

13-11-1934

The Mother's consciousness is the divine Consciousness and the Light that comes from it is the light of the divine Truth, the Force that she brings down is the force of the divine Truth. One who receives and accepts and lives in the Mother's light, will begin to see the truth on all the planes, the mental, the vital, the physical. He will reject all that is undivine, – the undivine is the falsehood, the ignorance, the error of the dark forces; the undivine is all that is obscure and unwilling to accept the divine Truth and its light and force. The undivine, therefore, is all that is unwilling to accept the light and force of the Mother. That is why I am always telling you to keep yourself in contact with the Mother and with her Light and Force, because it is only so that you can come out of this confusion and obscurity and receive the Truth that comes from above.

When we speak of the Mother's Light or my Light in a special sense, we are speaking of a special occult action – we are speaking of certain lights that come from the Supermind. In this action the Mother's is the White Light that purifies, illumines, brings down the whole essence and power of the Truth and makes the transformation possible. But in fact all light that comes from above, from the highest divine Truth is the Mother's.

There is no difference between the Mother's path and mine; we have and have always had the same path, the path that leads to the supramental change and the divine realisation; not only at the end, but from the beginning they have been the same.

The attempt to set up a division and opposition, putting the Mother on one side and myself on another and opposite or quite different side, has always been a trick of the forces of the Falsehood when they want to prevent a Sadhak from reaching the Truth. Dismiss all such falsehoods from your mind. Know that the Mother's light and force are the light and force of the Truth; remain always in contact with the Mother's light and force, then only can you grow into the divine Truth.

10-9-1931

Whatever one gets from the Mother, comes from myself also – there is no difference. So, too, if I give anything, it is by the Mother's Force that it goes to the Sadhak.

20-8-1936

You consider that the Mother can be of no help to you.... If you cannot profit by her help, you would find still less profit in mine. But, in any case, I have no intention of altering the arrangement I have made for all the disciples without exception that they should receive the light and force from her and not directly from me and be guided by her in their spiritual progress. I have made the arrangement not for any temporary purpose but because it is the one way, provided always the disciple is open and receives, that is true and effective (considering what she is and her power). The Mother and myself stand for the same Power in two forms – so the perception in the dream was perfectly logical. Ishwara-Shakti, Purusha-Prakriti are only the two sides of the one Divine (Brahman).

1933

SRI AUROBINDO ON HIMSELF (2000 Edn) SRI AUROBINDO

The Ponder Corner

As the light of a star reaches the earth hundreds of years after the star has ceased to exist, so the event already accomplished in Brahman at the beginning manifests itself now in our material experience.

Sri Aurobindo

ref. Essays Divine and Human, p.465

Welcoming the new Governing Board members

Dear friends,

A community gathering has been arranged to welcome the new Governing Board members on Sunday, 13th August 2017 from 4:45 pm till 5:45 pm at Unity Pavilion.

Following the welcoming and introduction of the new members of the Governing Board will be the launching of two books:

1. "Journal" from Sri Aurobindo Centre for Studies - India and World - Bharat Nivas,
2. "Inauguration of Auroville" - Concept and Purpose - 50 Years Auroville 28.02.1969 - 28.02.2018, a book from Prisma.

We will conclude the event with some refreshments where the community will have the opportunity to interact with the new members of the Governing Board.

Preceding this programme, on the same day, some Auroville project holders will be making presentations to the Governing Board members from 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm, at Unity Pavilion. If you wish to participate in this event, we request you to come on time to avoid interruptions during the presentations.

All Aurovilians and Newcomers are welcome!

The Working Committee

ANNOUNCEMENTS



An Invitation to the Inauguration

Acres for Auroville - Starting off Year 4!

After three successful years, "Acres for Auroville" will step into its 4th year, the 4th phase of its journey and action for Auroville's physical land base, supporting the City of Dawn's full flowering.

You are warmly invited to attend the inauguration of the A4A campaign's new Phase 4 for the Auroville Master Plan area as a whole.

Marco & Liliana Feira will represent the elder generation of Auroville, while Priya Dunn, who has grown up in Auroville, will represent the City of Dawn's youth. Together they will formally inaugurate the new phase.

The new "Acres for Auroville" presentation prepared for Auroville's 50th birthday year will be shown and news about all our other LFAU initiatives will be presented!

Venue - Town Hall, 1st Floor

Day - 15th August 2017

Time - 10 to 11 A.M.

Please join us for this encouraging event!

In solidarity,

The Acres for Auroville team

General Meeting to present the Entry Policy final draft for a Resident's Assembly Decision-making process

Dear community,

You may recall that the last General Meeting on the topic of Entry was held on 11th May, 2017.

What has happened since is:

- Some questions were asked to the community, and the results were gathered and shared with you: <https://goo.gl/mCBkub>

- We then published the draft Entry Policy for your feedback: <https://goo.gl/YYvzwg> and also shared the compiled results with you <https://goo.gl/2C2gnw>

Currently the Entry Task Group is integrating the feedback received towards a final draft of the Entry Policy, which will soon be published.

It is now time to call for the next GM on the topic in preparation for the RAD process. Please make yourselves available on Saturday, 26th August, 2017, from 4:30pm to 6:00pm, at the Unity Pavilion.

The proposed agenda:

- 1) Introduction and presentation: bringing you up to speed since the last GM
- 2) Clarifying questions, if any
- 3) Next steps: discussion with the Resident's Assembly Service and the RAD process
- 4) Conclusion and closing

Sincerely,

The Auroville Council, the Working Committee and the Entry Task Group.

Clarification from the ABC Support Group regarding the Code of Conduct

In regards to the Code of Conduct (CoC) as presented by the Funds and Asset Management Committee (FAMC) the ABC Support Group (ABC SG) would like to clarify its position.

The ABC SG has not been invited to participate in drafting a revision of the "Guidelines" which resulted in the new version now called "Code of Conduct". We were informed when the draft was ready but no proper dialogue with the Working Committee (Wcom) or the FAMC followed.

Therefore the "Code of Conduct" as it will be presented to the Governing Board (GB) is the responsibility of the Wcom and the FAMC.

We recommend that everyone, but in particular trustees and executives, read the "Code of Conduct" carefully. We would like to draw your attention to the following paras:

8) a) Trustees will be appointed / re-appointed jointly by the Working Committee and the FAMC. The FAMC will consult the BoT and may consult any group at their discretion on the appointment of a new trustee or the re-appointment of a trustee.

Which means that the Wcom and the FAMC can appoint a trustee without the consent of the other trustees of the same trust. There is a similar clause regarding suspension of trustees and executives when they are under investigation for "not managing a trust or unit properly as in para 12)b)

10) b) The FAMC shall oversee the functioning of the Trusts and Units and may take any action as is required. The Trustees / Executives shall abide by all directives that may be issued by the FAMC.

Further we would like to draw your attention to the appendices - 1) Loan Regulations, 2) Contribution Guidelines and 3) Allowable Business Expenditure.

We propose that you send your feedback on the "Code of Conduct" to the Wcom and the FAMC with a copy to the ABC SG.

Having said the above the ABC SG is willing to participate in a revision of the "Code of Conduct" if and when the FAMC and Wcom are ready to do so.

Link to the Code of Conduct on Intranet: <https://www.auroville.org.in/article/64123>

ABC Support Group (Ananda, Arun, Bobby, Daniel, Txuma, Hendrik, Joster, Karna, Kumar, Lisa, Martina, Palani, Paul, Prabhu, Stephan, Sundar, Ulli)

From the Entry Service - N&N # 710 Dated: 12-08-2017

Our team is happy to recommend the following individuals as Aurovilians, Newcomers, Friends of Auroville and Youth joining Auroville. Prior to Newcomer and Aurovillian status confirmation, there is a (1) month window for community feedback. Kindly forward your support or grievances to entryservice@auroville.org.in

NEWCOMERS CONFIRMED:

Karen TIBBO (British)

NOTE: Individuals are entered into the Register of Residents (maintained by the Auroville Foundation) shortly after filling the B-FORM and meeting with the Secretary of the AVF.

The appointment date for these is set and communicated by the Entry Service to the individual at the respective time, and NOT AT THEIR PERSONAL REQUEST.

This is the last step of the Newcomer process covered, prior to being enlisted as a Resident of Auroville.

ENTRY SERVICE OPEN TO PUBLIC TIMINGS

Monday, Friday 09:30 am-12:30 pm

Wednesday, Thursday (via an invitation and by appointment only)

Yours, *The Entry Service*

Houses available for transfer

1. Quiet - Andreas house: Area: 115.33 Sq.m. Single storied load bearing structure, residential building with Brick walls plastered in cement mortar, Bamboo roofing consisting of front veranda, living cum Kitchen & Toilet with open stair.
2. Surrender - Surya House: Area 88.53 Sq.m. Double storied RCC framed structure - Residential building with Brick walls exposed and plastered in cement mortar, RCC flat roofing consisting of front verandah, living cum Kitchen, Bedroom & Toilet with inner wooden stair. Community Sharing for Parking lot. *Available in July 2018*
3. Promesse - Velu & Suguna House: Area 72.33 Sq.m. Single standing house residential building with inner and outer plaster brick wall, RCC roofing with covered for front verandah, living cum Kitchen Bedroom & Toilet. Suitable for Family.

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

Housing Project under construction:

1. Kalpana: 17 apartments of different size available.

Studio - 6 1 BHK - 72 2 BHK - 2 3 BHK - 2

Will be ready 30th June 2018. Contact Person:

satyakam@auroville.org.in

Satyakam is available on the site on: Thursday: 3 pm to 5.30 pm / 1st and 3rd Saturday: 10 am to 12.30 pm. Surya is available the second and fourth Saturday

2. Auromodele Orchard - Several houses are still to be build. Will be ready in 2018.

Contact person: Padmanabhan, Auromodele. Mobile: 8940220333

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Pondy Trips on Darshan Days

August 15

For those willing to reach Pondy using Auroville's collective transport, the SAIER bus will leave from Matrimandir at 3 pm, stop at the Solar Kitchen and follow the ordinary route, returning from Pondy at 6 pm. Tokens are required.

Please note that this is not a commercial bus; the offer is only for Aurovilians and newcomers wishing to have Darshan in Sri Aurobindo's room.

Paulette

Monthly Bills as Usual

It that time of the month when AVTS will be withdrawing you monthly bill, as usual, from your FS account.

Please keep adequate balance for this regular and monthly payment.

To see your bill please login to your [Self Care account](#). If you have not made one already, please drop by the office after 2 pm, along with your mobile phone (To receive One Time Password) and AVTS will create one for you, in about 5 minutes.

In case there is insufficient balance, the list can be accessed on Auronet, for your information.

Thank You for your cooperation.

AVTS

Silver Ornaments to be offered by Matrimandir against contribution

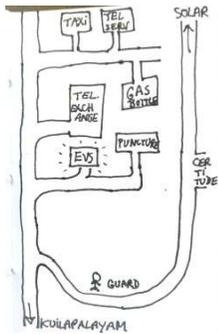
Matrimandir is offering its collection of 29 silver ornaments: chains, rings, bar, coins, anklets against contribution.

The ornaments, having been collected at Matrimandir over the last 20 years, - have a silver content valued on July 17th 2017 at Rs. 41,195 by a government attested evaluator.

The ornaments can be viewed at Matrimandir office on August 16th or 17th between 10 am and 12 am.

Sealed tenders (minimum offer value of Rs. 42,000) for the entire lot of ornaments should be received at Matrimandir by August 23rd latest.

The Electric Vehicle Service station is up and running!



The building is now operational and Govindaraj has started servicing existing electric vehicles for Aurovilians and Newcomers. Open hours: every day except Sundays from 9:30-12:30 and from 1:30-4:00 pm. Telephone n°: 9443372418, email: govindaraj@auroville.org.in. Location: Just before the Puncture Service, first entrance on the right after coming out from Certitude Road towards Edayanchavadi (see map). Marlyse (for EVS)



Updates from Sankalpa

Art Cart: Special re-opening with 4 mornings at the Visitor's Center stage, August 12-15 from 10 am-12 pm. Art Cart continues with regular timings on every Tuesday from 10 am-12 pm, as well as every Wednesday and Friday from 4-6 pm. All are welcome to this mobile hub for creativity and connection, where there is no right or wrong of making art! Art Break Day: Our 5th annual celebration of a global event in 40+ locations is on Friday, September 1st from 9 am-5 pm. This

year we will focus on a kolam mural on the container behind the Visitor's Center cafeteria. Volunteers welcome to sign up and all are welcome for the event!

Sankalpa Art Center: Only open for private programs, art therapy sessions and specialized trainings in the upcoming season - contact us to book individual or groups.

Products: We have a small line of hand-made items including our Make-Your-Own Doll Kit and intention pouches which support our ongoing effort, available at the Art Cart.

With love, light and color,

Krupa & Karunya for Sankalpa (sankalpa.art@gmail.com)

Good bye plastic bags!



Hello everyone!

Our 'Little Dream' - for a plastic free world is growing. We are reaching out to the community to support us for making the Auroville bio-region and Pondicherry plastic bag free. Little dream is a woman - empowering social enterprise that makes re-usable shopping bags with upcycled fabrics. We use saris, kurtas, trousers, bed sheets, curtains and tablecloths. Please donate your old fabrics to our project and help reduce the plastic waste in our surroundings.

You can get in touch with us on 89408 78665 or 89406 89956 and we can come collect your old fabrics. Or email us on: littledream@bonorganics.com

Thank you for being a part of the Little Dream!

The Little Dream team: Nisha, Rita, Arthi, Valli and Kalai

POSTINGS

News from Av Bakery: Auroville Bakery will be closed on Tuesday 15th Aug. 2017 for Independence celebration. Please pick your Tuesday order on Monday the 14th Aug. 2017. Happy Independence Day. *Auroville Bakery Team.*

Mana: Dear Community members, we wish to share with you that we have started a unit of Fashion Design called "Mana". We draw our inspiration from Arts and Crafts of the whole world. We use different technics of weaving and hand embroidery for our designs. Each piece is unique and handmade. We open our studio to the public every Wednesday and Saturday mornings (9:30 to 12:00) with an improvised showroom corner where you can try and find your unique piece. Location: Sukhavati community, Claire and RV's House - Contact *Julie* n°: 8524959459 / Website: manauroville.wordpress.com - *Mana Team, Julie, Claire and Rv*

Youth Entertainment Program presents the YEPweek: a program especially designed for guest kids, to enjoy their stay, and discover Auroville. We will take them from place to place, where the kids can visit and participate in various activities. The activities include pony riding, Papier Maché, quilling, painting... This program (Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm) offers a good balance between visits and activities. Joyfully, *Yep Team* - Ph: +91 96 26 56 51 34"

Update from Foodlink Farm: This summer, we put up a solar pumping system at the Foodlink Farm (adjacent to Certitude). But due to the drought and as the Foodlink Farm caretaker, Kumar of Fraternity had to undergo surgery, we decided not to do any planting. In the coming months we will secure the entire plot, and this winter season, we aim to allot plots for vegetable gardens to all those who are interested. For more info, feel

free to contact Kumar (99434-66021) - *Kumar (for the Foodlink/Farm Group team)*

Cleanup: Dear Community members, this week we did cleanup from Solar kitchen to Kalabhum. As we are getting more requests from the community to do cleanup for certain places then this coming Sunday (13.8.17) we will start from the Town-hall to Afsaneh's Guest House. Those who are interested are always welcome to join us. We start from the Town hall around 4 pm. Thank you, *Av cleanup group*

Auroville Short Theater Festival! Dear friends, we would like to remind you that the deadline to deliver your short theater script is 15th of September. If you want to learn more about this festival just go to Auronet and digit Auroville Short Theater Festival. Or email us at: avshorttheaterfest@gmail.com - *Love, Elke and Francesca*

Water Words: So many groups, so many acronyms: Let's get clear before we move forward. Today's topic: all of these Auroville water groups (and subsequent acronyms). There are three major water groups in Auroville: Auroville Water Service (AWS), Pour Tous Water (PTW), and the Water Group (WG). The AWS is located at the Elephant Towers, in a quaint little building with a painting of Father Water on it, streaming beard and all. This team takes care of distribution, or getting water to you. They know all about pipes and slopes and flows. Then there's PTW. They're based at Abri, and are predominantly in charge of infrastructure maintenance. They know about bore wells and pumps, valves and plumbing works. And then there's the WG, based at CSR, a recently formed group looking at the long-term water management strategy for Auroville, consulting on various water issues, and aiming to raise the water literacy of all of us. Do the three groups collaborate? We try, and things are getting better. *Water Group, watergroup@auroville.org.in*

AVAILABLE

English: I would like to offer my services to any Auroville Enterprise which may need help to perfect the English of any small publication or written communication. (I am a native English speaker with some editorial experience.) Please contact: fionafraserjehu@hotmail.com - with thanks, *Fiona*

Young cats: 10 months old, looking for a new home...we are two gray females and one black male, very sweet, playful and social. We have been operated and dewormed. Contact *Helena* 9786952918

Brand new Led monitor: LG 19 inches Led monitor with recent bill of purchase. Please contact *Abha P.* on 2622003 or email: abhaprakash@auroville.org.in.

New Yoga hall/Multipurpose hall and Spa facilities in Srirama: A new yoga hall/multipurpose hall for seminars, workshops, conferences to seat approximately 50 persons is available in Srirama. Also Moroccan style spa with adjustable massage beds/high quality linen, Jacuzzi and bathtub available for therapists by the hour. Workshops packages with food and rooms also possible. For more information, please write to: tantofarbeach@gmail.com / daniele@auroville.org.in

Super splendor 125 cc: violet and black; 07/2014 , accessories, full maintenance, no damages, TN registered, 28,000 km very good condition ...first hand - ishtadevata@auroville.org.in or 9655452324

Piano: Very good condition with original packaging and invoice. Suitable for enthusiastic pianists, students or music teachers. For further information, please contact: greg@auroville.org.in - *Greg*

LOOKING FOR ...

Some help: Hello, a boy from one of the neighboring villages of Auroville asked me about some financial help but I myself struggle at the moment. He wrote: "My name is *Soukath Ali*. I want to go to Russia for studying so as to obtain a Doctor MD". Please do not hesitate to ask me for more information since I know the family. Contact *Ivana Frousova*: ivana@auroville.org.in, mobile 7094344154.

Some work: My worker's son has just completed a B.Tech (ECE) from Acharya College of Engineering Technology. His areas of interest are electron devices and digital circuits, but he is looking for any kind of work in Auroville where he can apply his knowledge. If you think you may have something for him please contact me. I can also provide additional information about his qualifications. Contact *Alan (Samridhi)*: alan@auroville.org.in

Laptop: 22 year old B tech student 2nd year is looking for a laptop. She has to study 2 more years and a laptop is obligatory now. Her mother works as a full-time Amma but can't pay much but she is willing to repair or contribute. If you can help please sms to *Devi*: 9789703614 - *Submitted by Appie*

Iphone3 charger: Hi! I'm looking for an Iphone3 charger. If there is a spare charger with you please let me know at: richa.rivu@gmail.com / 9969879319 / 9372446397. Thank you, *Richa*

Aikido kimono: I am 8 years old and I am looking for an Aikido kimono. If you have one please call me. *Lola*: 2622446, 9843191370

Guide books: I am looking for two travel guide books: one about Sri Lanka and one about Tamil Nadu - In English or Italian. Please, if you have one to lend or sell, contact me at: merianichiar@gmail.com - Thank you! *Chiara*

TAXI SHARING

Please note that there is a new Auroville service of taxi sharing available with STS at: <http://sharedtransport.auroville.org/>

August 16th: Taxi to Chennai Airport leaving Auroville at 3 am. If you like to share please contact: heraudjm@hotmail.fr or 97 86610498 - *Jean-Marie H.*

August 16th: Leaving at 13:00 on August 16 for Chennai Airport. Sharing either direction possible. Contact *Jan (Gaia)*, Ph: 99432 55972 / mail: sabaki@auroville.org.in

August 17th: A friend of ours needs to be picked up at the airport. (Aug 17, 4:40 pm on Jet Airways flight 9W-7063, arriving from Delhi). Any form of sharing to and fro is welcome. Please coordinate with *Peter Walsh* (Ph 7807094073; thesahdude@gmail.com). Thanks, *Bindu*

August 18th: A cab will leave AV at 08:30 am to go to Chennai Airport. Will reach approx. at 11:30 am. Both ways sharing

Hair Dressing in Arka: Dear Members, Ongkie has come back. So he will start to do hair dressing in Arka from the 10th of August onwards. Days: Monday to Friday. Contact Number: 9843930178 - Thanks, *Jayaram*

Safari accommodations: Safari aims to provide a decent sheltering for long-term volunteers of the International Zone. Our Safari project is developing tent sites among the trees and building an enriching ubuntu atmosphere as a base for the journey in Auroville. All skills and resources are invited. Come to one of the regular work sessions -Wednesdays 9 am to 11 am and Fridays 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. This link has a few photos of work and its progress (https://www.facebook.com/pg/Africa-Safari-Auroville-317194288736684/photos/?ref=page_internal). Contact *Tahir* at: 7867899203 or africasafari@auroville.org.in or drop in during one of the regular work sessions

2 ton Daikin split AC: in very good condition - Please contact *Shiv*: 9884035536.

Lady bicycle: To buy with good suspension and a very comfortable seat, if pink in colour great! Please contact *Pedro* on: email: pedro.santos.guedes@gmail.com or mobile: 8754604810, send a SMS first so I can call you back, thanks.

Electrical scooter or motorbike: To buy and in good condition, especially the batteries - Please contact *Pedro* on: email: pedro.santos.guedes@gmail.com or mobile: 8754604810, send a SMS first so I can call you back, thanks.

Kitchen Items: Hi all, I am Sara, Aurovilian. Soon I will be moving to a new house and I need some kitchen items like: pans, pots, plates, glasses, cups etc. If you have something extra in your home that you don't use then I will be happy to give them a new life. Contact: 8489526550 or samada3@hotmail.com. Thank you, *Sara*

Africa Safari: "Wanting to send your good camping equipment to a new life? Bring it and stay for a few nights on the beautiful land of African Pavilion in the Safari project where we provide decent sheltering for long-term volunteers of the International Zone. Safari gratefully accepts any contribution for the camp: canvas, rope, tents, bed sheets, money, shopping expertise, hammocks, poles, stakes, tools, first aid and kitchen supplies. Safari invites you to join any of our activities and maybe leave your tent for a volunteer who needs a base from which to work and experience Auroville. Here is a link to photos (https://www.facebook.com/pg/Africa-Safari-Auroville-317194288736684/photos/?ref=page_internal) or see us on Facebook. Contact *Tahir* at 78678 99203 or africasafari@auroville.org.in or drop in during one of the regular work sessions Wednesdays 9 to 11 and Fridays 4:30 to 6:30."

possible. Contact: stefangebert@gmail.com or 9442041433 - *Stefan*

August 18: Leaving Auroville at 9 pm for Chennai airport. Three places available. Contact *Sara* 8489526550 or samada3@hotmail.com.

August 22nd: Pick-up from Chennai International Airport at 1:30 am going to Auroville (Fertile). My plane lands at 23:50, day before. Looking for any kind of sharing, already booked with STS. Get in touch if you wanna share! - *Rosa* (rosalie.fichtner@gmail.com)

August 24th: A cab will leave AV at 09:00 am to go to Chennai Airport for a pickup at 12.40 pm. Both ways sharing possible. Contact stefangebert@gmail.com or 9442041433 - *Stefan*

August 24th: August 24 at 9 pm drop 1 person at Chennai airport - Both ways, places are available. Please contact *Helea* 948 84 94 857 or *VersHaut*: 948 85 12 678 / veroniquejobard@yahoo.fr - Thank you

September 6th: To Chennai airport. Leaving Auroville at 8 am. Please Contact *Andres* at 8098196756 or acostak15@hotmail.com"

A P P E A L

Help me to go Lyon (France) to study

My name is *Raju (Ayanar)*, 21 years old. I speak three languages fluently: French, English and Tamil. I did most of my studies in Auroville; New Creation, Last school, Deepanam and Future School. I also obtained a French Bacalaureat in (Science Technology of Management) at the French High school of Pondicherry. I got a big opportunity to pursue my higher studies in Universite Lumiere Lyon 2 (Arts and Show opt. Cinema) in Lyon (France) for this year 2017. I really want to study because since my childhood, I had various artistic experiences such as: singing in a choir, playing piano and the guitar and drawing. For four years, I was interested in the creation of movies. I created a documentary movie of twenty minutes and other short films which I played as lead roles. In this case, I look for an accommodation in Lyon as well as for my studies and living expenses for my three years of Degree. If you know someone in Lyon or people in your families, friends, friends of friends who is willing to accommodate me, or anybody who have the will to contribute tuition fees, to realize my dream.

Here is the account number at Pour Tous: 5613 - Please, write: "for Ayanar's Studies"

My email address, Ayanar Rajou: ayanar.rajou@gmail.com

Submitted by *Chantal Gowa*

Asia's fundraiser

Dear Aurovillian friends, my name is Asia and I am 12 years old. I have a half-sister in Russia, St. Petersburg. I have never met her but we often Skype and the past year we have become very close. She's very good at pottery and sports. She's becoming 13 this year and I wanted to give her something special on her birthday. Auroville is a great place to explore what you love, so I wanted to invite her here for Auroville's 50th birthday. I would be willing to bake a cake of your choice for you and in return you would help me bring my sister to Auroville. Any donations will be deeply appreciated. Contact: 7094823921 - Account: 6281
Thanks, Love, *Asia*

H E A L T H

Linea Dental

Dear Aurovillians and Guests,

Linea Dental is open for treatments and lab works at Aurelec Premises

Open from 9 to 12.30 and from 2 to 5 pm from Monday to Friday

For appointment call our land line: 2623134 or mail to: linea@auroville.org.in

Linea Dental Team

New in SANTE!

Preventive Care without prescription: 90 min by Galina (physiotherapist & massage specialist) only on Tuesday 9 am and 11 am.

4 options:

Spirulina packs: Detox & Release or Restore & Recharge

Wellness programs: Hot stones or Deep tissue massage with essential oils

A special treat for your body and soul, rated at Rs 1500 subsidized rate for Aurovillians and Rs 3000 for guests.

Please bring a big towel and a bed sheet. More information and booking at reception: 2622803.

A U R O V I L L E R A D I O



Dear listeners!

Our live streaming can be heard on:

<http://radio.garden/live/villupuram/auroville-radio/>

From our volunteers we have:

Volunteer Kshithij made an interesting program on [Internship in Auroville](#), and [Vox Pop on Cinema](#). With Debo he made an interview on [Solar Installations in Auroville](#).

Our students and young volunteer Kenden was talking with Vijay on [Dance is Universal](#).

Volunteer Gino has talked with Francesca and Elke on [Theatre Festival](#), and with Sigrid on [Fundraising for Land](#).

Short interview with Kavitha on IYD - [Peace and Prosperity](#).

Within the regular programs:

Gangalakshmi reads her [Selections](#) of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother texts in French - uncut version on the request of listeners!

Marlenka continues with [Synthesis of Yoga](#).

Out of our regular programs are here the news of [Thursday](#), and [Monday](#).

Within the musical programs Vaidyanath shares [Transcend Through Classical Music](#), [Vivace Molto](#), and [Violin on Fire](#). For you we also have [Groovy](#), [Soulful Mix](#), and [Pure Love Vybz](#).

Happy listening!

Your AV Radio Team [www.aurovillerradio.org]

E A T I N G O U T

Announcement for the Special Bengali Dinners

Venue: Annam Kitchen, 6.30 to 8 pm

Dinners (Vegetarian and Non-Vegetarian Food) are organized during the days when there are workshops, films & concerts as mentioned in the previous News & Notes.

12th, 19th, 20th Aug: Vegetarian, 18 & 22nd Aug: Non-vegetarian: Dinners are chargeable by account or cash.

NOTE: Two days prior booking is required:
bharatnivas@auroville.org.in - phone 2622914

For any last moment changes, please check on Auronet.

Naturellement closed on 15th August: Dear community, Naturellement & Garden Cafe will be closed on Tuesday 15th August for independence day. *Naturellement team*

Well Studio Cafe is open on the 15/8: Dear all, Well studio Cafe will be open on Tuesday 15th of August'17 for Independence Day. Please join us for breakfast and lunch: Monday to Saturday from 8.30 till 16.30.

Vegetarian and vegan Mediterranean food in our beautiful garden.

For groups and take away please call: 0413-262229 Or Mail: wellcafe@auroville.org.in

Love, *Well Cafe Team - Sve Dame*.

Notes

Creativity Cooperative Studio

I am very grateful that our program in the Creativity Cooperative Studio is expanding. The opportunity for everyone despite age or experience to become familiar with their body's expression with clay, paint, charcoal, on paper or canvas, with camera or any other device should be open for all. But, it is not easy to get support for in our communities. It is this expression of our unique body's perception that is the yoga we are dedicated to nurturing.

Most of us are familiar with the power of our parents' comments about the result of our completely focused enjoyment of drawing and painting as a child. Even if that was not negative the power of the word ART which is thrown around in all directions has intimidated a lot of us. If I run or swim to keep my body in shape I don't have to know how an athlete trains, do I? My body still becomes stronger, more resilient and energetic. And if you are an athlete, training with

your peers it certainly can be challenging, expanding and stimulating.

Expressing ourselves with the body on the page is illuminating. We are all unique in our expression. As we continue to open our ability to see our awareness of ourselves, and the world around us, it and we become more alive. This is an endless journey through form, texture, line, space expanded by tone/value and the language of emotion—color.

If this sounds like a lecture it could be but it is not. I have learned this by experience and the people who are going to go along with you on this journey have learned by doing. The joy received is not from making money or receiving recognition for the work. However, we do not sniff at those benefits but for the consciousness that it can bring to us. We will share our resources - time, space, knowledge and experience - with you whether you are an accomplished artist or someone who is ready to put their toe in the water. An adventure awaits you.

With love, *Audrey for CREEVA*

For your calendar



AMPHITHEATRE - MATRIMANDIR

Meditation with Savitri read by Mother to Sunil's music
Every THURSDAY at sunset
We follow the sun and the timing changes with the season...
6.00 to 6.30 pm

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

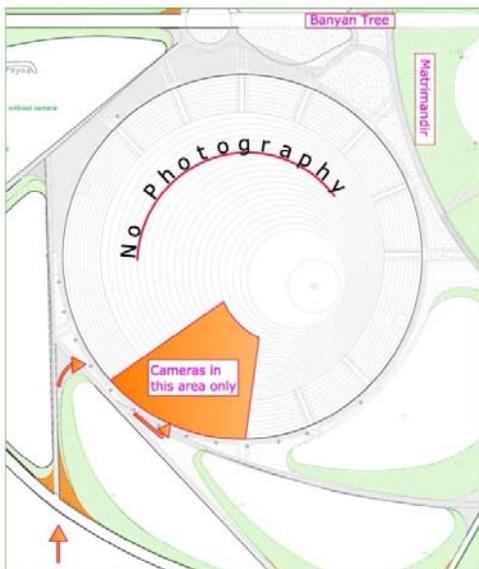
Reminder to all: The Park of Unity is a place for silence, meditation and inner work and is to be used only as such.

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

Dear Guests, please carry your Guest Card with you / Access only for the Amphitheatre from 5.45 pm / Please be seated by 5.55 pm.
Thank you, *Amphitheatre Team*

Meditation on Sri Aurobindo's Birthday

Tuesday, 15.8.2017 at The Matrimandir Amphitheatre



There will be a collective meditation with Dawnfire on 15.8.2017 at the Matrimandir Amphitheatre.

The fire will be lit at 5.15 am.

Please note that this will be a silent meditation with no recording or music as requested by some.

Entrance from 2nd Banyan gate only. Gate opens at 4.15 am.

All are requested to come early and be seated by 5 am.

Please remember to bring along a torch light and leave your pets and cellphones at home.

Those with camera must take their seat on the southern side of the Amphitheatre, at 'the PHOTO SPOT'. Photography without flash please.

Please note that access will be limited to the Amphitheatre and up to 7 am only.

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

Visitors are requested to either carry their Aurocard or collect personally free tokens available at the Visitors Centre (upstairs) on 13th and 14th August between 3 pm and 5 pm.

Bonne Fête and see you there!

Flag Hoisting Ceremony to celebrate India's 71st Independence Day

Date: Tuesday, 15 August 2017,
Time 8 am
Venue: Kalakendra Entrance Outdoor Space
Bharat Nivas - Auroville

Exploring Peace & Prosperity in Auroville

International Youth Day

Saturday 12th August
Mahalakshmi Park
4:00-8:00 pm

This year we invite older and younger generations together in exploring what Peace & Prosperity mean in Auroville. A truly Auroville community event, we look forward to connecting with you there!

4:00 - 5:00 Collective Exploration Space: What is Peace & Prosperity?
5:00 - 8:00 Festival Opening, Food Stalls, Games, Tree Planting,
Oil Lamp & Lantern Lighting, a Collective Mediation, Film Screenings,
Fire Dance, Open Jam Sessions & Neem Tree Cafe Open

See you there,
With Love, *YouthLink*

Dear All,
We cordially request your gracious presence on the auspicious occasion of
"Inauguration of our new office"

Auroville Energy Services (Auroville Electrical Service
and Auroville Solar Service)

At Service Area on Sunday, August 14th at 9.45 am to 10.15 am
Thanking you,

Yours,
M. Ponnusamy & E. Rama Krishnan (Employees of AVES & AVSS)



SVARAM Sound Garden

We are happy to inform the community that on Mon 14th Aug 4-5 pm
We will have the inauguration of our new Sound Garden at the Svaram grounds.

Come and see and play and listen to the instrument installations which are an outcome of our work for the India Music Experience Center - Sound Garden in Bangalore which was successfully opened last week in the Brigade Millennium compound there.

Welcome to all,
Aurelio and Svaram Team

AVI and the team of European house

We have the immense pleasure to invite you to the foundation laying ceremony of the future building of the Temporary European House, at the International Zone.

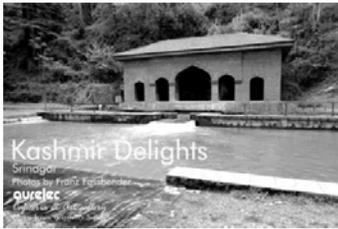
It will be held next Tuesday 15 August 2017, at 5 pm, inside the compound of the International House.
The International Zone needs your support to grow. Come and share with us the development of this new project.

Denis, Project Holder

Dear all,
We are happy to invite you all for a costume party
"Sea of Costumes"

Celebrating life
Saturday the 19/08/2017
Please start preparing your costume!
Looking forward to see you all!
Love, *Well Cafe team*

EXHIBITIONS



Kashmir Delights

Photo exhibition from the Walk of Hope and Srinagar.

Photos Franz Fassbender.

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Cafeteria & Art gallery

Open from 8 am to 5 pm

Pari Mahal or Fairies Abode, located on a hillock overlooking beautiful Dal Lake in Srinagar. This terraced arched garden was built by Dara Shikoh, the eldest son of Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan, in the mid-seventeenth century. It was here that Dara Shikoh got the Upanishads written down from a spoken Sanskrit language into written Persian and later Latin and the French language.

Birthday celebration at Swami Lakshman Joo's Ashram / Achabal Garden / Makhdoom Shah shrine / Khangah-i-Mu'ala or Shah Hamadan Mosque / Shrine of Hazrat Youza Asif and Syed Naseer-ud-Din (Some people claim that Jesus lived in Kashmir and that this was the place where the body of Jesus was put to rest.) / Centaur Lake View Hotel, Dal Lake, Srinagar, End of the Walk of Hope, May 2016, Jothi Singh, daughter of Dr. Karan Singh hands over to Sri M a small plaque.



"PAINTING EXHIBITION" BY A.SATHYA



August 14th 2017 to August 28th 2017

Open daily except Sunday 8am -12.00pm and 2pm - 6pm

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

TALKS , SEMINARS

Sri Aurobindo Centre for Studies...India and the World - Bharat Nivas

Our Auroville Experience...

Since last year, we have been meeting each Friday in the *Resource Library* of the Centre, to share our Auroville Experience in the perspective of *Integral Psychology* of Sri Aurobindo.

After the gap of the summer months, let us come together again on Friday, August 11th, at 4 pm, in the same place. We will take up a study of:

"The Synthesis of Yoga" of Sri Aurobindo.

We begin by reading the *Introduction* to the big work, which is entitled, *"The Conditions of the Synthesis"*.

Copies of this text will be there for all of us.

We recall what The Mother once said, "Read the '*Synthesis*'. Live in its atmosphere".

Friends, as we move ever forward, let us plunge into this work....

With love, *Aster*

Introduction to Sri Aurobindo's World Vision

A series of illustrated presentations delivered by Muriel

On Mondays from 11:00 am to 12 noon

Starting on Monday 14th August 2017

At Savitri Bhavan (Reading room)

The course will cover some of the basic concepts of Sri Aurobindo's philosophy. It will answer the fundamental questions: Why are we here? What is the nature of reality? Who are we? What is the aim of life? What is "God"? etc. It is designed to be quite intense but still accessible to a larger public. All are welcome.

Ecological Hygiene - presentation

By Lucas, EcoPro
Saturday, Aug. 19th, 3-4.30 pm.
At EcoPro, Aurosarjan Complex

Lucas / EcoPro offers a series of talks on various subjects of environmental health & hygiene, e.g. on sanitation in general & ecological sanitation (ecosan), ecological hygiene, organic farming and the cycle of nutrients, urine, cattle husbandry, etc.

These talks will be supported with power point presentations and a lot of visual material.

Presentations will be made on Saturdays at 3 pm. at EcoPro (Aurosarjan Complex, Auroshilpam).

The program will start latest by 3.05 pm.

The first talk will be on Saturday, Aug 19th, on Ecological Hygiene - a concept developed in contrast to medical-surgical hygiene; its scientific base and how it applies to our everyday life, to body hygiene and soaps, to household hygiene, food handling, drinking water standards, our health and our handling of natural resources.

The approach of these talks is to present the topics with sufficient scientific basics while keeping the subject readily comprehensible to non-experts.

Presentations may last about one hour, but there is always space for questions, and the sessions can last up to one and a half hour depending on interest and discussions.

All interested are welcome. Refreshment will be served. No charges.

CULTURAL EVENTS

Taiwanese style Tea Ceremony

With Isha - Starting on the 10th of August

Every Thursday 2 pm to 4.45 pm - Hall of Peace, Unity Pavilion

You will experience and learn the East Asian way of drinking and serving tea. Only organic tea will be used. All are Welcome. Please sign up with the Unity Pavilion, 0413-2623576 or unitypavilion@auroville.org.in

Experience and learn the East Asian way of drinking and serving tea - The art of sharing joy and peace through a cup of tea with your friends will change your perspective towards tea, only organic tea will be used - Every Saturday 2 pm to 5 pm. Booking is required. Approx. 1 hour for each session, please choose your time slot. Venue: Swayam - Book at: 0413-2622192 / ishaswayam@auroville.org.in

Taiwanese Cultural Events

Taiwanese Pavilion team is happy to invite you to our last cultural event in our series.

Taiwanese Cuisine workshop and tasting on August 13th at 10 am. Location: Aurovelo. We will prepare ingredients according to your food preferences (Veg/ Non Veg) and have lunch together.

Registration required, please email: taiwan@auroville.org.in.

Minimum contribution to the cost of food required. Donation to venue and seed money for Taiwanese Pavilion welcome!

Warm regards from *Taiwanese Pavilion Team (Allison, Bruce & Patti)*



Sri Aurobindo's 145th Birth Anniversary

A documentary film on Sri Aurobindo's Life - (duration 24 minutes):

"Some glimpses of his life"

Monday, 14 August 2017,

Time: 7.30 pm

Venue: Bhavishyate Hall

Bharat Nivas

Cultural program on the occasion of Sri Aurobindo birthday in Town Hall

On the occasion of Sri Aurobindo's birthday and India's Independence Day, Auroville children and adults are going to perform at the Town Hall Stage (opposite to Le 'Morgan) on 15 August 2017 evening from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm.

It is combinations of folk, Bharat Natyam, rap and fusion type performances.

The access to the stage is the same as to MMC.

All are welcome to enjoy the program. See you there!

At Her Service, *Saroja, Sundar, Sundaramurthy, Ganesh, Niveditha and Thambidurai*

Bhu/Earth

A dance theatre show inspired by the oldest martial art of the world: Kalaripayattu.

The journey of a man looking for connection with himself and Nature.

Anu from Auroville said: "Yesterday I watched a work in progress performance of BHU by Kalari dancers, percussionists from Kerala, Auroville and the island of Reunion at CRIPA, Auroville. Put together by Phillipe Pelen and Moucazambo Thierry this is a powerful work that brings together Kalari, aboriginal, tai chi and Kathakali vocabularies with extraordinary grace, perfection and depth of experience. They perform next to Adi Shakti soon. I hope it travels".

18, 19, 20 of august at 8 pm - At Kalarigram

Kalarigram, "Udayan", Edayanchavadi road (near Adi Shakti), Auroville P.O, Tamil Nadu-605101

bhuexperience@gmail.com / www.bhuexperience.com / [fb: @bhuexperience](https://www.facebook.com/bhuexperience) / ph: 0413 2622091 / cell: +91 7736656156

Direction and choreography: Philippe

Light design: Ashwin

Sound design: Suresh

With: Thierry, Nikhil, Swaroop, Suresh, Madhu, Prakash

Special thanks to: Barbara and Ritam, Lakshmanji, Lavanya and Kalarigram, Aurelio and Swaram, Christophe and Cripa, Jean, Joy, Tapas and Bharat Nivas, Claude and french Pavillon, Krishna, Nilen and Auroville art service, Orly and Well paper, Miriam and Auroville Radio, Kali and Sebastien, Kalou and Eluciole Circus, Savitry and new creation, Last School video students, Vinay, Lalit and french alliance Pondicherry."

CLASSES, WORKSHOPS

Mimi's Hatha Yoga Classes

We would like to inform you that Mimi's Hatha Yoga Classes (scheduled for every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning) are being postponed until further notice. Thank you! *Bharat Nivas Cultural Group*

Feminine dance and wave dance

Dear all, Feminine dance and wave dance are restarting at Cripa on Fridays (first class 11/8)
7:15-8:00-guided warm up, feminine dance, for women only.
8:00-9:00 "Rise and shine wave dance" open to all.
Love, Harmony and Light to all, *Priscila*

Inner-Work-Workshop

Introduction to the Integral Yoga of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother

15th August (Tuesday)

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

Focus this week on: 'Self-mastery'

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

Place: Savitri Bhavan

Time: 9 am to 12 Noon

(For those who are new to Yoga, from 8.45 to 9 am there will be a brief presentation on Yoga and Spirituality.)

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

No Registration required (except for groups)

Fees: Voluntary Contribution

All are welcome

For details on the Integral Yoga and the upcoming workshops: please visit www.integralyoga-auroville.com

African Pavilion

Circle singing workshop - opened to all singers and non-singers. A real fun moment, creative and sometimes even profound!

Organized by Circé, professional singer & songwriter & singing teacher, in collaboration with Tahir.

The workshop is free, but contributions are welcome to the African Pavillon.

www.circemusic.ch / www.voice-studio.org

Dates: Sunday 13 August 2017 17:30-19:00

Bachata introduction - Latin couple dance class, (originally from Dominican Republic)

Opened to all. A real fun moment, to learn to dance together! The basics are really easy. Organized by Circé, singing teacher, dance lover, sharing her experience, but not a professional dancer, /teacher, in collaboration with Mouhsienne and Xahir. It is free, but contributions are welcome to the African Pavillon.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5hrvzttJ91A>

Dates: Monday 14 August 2017 17:30-19:00 just before the dinner.

Both workshops will happen whatever the weather, no need to subscribe in advance.

Circé & Xahir

Regular classes at our Kulappalayam Cultural Centre

Dear Friends,

Regular classes at our Kulappalayam Cultural Centre:

▫ Silambam (Martial Art) ▫ from 10 am to 12 pm on every Sundays.

▫ Bharatha Naattiyam (Classical Dance) ▫ from 6 pm to 8 pm on Saturdays and from 10 am to 12 pm on every Sundays.

For any age group of above 10

Please contact: 9843195290 / kulaiculturalcentre@auroville.org.in - Selva at KCC

Full weekend of tango classes

August 18th to 20th



In an effort to infuse new energy to tango in Auroville, we are inviting you to a full weekend of classes August 18th to 20th. With his 15-year dance experience and his fun method of teaching, Jorge will give an introductory class on Friday evening, and Saturday morning. With his passion, technique and attention to details, Hubert will take over the more advanced class that will be held Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. Saturday night, all can come together and enjoy a milonga, and on Sunday afternoon, a practica to deepen the concepts and learnings. So if you want to experience the embrace, the connection with a partner, and discover a wonderful community, do not miss it! Please bring socks or shoes with leather or suede soles.

Also note that Monday classes will no longer be given. A new exciting program will be communicated later.

For more information and for the full schedule, please see the Tango in Auroville, India, Facebook page or write to: tango@auroville.org.in - Auroville Tango Team

Capoeira classes

"...art, game, fight, philosophy, dance, tradition, music, theater, resistance, acrobatics..."

Capoeira is an Afro-Brazilian art created more than 500 years ago. At time seen as a martial-art or a dance it combines both element in order to paint the communication happening between the two players and the circle which embraces them.

Join our Capoeira group and learn the art with us on:

Monday - 5.15 pm to 7 pm - SAWCHU (Bharat Nivas)

Tuesday & Thursday - 6 pm to 7.30 pm - Deepanam School

Saturday - 4.30 pm - Dehashakti

Contact: +91 9488328435

Prof. Samuka da India & students (Group Ginga Saroba)

Awareness through the Body ATB1

A two-day introductory workshop with Amir.

On Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th August in the ATB hall, Transition school, Auroville. From 9:00 am to 5:00 pm daily.

ATB aims to assist individuals in developing the capacity for attention, concentration and relaxations and refining the senses, cultivating the ability to notice what one is experiencing. ATB offers a space and a tool to know ourselves to increase our capacity to be present while exploring the observer within. It's an opportunity to step out of the business of everyday life where one can go within and become aware of the different planes that form our being and have the possibility to enter into a wider deeper contact...ATB has been implemented in Auroville schools since 1992, by Aloka Marti and Joan Sala. Over the years they have adapted, added to and incorporated knowledge acquired from a wide variety of disciplines, into a coherent, sequential curriculum. Based on their experience following the integral education and the path of integral yoga of the Mother and Sri Aurobindo.

For more information visit the ATB website: <http://awaressthroughthebody.com/> to sign up for this introductory workshop:

Mail me at: connect@atbwithamir.com or feel free to call me or Tamar at: 9751257709/96

Learning French at the French Pavilion

The French Pavilion plans to organise, for the second year, French courses at the French Pavilion located in the International Zone, next to the parking of the Visitors Center, starting on the first week of September.

The method concerns adults who want to acquire the level A1 and A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) i.e. acquire a sufficient communication competence to satisfy social exchanges and other concrete needs.

There will be 3 months modules for beginners, intermediate and advanced students. Lessons will be available in the afternoons, 3 times a week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays tentatively from 3 to 5 pm.

Candidate students must be Aurovilians, Newcomers or Savi volunteers.

If you are interested to learn French as a beginner or refresh French or improve it, please reply to this message, mentioning:

Whether you are Aurovilian, Newcomers or Savi volunteers ; your name and given name in AV ; your gender ; your age category ; your French level and, important, your motivation.

Looking forwards to hearing from you all at the following email address: gildo@auroville.org.in

Gildo, for the French Pavilion.

Art workshop and classes

With Soumen Chakveroty

Renowned Artist from Bangalore conducting arts classes at African pavilion: pencil sketches and charcoal sketches

All donations are welcome

Pls.come and join us - refreshment and materials are provided

Starting date from Monday to Saturday 13th to 19th time

10:00 am 12:30 pm

Ubuntu are welcoming all

Africa pavilion team (phone 7867899203 - Tahir)

SCHEDULES

CREEVA

Center for Research, Education and Experience in the Visual Arts (CREEVA) is a platform for people to experience art first hand and overcome their fears, doubts, and myths. It is a place where art enthusiasts can experiment with mediums, form, themes, etc. and hone their art skills. CREEVA lets you explore deeper and find your language and comfort. It helps you practice your yoga of art regularly and peacefully.

Sri Aurobindo on Art: *Art for Art's sake certainly; Art as a perfect form and discovery of Beauty; but also Art for the soul's sake, the spirit's sake and the expression of all that the soul, the spirit wants to seize through the medium of beauty - Pg 451, Vol 01, CWSA*

You are welcome to come and practice the discipline of Art every day from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm at our studio in Creativity. To further understand the craft, you can participate in our daily evening workshops from 5pm to 7pm. This week our schedule is as follows:

Monday, 14th Aug - Explore Gauche/Poster colors with Sathya

Tuesday, 15th Aug - Portrait Drawing of Sri Aurobindo with Lakshay

Wednesday, 16th Aug - Express yourself through colors, with Helgard

Thursday, 17th Aug - Understanding Lines with Audrey

Friday, 18th Aug - Plein air Water color with Jean-Marie

And all day, starting at 9.30 am

Sunday, 19th Aug - Sculpt with Hema (not sure of the venue yet, pls. confirm before)

Pls. call/email and make an appointment before coming. Everyone in the studio practices, no excuses. Pls. maintain silence and decorum in the premise. It's a cooperative; pls. feel free to use the studio's art materials. If possible, bring your personal art materials and donate unused ones for others. Donate generously for art to flourish. It's free for Aurovilians and Newcomers. AV Volunteers pay Rs.100 and Guests pay Rs.200 per session. These workshops are for adults, if you want to bring your child along, pls. confirm with the facilitator. Call Lakshay at 9810052574 or email to: creeva@auroville.org.in

We are looking for VOLUNTEERS to help us with our cool art projects. Join us!

JOY schedule for August.

Cancellation (from 16th August to 2nd September)

The Traditional Mantra Chanting (by Sonia)

Beginner: Thursday 6:15 pm to 7:15 pm

Regular Students: Friday 6:15 pm to 7:15 pm

Will be cancelled from 16th August to 2nd September

New Class (starting 12th August Onward)

Iyengar Yoga with Olesya

Regular: Saturday 5:00 am to 6:15 pm

Starting on 12th August onward



NEWS FROM AUROVILLE LANGUAGE LAB

<u>LANGUAGE</u>	<u>CLASS/LEVEL</u>	<u>TIMING</u>	<u>DAY</u>
ENGLISH	Beginners	04.30 - 5.30pm	Tuesday Thursday
	Pre-Intermediate	05.00 - 6.00pm	Monday Wednesday Friday
FRENCH	Beginners	10.00 - 11.30am 4.00 - 5.30pm	Tuesday / Wednesday Thursday
HINDI SANSKRIT	All Levels	01.00 - 4.00pm	Wednesday Friday
ITALIAN	All Levels	05.00 - 6.00pm	Monday Wednesday Friday
SPANISH	Beginners	4.00 - 5.00pm	Monday Thursday
	Intermediate	05.00 - 6.00pm	Monday Thursday
TAMIL	Beginners	10.00 - 11.00am 01.00 - 02.00pm	Tuesday Thursday
	Pre-Intermediate	03.30 - 04.45pm	Wednesday
	Intermediate	11.00 - 12.00pm 02.00 - 03.00pm	Tuesday Thursday
	Upper-Intermediate/Advanced	10.00 - 11.00am	Saturday

Beginner and Intermediate Spanish: We are happy to announce that Susana is back in Auroville and will teach Spanish for both Beginner and Intermediate levels. Old as well as new students are welcome. Those who were using the mediatheque in the summer for Spanish are welcome to join.

Upper-Intermediate/Advanced Tamil: For those whose spoken Tamil is already quite good, and who felt the Intermediate class is not challenging enough, Buvana will teach a higher-level class. The first session will be on Saturday the 19th August at 10 am.

Saravanan continues Tamil Conversation classes for both Beginner and Intermediate Levels.

Buvana's Beginners Tamil group from before the summer has now progressed to the Pre-Intermediate level.

Malcolm continues English classes for Beginner and Intermediate levels.

Camille started teaching Beginners French and loves it. Together with Gwendoline and Romain, the Service Civique volunteers, we will soon organise a whole French program for the year. Old and new students please contact us so we can schedule individual meetings to understand needs and levels.

People are welcome to join the existing groups, but need to meet the teacher first.

Chandrima is available for Hindi and Sanskrit classes for all levels on Wednesdays and Fridays. If there are enough people interested, groups can be formed.

Piero also remains available for Italian for all levels.

Tomatis listening sessions! - We are very happy to announce that all students registered at the Language Lab can now benefit from one hour per week of Tomatis listening training as part of their program. The Tomatis listening sessions are based on the principle that the voice cannot pronounce what the ear cannot hear. You have to be able to hear the sounds of a language correctly before you can repeat those sounds. Many students have difficulties hearing, and therefore pronouncing certain sounds in languages other than the mother tongue. Dr. Tomatis created a special machine which trains the ear and the brain to listen like a native speaker. It is a listening training. These sessions will be held on Saturdays. We had our first session last Saturday (05.08.17). Working with both music and language, 28 students did English, French, German and Tamil. Yes, we are offering Tamil Tomatis listening sessions. We have limited headphones, so we have a sign-up sheet at the Language Lab Reception. This is the first step towards fulfilling a long-standing dream. Of course, the full-fledged, intensive, two hours a day Tomatis listening training programs are very much available, for adults and children, for languages as well as a range of applications. There seems to be an idea floating around that it is only for special-needs children. Yes, it is indeed a wonderful help for children with a range of special needs, learning disorders, problems of attention and concentration, etc. But the Tomatis listening training has a range of benefits for adults as well. More on that in the next News and Notes!

We've had many problems with our phone lines in the new building, but now this one is working: 2623661. Send us email all@auroville.org.in if you don't get an answer. 9585207962 will be available until we have sorted out the phone problems.

The Language Lab is open Monday - Saturday 9:00 am - 6:00 pm
 Location: International Zone, Behind MM Nursery, Close to the Unity Pavilion, Pump House, etc.
 Phone: 2623 661, 9585207962 Email all@auroville.org.in



Cinema Paradiso

Multimedia Center (MMC) Auditorium
 Film program 14 August 2017 to 20 August 2017

Indian - Monday 14 August, 8:00 pm:

- ANHEY GORHEY DA DAAN (Alms for a Blind Horse)
 India, 2011, Writer-Director Gurvinder Singh w/Samuel John, Mal Singh, Serbjeet Kaur, and others, Drama, 112mins, Punjabi w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (PG)

This highly acclaimed film based on a novel by the same name is set in a village in the outskirts of Bathinda city in Punjab where villagers work in the fields of the local landlord. It is a village where people are trying hard to make peace with their existence. Daily rituals betray their simmering anger and their helplessness. The landlord has apparently sold his plots to an industry which has demolished the house of one of the villagers who refuses to vacate it. The elderly farmer's son is a rickshaw puller in the nearby town. The rickshaw pullers have gone on a strike that has turned violent. Both father and son are equally clueless about their futures.

Potpourri - Tuesday 15 August, 8:00 pm:

- RITORU FORESUTO : NATSU/AIK (Little Forest: Summer/Autumn)

Japan, 2014, Dir. Jun'ichi Mori w/ Ai Hashimoto, Mayu Matsuoka, Yôichi Nukumizu, and others, Drama, 111mins, Japanese w/ English subtitles, Rated: NR (PG)

In this two part film based on an earlier manga series, Ichiko is a delicately-featured, strong-willed, young woman who lived in the big city with her then-boyfriend. But she has recently returned to Komori, a fictional village meaning *little forest* in The Tohoku region. Ichiko reconnects with the land - living among nature and eating foods she makes from seasonal ingredients. "Food is a mirror of your heart" was one of her mom's pearls of wisdom. It is a foodie film about growing and eating local, reconnecting with land and people.

Interesting - Thursday 16 August, 8:00 pm:

- I AM NOT YOUR NEGRO
 USA-France-Switzerland, 2016, Dir. Raoul Peck w/Samuel L. Jackson, James Baldwin, Harry Belafonte and others, Documentary, 93mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG-13

James Baldwin had written an outstanding personal account called *Remember This House* where he also wrote about the assassination of his close friends - Medgar Evers, Malcolm X and Martin Luther King, Jr. When Baldwin passed away in 1987, Peck created this film from 30 pages of manuscript that he had left behind. It is a journey into black history that connects the past of the Civil Rights movement to the present of Black-Lives-Matter. It questions black representation in Hollywood and beyond. And, ultimately, by confronting the deeper connections between the lives and assassination of these three leaders, Baldwin and Peck have produced a work that challenges the very definition of what America stands for. *Cannot miss this one!*

Nature Series - Thursday 17 August, 8:00 pm:

- PLANET EARTH II : CITIES
 UK, 2016, Dir. Fredi Devas, A BBC production w/ David Attenborough, Documentary, 60mins, English, Rated: NR (G)

The urban areas take us to a habitat "entirely designed and constructed by one species for its own purpose". Our cities aren't made for animals. But that doesn't mean they aren't living among us. As deforestation for human needs infringes upon the last holds of the animals, desperate creatures, a few species who can - are desperately trying to make our cities their home. However, for our own survival, it is time to rethink the designing of our cities.

International - Saturday 19 August, 8:00 pm:

- A QUIET PASSION
 UK-Belgium, 2016, Writer-Director Terence Davies w/ Cynthia Nixon, Jennifer Ehle, Keith Carradine, and others, Biography-Drama, 125mins, English w/ English subtitles, Rated: PG-13

This award winning film tells the story of American poet Emily Dickenson. It follows her life from early days as a young school girl to her later years as she become a brilliant and prolific poet, only to be recognized posthumously. *It is an elegant, brilliantly acted film - a tribute to the poet.*

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

- SPARK: A SPACE TAIL
 Canada-South Korea, 2016, Dir: Aaron Woodley w/ Jessica Biel, Patrick Stewart, Susan Sarandon, Animation, 91mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: PG

Spark, a teenage monkey and his friends, Chunk and Vix, are on a mission to regain Planet Bana - a kingdom overtaken by the evil overlord Zhong.

BOGART-BACALL Movies @ Ciné-Club
 Ciné-Club - Sunday 20 August, 8:00 pm:

- DARK PASSAGE
 USA, 1947, Dir. Howard Hawks w/Humphrey Bogart, Lauren Bacall, Bruce Bennet and others, Film-Noire, 106mins, English w/English subtitles, Rated: NR

Bogart plays a man convicted of murdering his wife who escapes from prison to prove his innocence. Bogart finds that his features are too well known, and is forced to seek some illicit backroom plastic surgery. The entire pre-knife part of the film is shot from a Bogart's-eye-view, with us seeing the fugitive for the first time as he starts to recuperate from the operation in the apartment of a sympathetic young artist (played by Bacall) for whom he soon finds affection. But what he's really after is revenge.

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

For scheduling programs at MMC/CP venue: please email us at mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in. *We appreciate your continued support. Please make a contribution to "Cinema Paradiso" account (#105106) at the Financial Service.* Thanking You, MMC/CP Group - Account# 105106, mmcauditorium@auroville.org.in

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- Auroville Safety and Security Team: 9443090107 (Email: avsecurity@auroville.org.in)
- Ambulance: Auroville: 9442224680 - Pims: 0413-2656271
- Farewell: mobile number: 8903836246. *reachable 24/7.*

Images & Sounds of Bengal: 12 to 22nd August 2017 – Bharat Nivas.

SPECIAL FILM PROJECTIONS:

1. Sunday, 13 August 2017, Venue : Bhavishyate, 7.45 pm.

ANTAHEEN

Director: Aniruddha Roy Chowdhury
Starring: Rahul Bose, Aparna Sen, Sharmila Tagore, Radhika Apte

The film explores the myriad layers of love, loneliness and waiting. It closely knits together the relationships between two people who form an everlasting bond over the Internet, an estranged couple whose love is greater than the distance between them, a rich real-estate magnate and his socialite wife, and a lady who chose to remain single, waiting for a lover whom she never met.

2. Friday, 18 August 2017, Venue: Bhavishyate, 7.45 pm

SUBHO MAHURAT

Director: Rituparno Ghosh
Starring: Sharmila Tagore, Rakhee Gulzar, Nandita Das

An actress mysteriously dies after the "Shubho Mahurat," a celebration of the first shot of the film. A journalist and her perceptive aunt investigate.

3. Sunday, 20th August, Venue: Bhavishyate, 7.45 pm

HIRAK RAJAR DESHE

Director: Satyajit Ray

Starring: Soumitra Chatterjee, Utpal Dutt, Robi Ghosh, Tapan Chattopadhyay

Granted three wishes by the benign King of Goblins, Goopy and Bagha possess magical powers. They are invited by the King of Hirok, the land of diamond mines, which is a police state ruled by the tyrant King. Goopy and Bagha team up with Udayan, an idealist teacher, to dethrone the King.

NOTE: Changes

Wednesday, 16 Aug. at 7.45: "Mondo Meyer Upakhyan" (Tale of a naughty girl)

Director: Buddhadeb Dasgupta

Starring: Rituparna Sengupta, Samata Das, Sreelekha Mitra, Tapas Paul, June Malia

A young girl's mother wants her to marry an old man for his money. The girl rebels and runs away to Calcutta to find a new life.

Monday, 21 August 2017: Film "WOH", 6 pm, Bhavishyate.

Director: Buddhadeb Dasgupta

Starring: Barun Chanda, Aitreeka Ghosh, Raj Zutshi

WOH is inspired by Rabindranath Tagore's novel "Shey" (That Fellow) written in Shantiniketan, 1937 about his own relationship with granddaughter Nandini.



THE ECO FILM CLUB

Sadhana Forest, August 18th, Friday

Schedule of Events:

16:00 Free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Tour

16:30 Tour of Sadhana Forest

18:00 Free bus from Solar Kitchen to Sadhana Forest for the Eco Film Club

18:30 Eco Film Club begins with "previews" of short Sadhana Forest films

20:00 Dinner is served

21:30 Free bus from Sadhana Forest back to Solar Kitchen

Before the movie, at exactly 16:30 you are welcome to join us for a full tour of Sadhana Forest and an update of our most recent work! After the film you are welcome to join us for a free 100% vegan organic dinner!

THE CONNECTED GENERATION

52 Minutes / English / 2011 / Directed by Richard Waterhouse
The Connected Generation looks at the evolution of the humble classroom. From chalk boards to networked interactive digital whiteboards, today's classrooms are at the forefront of a technology revolution. In a retrospective on how far technology has come in such a short period of time and to what end it has been embraced by teachers and students alike, it begs the question; what will the classroom of the future look like?

(Reminder: Friday 04/11 Planet Earth II - Mountains)

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

VIDEO PREMIERE: Parts of the Being & Planes of Consciousness

Sopanam team is happy to welcome everyone for the first opening show of our latest film "Parts of the Being & Planes of Consciousness".

This is the third film in the series "Evolution Fast-forward". Made in 3D motion graphics animation, duration 75 minutes. The video is a detailed exploration of our psychological parts of being as mapped by Sri Aurobindo and The Mother. All those who are interested in ordered psychological mapping of integral yoga will find this video very useful in daily life.

Date 14th August 2017

Time: 4.00 pm

Venue: Cinema Paradiso

Direction and Script: Manoj Pavitran

Animation: Hemant Sekhar

Music: Arnab B Chaudhury

Voice: Anuradha Majumdar

All are welcome,

Sopanam team

Unity Pavilion

Eye Opening Movie Series

Wednesday, August 16:

BUCKMINSTER FULLER: THINKING OUT LOUD - English - 1h 30min

Fuller is considered by some to be one of the 20th century's most noteworthy, controversial and creative thinkers, since his death in 1983. The film looks at his unconventional life, his innovations, and his radical view of the contemporary world. Best known as the inventor of the Geodesic Dome, Fuller had many other inventions, such as an air-streamed three-wheeled car, and ideas of how to "benefit mankind."

Every Wednesday, 8 pm - All are welcome

No contribution required

AT SAVITRI BHAVAN

Monday, 14th of August 2017 at 6:30 pm
"The Day of the Lord"

The 15th of August 1947, the day of Sri Aurobindo's birthday and the day when India became free marks a special day for India and also a special day in Earth's spiritual history. And a special day in Earth's spiritual history is the 29th of February 1956 when a New World and a New Consciousness was born. It is the day when the long and intense tapasya of Sri Aurobindo and the Mother bore the fruit of the Supramental

manifestation upon Earth and in the midst of our struggling humanity.

Since then a New Consciousness has been active upon earth, growing by the day, by the minute and the hour, shaping the earth's future. We may not recognize it or even doubt it, but it is there. And for those who are open and ready, it is an exceptional time, when a little effort brings great results.

In this video of a talk Dr. Alok Pandey contemplates and reflects upon Earth's spiritual history and upon the work of Sri Aurobindo and The Mother and its shaping of Earth's destiny and the future of humanity. Duration: 50min.

The News&Notes is available for all to download from the Auroville website at <http://www.auroville.org/contents/4186>
The archives are found at <http://www.auroville.org/contents/186>
And regular events at <http://www.auroville.org/contents/4201>

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

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

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

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

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News & Notes, Media Centre, Town Hall. Phone: 0413-2622133, email: newsandnotes@auroville.org

ACCESSIBLE AUROVILLE PUBLIC BUS - AUGUST 2017

Pondy Trips (summary. See full schedule on Auronet)

The usual stops are served along the way: Matrimandir office gate, Solar kitchen, Certitude, Kuilapalayam, New Creation Junction, Kuilapalayam (SBI Bank), (Former) Last School, Quiet, Lotus Hotel

Morning Trips:

MONDAY to SATURDAY

Dep. 8.20 am - Vérité
Arr. 9.05 am - Ashram Dining Hall

Dep. 12.00 pm - Ashram Dining Hall
Arr. 12.45 pm - Vérité

Afternoon Trips:

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

Dep. 4.20 pm - Vérité
Arr. 5.05 pm - Ashram Dining Hall

Dep. 8.10 pm - Ashram Dining Hall
Arr. 8.55 pm - Vérité

Short afternoon Trips:

MONDAY & SATURDAY

Dep. 2.50 pm - Vérité
Arr. 3.35 pm - Ashram Dining Hall

Dep. 6.00 pm - Ashram Dining Hall
Arr. 6.45 pm - Vérité

Srima Beach (Tanto Far Beach) – Sunday Trips (summary. See full schedule on Auronet)

The usual stops are served along the way:

Matrimandir office gate, Solar kitchen, Certitude, Kuilapalayam (New Creation Junction), Kuilapalayam(SBI Bank), (Former) Last School

Dep. 9.00 am - Vérité
Arr. 9.30 am - SriMa

Dep. 9.30 am - Sri Ma
Arr. 10.00 am - Vérité

Dep. 11.30 am - Vérité
Arr. 12.00 pm - SriMa

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Dep. 5.30 pm
Arr. 6.00 pm - Vérité

We are looking forward for feedback from you all. Write to us at: avbus@auroville.org

REGULAR EVENTS IN AUGUST

Note from the editors

The *Regular Events* column is printed once a month, and sent via pdf/published online weekly.

Guest-houses are kindly requested to put this section up on their notice boards for their guests.

Kindly inform us of any changes/cancellation of your event, or if you want your regular event to be added to the listing

NEW: now online Regular Events! <http://www.auroville.org/contents/4201>

Online Auroville Events Calendar - (no need to log in for guests! - just scroll down the page)

The schedule of events for the week can be accessed by all, including Guests and Visitors, on the Auronet login page: www.auroville.org

AcroYoga for Beginners: Saturdays 8:15 to 9:45 am at Arka. - Partner flow: warming up with asanas and stretching with a partner - Inversions: flying and playing with partners. *Damien* 90 47 72 27 40

African Pavilion's regular events: By Popular Demand the African Pavilion is happy to announce, every Monday from 6pm to 9pm, a new event to host African Cooking, Music, and Dancing. Every

Thursday enjoy the drumming circle together with dinner from 7 pm till 9 pm. Every Friday at 4.30pm: Transformational yoga.

Aikido with Sep (Tanseikai group): Practice of Aikido at the Auroville Budokan under the guidance of Sep Overlaet, 6th Dan Tokyo Aikikai. Hours of practice: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Minimum age is 15. For further information contact Sep: overlaet@gmail.com / 8489755035

Auroville Aikido at Auroville Budokan (Dehashakti): Beginners: Wednesday evening 5.30 to 6.30 pm with Surya and Saturday morning 6.30 to 7.30 am (mixed levels) with Murugan/John/Surya. Advanced (morning classes) with Murugan/John: Tuesday, Thursday 6.00 to 7.30 am and mixed levels on Saturday 6.30 to 7.30 am. Women/young girls: (outreach centres & others) Sunday 8.30 to 9.30 am with Surya. -- Please be at the Dojo/Budokan at least 15 min. before the class starts. Beginners may wear long loose pants & t-shirt with sleeves for the start (no tight fitting please) then a white "keikogi" will be required. For all activities at the AV Budokan: Health Fund or private insurance necessary - Reasonable contribution required for the Dojo. For Children classes and more general info, please write to budokan@auroville.org.in or contact *Surya*: 0413-2623-813 or 9655-485487

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

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

Art Cart: Tuesdays from 10am-12pm, Wednesdays/Fridays from 4-6pm on Visitor's Center stage (next to the cafeteria). A colorful and mobile space for art making, a hub for creativity and connection across all differences. We provide art materials and themes for inspiration, cart can be moved anywhere in the bioregion for special events. No booking or experience necessary, just come and create! An outreach effort by Sankalpa: Art Journeys, a subunit of Thamarai. Contact: sankalpa.art@gmail.com

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

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

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

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

Brahamanapati kshetram: The Mother and Sri Aurobindo Centre is launching regular activities: Every Thursday meditation 6:00-6:60 pm - Every first Sunday of the month reading circle from 5:30 pm led by Bhuvana Sundari in Tamil and English (for directions kindly consult Google maps at this link: here)

Body Care in Auromode: Facial treatment - cleaning, scrubbing, massage, moisturizing mask, rejuvenating mask, deep cooling mask. Exotic SPA - Scrub, Wraps (chocolate, Tropicana). All used materials made from natural and organic products. Body Treatment - Cup massage. For more information contact *Svetlana* +919344639707

Body fitness & Self-defense class: Learn Karate and Kick boxing for self-defense and body fitness. On Saturday and Sunday between 6.30 and 8.30 am. Place: SAWCHU building, Bharat Nivas. For more information contact: 9442485455 or 9786167917

Buddha Garden Activities: We have an *Introductory tour* every Monday at 10.00 am until lunch time. Walk around the farm and see how we grow our organic food. For further details contact *Priya*: priya@auroville.org.in.

Budo Waraku: Keiko (practice) of Budo Waraku at the Auroville Budokan on Mondays and Fridays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Waraku is a Japanese Budo based on ancient Shinto wisdom. The ancients taught the "Kototama", the power of sound. The universe is made of sound. The practice will be directed by Sep and Yoko, direct disciples of Maeda Hiramasa Sensei, the founder of Budo Waraku. Minimum age is 15. For further information contact *Sep*: overlaet@gmail.com/8489755035

Capoeira (Group Ginga Saroba): Join our Capoeira family! Classes open to all levels, led by Prof. Samuka da Índia and his students
● ADULTS >> Monday: 5.15 PM - SAWCHU (Bharat Nivas) | Tuesday & Thursday: 6.00 PM - Deepanam School
● KIDS >> Monday & Friday: 1.15 PM - Deepanam School - Contact us prior bringing a new kid
● CONTACT >> 9488328435 (Prof. Samuka) | info@ginga-saroba.com | www.ginga-saroba.com

Children Activity Garten: in a friendly home-environment for ALL children from 2 to 6. Open Mo - Fr from 9 am to 1 pm and on the regular school holidays. Contact: egle@auroville.org.in or 94880 47368. <http://activitygartenauroville.esy.es>

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

Coaching and Personal development based on NLP with *Christine P.*: 9489805493 / contact@auroville-holistic.com. www.auroville-holistic.com

Creativity Atelier - Life Drawing Circle: Time: Tuesdays, 5.30pm to 7.30pm. Venue: Creativity Atelier. Creativity Community. Fees: Voluntary Contributions to Materials and Model. All are welcome to immerse themselves in our intense and inspiring session of life drawing. The idea is to explore one's creative self in a friendly and fun environment. This is not an instruction based class. A model and basic drawing materials will be arranged for.

We seek your generous donation to maintain the well-endowed studio and sustain the enriching experience. We also welcome those who would like to model for our artists. You need not necessarily have prior experience to pose for few drawings. Moreover, you get to enjoy many creative manifestations of yourselves while you indulge yourself in a quiet and meditative sit-in moments. For more information or to book yourself, please contact *Lakshay* on 9810052574. Cheers!

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

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

NEW dance fitness class: Where - New Creation Dance studio. Timing - Tuesday and Friday morning from 8.30 to 9.30. Teacher - *Vijay*

Darkali Fitness Track open hours: New, redesigned Darkali Fitness is closed in the mornings until further notice. Track is open afternoon only from 4.30 p.m. till 6.45 p.m. Please remember to come 30 minutes before closing time. Please note, in case of rain the Fitness Track will be closed until the path is dry. To be aware when the Fitness Track reopens after the rain please visit Auronet group «[Darkali Fitness Track](https://www.facebook.com/Darkali-Fitness-Track)». Way to the gate in Google Maps: goo.gl/dpdTgf.

Eco Femme open session: Eco Femme welcomes you on every Thursday from 10.30 am to 11.30 am for a small talk about our work, sustainable menstrual products and menstruation experiences. Contact number: 9487179556

Evening* Farmers Market: The Saturday Market is now ON in the cooler evening! Every Saturday at the Youth Center, 6pm - 8:30 pm, along with the Pizza Night. A community celebration of local food & creativity. Yummy organic veggies and hand-processed food from AV Farms, eco-green products, fantastic jewelry, snacks and

kefir, handmade clothes, music, etc. *See you there.* YC 0413-2622857

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

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

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

GAMES! An evening of fun board games. Every Friday from 6:30 pm onwards, upstairs at le Zéphyr restaurant in Visitors Center. We have many games already! Bring yours if you have!

Hatha Yoga classes @ JOY GH: The classes will be geared towards achieving a balance in our energies. Education about the body, mind and breath and yoga asanas, sequencing and their benefits will be an integral part. We will also do a little chanting and pranayama practice. The classes will be on Mondays and Fridays from 4:30 to 6:00 pm. First class will be on the 3rd of April. Thought by *Sakshi*. For more info: 9487272393, *Joy Team*.

Hatha Yoga with Bala at the African Pavilion: Monday to Thursday: 6 am to 7 30 am and 4 to 5 30 pm - Classical Hatha Yoga by a 200hr Yoga alliance certified teacher. Hatha Yoga gives importance to the breathing, relaxation and meditation nature of a pose along with the physical nature of the Asanas. An Asana class consists of eye and neck exercises, Pranayama, sun salutations, Asanas (Poses), final Relaxation and Meditation. Beginners to Intermediate level. Contact: +91 9892699804 / 7867899203

Hindi & English Class: Learn to speak, read and write Hindi at New Creation every Sunday at 1.00 pm to 2.30 pm. Contact *Shiv*: 9884035536 at *Reach for the Stars*. shiv.godi007@gmail.com

Hip Hop Class: Hip hop classes for Children at New creation Dance studio. On Tuesdays: 6 pm to 8 pm and Saturdays: 4 to 5 pm - For more information call: 9786167917.

Leela, the Game of the Self Knowledge (a 2000 years old game!): Come and play the Game of your Life! Sundays, 10 am to 12.30 (above 15 years old), in SVEDAME, at the Butterfly Barn. English, Spanish, French, Italian, German and Russian versions all available. Contribution kindly asked. Always better to call before to confirm, please contact: *Veronique J.* 948 85 12 678 www.leelathegame.blogspot.in

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

MMA (Mixed Martial Arts) and Self-Defence for Women: Every Monday and Wednesday 5:30 to 7:00 at Dehashakti Gymnasium. Open to everyone starting from the age of 14. Please be punctual and in sportswear. Stay at home if sick or if you have open wounds or skin diseases. Free for Aurovilians, Newcomers, SAVI Volunteers. By the way contributions are very welcome - Guests: Rs.150 per class. *Giacomo*: 9487340778 / giacomoauroville@gmail.com

Mudra-Chi Workshop: A body Prayer in a Tai-Chi Form. Every Tuesday at 5 pm. At Savitri Bhavan. Facilitator: *Anandi*. For further information or Special Classes, contact me, anandi7@auroville.org.in

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

Odissi & Semi-Classical Bollywood Dance Class With Tejas: Private Dance Classes at the Shakti Dance School in Felicity. Learn grace,

discipline, and the beautiful temple dance of east India. +91-8489477222. tejas@shaktidancetroupe.com.

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

Pavilion of Tibetan Culture - Wednesday dinners: As usual we request you to register with us at 0413 2622401 or send an email to: kalsang@auroville.org.in

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

Pilates with Teresa: At Arka. All classes last one hour. Thursday & Thursday 7:30 am all levels / Wednesday 5:30 pm all levels / Friday 5:30pm advance level. Teresa: 7867998952 / teresa@auroville.org.in

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

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

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

Readers group Mother's Agenda: In Italian for Italians - Let's know Auroville through the mother - Alcuni passi scelti dall'Agenda in italiano per comprendere la profondità del viaggio di Mère nella nostra lingua madre. "...C'è come una favola dietro a tutto questo....Qualcosa di indicibilmente bello, una storia che Sri Aurobindo ha cercato di far scendere sulla terra: e adesso è certo che si sta realizzando!" Tutti i mercoledì ore 17 alla Library in Creativity con Janaka - Le fotografie dei passi proposti sono gratuite...perché come ha detto Mère: "Questa Agenda è il mio regalo a quelli che mi amano" - Per informazioni contatta Janaka al 948.762.96.48 oppure janaka.om@auroville.org.in

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

Restorative Circles (RC): workshops, practice groups, calling a live Circle, and other questions. Contact *L'aura*: 9442788016, restorative@auroville.org.in, joylivinglearning@gmail.com, www.facebook.com/RestorativeAuroville

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

Sanskrit Mantras: at Joy Community GH Hall, Centre Field. Drop in classes on Thursday at 6:15 to 7:15pm and Regular Classes on Friday from 6:15 to 7:15pm. Chanting Mantra is performing an ancient prayer. Through the harmonic rhythm, repetition and participation in the chant, the mind gains clarity, the ability to concentrate increases and a person becomes more tranquil. Through daily chanting the mind gains qualities which are essential for students of Yoga & Spiritual Scriptures. The specific pitches and rules of intonation and syllabic length will be learned in these classes in the traditional way.

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

Singing & Dancing Celebration around the fire in Yatra 2017 Joyful spiritual songs from all over the world - keyboard and drums - Bring your instruments and join us! Every Thursday at 7.30 pm. at Yatra - Near NewVreation Sports ground/La Piscine. *Osiva*: 919629832216

Skyworks: Tree Climbing Workshops: RECREATIONAL. You want the experience without learning all the knots? The ropes are already positioned in the trees. The knots are tied and tested

before you hook on. After being fitted with your saddle and some short instructions on safety and climbing techniques, you are off and climbing! Kids of all ages welcome. ADVANCED You want to learn the ropes and get off the ground. During class we teach both the double and single ropes techniques plus demonstrate many of the new climbing devices available. You will learn to install the ropes in the trees, tie and use several climbing knots and ascend and descend both with the knots but also with ascenders and descenders. For conditions&appointment call *Satyajji* 8531033545

Solitude Farm activities:

- Weekly farm tour with *Krishna* - Saturdays 11:30am
- Cooking workshop to learn how to use local, traditional ingredients and their nutritional benefits - Saturdays 3pm
- Volunteers welcome! Drop by to visit or call *Krishna* 9843319260

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

Sound Bath - Unity Journey: *no session in May*

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

Sound Therapy and Exploration in the Body for Self-Healing: Harmonizing and restoring healing sessions through the magic of the sounds from a specially designed sound bed and other music instruments that enhance the self-healing powers of your being...The aim is to put you in a state of relaxation which enables you to see or feel yourself deeply according to your own awareness. In addition to the sound journey, you will be guided through your body to explore new dimensions which has an action and a benefit on the 3 levels: Physical, Energetical and Mental. This exploration based on the concepts of Chinese Medicine will help you reconnect with your organs and holistic being. In case of emergency I may help releasing sciatica pain ("Ischias" in German). To book your appointment, please call *Isha* at: (0413) 2622192 / (+91) 99433 05092

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

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

Spiritual coaching with Sitara: tools: Bach flowers, mandala and affirmation work, spontaneous writing, hypnosis, meditation, visualization and yin yoga. For appointment contact *Sitara* 9751798408 tara@auroville.org.in

Spontaneous Singing with Antoine: *Paused until Aug 16th.*

Sunday Farm & Forest Walks: *no walks in May*

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

Tai Chi Hall @ Sharnqa: There will be no Tai Chi classes from May 23 to August 7. The last class will be on May 22 Monday and the first class (next) will be on August 8 Tuesday. taichi@auroville.org.in

Taiwanese style Tea Ceremony: With *Isha* - Every Thursday 2 pm to 4.45 pm - Hall of Peace, Unity Pavilion - You will experience and learn the East Asian way of drinking and serving tea. Only organic tea will be used. All are Welcome. Please sign up with the Unity Pavilion, 0413-2623576 or unitypavilion@auroville.org.in

Tea Gathering: With *Isha* - Experience and learn the East Asian way of drinking and serving tea - The art of sharing joy and peace through a cup of tea with your friends will change your perspective towards tea, only organic tea will be used - Every Saturday 2 pm to 5 pm. Booking is required. Approx. 1 hour for each session, please choose your time slot. Venue: Swayam - Book at: 0413-2622192 / ishaswayam@auroville.org.in

Thai massage to re-harmonize the energy and heal with *Christine P.* Registration & info: contact@auroville-holistic.com, *Christine P.* 9489805493/ www.auroville-holistic.com

Theatre Improvisation Games: Come and discover a new sense of freedom, meet other fun and interesting people for an afternoon filled with interesting improvisation games. Every Friday from 4.30 pm - 6 pm at SAWCHU. For more details call *Veronique J.* (9488512678)

Ultimate Frisbee: Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at the Gaia Sports Field 4.30 pm to sundown (turn left before Gaia community gate). Helps improve stamina, hand/eye coordination, and focus through running, throwing, & catching the disc; along with patience & teamwork and Spirit of the Game. Bring running shoes if you have them. Contact avultimate@auroville.org.in with any questions or just come ready to play!

NEW! Ultimate Frisbee women's team training: Sunday 4-6 pm

Veena Musical Classes: One of India's most ancient string. Regular veena musical classes by *Ravi* for everyone, Children & Adults, at Yatra Arts Foundation, near New Creation sports ground. Every Friday evening from 5pm to 7pm. Contact: 0413- 2623071 / 9786772209

VocalYoga, Nada Yoga and Sacred Chanting: Mondays and Tuesdays, 2 to 4pm in Creativity hall of light. Explore and learn how to use your vocal instrument according to Italian Masters of the voice in a yogic approach. NadaYoga teaches us to perceive sounds in different parts of the body connected to energetic channels. These ancient Yoga techniques re-align the energy flow give peace and serenity. Allow people who sing out of tune to sing well Learn: Mantras, Kirtans, Bajhans. Contact: *Hamsini* ONLY ON APOINTMENT 9487544184.

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

The Youth Center Pizza Nights are on Fire: And so is the fire wood oven, so when Saturday evening 7 00 pm comes around, get your chappals on and kick your bike to life (or jump on your cycle), follow your nose and you'll end up at the right place! We have pizzaiolos rolling out doughs by the second and a precisely highly trained group of hands sprinkling the pizzas with all kinds of toppings and tasty Auroville cheeses. And lots more, so see you there!

Vinyasa Yoga: - at Creativity Hall of Light, every Thursday from 4 pm to 5.30 pm with *Bebe Merino*. This style is sometimes also called flow yoga, because of the smooth way that the poses run together and become like a dance. Please come and enjoy the classes.

NEW! Vinyasa flow Yoga classes with So-Youn at Creativity HALL OF LIGHT. The class is based on alignment of Iyengar and flow of Ashtanga. It remains authentic to ancient yoga tradition while tackling modern challenges. After class, you will be So Young!! Schedules, 17:30-18:30 starting in May 2017
Tuesday - Vinyasa flow lv.0
Thursday - Vinyasa flow lv.1
Aurovilians and Newcomers free of charge.
Volunteers 100 rupees. Guest 200 rupees
Please, park the motorcycle in Creativity garage.

Kalaripayattu

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The journey of a man looking for connection with himself and nature.
Dance and theatre show inspired by the oldest martial art in the world: Kalaripayattu.

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 8 PM

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ACRES FOR AUROVILLE – 15 August 2017

This 15th August 2017 marks the completion of the third year of 'Acres for Auroville' campaign. Looking back, there is good reason to feel gratified and encouraged. Thanks to the spirit of goodwill and collaboration from almost 1000 individuals, the campaign has reached its target for the third consecutive year and, to date, enabled purchase/exchange of 15 plots within the Master Plan area. In comparison with the scale of challenge, the success may seem modest; nevertheless, A4A is offering the indispensable funding resource for the Land Board's vital work.

This 15th August is also significant for two other reasons. It is Sri Aurobindo's birthday and it is India's 70th Independence Day. The confluence has profound significance. As Jawaharlal Nehru said in his memorable address in the Indian Parliament: *"At the stroke of the midnight hour, when the world sleeps, India will awake to life and freedom. A moment comes, which comes but rarely in history, when we step out from the old to the new, when an age ends, and when the soul of a nation, long suppressed, finds utterance."*

The soul of India found its utterance in a remote corner of what was then the French India. At the request of All India Radio, Tiruchirappalli, Sri Aurobindo wrote a message which he termed a "personal declaration" of his life-long dreams – the dreams in which India figured as the central torch-bearer. 21 years after India's Independence, Auroville was founded on 28th February 1968. A deep and comprehensive study of the Mother's vision of Auroville reveals that Auroville as a well-developed unique universal township could render a supreme service to India to emerge as the torch-bearer of hope, nobility and inspiration Sri Aurobindo envisioned for the progress of human civilization.

Keeping this awareness as the background, we embark on the 4th year of 'Acres for Auroville' campaign with a will to continue to build on successes of the past. It is said that Auroville is an ongoing success story. This is possible thanks innumerable small success stories within the broader compass. 'Acres for Auroville' is one of them. Let us carry forward the story to its conclusion - building a unified land base for the harmonious development of the Auroville Universal Township.

In solidarity for the City of Dawn and with firm belief in her bright future,

Aryadeep

Mandakini

Please specify "ACRES FOR AUROVILLE" (all Master Plan priority plots) or GreenAcres (exclusively Greenbelt plots) for all donations via Auroville Unity Fund (checks or bank transfers), Auroville Donation Gateway (credit or debit cards) www.auroville.com/donations/, Auroville International www.auroville-international.org. For tax deductibility: www.colaap.org



ACRES FOR AUROVILLE Land Campaign

15th August – Birthday of Sri Aurobindo & India's 70th Independence Day



“Auroville wants to be the first realisation of human unity based on the teaching of Sri Aurobindo where men of all countries would be at home.”

The Mother

Seventy years ago, at the request of All India Radio, Sri Aurobindo wrote a message that was broadcast on the eve of India's independence on August 14, 1947. Some extracts:

“August 15th, 1947 is the birthday of free India ... it signifies the entry into the comity of nations of a new power with untold potentialities which has a great part to play in determining the political, social, cultural and spiritual future of humanity. August 15th is my own birthday ... I take this coincidence ... as the sanction and seal of the Divine Force that guides my steps on the work with which I began life ...”

He wrote of the dreams he long cherished, two of which relate to the Auroville vision:

- unification of the human world ... there must grow up an international spirit and outlook
- a step in evolution which would raise man to a higher and larger consciousness ... it must proceed through a growth of the spirit and the inner consciousness

**Auroville exists to build a first home for incarnating and striving for these dreams ...
“Acres for Auroville” exists to provide the land, the unified material base for this home!**

Please specify your donations ‘**ACRES FOR AUROVILLE**’ via Auroville Unity Fund (checks & bank transfers) - via www.auroville.com/donations/ - via your country's Auroville International centre www.auroville-international.org More information & tax deductibility www.colaap.org

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