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Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre, Sydney
स्वामी विवेकानंद सांस्कृतिक केंद्र, सिडनी

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Cultural programme to commemorate Hindi Divas 2024 in Sydney

I. Director's Desk

Namaste and Greetings from the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre.

This month, with the Consulate General of India Sydney, we celebrated Hindi Diwas by collaborating with the Indo-Aust Bal Bharathi Vidyalaya Hindi School (IABBV Hindi School). From dance and music performances to the beauty of the poetry, the enthusiasm and the energy of the students was wonderful. We also participated at the SAFAL Fest (South Asian Film, Arts & Literature Festival) in Sydney. Consul General, Dr S Janakiraman spoke about the India Australia Audio-visual Co-production Agreement. Artist, choreographer and guru, Ms Tara Rajkumar OAM, and her disciple, Ms Nithya Gopu Solomon shared their insights on the making of the documentary 'Tara - The Singing Anklet' by director Vinod Mankara. Along, with the Consulate General of India Melbourne, we also had a wonderful 'Workshop on Indian Dance Forms'. To know more about our events, please connect with us 'ICCR in Australia' on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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II. Activities

The Consulate General of India Sydney and the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre with the Indo-Aust Bal Bharathi Vidyalaya Hindi (IABBV) School celebrated Hindi Divas 2024. The celebration was held at Thornleigh Public School on 8 September 2024.



Hindi Divas 2024 inauguration by the Consul General



Felicitation of IABBV students

अंधेरेका का उखाड़िन
कर्मिण मे आई हनु,
सदका भरो मम हे दुर्गे

पूरी रहे, अहमलन मे भूने
कमत देह मोकर हे दूने।

रात आई, तारे चमके,
तारे चले समने दमके।

धूमने का साव्य साध मिआर,
मिथी से सुराहू है आर


दुःख मिआर, जब से आया,
काँट उड़ा, जग में राया।

श्री मे भक्तो मगर हउने,
हृदय मे कीर्तुद, पूर्ण ते तारो।


पूर्वसे ही नरो सब सर रहे,
झुंझि क बाहु म्हा द्यो दो।

होयतही बोरिण और जीवन क सेत
वर्षाव मे बना इन म्हा बा मेना।

स्वयं संघत
मोहो संघन



Mahi Mann



अदार्थीय महोदय, अतिथिगण, शिक्षार्थी और मेरे शिष्य सेवार्थी । मेरा नाम सदान है।
आज मैं आकाश एक कविता सुनना चाहती हूँ। कविता का लेखक है
श्री। यह कविता मेरे और मेरे माँ ने लिखी है।

श्री

१) श्री - जब बंदू का प्रहार था है। श्री - वहाँ योग का करार है।
श्री - जिन जलने से सर में शक्ति है। श्री - जिन कवन से सर में शक्ति है।
श्री - जो प्रहार पथिक का कर है। श्री - तुम्हे अदार्थीय भद्रावलि।

२) श्री - जो सदा प्यारी सब रागी, श्री - जो सबके दायरु, नंदे दायरु
श्री - जो निज खीरकी, गिरता खी, श्री - तुम्हे कृपाकाम।

३) - जिसकी धरुं तुम्हे दांती, श्री - जिसकी गोरी तुम्हे सुनती,
श्री - जिसकी ओंखें तुम्हे खोकी, श्री - तुम्हे आदर सक्तर।

४) चापिरी - सबको श्री अतिथि है। श्री अतिथि ही है। श्री अतिथि ही है। श्री अतिथि ही है।
जो अन्न देती, इसे पानती, जो हा प्राणी को कुशात रक्ती।

५) आज, हमारी श्री तुम्ही है, आज हमारी श्री चिन्ति है,
आज हमारी श्री वीरि है, आज हमारी श्री निरि है,
आज हमारी श्री सोचि है, अब हमारी श्री भी है।

६) मिथी आओ मेरी मिथर श्री। मिथी आओ आज एक प्रीति का श्री।
ना हूँ, ना भेदना बदलायी। ना हूँ, ना भेदना बदलायी।
यह म्हावरी हमरी सुदु है।

श्री एकी - तुम्हे श्री अतिथिदः
धन्यवाद ।

-नेटक - सहना और उन्कि श्री



Bahaana Paidipati



The Consul General Dr. S. Janakiraman inaugurated the ceremony by lighting the lamp. The program comprised of colourful dance and music performances and poetry recitation by the winners of the competition. Director SVCC also participated in congratulating them. More than 200 students, parents and prominent community members were present. The event received a wonderfully warm and supportive response.

Poems by the IABBV students and their mothers



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TARA The Singing Anklet | Documentary |

The Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Consulate General of India, Sydney and the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre participated in the Indian Panorama session at the SAFAL Fest (South Asian Arts and Literature Festival) 2024. Held at the NSW Parliament, the Consul General, Dr S Janakiraman spoke about the India Australia Audio-visual Co-production Agreement. Member of the New South Wales Legislative Assembly Ms. Julia Finn, and the Hon. Mark Buttigieg - a Member of the Legislative Council were present as guests of honour. Director SVCC spoke about the power of the visual medium to tell stories especially those from the cultural space. Artist, choreographer and guru, Ms Tara Rajkumar OAM, and her disciple, Ms Nithya Gopu Solomon shared their insights on the making of the documentary 'Tara The Singing Anklet' by director Vinod Mankara. "I take my India with me wherever I go" said the Melbourne based artist. The documentary is a beautiful testament of her intercultural understanding through Indian classical dance.

SAFAL festival at NSW parliament

The Consulate General of India Sydney and the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre celebrated Bharat week with the City of Paramatta Council and City of Paramatta Libraries by sharing books on India. Director, Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre and Librarian, Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre gave the books to Mr Paul Scully, Parramatta's Library Services Manager at the PHIVE in Paramatta.



Bharat Week at Parramatta City Library



Bharat Corner in Parramatta City Library

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A Workshop on Indian Dance Forms was organised by the Consulate General of India, Melbourne and the Swami Vivekanand Cultural Centre, Sydney in collaboration with Rachana Natyalaya. Participants from various age groups were experienced different classical and contemporary dances of India.

Workshop on Indian dance forms in Melbourne

The Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre announced and circulated details of the Online classes organised by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations and Routes2Roots on various activities such as Madhubani paintings, rangoli, puppet making, and henna designing. These details were shared through the official social media pages 'ICCR in Australia' on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Announcement of interactive classes

Indian Council for Cultural Relations & Routes2Roots
 proudly announces
FREE Online Live Interactive Classes

26 September to 22 October 2024
Get your online participation certificates
Register by 15 September 2024 on
<https://forms.gle/2QAVYfndHwTMMg8>

<p>Puppet Making On each Thursday starting from 26 September 2024 to 17 October 2024 2:00 PM to 3:45 PM</p>	<p>Rangoli On each Tuesday starting from 1 October 2024 to 22 October 2024 2:00 PM to 3:45 PM</p>	<p>Madhubani Painting On each Thursday starting from 26 September 2024 to 17 October 2024 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM</p>	<p>Henna (Mehandi) On each Tuesday starting from 1 October 2024 to 22 October 2024 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM</p>
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Pratibha Sangam Competition 2024
Third International Competition of Indian Dance, & Music for Global Audience.
(last date to submit your entries: 30 September 2024)
Registration Link: <https://www.iccr.gov.in/psc/>

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Third International Competition of Indian Dance and Music for Global Audience .
Competition Starts from 1st July, 2024
 Categories of competition: Indian Classical Dance • Hindustani Music • Carnatic Music

WIN CASH PRIZES & REWARDS

The Centre shared details of the third Pratibha Sangam Competition of Indian Dance & Music for a Global Audience organised by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations. These details were shared through the official social media platforms of the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre.

Announcement of Pratibha Sangam

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The Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre is now on Instagram as iccr_australia. Do connect with us on Instagram for our latest updates and upcoming events.

Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre on Instagram

III. Invites

'Guards at the Taj' written by Rajiv Joseph and directed by Bali Padda was playing at the Riverside's National Theatre of Paramatta. The play is an exploration of beauty and power, autocracy and resistance, and conflicting loyalties. Director SVCC also attended it.



IV. Upcoming Events



3 October

The Consulate General of India, Melbourne and the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre in collaboration with author, Nandita Chakraborty are participating in the 'Two Worlds Collide' exhibition at the Melbourne Fringe Festival in October. Artists from India and Australia will be participating. Do visit the Sol Gallery to see it.

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Five Pleats
 Curated by Poornima Menon
 FOMA 2024
 Supported by Consulate General of India Sydney and the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre

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Consulate General of India Sydney, Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre and Five Pleats by Poornima Menon celebrates the weavers, the weavers, and the artisans of India. Five Pleats by Poornima Menon was born out of a passion for handwoven, hand crafted and hand embroidered sarees. The brand chalks the journey of the saree from the weaver to the wearer, from the artist to the stylist.

Poornima Menon Five Pleats

With FOMA, Five Pleats takes you through the by lanes of India where the artisans weave, handprint and embroider this six-yard wonder with love. Each saree tells a story, a story of her origin, a story about the Indian state she comes from and along the way the weaver adds her own story. Sarees have emotional connections, and she wraps a truckload of memories in her 'archai' or the 'palla' as we call it. We'll present sarees in three categories: festive, casual and party wear at FOMA 2024.

Instagram: @fivepleatspoornimamenon
 fomaaustralia.com.au

12 October

The Consulate General of India, Sydney and the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre in collaboration with Gandhi Creations and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade will be participating at the Fabrics of Modern Australia (FOMA) exhibition and runway at the Sydney Observatory. In collaboration with 5 Pleats by Poornima Menon, we will showcase India's rich textiles as a part of FOMA's multicultural tapestry of couture, designs, and stories.

sculpture by the sea

A SHOWCASE OF ARTWORK BY ARTISTS FROM INDIA

SCULPTURE BY THE SEA, BONDI 2024

AVANTIKA SARMA
 SHOVIN BHATTACHARJEE
 HARSHA DURUGADDA
 DR. SUBODH KERRAR
 S. D. HARJI PASAD
 AYESHA SINGH
 NIHARIKA HUKKU
 SHAURYIKA SHARMA

AYESHA SINGH

NIHARIKA HUKKU

19 October

The Consulate General of India, Sydney and the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre will be participating in 'Sculpture by the Sea, Bondi' exhibition to highlight the artwork from renowned Indian visual artists from 18 October to 4 November 2024. The spectacular Bondi to Tamarama coastal walk will be transformed into a 2 km long sculpture park over three weeks featuring more than 100 sculptures by artists from Australia, India and around the world. Do mark your calendar to come see the world's largest outdoor sculpture exhibition.

Powerhouse Castle Hill

DIWALI

26 October

The Consulate General of India Sydney and Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre Australia in association with Powerhouse Museum Castle Hill will be celebrating Diwali 2024 on 26 October 2024. Do join us for a fun day programme with music, dance, rangoli workshop, storytelling sessions and of course delicious Indian food. Together we will celebrate the Festival of Lights. Do see our social media platforms to know more.

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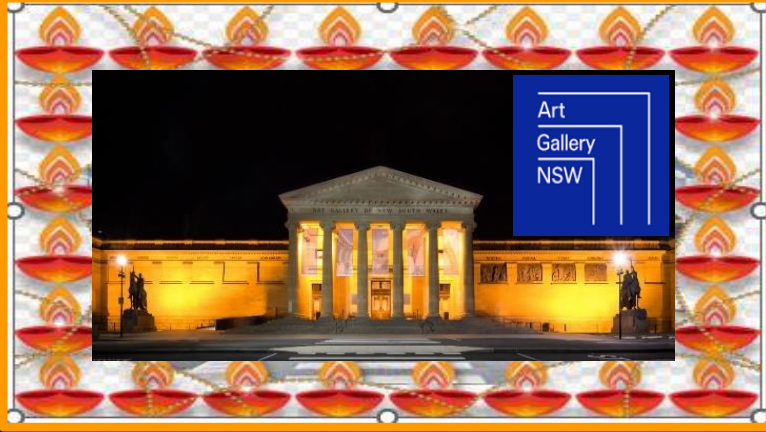


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30 October

The Consulate General of India Sydney and Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre Australia in partnership with Art Gallery NSW will be celebrating Diwali 2024 on 30 October 2024. With music, dance, diya decorating workshop and curator's talk, the Art After Hours Wednesday is all set to be an evening of festivity. Do check our social media for details and join us for a Diwali celebration.

V. Contact Us

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