Dear Members.

Still flushed with the success of the 6th edition of the Habitat International Film Festival, we dance into April with a spring in

We celebrate World Dance Day on April 29th with an evening that showcases the diversity of our dance heritage - PanchaTatva: Five Forms and Five Stars, in an evening curated and conducted by Ashish Khokar. Bharatanatyam, Kathak, Kuchipudi, Modern/Contemporary, and Odissi. Performed by Shobhana, Anuj & Neha Mishra, Washim Raja, Vishwakiran Nambi, and Rahul Varshney

The days leading up to World Dance Day are peppered with great dance performances, further highlighting this amazing diversity. Dancing their way into our hearts over two days in Renaissance 2025 are Gaurav Bhatti (Kathak), Aneesha Grover (Bharatanatyam), Ayana Mukherjee (Kuchipudi), Tribhuvan Maharaja and Rajni Maharaj (Kathak, Bharatanatyam); Sadhya Group (Contemporary), Kavita Diwedi (Odissi), and Suparna and Mahima (Kathak).

Also in the spotlight are Adi Anantam - Expressions of Spirituality in Classical Style Odissi by Shalakha Rai & Namrata Mehta: Kathak by Mukesh Gangani and Bharatanatyam by Mithun Shyam & Keerthana Ravi. Rasa Nayika explores the eight moods of a woman in love, woven into stories from ancient mythology, featuring Indian Classical and Contemporary dance, conceived and performed by Nitisha Nanda, and Rakhtabha - The Red Aura, a Kathak solo conceptualized and performed by Aishwarya Verma, add to the lineup

Bookending World Dance Day, is Navina Jafa celebrating the timelessness of Kathak in Udaan - Flight, on the evening before and Sarat Smriti Festival '25 with Geeta Mahalik and her repertory (Odissi), Rama Vaidyanathan (Bharatanatyam), and Dr. Krishan Kumar Sharma and group (Contemporary) on the day after.

Music lovers have a great lineup too, featuring Hindustani Classical Vocal recitals, Sarod recitals, an evening of dance and music based on the compositions of Dr. Prabha Atre, a Carnatic Vocal recital, an evening of Bollywood tunes played on the piano, and the two-day Dhrupad Vaibhav IV.

Continuing are the much-appreciated and well-attended discussions by India Foundation - Hedgewar: A Definitive Biography by Sachin Nandha, and a panel discussion on Africa in a Changing World: New Discourses on Economy, Narratives and Geopolitics.

IHC Conversations With Authors - Zero Complaints: The Path to Continuous Value Creation by Gautam Mahajan, Bill Price and Moshe Davidow, and Cities Rethought: A New Urban Disposition by Gautam Bhan, Michael Keith, Susan Parnell, & Edgar Pieterse.

Other discussions this month alert us to Latest Legal Reforms and Wake-up Call: Antibiotics Overuse and Superbugs both with panels of eminent discussants; Climate Change And The Arts by Neelambaree Prasad; "Entangled Objects": Mediatory Processes in the Vernacular Arts of India by Dr. Jyotindra Jain; Technology Enablers for Ocean Sustainability - Policy, Coastal Development, and Citizen Science by Dr. R. Venkatesan; and, Lives Lived: A Landscape of Rich Stories and Lessons with Mita Vasisht.

The month also sees book launches, including The Ex-Daughters of Tolstoy House by Arunima Tenzin Tara, and Basti & Durbar: Delhi-New Delhi, A City in Stories, edited by Rakhshanda Jalil.

Adding spice and color to the month are not-to-be-missed films and plays.

The April NTLive Broadcast is Dr. Strangelove, Stanley Kubrick's comedy masterpiece, co-adapted by Sean Foley and Armando Iannucci, directed by Sean Foley, starring seven-time BAFTA award winner Steve Coogan and Giles Terera & others.

Our Restored Classic film is the 1975 film Charandas Chor, directed by Shyam Benegal.

Last but not least is the IHC Free Book X'Change on the first Sunday of the month.





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DIVAS KE DEEVANE THE DIVAS, THEIR LIVES AND THEIR SONGS

(English, Hindi/90 mins)

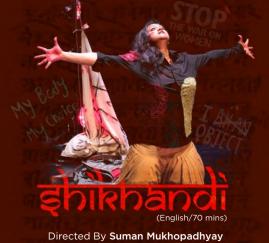
Directed by Sita Raina Produced by Subroto Chattopadhyay

Divas Ke Deewane presents a captivating musical theatre experience, bringing to life the stories of legendary heroines of Hindi cinema from the 1950s and 1960s. The evening will celebrate their iconic films, memorable characters, enchanting love stories, and timeless fashion.

Prod. The Peninsula Studios

April 26 & 27, Sat & Sun | 7:30pm The Stein Auditorium

Tickets at Rs. 500, Rs. 350 & Rs. 200 available on bookmyshow.com & at the Programmes Desk, IHC Entry for 10 years & above



Written By Sudipta Bhawmik Cast. Sudipta Majumdar

Shikhandi's story powerfully explores the complexities of gender identity and vengeance, challenging entrenched societal norms and revealing the deep-rooted gender politics at play in the Mahabharata.

Prod. Ecta & Tritiyo Sutra

May 3, Saturday | 7:30pm

Tickets at Rs. 500, Rs. 350 & Rs. 200 available on bookmyshow.com & at the Programmes Desk, IHC Entry for 18 years & above







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THE IHC **FREE BOOK X'CHANGE**



April 6, Sunday | 11:00am-4:00pm **Near the IHC Information Centre**

A 'book flea market' where the books are free. A book lovers' 'adda'. Meet fellow bookworms and exchange books and recommendations. Browse and pick up a read of your choice, or drop off books that you may no longer have space for and let others enjoy them. Books to take away to a Maximum of 2 books at every X'Change Sunday.

Spezzatino di Pollo Risotto di Gamberi and Chorizo Tartellette di Spinaci, Funghi e Cipolle al Burro Insalata Caprese Pizza Quattro Formaggi Melanzane alla Parmigiana Cheesecake Italiana Della Nonna

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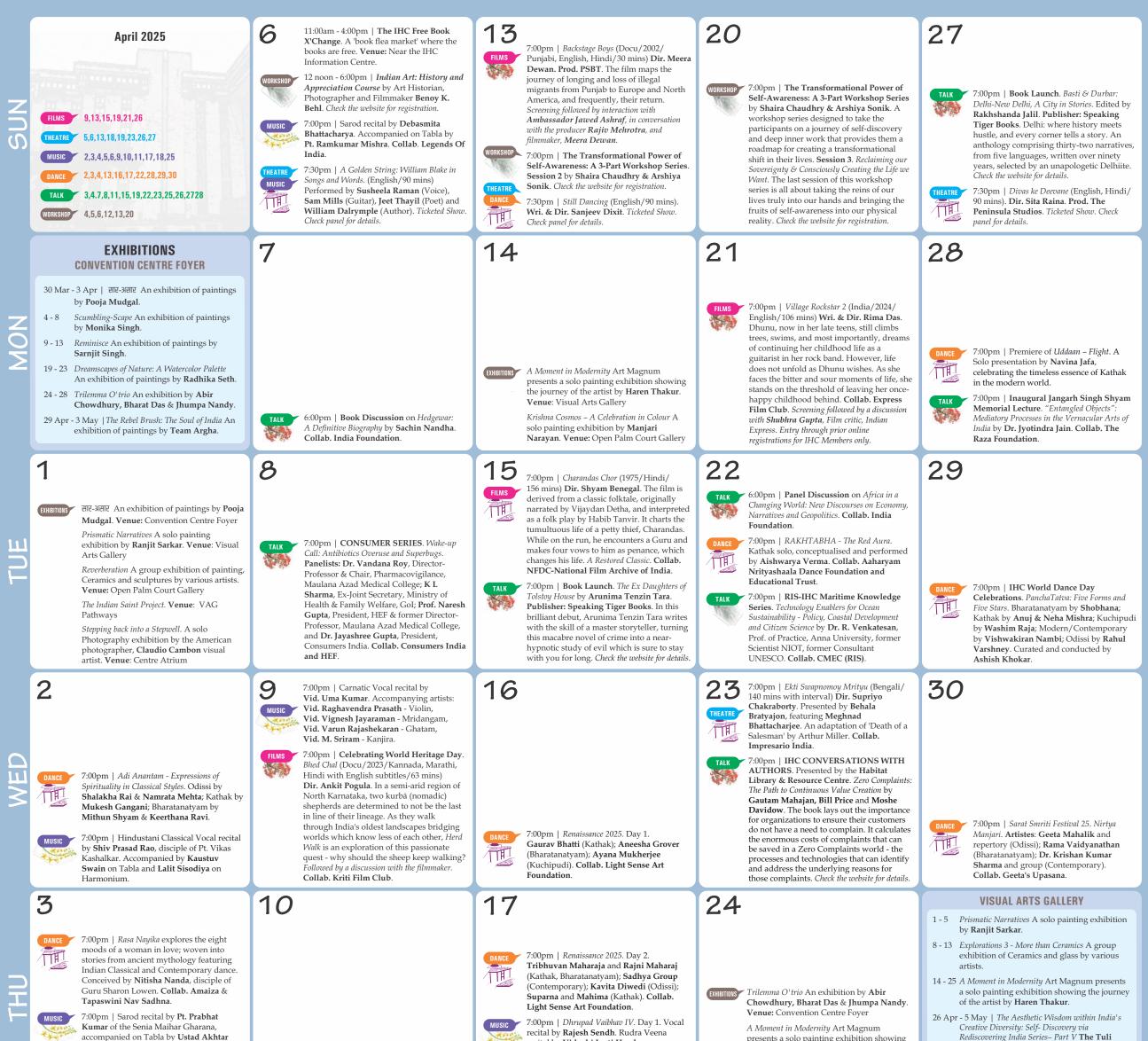
Lucky draw winners of 'Comment Cards' at all member restaurants in February 2025

Congratulations On Winning A Complimentary Meal*					
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TALK	accompanied on Tabla by Ustad Akhtar Hassan. 7:00pm Architecture Matters Series. Act of Space – Interplay of Architecture & Theatre. Speakers: Anuradha Kapur, Deepan Sivaraman. Collab. The Raza Foundation.	7:00pm <i>Aarambh.</i> A series featuring young classical performers of music and dance. Hindustani Classical Vocals by Shraddha Gupta & Himanshu Sati. Collab. The Raza Foundation .	recital by Vidushi Jyoti Hegde. Accompanied by Aditya Dip, Pt. Mohan Shyam Sharma, Mithun Chakraborty and Manoj Solanke on Pakhawaj. Curated by Pt. Nirmalya Dey. Collab. The Raza Foundation.	presents a solo painting exhibition showing the journey of the artist by Haren Thakur . Venue : Visual Arts Gallery <i>Hear the colours of the Flute</i> A solo painting exhibition by K. Subramaniam. Venue : Open Palm Court Gallery	Rediscovering India Series–Part V The Tuli Research Centre for India Studies presents the fine and popular arts, Cinematic Arts, Photography, Printed image and Rare books exhibition. OPEN PALM COURT GALLERY
4 MUSIC DANCE TALK	 7:00pm SWARAYOGINEE: Swaraanjali. An evening of dance and music based on the compositions of Dr. Prabha Atre. Hindustani Classical Vocal recital by Pt. Harish Tiwari. Accompanied by Vinod Lele (Tabla), Vinay Mishra (Harmonium). Kathak by Shovana Narayan & troupe. Collab. Swaramayee. 7:00pm Latest Legal Reforms, Particularly at the District Judiciary Level: Justice dispensation system, legal aid, functioning of legal services authority and recent changes in case filing. Speakers: Civil Judges, Vivek Kumar Agarwal and Abhinav Singh, Advocate, Parvathi Menon. Chair: Dr. G.V. Rao, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court. Collab. Institute for Improved India. 7:00pm The Transformational Power of 	 7:00pm An evening of Bollywood tunes played on the piano by Gauri Kappal. 7:00 pm <i>Trump Revolution in US Foreign Policy: Implications for India & World.</i> Introduction by Dr. Manish Dabhade, Founder, The Indian Futures & Associate Professor of Diplomacy, School of 	 7:00pm Dhrupad Vaibhav IV. Day 2. Vocal recital by Seuli Chakraborty. Vocal Dhrupad by Vinod Kumar Dwivedi. Accompanied by Aditya Dip, Pt. Mohan Shyam Sharma, Mithun Chakraborty and Manoj Solanke on Pakhawaj. Curated by Pt. Nirmalya Dey. Collab. The Raza Foundation. THEATRE	 7:00pm Tribute to Guru Pt. Rajan Misra, recipient of Padma Bhushan. Sarod recital by Smit Tewari. Collab. RASIPA. Check the vebsite for details. 7:00pm Lives Lived. A landscape of rich stories and lessons. Mita Vasisht, writer, actor, director, recalls her eventful journey in theatre and cinema and reveals her future plans A presentation by Katyayani & Three Arts Club. 7:00pm IHC CONVERSATIONS WITH AUTHORS. Presented by the Habitat Library & Resource Centre. Cities Rethought: A New Urban Disposition by Gautam Bhan, Michael Keith, Susan Parnell, & Edgar 	 Reverberation A group exhibition of painting, Ceramics and sculptures by various artists. Mohini - The Desire A solo painting exhibition by Priyanka Sharma. To Krishna Cosmos - A Celebration in Colour A solo painting exhibition by Manjari Narayan. Ce Hear the colours of the Flute A solo painting exhibition by K. Subramaniam. Views from Planet Autism 2025 A vibrant group exhibition showcasing the unique talents of autistic artists. Murt Control Control Control Control Control Control Barrow Control Contrel Control Control Control Control Control Control Control C
	Self-Awareness: A 3-Part Workshop Series. Session 1 by Shaira Chaudhry & Arshiya Sonik. Check the website for registration.	International Studies, JNU. Collab. The Indian Futures . <i>Check the website for details.</i>	translated by Usha Banerjee . Prod. New Delhi Performers. <i>Ticketed Show. Check panel</i> <i>for details.</i>	Pieterse. Publisher: Westland Books. Chair: Dr. Debolina Kundu, Director, NIUA. Check the website for details.	18 Mar - 2 Apr Stepping back into a Stepwell. A solo Photography exhibition by the American photographer, Claudio Cambon visual artist. Venue: Centre Atrium
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5 WORKSHOP	12 noon - 6:00pm <i>Indian Art: History and</i> <i>Appreciation Course</i> by Art Historian, Photographer and Filmmaker Benoy K. Behl . A journey through Indian art, across ancient and medieval times, profusely illustrated by Behl's well-known photographs and films on Indian art. For registrations and details, write to <i>priyanka@indiahabitat.org</i> with a brief resume. 7:30pm <i>A Golden String: William Blake in</i> <i>Songs and Words</i> . (English/ 90 mins) Performed by Susheela Raman (Voice), Sam Mills (Guitar), Jeet Thayil (Poet) and William Dalrymple (Author). <i>Ticketed Show.</i> <i>Check panel for details</i> .	7:00pm A Transient Life: Experiments with the idea of Impermanence. Session 6. Join Dr. Sneha Rooh, a palliative physician and somatic & arts-based therapist as she delves into the obituaries, epitaphs, and eulogies of influential writers, philosophers, and reflects on how we wish to be remembered. Collab. The Red Door.	 6:00pm IHC Members Meet. OPEN TO IHC MEMBERS ONLY. Refreshment Service will be between 6:00pm - 6:30pm only. Venue: The Habitat Lounge. FILMS FILATIR FILA	6:00pm ONLINE GLIMPSES OF CULTURE. Ecstasy in Stone: Khajuraho. Screening followed by discussion with Benoy K. Behl. Prod. Doordarshan. Venue: Zoom. Check the website for details. 7:30pm Divas ke Deevane (English, Hindi/ 90 mins). Dir. Sita Raina. Prod. The Peninsula Studios. Ticketed Show. Check panel for details.	WORKSHOPS Antensive Course: Indian Art: History & Marcel Antensive Course: Indian Art: History & Marcel Antensive A

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