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Consulate General of India Sydney
&
Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre (SVCC)
proudly announces



Talent Show of Indian Performing Arts

CGI Sydney and SVCC encourage you to send your entries to participate in the following genres:

- Indian Classical Dance (Solo) or (Groups)
- Indian Vocal Performance (Hindustani & Carnatic)
- Indian Instrumental Performance
- Poetry Recitation
- Indian Folk Dance (Solo) or (Groups)
- Popular Dance (Solo) or (Groups)
- Painting

Guidelines for the competition:

- The talent show is exclusively for Women and Girls of all age groups* from New South Wales and South Australia.
- Interested candidates may send their expression of interest with details (name, genre, age category, etc) to library.sydney@mea.gov.in before 18 June 2024 (Tuesday).
- Details of the preliminary rounds will be shared with the candidates upon completion of the registration process.
- Appointed juries and judges will select winners based on performance in preliminary rounds.

@ Winners of each category will be performing in a grand cultural event on the Independence Day of the Republic of India on 15 August 2024
* Age groups are categorized into (i) under 14 yrs (ii) 14-21 yrs and (iii) 21-40 yrs.
The decision of judges and juries stands final.

Talent Show of Indian Performing Arts

I. Director's Desk

Namaste and Greetings from the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre.

This month, the amazing creative artistry and talent in our dance, music, poetry and many other cultural genres was encouraged in three different age groups categories. The winners have been nominated to showcase their work for Independence Day in Sydney. Do join us on 15 August for flag hoisting in the morning at the Consulate General of India in Sydney and evening celebrations at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

The Consulate General of Perth, the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre and The Anjelms Project are collaborating show showcase the rich traditional Indian handcrafted textiles through the 'Stitching Stories: a Tapestry of Tradition, Sustainability and Empowerment' exhibition as a part of the IOTA2024 Indian Ocean Craft Triennial in Freemantle. Do visit the exhibition if you are in Western Australia.

To know more about our events, please connect with us 'ICCR in Australia' on Facebook and Twitter.

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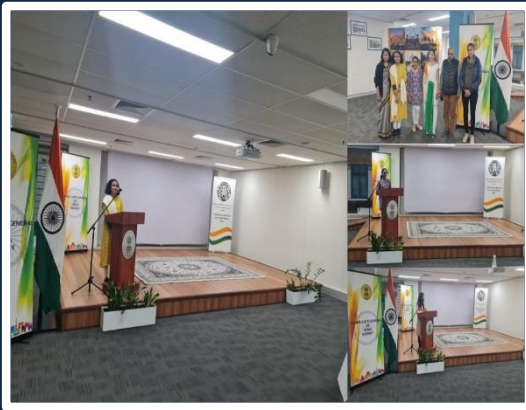


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II. Activities

The Consulate General of India and the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre hosted the 'Talent Show of Indian Performing Arts' at the Centre. The talent show aimed at showcasing emerging and established talent in NSW and SA.

The talent show was categorised into seven categories such as poetry recitation, instrumental performance, painting, Indian classical dance performance (solo and group), Indian folk dance (solo and group), popular dance and vocal performance (Hindustani and Carnatic). The competition was held exclusively for women and girls to promote the 'Women Empowerment', initiative by the Government of India. The Consulate General of India, Sydney and the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre encouraged the local community and Indian diaspora to participate in the 'Talent Show' to demonstrate their talent on a competitive level. The participants were categorised into three age groups viz. under 14, 14-21 and 21-40. This has facilitated fair ground for all the participants. Based on the assessment of the talent made by the jurors and judges, the winners of the talent show are shortlisted to perform at the reception organised on the occasion of Independence Day of the Republic of India.



The program started with a poetry recitation competition. Mr. Ramakrishna Neti, Ms. Renu Natarajan and Dr. Shailja Chaturvedi were among the jurors.

Poetry recitation

The second component of the talent show was the instrumental performance. Participants demonstrated their skills in Sitar, Violin and Flute. Nadhamuni Gayatri Bharat, Tabla Maestro Amna Pal and Vidwan Balaji Jagannadhan assessed the participants and shortlisted emerging artists.

Instrumental Performance



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The Talent Show also comprised a painting competition and enthusiastic young artists demonstrated their expertise in painting. The winning paintings will be displayed at the venue of the reception of Independence Day of the Republic of India.

Painting competition

Indian classical dances (solo and groups) in the talent show. Renowned performing artists Dr. Kanan Shah, Ms Vidushi Vanishree Chinnadupparige, Ms Vidushi Pallavi Bhagavath and Guru Venkata Ramana gauged the emerging talent and nominated the winners.

Classical Dance Performances at Talent Show



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Classical and folk-dance schools from Sydney participated in the Indian folk-dance category to showcase India's rich cultural and traditional heritage. Ms. Sumati Nagpal, Mr. Pratik Chavda and Ms. Nabanita Banerjee were among the juries panel to select the winners for the competition.



Indian Folk Dance Performances



Indian classical vocal performances (Hindustani and Carnatic)

Indian classical vocal performances (Hindustani and Carnatic) were the concluding element of the 'Talent Show of Indian Performing Arts'.

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II. Upcoming Events



15th of August
 INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Consulate General of India, Sydney and Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre will organise a Flag Hoisting ceremony to celebrate the 78th Independence Day of the Republic of India in Sydney. The event will be held at Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre, level 2, 265 Castlereagh Street, Sydney 2000.

Flag hoisting ceremony to celebrate Independence Day of India

The Consulate General of India Sydney and Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre will organise a grand reception to celebrate Independence Day of the Republic of India. The major components of the events will be cultural performances by the local emerging artists, entertainment by DJs, Indian culinary art, and raffle tickets. Dignitaries, Indian diaspora and friends of India will be attending the event.

The Consulate General of India Sydney and Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre will also organise an exhibition to celebrate Bharat Week. The details will be shared on 'ICCR in Australia' on Facebook and Twitter.

Independence Day reception

The Consulate General of India cordially invites Indian community members and friends of India to join the Independence Day Celebrations

Interested !!!
Scan the QR code

Come, let us celebrate the auspicious day with friends !

Date: 15 August 2024 (Thursday)
Time: 4:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Venue: Sydney Cricket Ground, Driver Avenue, Moore Park, NSW 2021.

Enjoy and experience Indian delicacies

Entertainment by DJ

Enjoy the rich and diverse cultural performances of eminent dance group from India and winners of Talent show

RAFFLE TICKETS

Opportunity to win raffle tickets including Return Tickets to India, courtesy photo with Indian Cricketers, a round of golf, Two nights stay in luxury villas, etc.

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The Consulate General of India, Perth, the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre and The ANJELMS Project invite you to experience Indian traditional handcrafted textiles through 'Stitching Stories: a Tapestry of Tradition, Sustainability and Empowerment' as part of the IOTA2024 Indian Ocean Craft Triennale from August to October 2024 in Fremantle, Western Australia.

Traditional Indian Textile Exhibition in Western Australia



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