

NAMMA MADRAS



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Madras Week '14

August 17 to
August 25

Updated till July 31st

During August

- Trips in sail boats (with fishing included) off the coast of Adyar are been arranged by **Adventure 'n' Nature** to celebrate 'Madras 375'.
- **Exhibition:** A rare collection of old Madras photographs will be on display throughout the month. There will also be special Madras tiffin combos at **Blu Hickey Bistro Restaurant** at Rs. 500 nett per person.

Dipankar Ghosh
99403 55521.

Radisson BLU Hotel
GRT
11 am.-7 p.m.

August 8

- **Quiz:** *Heritage Quiz for children.* Organised by **DakshinaChitra**. Quiz is open to students of 6th, 7th and 8th Standards only. No participation fee

At DakshinaChitra.
For more information
and to register,
contact 98417 77779.

August 9

Quiz: *How well do you know your Madras – a quiz by S. Muthiah.* Organised by the **Indian Institute of Materials Management**, Chennai Chapter.

Express Avenue,
2nd Floor. 6.30 p.m.
For members and their
guests only.

August 9 and 10

- **Films:** Documentaries on Madras-based artists organised by **DakshinaChitra**. *Water and Man* – Contemporary artists. 25 mins; *Fluid signs* – Contemporary artists. 35 mins; *Devarattam* – Kanna Kumar, Folk - 60 mins. Films by **Anand**.

DakshinaChitra.
11 am-1 pm

NOTE: ● Open to all, but terms apply. Limited seating at all venues on first-come, first-served basis. All Chennai Heritage tours require booking and payment in advance. Please make your bookings through email (editor@madrasmusings.com) and you will be informed on where to make the payment and get further details. ✱ Details awaited.

Programme sheet from Madras Musings, Graeme's Road, Chennai 600 006.
Also check www.themadrasday.in for up-to-date programmes.
Promotion & Publicity : PRISM

August 10

- **Heritage Tour:** Led by Chithra Madhavan and organised by **Namma Mylapore**. The tour by van will start at Luz Church and will end at Kapaliswara temple. The places covered will be Kapaliswara temple, Luz Church, San Thomé Basilica and two Vishnu temples near Chitrakulam. The monuments will be explained from the outside only. The fee for the tour will be Rs.350/- per person.

Luz Church
7 a.m.-9 a.m.
To register
nammamylapore@
hotmail.com

Heritage Walk: *Walk inside Govt. Museum, Egmore* conducted by **Pradeep Chakravarthy**. The 45 minute walk will focus on select stone sculptures from Tamil Nadu in the ground floor of the main gallery. You will learn the context of the sculptures and how to tell which period they belong to (a practice test at the end where you score your own test!) and what you can learn from the sculptures for your own lives today. Meeting place – The seated Buddha just outside the entrance to the stone sculptures gallery. Be sure to buy your ticket as you enter the gates of the Museum.

10 a.m. to 10.45 a.m.
Registrations to
pradeepandanusha@
gmail.com
clearly mentioning
how many of you will
be coming. Open to
30 people only.

August 13, 2014

- **Heritage Walk:** *A Walk Down Memory Lane – Tracing the 100-year History of Queen Mary's College* A power point presentation followed by a quick walk round the heritage buildings, presented by alumnae **Nithya Balaji** and **Vasantha Madhu**.

Register through e-mail only – nithinal.balaji677@gmail.com.
First come first served basis, up to max. 30 people only for the walk, and up to 40 for PP alone

8.00 to 9 .30 a.m.
Assembly Hall,
QMC

August 14

- **Nature Walk:** *Flora of Queen Mary's College* – an illustrative walk by the author of book by the same name, alumna **A. Thilagavathy**.

QMC has many fascinating plants, herbs and tree species on its campus. A. Thilagavathy of the Botany Dept. will conduct the group and take you close to the ancient trees and seasonal flora on campus. This will be followed by a power point presentation of the same as well as more species. .

Maximum number 35 only. By registration through e-mail on first come first served basis: thilagavathy25@gmail.com

7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m.
QMC

August 15, 2014

CD Release: CD-release function of the **Madras Youth Choir**. Welcome by P.C. Ramakrishna. Songs by children, and release of the children's CD by Leela Samson.

At 9.30 a.m. at TAG
Center. Open only to
members of the
South India Heritage
Programme and their
guests.

Talk: Madras and Music. Dr Ghatam Karthik, well-known musician and *ghatam* exponent, will speak on the history of Carnatic music, its luminaries, the various sabhas of our city, the happenings of the December music season etc. 10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. at Tag Center. Open only to members of the South India Heritage Programme and their guests

August 16 and 17

- **Films:** Documentaries on Madras-based artists organised by **DakshinaChitra**. *Echoes of freedom* – R.B. Bhaskaran. 30 mins; *Red Symphony* – Achuthan Kudallur. 40 mins; *Deskilling of Art* – Banner artists. 40 mins; Films by **Gita**. DakshinaChitra. 11 am-1 pm
- **Exposition: Eco Spots of Chennai: Know Them, Sustain Them.** Interactive sessions with public on various Eco Spots. Organised by the **Madras Naturalists' Society (MNS)**. SPACES 11 a.m.-7.00 p.m. and 5.15 p.m. on both days.

August 16, 2014

- **Heritage Walk: Looking back at Lloyd's Road** – walk led by **Mohan V Raman** and **Sriram V**. Walks requires registration (at editor@madrasmusings.com) and payment in advance. Ends with breakfast. Organised by **Chennai Heritage**. 6.00 to 8.30 am

Talk: Madras to Chennai: A Strategic Hub by **Dr. Uttam Kumar Jamdhagni**, Department of Defence and Strategic Studies, Madras University, followed by an open discussion. Organised by **Observer Research Foundation**. Intending participants should confirm their interest by email: orfchennai@orfonline.org and also warn-in for lunch. 11 am-1 pm. A1 Towers

- **Talk: Biodiversity of Chennai** by **Dr. R. Bhanumathi**. Organised by **MNS**. 11.45 a.m. SPACES
- **Talk: Bird Sanctuaries: Pulicat and Vedanthangal** by **Dr. T. Murugavel**. Organised by **MNS**. 4 p.m. SPACES
- **Talk: Institutional Habitats: Theosophical Society, IIT-M and MCC, Tambaram** by **Preston Ahimaz**. Organised by **MNS**. 05.15 p.m. SPACES
- Madras meets Korea at the **Korean Bazaar**. Organised by the Korean Community in and around the city. St. Thomas' High School, San Thomé. 3-7 p.m.

August 17

- **Heritage Ride:** The Ride will start from Madras Veterinary College, Vepery, and finish at Sir Baden Powell Scout Training Centre, Perambur. 5 a.m. to 7 a.m.
Helmet is mandatory. Please wear bright coloured clothing to enhance visibility. The ride is free of cost and has no registration fees. You are responsible for your own safety. Obey all the traffic rules. The road will not be closed for the event. Ensure that your bicycle is in a good and safe-to-ride condition.
Ride route is subject to last minute changes.

For registration and other information log onto Cycling Yogis fb page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/cyclingyogis/> or call Senthil Tel: 9884246822 or Ramanujar Tel: 9884023123

- **Heritage Walk: *Coursing down College Road*** – walk led by **Sriram V.** Walk requires Registration (at editor@madrasmusings.com) and payment in advance. Ends with breakfast. Organised by **Chennai Heritage.** 6.00 to 8.30 am

- **Heritage Walk: *Perambur Walk*** conducted by Girish, K. 100 year old institutions are in the list of 10 places of interest. Two-hour walk. No fee. Report at Perambur Railway Station near Advance Reservation Counter. Open to 30 participants only. 6.30 a.m.
Contact 9884132136.
To register email girishkgb@yahoo.com with your name and phone no.

- **Heritage Tour: Bronze Gallery tour at Madras Museum** led by **Chithra Madhavan.** Organised by **Namma Mylapore.** The fee for the tour will be Rs.250/- (entrance ticket included). From 11 am to 1 pm.
To register nammamylapore@hotmail.com

- Talk: *Coast of Chennai*** by **Dr. T.D. Babu.** Organised by **MNS** 11.45 a.m., SPACES

- Talk: *Forests of Chennai: Guindy NP and Nanmangalam Reserve Forest*** by **Vikas Madhav.** Organised by **MNS** 04.00 p.m
SPACES

- Talk: *Wetlands of Chennai: Pallikaranai, Siruthavur, etc.*** by **Gnanaskandan K.** Organised by **MNS** 05.15 p.m.
SPACES

- **Meeting: Release of Special Postage Cover. Theme: *Transport in Madras.*** Hosted by **Chennai Heritage Lovers' Group** and the **Archaeological Survey of India (ASI)** At Clive Hall, ASI, Fort St George

- **Talk: Chennai Heritage Lecture: *From Madras to Mandalay.*** **Geeta Doctor** looks at the Madras-Myanmar connect through conversations with **S Muthiah** and **Visalakshi Ramaswami.** Readings from the book *A King in Exile*, a short film by Shylaja Chettur and a special menu presented by Chef Rajesh of The Park The Park
6.30 p.m.

August 18-23

- **Exhibition: *Print culture in Cennaipattinam.*** Organised by the Roja Muthiah Research Library (RMRL) Roja Muthiah Library
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

August 18

- Multi-events: An all-day programme by students of the Department of Indian Music, University of Madras.** Clock Tower Buildings, University of Madras

- Group Rendition of *Vintage Tamil Film Devotional Classics* by the students of the Department 10.15-10.30 a.m.

- Workshop on *Harikatha Compositions* learnt from Smt. C. Bannibai by **Dr. Premeela Gurumurthy.** 10.30-11.15 a.m.

- Tiruvallikkeni Vina Ramanuja* and his Sangita Sarvartha Sara Sangrahamu by **Dr. Rajshri Sripathy.** 11.15-12.00 noon

- Veena Dhanammal, Madras Lalithangi and Kanchipuram Dhanakoti Ammal* and their musical excellence by **M.Subhasree.** 12.00 noon-12.45p.m

- Malaikottai Govindasamy Pillai* and his grandson T.K.Ramamurthy of Viswanathan Ramamurthy fame by **Dr. R. Hemalatha.** 12.45-1.30 p.m.

Vintage Film: Kalki's *Parthiban Kanavu*. Jubilee Films.
Star Cast: Vijayantimala, Gemini Ganesan, S.V. Ranga Rao.

02.30 p.m

- **Talk:** *Story of the English Press in Madras* by **S. Muthiah**. Organised by the Press Institute of India.

Press Institute of India (PII), 5 pm

- **Talk:** Chennai Heritage Lecture: *A Piece of the Past – Mementoes from 18th Century Madras* – A talk by **Dr. Swapna Sathish** of Department of Fine Arts, Stella Maris College. She received a Charles Wallace India Trust research grant to undertake post-doctoral research in the United Kingdom studying art and artifacts in the homes of British 'nabobs' with a Madras connection, and her talk derives from the visit.

GRT, T'Nagar.
6.30 pm

August 19-September 20

- **Exhibition:** *MADras!* An exhibition of 375 cartoons on the city and its people by **Biswajit Balasubramanian**.

Forum Art Gallery,
10.30 am to 6.30 pm

August 19-25

- **Exhibition:** *Shoot Chennai* – An exhibition of selected entries to photo contests conducted by the **Photographic Society of Madras**.

Hotel Ambassador
Pallava

- **Heritage Ride:** East Coast Road. The Ride will start from Madhya Kailash (opp: Kasturba Nagar MRTS Station) and finish at the Madras Square (Cafe-Art Gallery, Neelankarai). Heritage places to be covered during the ride are Tiruvanmiyur, Covelong (Kovalam) and Tiruvidhanthai.

5 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Helmet is mandatory. Please wear bright coloured clothing to enhance visibility. The ride is free of cost and has no registration fees. You are responsible for your own safety. Obey all the traffic rules. The road will not be closed for the event. Ensure that your bicycle is in a good and safe-to-ride condition. Ride route is subject to last minute changes.

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August 19

- **Talk:** *Temples in and around Chennai: A presentation* by **Chithra Madhavan**. Organised by the Press Institute of India.

PII, 5 pm

- **Talk:** Chennai Heritage Lecture: *The Indo-Saracenic Man* – A tribute to Robert Fellowes Chisholm on his death centenary. A talk by **Sriram V**, entrepreneur, writer and Associate Editor, *Madras Musings*

Hyatt Regency.
6.30 pm

Workshop: A unique opportunity for children to learn the art of making miniature models from old Madras photographs. Organised by **DakshinaChitra**

DakshinaChitra
For more Information
and to register,
contact 98417 77779

August 20

- **Talk:** *Madras and the American Connection* by **S. Muthiah**. Organised by **RMRL**. RMRL, 5 p.m.
- **Talk:** *Revisiting colonial history: What if Lally had defeated the English in 1761?* by **Sumitra Muthukumar**. Organised by the PII. PII, 5 pm
- **Talk:** Chennai Heritage Lecture: *From LA to Madras in search of music*. Well-known film critic and writer **Baradwaj Rangan** in conversation with young and fast rising Carnatic musician **Sandeep Narayan**. Chamiers Anokhee. 6.30 pm

August 21

- **Talk:** *The hidden gems of Madras* by **S. Venkataram** aka Poochi Venkat. Organised by the PII. PII, 5 pm
- Talk:** *Madras – First City of Modern India* by S. Muthiah. Organised by TIE. 6.30 p.m. For members and guests only.
- **Talk:** Chennai Heritage Lecture: *Foodpreneurship* in Chennai – Panel discussion anchored by entrepreneur **Chandu Nair**. Panelists – **Kiran Rao** of Amethyst, **Vinit Chordia** of Dinein.in and **Bhuvanesh** of Donut House. Amethyst 6.30 p.m.

August 22-24

- **Exhibition:** *Buckingham Canal – Maps, pictures, notes*. Hosted by **Chennai Heritage Lovers' Group** and the **ASI**. Clive Hall, Fort St George. 10 am-5 pm

August 22

- **Talk:** *The Origin of Chennai/Madras* by **Prof. J.B.P. More**. Organised by **RMRL**. RMRL, 5 p.m.
- **Talk:** *Chennai that was Madras*, in song by **Uma Vangal**. Organised by the PII. PII, 5 pm
- Book Release:** *Tales of Old and New Madras* and 7th Edition of *Madras Rediscovered* (revised and expanded) by S. Muthiah. Also sale of books on Madras. Organised by **Westland**. Taj Connemara 7 p.m. Invitees only.
- Competition:** A folk dance competition for college students organised by **DakshinaChitra**. Colleges can send in groups of six to ten students. The theme would be on traditional folk performances. The best three folk performing teams will be given prizes and certificates. There is no participation fee for the competition. At DakshinaChitra For information and registration call 98417 77779

August 23 and 24

- **Films:** Documentaries on Madras-based artists organised by **DakshinaChitra**. *Shilpi speaks* – Ganapathy Sthapathy. 60 mins; Film by **Bala Kailasam**. DakshinaChitra. 11 am-1 pm

August 23

- *The Gujaratis of Sowcarpet* – walk led by **Karthik Bhatt**. Walk requires registration (at editor@madrasmusings.com) and payment in advance. Ends with breakfast. Organised by **Chennai Heritage**. 6.00 to 8.30 am
- **Heritage Tour: Trace Origin of Madras: Tour of Pulicat. AARDE Foundation** conducts a heritage tour of Pulicat (Pazhaverkadu). 8.30 a.m. – Breakfast at Pulicat Interpretation Centre
9.00 a.m. – Heritage Walk
12.30 p.m. – Lunch
1.00 p.m. – Departure from Pulicat
Fee: Rs. 845, incl of A/c bus trip, breakfast, lunch, water & snacks
6.30 a.m. from Loyola College rear.
Contact: 044- 42139961.
Email: info@aarde.in
www.aarde.in
- **Tree Walk: Trees and melody in Carnatic music.** Musical tree walk with **Vidwan R.K. Shriramkumar** and **Latha Nathan**. Organised by **Nizhal**.
For registration: nizhal.shade@gmail.com or message
www.facebook.com/nizhal.shade or call 90030 98613, 97910 29568, or 9940061810
Kotturpuram Tree Park
7.30 a.m. to 8.30 a.m
- **Quiz:** Quiz for college students organised by **INTACH-Chennai**
Talk: The Anglo-Indians- A 500-year history by **S. Muthiah**, followed by an open discussion. Organised by **Observer Research Foundation**. Intending participants should confirm their interest by email: orfchennai@orfonline.org and also warn-in for lunch.
IIT, 10 am
11 am – 1 pm.
A1 Towers
- **Heritage Tour: Stone Gallery** tour at the Madras Museum led by **Chithra Madhavan**. Organised by **Namma Mylapore**.
The fee for the tour will be Rs.250/- (entrance ticket included).
From 11 am to 1 pm.
To register
nammamylapore@hotmail.com
Quiz: Madras Quiz in Tamil. Open to school registered teams from Tamil medium schools ONLY. Team of two can participate. Each school can send 3 teams.
Registration of teams must be made by the schools, not individuals at 98405 44629. Organised by **Mylapore Times**.
P.S.Hr.Sec.School campus, Mylapore
1.30 p.m. onwards
- **Talk: Mariyamman at the interface of Science and Religion** by **Prof. Perundevi Srinivasan**. Organised by **RMRL**.
RMRL, 5 p.m.
- **Tree Walk. Siddha medicine tree walk** with **Dr. K.V. Abirami** and **Chithra Viswanathan**. How have the Naaval, Nuna, Putranjiva and many other such trees been a part of Siddha medicine down the ages. Organised by **Nizhal**.
For registration: nizhal.shade@gmail.com or message
www.facebook.com/nizhal.shade or call 90030 98613, 97910 29568, or 9940061810
At Panagal Park.
T Nagar.
5 p.m. to 6 p.m..
- **Talk:** Chennai Heritage Lecture: *A birth centenary tribute to T.S. Baliah*, veteran comedian and character actor.
Talk by **Mohan V Raman**, actor and entertainer.
Sheraton Park
5.30 pm

- **Book Release:** *A Guide to some Urban Fauna of India*. Published by **Madras Naturalists' Society**. Chief Guest: **Mr. Venu Srinivasan**, Guest of Honour: **Mr. M.V. Murugappan**, Special address on *Living with Urban Birds*: **Dr. V. Santharam**, Rishi Valley Institute of Bird Studies and Natural History

5.00 p.m.
Asian College of
Journalism

Walk and Make Madras Scrapbook – organised by **YOCee**. Children will be taken for a walk on a short stretch and at the end of the walk they will have to get down to make a scrapbook. Open to children from classes 5 to 9 and restricted to 25 participants. Prior registration required. To register, SMS name and age to 98405 44629 on or before August 20.

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- **Quiz:** Quiz for general public organised by **INTACH-Chennai**

IIT, evening

August 24

- **Heritage Walk:** *Touring around Triplicane* – walk led by **Sriram V.** Walk requires registration (at editor@madrasmusings.com) and payment in advance. Ends with breakfast. Organised by Chennai Heritage.

6.00 to 8.30 am

- **Nature Walk:** *Pallikaranai Marsh*. Organised by the **Madras Naturalists' Society**.
Group size: 30; Reporting Place: Forest Dept. Office on Velachery-Thoraipakkam Road
How to reach: When coming from Velachery, take the service road along the 2nd flyover on the Velachery-Tambaram Road and turn left at the junction under the flyover onto the Velachery-Thoraipakkam Road, travel around 300 m. and take the U-turn after the Toll Plaza sign and the office is on the left immediately after the turn. When coming from OMR, the Office is 200 m. after the Toll Plaza.

6.15 a.m.

Reporting Place:
Forest Dept.

Office on
Velachery-
Thoraipakkam Road
For details: Vijay
98400 90875

Heritage Walk: St. Thomas' Mount.

Duration: 2 hours. Rs.500 (inclusive of breakfast)
For registration: Richard O'Connor: 98402 07283.

From
St. Patrick's Church
Time: 6.30 a.m.

Photowalk: For children organised by **YOCee**. Led by **N. Ramaswamy** of Chennai Daily Photo. Open to children studying in classes 5 to 12. Starts from the AMM School gate on the Gandhi Mandapam Road, Kotturpuram, and ends at Kotturpuram MRTS Station. Walk through a part of Kottur, a village in a city, and capture interesting scenes. Children with a camera (any type) and love Chennai can join. Prior registration required. Contact Revathi: 98405 44629. Limited to first 25 registrations. Parents are also welcome to join the walk

AMM School Gate
Gandhi Mandapam Rd
6.45 a.m.

- **Tree Walk.** *Putranjiva tree walk* with **Dr. T.D. Babu**. From Banyans to the Pala Indigo Tree, explore the magnificent trees in their sylvan setting. Organised by **Nizhal**. For registration: nizhal.shade@gmail.com or message www.facebook.com/nizhal.shade or call 90030 98613, 97910 29568, or 9940061810

At Rostrevor Gardens
Railway Colony,
Teynampet, Anna Salai
7.30 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.

- **Tree Walk.** *An Insect tree walk* with 'Poochi' **Venkat** and **Rajani Shankar**. Visit the magical world of insects and the trees that they inhabit. Organised by **Nizhal**.

5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
At Nageswara Park

For registration: nizhal.shade@gmail.com or message
www.facebook.com/nizhal.shade or call 90030 98613,
97910 29568, or 9940061810

- **Talk:** Chennai Heritage Lecture: Screening of **Karan Bali's** feature length documentary film *An American in Madras* which is on the life of Ellis R Dungan. Programme co-hosted by Cinema Rendezvous. The director will be present and there will be a discussion after the screening

Savera
6.30 p.m.

From August 25

Exhibition: *Emden-Sydney* commemoration exhibition by the Australian Consulate-General for South India.

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August 25

- **Talk:** Chennai Heritage Lecture: *My memories of Madras* – Veteran artist, art director and designer **Thotta Tharani** speaks

ITC Grand Chola
6.30 pm

Quiz: *How well do you know your Madras* – a quiz by **S. Muthiah** for Rotary Central and four other clubs.

Savera Hotel, 6 p.m.
For members and guests only

August 27

Talk: **Capt. D.P. Ramachandran** speaks on *The Madras Regiment* at the **Madras Book Club**.

Taj Connemara,
7.00 p.m. Members
and guests only

August 30

- **Talk:** *Madras: Trade, Business and Industry – Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow* by **Sushila Ravindranath**, Consulting Editor, *Financial Express*, followed by an open discussion. Organised by **Observer Research Foundation**. Intending participants should confirm their interest by email: orfchennai@orfonline.org and also warn-in for lunch.

11 am – 1 pm.
A1 Towers

Talk: **Fr. Anand Amaladoss** speaks on *The Jesuit Presence in Madras* at the **Madras Book Club**.

Taj Connemara,
7.00 p.m. For members
and guest only

August 30 and 31

- **Films:** Documentaries on Madras-based artists organised by **DakshinaChitra**. *Golden Flute* – Alphonso Arul Doss. 30 mins; *Perumal's People* – P. Perumal. 30 mins. **Films by Gita**

DakshinaChitra.
11 am-1 pm

August 31

Heritage Walk: Perambur

Meeting Point: Lourdes Church, Paper Mills Road, Perambur.
Rs.500 (inclusive of breakfast). For registration:
Harry MacLure 98413 97502

From Lourdes Church
Time: 6.30 a.m.
Duration: 2 hours

Other Events

Discussions: Goethe-Institut Chennai, Alliance Francaise of Madras and British Council team together to talk about 'The Great War that began 100 years ago and the effect it had on artistic movements' in Madras of the era.

Events planned include:

The British Council holds a daily online blogging competition (August 18-22) on the subject of Madras and World War I

Panel Discussion in which A. Srivatsan, V. Sriram and Prof. A.R. Venkatachalapathy will participate. Organised by **Goethe-Institut, Chennai/Max Mueller Bhavan**

Literature session: Prose, poetry and essay reading (English and Tamil), organised by **Alliance Francaise of Madras.**

Film: Release of the film: *The Story of Madras: The First City of Modern India*. Narrated by **S. Muthiah**. To be distributed to schools. Organised by **INTACH-Chennai**.

Talk: *Art Deco* by **Sujatha Shankar**, Convenor, INTACH-Chennai.

Several events are being organised by 'Hot Breads' Mahadevan in his restaurants between August 17 and 24th.

Contests

Heritage of Chennai – Multimedia Presentation Contest

The contest encourages city school students to explore Chennai's history and heritage and present the topic given to each team in multi-media form.

Theme: *A city temple with great heritage and architecture.* Please avoid the Sri Kapali Temple, Sri Parthasarathy Temple, Sri Marundeeswarar Temple – because we want presentations on less known temples.

Contest is open to schoolchildren studying in classes 8 to 12.

A school can send only one team. Each team **MUST** have 3 members and all 3 members must take turns to make one presentation.

The contest is on August 19 from 9 am to 3 pm

Venue: Srinivasa Sastri Hall, Luz, Mylapore

Guidelines:

1. Identify a temple, ask your school teacher to call the organiser, Revathi at 98405 44629 and get the project approved and registered before you work on it.
2. Take pictures and videos on the spot, make notes and interview people for your presentation.
3. Prepare a Power Point presentation.
4. At the presentation, each team of 3 students will take turns at the mike to present the project using the PP. You can use your notes for reference and speak in English or Tamil.

5. The duration of the complete presentation – PowerPoint and Oral – should not exceed 10 minutes. Participants should be prepared to answer on-the-spot questions from the judges.
6. The Power Point presentation should be submitted to the organisers **on or before August 11, 5 pm**, in a Compact Disc (CD).

Address for submission

MYLAPORE TIMES

77, C. P. Ramaswamy Road, Alwarpet, Chennai - 18

(Please courier the pack. We do not entertain hand delivered entries!)

7. The team should retain a copy of the CD and bring it to the venue of the contest. The organisers will provide a PC and a projector at the venue to help you make your presentation.
8. Contest is open to first 20 teams to register on first come, first served basis.
9. The best THREE presentations will be awarded trophies, gifts and certificates. All participants will be given certificates. The prize giving function will be held on the same day at about 4 pm.

This event is supported by **Mylapore Times** and the **South India National Association (SINA)**, Luz.

● **Shoot Chennai – Photo contest**

The Photographic Society of Madras (PSM) is organising the contest for two groups: 1. Students only; 2. Open
The themes are as follows: 1) **My Madras**: The photographer's personal tribute to Chennai, depicting what it means personally to him or her. Including typical Chennai views like beaches, eat-outs, city life, cityscapes, scenes against which day to day life in Chennai plays out. 2) **Monuments of Madras**: From the architect's scrap book, capturing the magnificence of the city's architecture, from the oldest to Art Deco and the modern architecture of the city. 3) **Unusual Madras**: Strange and unusual happenings in the city. Also the unexpected that breaks tradition and contradicts stereotypes. 15th August is the deadline for entries.

15th August is the deadline for entries. Entries to photomadrweek14@gmail.com before 12.00 noon, Friday, 15th August, 2014. For details, visit www.photomadr.org

● **Navin's Photo Contest**

Navin's, a leading real estate developer is hosting a photo contest *Inspirational Madras*, for all the camera lovers. Participants can send their entries to Navin's official id – info@navins.in

Participants are expected to focus on capturing utility and functionality aspects of landmark buildings across Chennai. Each photograph should be supported with a brief write-up which defines why the building is inspirational to the photographer. The entries will be shortlisted and exhibited at a common venue. The winners will be announced on the Madras Day (August 22, 2014) at the exhibition by an eminent jury. The winners will grab exciting prizes worth over Rs. 15,000 and an attractive opportunity to work on a portfolio project for Navin's.

For more details about the photo contest kindly visit, Navin's official Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Navins/366181446727437>.

Anna Nagar Social History Group contests

1. Teams of 2 to 5 persons above 16 years of age to make presentations on how your family moved to Anna Nagar, when, why? How your family history is related to Anna Nagar. Doubts, queries and registration at annanagarshg@gmail.com
2. For children of 8 to 12 years of age. Start with a four generation (minimum) family tree, add pictures, plan of your house (before and now), write stories, add function invitations, postcards, sketches. Add information on how your family moved to Anna Nagar, when and why and how your family history is related to Anna Nagar, Selected works will be displayed and felicitated at an exhibition in August. Registration at annanagarshg@gmail.com

Possible speakers on Madras

If you are looking for a speaker, try these Madras enthusiasts:

Anuradha Uberoi on Punjabis of Chennai: 98410 42520; **S. Anwar** on Tamil Muslims, on mosques of Chennai: 94440 77171; **Chandu Nair** on Chennai's changing professional profile: 98840 51682; **Dr. Chithra Madhavan** on Temples of Madras: 98408 77671; **Deepak Suresh**, an Ice-cream entrepreneur (Amadora) on his experiences: 99400 95746; **P.K. Doraiswamy** on Chennai and humours: 2491 4555, 91768 53188; **Jagannath Ramaswamy** on Advertising in Chennai: 98840 99294; **Karthik Bhatt** on Gujaratis of Chennai: 99622 28077; **Kiruba Shankar** on blogging and bloggers in Chennai: 98415 97744 / 4273 3619; **Krithika Balasubramanian** on Chennai's musical scene: 98400 36903; **G.E. Lakshmi Krupa** on social revolutions in Chennai: 97907 34172; **Mohan Raman** on Tamil Cinema: 99401 49934; **K.R. Natarajan** on Chennai and humour (in Tamil): 98400 68768; **Nina John** on Women of Chennai: 98441 16530; **Dr. V. Padma** ("Mangai") on Tamil drama and folklore / on women's empowerment: 94451 60611; **Peter van Geit** on trekking in Chennai: 96000 04509; **Pradeep Chakravarthy** on history, heritage, temples: 98412 99017; **Dr. Pradeep Philip** on the police and law and order in Chennai: 98407 39100; **R.V. Rajan** on Advertising in Chennai: 98403 92082; **Rakesh Raghunathan**, restaurant entrepreneur and singer of Tamil film songs: 98840 82008; **Ram Ramakrishnan** on Rajni Kanth: 99629 02902; **V. Ramnarayan** on cricket and Chennai: 98400 20602; **Randor Guy** on Barristers of Chennai, on crime, on Tamil cinema: 2674 6381; 94441 08182.

Addresses for the venues

A1 Towers: Fifth Floor, Conference Hall, 89, Dr Radhakrishnan Salai; **Amethyst:** Next to Corporation Bank, Whites Road, Royapettah; **Chamiers Anokhe:** 106 Chamiers Road, R.A. Puram, (diagonally opposite Park Sheraton); **DakshinaChitra:** East Coast Road, Muttukadu. **Forum Art Gallery:** 57, 5th Street Padmanabha Nagar, Adyar. **Lourdes Shrine:** Paper Mills Road, Perambur; **Press Institute of India:** Second Main Road, Taramani, CPT Campus, (behind M.S. Swaminathan Foundation); **Roja Muthiah Research Library:** 3rd Cross Road, Rajiv Gandhi IT Expressway, CPT Campus, Taramani, (Opposite Indira Nagar MRTS Station); **SPACE,** across from Besant Nagar beach.