

Dear Members,
It was a pretty breathless November. Here's hoping that December dispels the pall of pollution and we enjoy a clean Delhi winter. Should we continue to be shrouded in smog, events at IHC provide a welcome refuge.

The month kicks off on a Sunday with our popular IHC Book X'Change.

December also begins with the last of the wonderful bonanza of Italian films, a collaboration with **Italian Screens** that has kept film aficionados delighted. Film lovers continue to get a rich lineup of films through December with the **Beyond Borders Feminist Film Festival** as well as the **Kinoteka Polish Film Festival**. In addition, a not to be missed documentary is *Looking for Sultan*.

Theatre lovers too, are in for a special treat. Coming in from the U.K are two unusual and absorbing productions devised by **Marcus du Sautoy**, Professor of Mathematics at Oxford University. *The Axiom of Choice* and *Around the World in 80 Games*. *Shaaam-e-Awadh* celebrates the rich legacy of the history of Awadh, and a storytelling performance brings **Khwaja Ahmad Abbas' Sardaar Ji**, hailed as one of the finest examples of Partition literature.

Dance in December brings us two productions that embody the popularity and appreciation of our heritage beyond our borders. *Ekam Bharat - Season 2* has Kathak, Odissi and Bharatanatyam performances by dancers from India and Singapore, and *Sevens* performed by **Srishti - Nina Rajarani Dance Creations** has artists from the U.K.

The other dance performances include choreographies by seasoned gurus and performances by GenNext carrying the legacy forward. *Mandala* under the direction of **Leela Samson** and an evening of Indian Classical Dances featuring disciples of the iconic Gurus **Dr. Sonal Mansingh, Saswati Sen and Rama Vaidyanathan**.

The month is sprinkled with music across genres, ranging from Hindustani and Carnatic vocal recitals, Flute and Shehnai recitals, to an evening of evergreen songs of Manna Dey. Music too celebrates the spirit of cross cultural exchange. *2 INDIAS* blends two historical and diverse cultures from Spain and India - Western Classical and Hindustani Classical in a new avatar. Pianist and Composer, **Sahil Vasudeva**, reimagines the works of legendary Spanish composer, Isaac Albéniz, for the first-time with an Indian Classical ensemble.

Bringing alive the spirit of the season is a rare performance of Vivaldi's "Gloria", with its timeless choral and solo vocal movements.

The cherry on the cake is the Christmas concert by the **Ao Naga Choir** that presents renditions of some popular Christmas songs and carols heralding the Christmas celebrations.

Talks, Book Launches and Discussions feature *Aseema: A Journey Beyond Boundaries*. The story of the journey of Aseema, a Public Charitable Trust that works in the field of education for underprivileged children, *The 'New' New Delhi Book Club* by **Radhika Swarup**, and the **Habib Tanvir Memorial Lecture** on *What Haunts Contemporary Marathi Theatre Today?* by playwright, **Makrand Sathe**.

IHC Conversations with Authors, has *Global Tumult: India As A Pole Star* by **Ambassador Sujan R. Chinyo** will be in conversation with **Dr. Ram Madhav**, author and President, India Foundation.

India Foundation brings us a book discussion on *The Golden Road: How Ancient India Transformed the World* by **William Dalrymple**.

Adab Sarai has actor, **Ratna Pathak Shah** in conversation with **Dr. Saif Mahmood** on *Envisioning Theatre in Indian Languages, In and Beyond Urdu, Hindi and English*.

In our other monthly regulars, **InfraKatha** discusses *The Lessons of PPP and the Way Forward* by **Montek Singh Ahluwalia**, and **Trendspotting** continues with its Session 12 on *Family Matters: Rethinking Tradition and Modernity*.

The **IHC Morning Raga** series features a Vocal recital by **Alick Sengupta**, the GenNext star from the **ITC Sangeet Research Academy**.

Greetings for Christmas.

The Axiom of Choice
A play about free will, war and mathematics.

(English/90 mins)

Written & Co-directed by **Marcus du Sautoy**
Co-directed by **Lu Descourtier**

Cast: **Clive Mendus, Joseph Prown, Shaira Jain, TJ Sulaiman**

An exploration of free will, war and mathematics. From the Simonyi Professor for the Public Understanding of Science at Oxford University comes a groundbreaking new play "The Axiom of Choice". Eminent mathematician Andre Weil is on a journey from France to India, Finland and beyond, to discover whether we really have free will or if all our choices are predetermined. Imprisoned in Rouen during the Second World War, Weil faces a choice that will determine his fate - but his decision just doesn't make sense. Is life a mathematical theorem of logical strands? Because sometimes it just doesn't add up!

Production: QTP

December 7 & 8, Sat & Sun | 7:00pm
The Stein Auditorium

Tickets at Rs. 500 Rs. 350 & Rs. 200, available on bookmyshow.com & at the Programmes Desk, IHC

Entry for 12 years & above

TALK

QTP | A Talk by Marcus du Sautoy

AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 GAMES

Games and a mathematical journey to remember!

MARCUS DU SAUTOY
Author, Professor & Playwright, United Kingdom

English/60 mins

Author, Professor and playwright, Marcus du Sautoy, a renowned mathematician and author known for his work on AI, the limits of knowledge, and the mathematics of games, takes us on a mathematical journey across the centuries and through countries, continents and cultures in search of the games we love to play. Based on his new book, he looks at the way mathematics has always been deeply intertwined with games and investigates how games themselves can provide us with opportunities for mathematical insight into the world.

December 8, Sunday | 4:00pm
The Stein Auditorium

Tickets at Rs. 300, Rs. 200 & Rs. 100 available on bookmyshow.com & at the Programmes Desk, IHC

Entry for 12 years & above

India Habitat Centre & ITC Sangeet Research Academy present

IHC Morning RAGAS
CELEBRATING 10 YEARS

Vocal recital by **Alick Sengupta**
Accompanied by **Ashis Paul** (Tabla) and **Vinay Mishra** (Harmonium)

December 8, Sunday | 10:30am

Amphitheatre
India Habitat Centre

ENTRY FREE

Log on to www.habitatworld.com or www.indiahabitat.org for more details.

An IHC Presentation in collaboration with ITC Sangeet Research Academy

DELHI CHAMBER CHOIR

GLORIA VIVALDI
CONDUCTOR: **NADEZDA BALYAN**

PIANO: **Andrey D. Henry Joseph**
CLARINET: **Zhanna S.**
VIOLIN 1: **Oliga D.**
VIOLIN 2: **Ria Singh Thumlay Pham**

(Latin/60 mins)

Delhi Chamber Choir is Delhi's finest Western Classical choir. DCC has performed on well-known stages like NCPA Mumbai, with initiatives like Project 8, and sung on the 'Sofar' platform. Our concert will feature an uplifting evening of music as our choir presents Antonio Vivaldi's "Gloria", one of the most celebrated sacred works of the Baroque era. With its radiant melodies, rich harmonies, and vibrant energy, Gloria expresses joy and reverence through a series of powerful choral and vocal solos. Accompanied by an ensemble, this concert promises to be a stirring celebration of faith, beauty, and the timeless artistry of Vivaldi. Don't miss this extraordinary performance of a masterpiece that continues to inspire audiences around the world.

Prod. **PIANO FORTE** School of Music and Art

December 15, Sunday | 7:00pm
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

National Theatre Live

NT Live Broadcast

FLEABAG
PHOEBE WALLER-BRIDGE
(2019/English/80 mins)
Written & performed by **Phoebe Waller-Bridge**
Dir. **Vicky Jones**

Fleabag is a rip-roaring look at some sort of woman living her sort of life

December 15, Sunday | 3:00pm
The Stein Auditorium

Tickets at Rs. 500, Rs. 350 & Rs. 250 available on bookmyshow.com & at the Programmes Desk, Habitat World, IHC

Entry for 18 years & above

Shaaam-e-Awadh
A series of curated conversations celebrating the rich legacy, history, and heritage of Awadh
Session 3

Dastan-e-Jaan-e-Alam
(Hindustani/60 Mins)

Dastangoi performance on the life of King Wajid Ali Shah by Dastango and storyteller **Himanshu Bajpai** and **Pragya Sharma**. Followed by a conversation on "Awadh & Oud" by **Adhish Chatterjee**.

Collab. Karwaan: The Heritage Exploration Initiative

December 21, Saturday | 7:30pm
The Stein Auditorium

Tickets at Rs. 500, Rs.350 & Rs. 200 available on bookmyshow.com & at the Programmes Desk, IHC

Entry for 5 years & above

THE POLISH FILM FESTIVAL **KINOTEKA**

December 16 - 18 | 7:00pm | Stein Auditorium
Collab. Polish Institute

16th December *Simona Kossak* (Poland/Polish/2024/100 mins) Dir. **Adrian Panek**

17th December *Kulej, All That Glitters Isn't Gold* (Drama/Poland/Polish/2024/148 mins) Dir. **Xawery Żulawski**

18th December *My Nikifor* (Poland/Polish/2004/97 mins) Dir. **Krzysztof Krauze**

AO NAGA CHOIR
presents
SONGS OF THE SEASON

Renditions of some popular Christmas songs and carols heralding the Christmas celebrations - *The First Noel, When a Child is Born, Carol Of The Bells, Silent Night, Jingle Bells, White Christmas* and more!

December 20, Friday | 7:30pm
The Stein Auditorium

ENTRY FREE

Wednesday Nights at **The Terrace Bar**

Every Wednesday | 7:00PM to Midnight

BUY ONE GET ONE FREE
on all alcoholic beverages

HAPPY HOURS | 25% OFF
on all alcoholic beverages
Thursday to Tuesday | 11:00am to 1:30pm & 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Lucky draw winners of 'Comment Cards' at all member restaurants in October 2024

*Congratulations On Winning A Complimentary Meal**

Restaurant	1 st Fortnight	2 nd Fortnight
Med	D. Bhalla(A-9534)	Ashutosh Sharma(A-9398)
Ann / The Terrace Bar	Shreekant Gupta (A-6353)	Saroj Ganda (A-3746)
East	Ravindra Nath Verma (A-5702)	Swadesh Aneja (O-0099)

The next time you visit any of our restaurants, don't forget to fill in the Comment Card. You might just win a complimentary meal for two! *Conditions apply.

med GREEK SPECIAL

Tossed Shrimps with Chili Lemon Glaze
Roasted Prawns Saganaki, Feta
Grilled Chicken Salad with Lettuce & Quinoa
Braised Lamb Shank with Red Wine Thyme Jus
Grilled Chicken with Chilli & Sage
Grilled Tofu, Green Apple & Pineapple
Cheese Manakish, Coriander & Mint Cottage Cheese
Greek Style Grilled Cottage Cheese, Thyme Walnut Sauce
Vegetable Dolmades
Spanakopita

Lunch: 12:00pm to 3:00pm | Dinner: 7:00pm to Midnight
To make your table reservations, call +91 11 4366 3318

east! Winter SPECIAL

Soft Shell Crab, Celery Mayo
Lombok Grilled Chicken
Grilled River Sole, Indonesian Chilli Basil Sauce
Stir Fried Crispy Lamb, Assorted Bell Pepper
Slow Cooked Chilli Lobster, Sambal sauce
Smoked Mushroom Bao, Truffle Oil
Crispy Corn and Szechwan Pepper Tofu
Steamed Rice Paper Roll, Sweet Soy
Spicy Indonesian Jackfruit Curry
Stir Fried Corn and Asparagus, Sliced Zucchini, Sesame Oil

Lunch: 12:00pm to 3:00pm | Dinner: 7:00pm to Midnight
To make your table reservations, call +91 11 4366 3315

habitat hub ALL DAY DINING

WEEKEND BRUNCH
Every Saturday & Sunday 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Assorted Cold Cuts, Fresh Fruits, Salad Bar, Eggs to order, Live Pizza, Pasta, Shawarma, South Indian, Main Course, Desserts and more....

Restaurant Timings: 7:00am to Midnight

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Celebrate with us!

December 24
Table d'Hôte Menu
Christmas Eve Lunch & Dinner

December 25
Christmas Lunch Buffet
Christmas Dinner - Table d'Hôte Menu

December 25
Christmas Lunch Buffet

December 31
New Year's Eve Dinner Buffet

December 24 & 25
Table d'Hôte Menu
Christmas Eve Lunch & Dinner

December 25
Christmas Brunch

January 1
New Year's Brunch Buffet

Table Reservations open with advance payment.

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Programme Calendar '24
December 24

MERRY Christmas & HAPPY NEW YEAR

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SUN

1 11:00am - 4:00pm | **The IHC Free Book X'Change.** 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. **Venue:** Near the IHC Information Centre.

FILMS 7:00pm | *The Beautiful Summer* (Italy/Italian/2023/112 mins) **Dir. Laura Luchetti.** Ginia, seventeen, experiences the ecstasy and turmoil that characterize the mysterious journey into adulthood. Meeting with Amelia confronts her with new and shocking emotions. Only by recognizing this love can she be herself. **In collaboration with ITALIAN SCREENS.**

8 8:30am | **IHC Walk for Children.** An interactive walk in Lodhi Garden led by **Smita Babar and Pooja Bansal** from Heritage Hungama. **Age group:** 8-14 years. **Limited seats.** For registrations, contact: habitatprogrammes@gmail.com

MUSIC 10:30am | **IHC Morning Ragas.** Vocal recital by **Alick Sengupta** accompanied by **Ashis Paul** (Tabla) and **Vinay Mishra** (Harmonium). **Collab. ITC Sangeet Research Academy.**

TALK 4:00pm | *Around the World in 80 Games* (English/60 mins) by author, Professor and playwright, **Marcus du Sautoy.** **Ticketed show.** Check panel for details.

FILMS 7:00pm | *The Axiom of Choice* (English/90 mins) **Wri & Co-Dir. Marcus du Sautoy.** **Ticketed show.** Check panel for details.

FILMS 7:00pm | **5th Beyond Borders Feminist Film Festival.** Check website for details.

15 8:00am | **Second in the tetralogy of 'Dilli's Shaan',** explore **Humayun's Tomb** with historian, pedagogue and Delhi aficionado, **Beeba Sobti.** **Limited seats.** For registrations, contact: habitatprogrammes@gmail.com.

FILMS 3:00pm | **NT Live Broadcast. Fleabag Encore** (2019/English/80 mins) **Wri & performed by Phoebe Waller-Bridge.** **Dir. Vicky Jones.** Check panel for details.

MUSIC 7:00pm | **GLORIA - Vivaldi** (Latin/60 mins) **Conductor: Nadezda Balyan** (Nadya). Performed by **Delhi Chamber Choir Choristers.** **Prod. PIANO FORTE School of Music and Art.** Check panel for details.

FILMS 7:00pm | *Frida* (Docu/ Mexico/USA/English/87 mins) **Dir. Carla Gutierrez.** The life of iconic artist Frida Kahlo, told through her own words from diaries, letters, essays, and interviews.

22 7:00pm | *The Last Of The Sea Women* (Docu/USA/English, Korean/2024/87 mins) **Dir. Sue Kim.** An uplifting tale of women taking on world powers to protect their ocean and inspire a new generation. Often called real-life mermaids, the Haenyeo divers of South Korea's Jeju Island are renowned for centuries of diving to the ocean floor - without oxygen - to harvest seafood for their livelihood.

MUSIC 7:00pm | **2 INDIAS,** a musical project blending two historical and diverse cultures from Spain and India - Western Classical and Hindustani Classical in a new *avatar*. Performance by Pianist and Composer, **Sahil Vasudeva** with an Indian Classical Ensemble. Accompanied by **Suhel Saeed Khan** (Sitar), **Shanawaz Khan** (Sarangi), **Makrand Sonon** (hybrid percussion), and **Akshay Dwivedi** (Bass Guitar). Produced by **Meta Arts.** Presented by the **Embassy of Spain in India.**

29 7:00pm | **3rd Anshuman Pandey Memorial Concert.** Shehnai recital by Shehnai duo - **Sanjeev Shankar and Ashwani Shankar** of the Benaras Gharana.

MON

2 7:00pm | *Tava Tarangam - An ode to Guru Gaha's Panchabhuta Kritis.* Conceptualised by **Sujithra Aneesh.** Choreographed by **Acharya Aparajita Sarma.** Performing artists: **Acharya Aparajita Sarma, Saradyuthi Vadlamani, Hritika Aneesh, Kiwi Kachhwa, Kashish Sukheja, Namitha Prasad, Varsha Ullas, Arunima Nair and Aditi Rajiv.** Production by **Nrityalaya.**

9 7:00pm | **Indian Classical Music Concert.** Violin recital by **Shubham Sarkar.** Shehnai recital by **Pt. Lokesh Anand.** **Collab. Antar Dhvani Cultural Society.**

FILMS 7:00pm | **5th Beyond Borders Feminist Film Festival.** Curated by **Kriti Film Club.** **Theme: Main Khelna Chahatee hu | Spirited Women.** All screenings will be followed by conversations with the filmmakers and guest speakers. Check website for details.

16 7:00pm | **KINOTEKA Polish Film Festival.** *Simona Kossak* (Poland/ Polish/2024/100 mins) **Dir. Adrian Panek.** **Collab. Polish Institute.** Check website for details.

MUSIC 7:00pm | Solo Carnatic, Saraswati Veena recital by **Radhika Ramakrishnan,** disciple of Kalaimamani Vidushi R. Ramani.

TALK 7:00pm | **Trendspotting: Why Things Matter.** A monthly lecture series that connects the frontiers of academia, research and thought with issues that matter to people's lives. **Session 12: Family Matters: Rethinking Tradition and Modernity.** **Collab. Hearth Advisors.** Check website for details.

23 7:00pm | An evening of Indian Classical Dances by the Maestros of the GenNext featuring disciples of the iconic Gurus, **Dr. Sonal Mansingh, Rama Vaidyanathan and Saswati Sen.** **Collab. IIFA.**

30 7:00pm | *Vividh Mat: Perspectives on Shades of Shringara - An evening exploring the varied colours of 'Shringara' in a discussion with* **Jatin Das** (Artist), **Sohaila Kapur** (Theatre personality), **Sudeep Sen** (Poet), and **Kanwal Chaudhury** (Painter). **Moderated by Guru Shovana Narayan.** Followed by 'Baithaki Bhav' by **Madhura Phatak.** In collaboration with **Asavari Centre for Kathak.**

TUE

3 7:00pm | **17th Guru Debaprasad Nrutya Parampara. Day 1.** Check website for details.

DANCE 7:00pm | **Book Launch & Discussion.** Launch of *Aseema: A Journey Beyond Boundaries* by **Dilbur Parakh.** **Publisher: Notion Press.** Story of the journey of Aseema, a Public Charitable Trust that works in the field of education for underprivileged children. Followed by a discussion on "The kind of education required in India today, and how do we make it available to children from the most marginalized communities in our country, particularly in rural India". **Discussants: Dr. Sanaya Nariman,** Educationist and author, **Manisha Khosla Sinha,** Head of CSR and Brand & Communications, **BNP Paribas India, Dilbur Parakh,** author. **Chair: Ambassador Bhaswati Mukherjee,** President, IHC.

10 7:00pm | **SAMASRAVA - An Ode to Classical Heritage.** Odissi by **Arunima Ghosh** and group; Odissi by **Vinod Kevin Bachan;** Bharatanatyam by **Arohi Munshi;** Kathak by **Diksha Rawat.**

17 7:00pm | **KINOTEKA Polish Film Festival.** Check website for details.

FILMS 7:00pm | *Poetry. Verses Unveiled: Souls Odyssey* by **Dr. Usha Mujoo Munshi and Mandira Ghosh.** **Publisher: Authorspress.** Opening remarks by **Prof. Malashri Lal,** former Dean, Delhi University, and **K. N. Srivastava,** Director, IIC. Readings by **Sunit Tandon,** Director, IHC, **Prof. Swati Pal,** Principal, Janki Devi Memorial College, Delhi University. **Chair: K. Jayakumar,** President, The Poetry Society (India).

TALK 7:00pm | **IHC CONVERSATIONS WITH AUTHORS.** Presented by the **Habitat Library & Resource Centre.** *Global Tumult: India As A Pole Star* by **Ambassador Sujan R. Chinoy,** DG, Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses. **Publisher: Rupa Publications.** The author will be in conversation with **Dr. Ram Madhav,** a social leader, author, thinker and President of India Foundation. **Chair: Ambassador Bhaswati Mukherjee,** President, IHC.

24 **EXHIBITIONS** *The Forces of Imagination* A group sculpture exhibition by **Tapas Sarkar, Vibhor Sogani, Neeraj Gupta, Ratan Krishna Saha, Somnath Chakraborty, Debabrata De, Subrata Pal, Barun Pramanick, Chandan Roy, Pabitra Ganguly, & Saumen Kar.** **Venue: Visual Arts Gallery & Outdoor Spaces**

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WED

4 7:00pm | **17th Guru Debaprasad Nrutya Parampara. Day 2.** Odissi by **Debadhara Group;** Semi - Classical Vocal recital by **Dr. Puspashree Mishra;** Ghazal by **Guru Chandan Das.**

FILMS 7:00pm | **5th Beyond Borders Feminist Film Festival.** Curated by **Kriti Film Club.** **Theme: Todh Todh Ke Bandhan/Breaking the Silence.** All screenings will be followed by conversations with the filmmakers and guest speakers. Check website for details.

11 7:00pm | **Consumer Series. The Organic Food Dilemma: to Buy or not to Buy?** **Panelists: Dr. Seema Puri,** former Professor, Institute of Home Economics, University of Delhi; **Ayesha Grewal,** Founder, The Altitude Store; **Dr. Naresh Gupta,** President, HEF & former Director-Professor, Maulana Azad Medical College, Delhi; **Priyanka Mishra,** Dietician, AIIMS, New Delhi, and **Dr. Jayashree Gupta,** President, Consumers India. **Collab. Consumers India and Health Environment Foundation (HEF).**

MUSIC 7:00pm | *Aarambh.* A series featuring young classical performers of music and dance. Odissi *Marudala* recital by **Namrata Dave** and Hindustani Classical Vocal recital by **Debapriya Dasgupta.** **Collab. The Raza Foundation.**

18 7:00pm | *Bazam-e-Ghazal* A concert featuring **Dr. Vinod Gandharva.** **Collab. Gurukul India.**

FILMS 7:00pm | **KINOTEKA Polish Film Festival.** *My Nikifor* (Poland/Polish/2004/97 mins) **Dir. Krzysztof Krauze.** **Collab. Polish Institute.**

TALK 7:00pm | **IHC CONVERSATIONS WITH AUTHORS.** Presented by the **Habitat Library & Resource Centre.** *Bankrolling Empire: Family Fortunes and Political Transformation in Mughal India* by historian, **Dr. Sudev Sheth.** **Publisher: Cambridge University Press.** Exploring new and unconventional sources - Persian diaries, Gujarati poems, French trading manuals, Marathi letters, Sanskrit hymns, and Dutch shipping records, the author taps into the fascinating lives of a family of diamond dealers who deployed wealth and information to manoeuvre around political leaders.

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CONVENTION CENTRE FOYER

Nov 28 - Dec 2 | *Mindscape Of Bengal* An exhibition of paintings by **Atin Mitra, Maieuddin Mullick and Anindya Mukherjee.**

3 - 7 | *The Lines Unfold* A solo painting exhibition by **Swapan Das.**

10 - 14 | *Imer Wilderness* A solo painting exhibition by **Srinidhi Dabrial.**

VISUAL ARTS GALLERY

1 - 6 | *Utsav'24* A group painting exhibition by various artists.

7 - 11 | *Art & Spirituality* A group exhibition by various artists.

12 - 16 | *Interlude* A solo painting exhibition by **Shafali R Anand.**

17 - 24 | *The Forces of Imagination* A group sculpture exhibition by various artists.

25 - 29 | *TRIVENI- The Harmony of Colours* A solo painting exhibition by **L.R. Gandhi.**

OPEN PALM COURT GALLERY

29 Nov - 1 Dec | *Wave of Palette Knife* A solo painting exhibition by **Vikram Mukherjee.**

2 - 5 | *Artnama* A group painting exhibition by various artists.

7 - 12 | *Krishna Dwarka (the underwater town)* A solo painting exhibition by **Shruti Gupta Kasana.**

13 - 17 | *Srijan Arts of Amaltes* presents a group exhibition of Folk Art by **Shonali Majumdar & Neeta Soni.**

18 - 22 | *Palette of Emotions* A group exhibition of four contemporary visual artists.

23 - 25 | *In aid of Visually Challenged Girl Children* An exhibition of paintings by **Ajay Chandak and Vishnu Patro.**

26 - 30 | *Visions Unveiled* A group painting exhibition by various artists.

THU

5 7:00pm | **5th Beyond Borders Feminist Film Festival.** Curated by **Kriti Film Club.** **Feminist-Queer Lens Masterclass** with **Maheen Mirza and Rinchin,** Ektara Collective. **Limited seats.** For registrations, contact: habitatprogrammes@gmail.com

TALK 7:00pm | **Book Launch. The 'New' New Delhi Book Club** by **Radhika Swarup.** **Publisher: Westland Books.** The book will be launched by **Ambassador Bhaswati Mukherjee,** President, IHC. An interconnected collection of short stories located in New Delhi, showing both the hopes and fears of life during the pandemic. The author will be in conversation with **Kaveree Bamzai,** journalist and author.

MUSIC 7:00pm | *Kailash Chandra Saxena Sangeet Samaroh.* Flute recital by **Pt. Rajendra Prasanna.** Hindustani Classical Vocal recital by **Padmja Chakraborty.**

12 7:00pm | Storytelling Performance of Khwaja Ahmad Abbas' *Sardaar Ji* by **JASHN-e-QALAM.** **Collab. Khwaja Ahmed Abbas Memorial Trust.** Check website for details.

19 7:00pm | *Ekam Bharat - Season 2.* A celebration of our rich cultural heritage, transcending borders, fostering cross-cultural understanding and appreciation. Kathak by **Gauri Diwaker** (India); Odissi by **Jyoti Srivastava** and group (India); Kathak by **Pallavi Sharma** and **Aamrapali Bhandari** (Singapore); Bharatanatyam by **Vinay Tiwari** (India); Kathak by **Jyotica Joshi** and **Minhaz Khan** (Singapore). **Collab. Alaknanda Institute for Performing Arts.**

TALK 7:00pm | **Architecture Matters.** A panel discussion on *Architecture as Actor* by **Dr. Ranjani Mazumdar,** Professor, Cinema Studies at the School of Arts & Aesthetics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, and **Prof. Rohan Shivakumar,** Dean (B. Arch), Kama Raheja Vidyavidyalaya Institute of Architecture and Environmental Studies. **Collab. The Raza Foundation.**

26 7:00pm | *A tribute to Manna Dey.* An evening of evergreen songs of Manna Dey including classical, light, romantic duets, folk based film and non film songs by **Anil Sambhor,** disciple of **Pt. Goverdhan Tripathi** of Agra. **Collab. Ramshakun Charitable Trust.**

27 **EXHIBITIONS** *TRIVENI- The Harmony of Colours* A solo painting exhibition by **L.R. Gandhi.** **Venue: Visual Arts Gallery**

EXHIBITIONS *Visions Unveiled* A group painting exhibition by **Millin Mehra, Kanishk, Anuja, Vandana, Manisha, Bhavana, Deesha, Aoorva, Rohit, Shivani, Nishi, Charu Lata, Amita, Anita, Neeru, & Simmi.** **Venue: Open Palm Court Gallery**

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FRI

6 7:00pm | India premiere of *Sevens - A triple bill* featuring Bharatanatyam and Kathak dancers, and musicians. Choreographed by **Nina Rajarani MBE,** the production explores the sacred, and sometimes sinful, significance of the number seven. Performed by **Srishti - Nina Rajarani Dance Creations.**

TALK 7:00pm | **Habib Tanvir Memorial Lecture.** *What Haunts Contemporary Marathi Theatre Today?* by playwright, **Makrand Sathe.** **Collab. The Raza Foundation.**

FILMS 7:00pm | **5th Beyond Borders Feminist Film Festival.** Curated by **Kriti Film Club.** **Theme: Desh mein gar Betiyan | Girl Stories.** All screenings will be followed by conversations with the filmmakers and guest speakers. Check website for details.

13 7:00pm | *Looking for Sultan* (2019/English/44 mins) **Dir. Doel Trivedy & Gautam Pandey.** **Executive Producer: Mike Pandey.** **Collab. Global Wildlife Fair, Wildlife Trust of India, Riverbank Studios.**

TALK 7:00pm | **Dramatised Reading. Celebrating 75 years of Navketan.** Narrated by actor **Sohaila Kapur,** in an audio-visual presentation by **Katyayani & Three Arts Club.** Check website for details.

TALK 7:00pm | **Parent & Adolescent Interaction: Challenges and Strategies.** **Speaker: Dr. Monalisa Palit,** Senior Consultant, Clinical Psychology, **VIMHANS.** **Collab. VIMHANS.**

DANCE 7:30pm | *Mandala* by **Amrita Lahiri** (Dance) and **Chandana Bala Kalyan** (Vocals). Choreography and direction by **Leela Samson.**

20 6:00pm | **Book Discussion on The Golden Road: How Ancient India Transformed the World** by **William Dalrymple.** **Collab. India Foundation.**

TALK 6:30pm | **Songs of the Season. Ao Naga Choir** presents renditions of some popular Christmas songs and carols heralding the Christmas celebrations - *The First Noel, When a Child is Born, Carol Of The Bells, Silent Night, Jingle Bells, White Christmas* and more!

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7 7:00pm | Hindustani Classical Vocal recital by **Nibedita Bhattacharjee.** Accompanied by **Akhtar Hussain** on Tabla and **Lalit Sisodiya** on Harmonium. Followed by Sitar recital by **Subrata De,** accompanied by **Mithilesh Jha** on Tabla.

TALK 7:00pm | *The Axiom of Choice* (English/90 mins) **Wri & Co-Dir. Marcus du Sautoy.** Co-directed by **Lu Descourtier.** **Cast. Clive Mendus, Joseph Prowen, Shipra Jain, TJ Sulaiman.** **Prod. QTP.** Check panel for details.

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14 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 6:00pm | **ONLINE | Roots in Sacred Art.** Check website for details.

TALK 7:00pm | **Adab Sarai. Envisioning Theatre in Indian Languages, In and Beyond Urdu, Hindi and English.** Esteemed actor, **Ratna Pathak Shah** in conversation with **Dr. Saif Mahmood.** Presided by **Ambassador Bhaswati Mukherjee,** President IHC. **Collab. Anjuman Taraqqi Urdu (Hind).**

TALK 7:00pm | **InfraKatha. The Lessons of PPP and the Way Forward** by **Montek Singh Ahluwalia,** Former Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission. Check website for details.

WORKSHOP 7:00pm | **WORKSHOP | A Transient Life: Experiments With The Idea Of Impermanence.** Check website for details.

21 7:30pm | *Shaan-e-Awadh.* A series of curated conversations celebrating the rich legacy, history, and heritage of Awadh. **Session 3. Dastan-e-Jaan-e-Alam (Hindustani/60 mins), Dastangoi performance on the life of King **Wajid Ali Shah** by Dastango and storyteller **Himanshu Bajpai** and **Pragya Sharma.** Followed by a conversation on 'Awadhi Qisse'. **Collab. Karwaan: The Heritage Exploration Initiative.** **Ticketed show.** Check panel for details.**

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TALK 7,8,12,15,21

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DANCE 2,3,4,6,10,13,19,23,30

TALK 3,5,6,8,11,13,14,16,17,18,19,20,30