



Madras Week '16

August 13 to
September 3

Updated till August 12th

August, 2016

Exhibition: Paintings and sculptures. Organised by Cholamandalam Artists' Village in collaboration with Lalit Kala Akademi, Regional Centre, Chennai

Through August.

9.30 a.m.-6.30 p.m.
daily at Cholamandalam
Artists' Village

August 21-28

Exhibition: Photographs of IIT Madras from its founding till recent times. Organised by IIT Heritage Centre

IIT Madras
9 a.m.-5 p.m.

August 21-27

Digital engagement. Digital crossword quiz on Madras theme. Organised by British Council. For details: 42050700 / email: Valavan.S@in.britishcouncil.org

Digital

Till August 29, 2016

Exhibition: *Tamil Nadu Cuisine* – to create awareness of the diversified traditional and authentic food culture across Tamil Nadu. Organised by the Department of History and Tourism, Stella Maris College

10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Stella Maris College

Till August 30, 2016

Exhibition: Exhibition stalls on: 1. Miniature Models on Heritage buildings, (institutional and government); 2. Old and New Movie clippings or posters; 3. Videos on old cities and streets of Madras; 4. Names and Taglines of the streets and places of Madras; 5. Photo album on the old and later changes in Madras; 6. Photo Booth - heritage cut outs at the backdrop and a photo taken; 7. Handmade greeting cards, badges, bookmarks, *mehendi* designing on culture and heritage; 8. Display of literary works relating to Madras and old paper cuttings; 9. Heritage walk in Stella Maris College Campus. Organised by the Department of History and Tourism, Stella Maris College

10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Stella Maris College

Till August 31, 2016

Exhibition: *Ancient temples of Madras.* An exhibition of paintings curated by Gandhirajan

Kadambari Gallery
DakshinaChitra

August 16 (Tuesday), 2016

● **Talk:** *Madras Day* by Sashi Nair. Organised by the Rotary Club of Adyar. Only for Rotarians and their guests

Boat Club

August 17 (Wednesday) 2016.

Walk: *Explore Industrial Madras.* Walk through Guindy Industrial Estate, led by N. Ramaswamy.

Time : 4pm
Starting Point : Near
CIPET Main Gate

NOTE: No need for Registration. Contact: Ram: 9444062684. Route: <https://goo.gl/maps/mPGXwvccQR52>

August 18 (Thursday), 2016

Play session: *An Evening of Traditional Games* conducted by Kreedagames in partnership with Ashvita Events. Details: info@kreedagames.com

Ashvita Bistro,
Alwarpet

August 19 (Friday), 2016

Exhibition: *An exhibition on Tirukkural* by architect M. Dhanasekaran. Organised by MLS. Non-members of MLS: Rs. 50 per person.

11 a.m.
Madras Literary Society

Talk: *Chennai History through Church Architectural Styles* by Dr. Amaladass Anand

5.30 p.m.-6.30 p.m.
Dhyana Ashram

Films: *Madras Masters.* Screening of documentaries *Golden Flute* and *Kamadhenu*. Celebrating the city's two well-known artists, Alphonso Arul Doss and Veera Santhanam, directed by Gita, city-based painter and film-maker. Audiences can interact with the artists after the screening. Organised by Gallery Sri Parvati

6.30 p.m.
Gallery Sri Parvati

August 20 & 21, 27 & 28, 2016

Films: These documentaries will be screened by DakshinaChitra: *Shilpi speaks:* Conversation with Ganapathi Sthapathi and *Measuring the sky:* A journey to the Brhadiswara temple (IGNCA film)

11 a.m.-1 p.m. and
3 p.m.-5 p.m.
Seminar Hall, Dakshina
Chitra

August 20-21, 2016

Lecture: *Temples of Vietnam and Indonesia* by Vijay Kumar. Organised by Chennai Outreach.

6.30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Apparao Galleries

Exhibition: Anna Nagar. Organised by Nam Veedu, Nam OOr, Nam Kadhai

10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Swarna Mini Hall,
Anna Nagar

Email: annanagarshg@gmail.com; phone: 91 98404 95717

August 20 (Saturday), 2016

Walk: Marshall's Road (Rukmini Lakshmiipathi Road) led by Sudha Umashanker. Organised by Storycorner at Bookmine. To register: 9840247624

7 a.m.-9 a.m. Starting
point: just outside
Rajah Muthiah Hall
in-gate

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11 a.m.
Madras Literary Society

Games: The participants would be introduced to the art of making board games and, as a team, they will make games based on the theme: Madras. Only for 12-16 years. Santhosh from Bambaram Toy Library will be facilitating the event which is hosted by Bambaram, YOcee and The Learning Community Quest. Please bring your own basic stationery materials. Charts and additional pencils, sketches would be provided at the venue. Free. Limited to 10 teams (2 members per team). Prior registration: <http://goo.gl/forms/eTFCJleawzKrQ0BT2>

2 pm to 5 pm
The Learning Community
at Quest, Palavakkam

Contact: 9840544629 (Revathi), Santhosh (9962387624)

Talk: *Jesuit Participation in Chennai history* by Dr. Amaladass Anand

5.30-6.30 p.m.
Dhyana Ashram

Food Walk: *West Mambalam Food Walk.* Free but pay for what you eat.

4 p.m.
Starting Point: Venkatrama
Boli Stall, Thambaiah
(Reddy) St.

Organiser: Sridhar Venkataraman. Register: 97909 57208

Walk: *British Blueprints 1 – Lighthouse to War Memorial.* Mode: walk. Distance covered on foot: approx 3 km. To register: Write to chennai@storytrails.in, Ph: 99400 40215. Organised by Storytrails. Things to bring: comfortable walking footwear, cap

6 a.m.-8 a.m. Reporting
venue: Gandhi statue,
Marina beach Maxi-
mum capacity: 30 PAX
Registration free

Walk: *Bird Walk at Perumbakkam Tank*

6.30 a.m. Bus stand opp
IT Park near Toll Plaza in
Perumbakkam. Group
Size: 25. Strictly on first-
come basis.

Please bring along binoculars and cameras. Organised by the Madras Naturalists' Society. For registration: Vijay at gopivkumar58@gmail.com

Walk for the diffabled: *The City and its Cinema – an accessible excursion.*

10 a.m.-12.30 p.m.
Starting point: Entrance
gate of L.V. Prasad Acad-
emy, Saligramam. Rs.
200 per person, towards
travel charges

An introduction to the fascinating history of cinema in Chennai followed by a walk across Prasad Studios and Prasad Labs. Lead: Venkatesh Chakravarthy, Regional Director of L.V. Prasad Film & TV Academy.

Organised by Explore Differently (www.facebook.com/exploredifferently) NOTE: See Also August 25th

Talk: *Sir CPR's Madras* by Sriram V. Organised by The C.P. Ramaswami Aiyar (CPR) Foundation

11 a.m.
CPR Foundation

Lecture: *Chennai: From Metropolis to Megapolis: Demography and Social Mobility* by Sujatha Natarajan, Patron and ex-President, Family Planning Association of India. Organised by Observer Research Foundation (Chennai Chapter) **Note:** Email confirmation mandatory 3-5 days in advance. orfchennai2@orfonline.org

11 am-1 pm followed
by lunch. ORF-Chennai
Conference Hall

Talk: *Palaeolithic cultures of Madras* by Dr. Jinu Koshy, Department of Ancient History & Archaeology, University of Madras. Organised by MLS

11 a.m.
Madras Literary Society

Talk: *Prehistoric sites in and around Madras* by Dr. Jinu Koshy, Department of Ancient History & Archaeology, University of Madras. Organised by DakshinaChitra

3 p.m.
DakshinaChitra

Talk: *Cultural History of Colonial Madras* by K.R.A. Narasiah. Organised by DakshinaChitra

3.30 p.m.
DakshinaChitra

Talk: *Contemporary art in Chennai* by Vaishnavi Ramana-
than. Organised by DakshinaChitra

4 p.m.
DakshinaChitra

Launch: *Memories of Madras* – A card game celebrating Madras City followed by a quiz and a game session in association with Odyssey and produced by Kreedagames with guidance from S. Muthiah.

7 p.m.-8 p.m.
Odyssey, Adyar

For information: info@kreedagames.com

● **Singing:** *Bharati evening* -- singing Bharati songs. Organised by all-women Rotary Club of Chennai Bharati. Only for Rotarians and their guests

Haddows Club

Note: Limited seating/registration at all venues/events on first-come, first-served basis, but terms apply

● Not open to all. Only for members and guests.

Check www.themadrasday.in and Madras Week App for up-to-date programmes.
Promotion and Publicity: PRISM Public Relations.

August 25 (Thursday) 2016

Walk for the diffabled: Arms Gallery at the Government Museum. A look at the amazing collection of weapons on display, most from the Tanjore armoury. Stories and trivia behind them. Lead: Rajith Nair. Last date for registration 16th August, 2016. Organised by Explore Differently (www.facebook.com/exploredifferently)

11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Rs,200 per person,
towards travel charges
(*see also August 20th)

Storytelling: *Madras Nalla Madras* – a storytelling feast by Jeeva Raghunath. Organised by Kathai Kalatta

1.30 - 2.30 p.m.
Malgudi Restaurant,
Hotel Savera

Play session: *Never too old to play* – A play session for senior citizens conducted by Kreedaa in partnership with the Old is Gold Stores.
For information: info@kreedagames.com /sanjay@oldisgoldstore.com

3 p.m.-7 p.m.
Old is Gold Store,
AH 247, 1st Street
Anna Nagar

Presentation: *Select bronze sculptures in the Government Museum, Egmore.* A presentation by Chithra Madhavan. Organised by Press Institute of India

5 p.m.
Press Institute of India
(PII)
CPT Campus, Taramani

Talk: Chennai Heritage Lecture: *Chennai's Style Influencers* – panel discussion: Rosella Stephen and panelists. Organised by *Madras Musings*

6.30 p.m.-8 p.m.
Amethyst

August 26-28, 2016

Competitions and Festivities: *Covelong Point Classic Surf, Music and Yoga Festival 2016* celebrating Madras beaches and surf. There will be an international level surf competition hosted by the Asian Surfing Championship, a diverse music line-up with two stages, a yoga and a meditation festival, evening film screenings, and a variety of beach side activities. And, of course, food. Organised by The Covelong Point Social Surf School

All day till 11 pm
Covelong Point,
Kovalam village

Exhibition: *Marvellous Madras Photographs 2016.* Organised by Gingerbeard

Tanishq, Anna Nagar

August 26 (Friday), 2016

Talk: *Kapaleeswarar temple, Mylapore – History, Art, Architecture and Traditional Games* by Chithra Madhavan with Vinita Sidhartha of Kreedaa Rs.300/- per person. To register, nammamylapore10@gmail.com

6.30 a.m.-8.30 a.m.
Eastern entrance to
Kapaleeswarar Temple
(next to Giri Trading)

Storytelling: *Madras Nalla Madras* – a storytelling feast by Jeeva Raghunath. Organised by Kathai Kalatta.

1.30 - 2.30 pm
Malgudi Restaurant,
Hotel Savera

Food Walk: *Mylapore Food Walk.* Free but pay for what you eat. Organiser: Sridhar Venkataraman. Register: 97909 57208

4 p.m.
Starting Point: Mylapore
Head Post Office,
Kutchery Road

Talk: *People, participation and panning out* – Madras Day celebrations over the years. Jayashree B. will showcase her study about how Madras Week has grown over the past decade. Organised by Press Institute of India

5 p.m.
Press Institute of India
(PII)
CPT Campus, Taramani

Lecture: The Tamil-South Korean Connection by Kyungsoo Kim, Consul General of the Republic of Korea in Chennai. Organised by Roja Muthiah Research Library

5.30 p.m.
RMRL, Taramani

Storytelling: *Madras Nalla Madras* – a storytelling feast by Jeeva Raghunath. Organised by Kathai Kalatta

4.30 - 5.30 p.m.
Shiva Parvathi Gardens

Talk: Chennai Heritage Lecture: *Madras Bhashai in Tamil Cinema* by V. Mohan Raman. Organised by *Madras Musings*

6.30 p.m.-8 p.m.
The Park Hyatt

Book release: Meera Raghavendra Rao's *Madhwas of Madras* (Palaniappa Bros.). Organised by Odyssey, Adyar

7 p.m.-8 p.m.
Odyssey, Adyar

August 27 (Saturday) 2016

Heritage Walk: *Marudheeswarar Temple – and games thrown in!* Tiruvanmiyur in 7-8th Century. Pradeep Chakravarthy with Vinita Sidhartha of Kreedaa. Registration: Pradeepandanusha@gmail.com

7 a.m.-7.45 a.m. At
entrance to temple oppo-
site the temple tank and
facing the beach (NOT
the one on ECR)

Walk: *Steeple Chase.* Walk through Chennai's Christian history and stories. Registration: chennai@storytrails.in, Ph: 9940040215. Organised by Storytrails. Things to bring along: water bottles, comfortable walking footwear, caps. Mode: Tempo Traveller

8 a.m.-11 a.m. Reporting
venue: Storytrails office.
Max. capacity: 10 PAX
Registration Free

Heritage Talk: *Heritage of Madras before the Arrival of the British* by Pradeep Chakravarthy. Organised by the Department of History and Tourism, Stella Maris College

10.30 a.m.
Room M-0-1,
Stella Maris College

Talk: *History of Madras from indigenous sources and folklore* by K.R.A. Narasiah. Organised by The C.P. Ramaswami Aiyar Foundation

10.30 a.m.
CPR Foundation

Lecture: Chennai: *From Metropolis to Megapolis: Psychology of a Changing Social Fabric* by Dr. Ravi Samuel, PhD, Psychotherapist. Organised by Observer Research Foundation (Chennai Chapter). NOTE: Email confirmation mandatory 3-5 days in advance. orfchennai2@orfonline.org

11 am-1 pm followed by
lunch followed by lunch
ORF-Chennai Conference
Hall

Recital: *Chennaiyil Gnanaratnam*, a recital and play on Bharati and Chennai. Organised by MLS

11 a.m. Madras Literary
Society

Storytelling: *Tales of Madrasapattinam* by Jeeva Raghunath. Organised by Kathai Kalatta and MLS

3 p.m. Madras Literary
Society

Storytelling: *Madras Nalla Madras* – a storytelling feast by Jeeva Raghunath. Organised by Kathai Kalatta

4 p.m.
DPI Library

Walk: *Understanding Tamil Nadu's Textile Heritage* – A guided walk in the Govt Museum. Get to know the vintage textiles of Tamil Nadu and textile related repositories available in the museum. Led by Sreemathy Mohan. Registration: sreemathy.mohan@gmail.com

Rs. 300/- per registration

Talk & Demo – *Lecture and Demonstration of Ancient Temple Games* presented by Apparao Galleries in association with The Leela Palace. Chitra Madhavan in conversation with Vinita Sidhartha of Kreedaa; Lakshmi Srinath / TVAM and Kreedaa will translate traditional games in the demonstration; For information: info@kreedagames.com

5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Apparao Galleries,
The Leela Palace

Talk: Chennai Heritage Lecture: *Chennai & Cricket* by R. Mohan. Organised by *Madras Musings*

6.30-8.30 p.m.
Hanu Reddy Residences

Storytelling: *Madras Nalla Madras* – a storytelling feast by Jeeva Raghunath. Organised by Kathai Kalatta

7.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.
Southern Spice restau-
rant,
The Residency Towers

Film: Documentary on Chennai Lakes produced by Environmentalist Foundation of India. The documentary highlights the plight of Chennai's lakes and aims at sensitising the larger public on the need for conserving our water bodies. To be followed by a brief discussion. Organised by British Council. For details: 42050700/email: Valavan.S@in.britishcouncil.org

4.30 p.m.
British Council

August 28 (Sunday) 2016

Heritage Walk: *Kapaleeswarar temple, Mylapore – History, Art, Architecture and Traditional Games* by Chithra Madhavan, with Vinita Sidhartha of Kreedaa. Register: nammamylapore10@gmail.com

6.30 a.m. -8.30 a.m.
Rs. 300 per registration.
Organised by Namma
Mylapore

Photowalk: Yocee (<http://yocee.in>) conducts its 8th annual Madras Week Photowalk for children Photowalk for children. Led by N. Ramaswamy. The walk will cover the Creek. For children of 10 years and above. Bring your own camera (any type). Carry light snacks and water bottle. Dress easy. Free. Register with Revathi at 9840544629. Open only to first 25 registrations.

Starts at 6.30 a.m.
Meeting Point : In front
of the Quibble Island
Cemetery.

Route : <https://goo.gl/maps/WFkneVivvx32>

Walk: *Harrington Road walk* led by Padmapriya Baskaran and Sudha Umashanker. To register: 9790918056/9840247624. Organised by the Coom-a-cultural-mapping group and Storycorner at Bookmine

7 a.m.
Starting point: Shoppers
Stop

Heritage Walk: 9th annual *Living Statues of Marina Beach* walking tour featuring six brief dramatic enactments (in English and Tamil) of the characters portrayed by the statues. Stopped at: Kannagi, NSC Bose, Thiruvalluvar, George Pope, Bharathidasan, and Avvaiyar.

7:30 a.m.
Meeting Point: Kannagi
statue, Marina Beach (at
Bharathi Salai)

Let us know if you might like to (a) Perform one of the statue characters (in English or Tamil). (b) Read-aloud poetry by the characters (Thiruvalluvar, Bharathidasan, Avvaiyar, etc). The suggested scripts (in English), and other details, are at www.storytellinginstitute.org/28.html. Organised by the World Storytelling Institute.

To Register, info@storytellinginstitute.org / 98403 94282

Food Walk: *Sowcarpet Food Walk.* Free but pay for what you eat. Organiser: Sridhar Venkataraman. Register: 97909 57208

9 a.m.
Starting Point: Ekam-
bareswarar Temple, Mint
Street

Exhibition: *Heritage Automobiles.*

Organised by the Heritage Motoring Club

9.30 a.m. All day.
The Turyaa Hotel, OMR
(1 km away from Tidel
Park)

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● **Book release:** A book of selected writings on Chennai by Randor Guy. This will be followed by INTACH film on Madras narrated by S. Muthiah. By invitation only

9.30 a.m.
TAG Centre