



Sanskarika

Newsletter of the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre

APRIL 2025

HAPPY SINHALA & TAMIL NEW YEAR



EVENTS CALENDAR – APRIL 2025

SUN	6 6:00 am	Online Yoga Session ON THE OCCASION OF RAMA NAVAMI "YOGA IN RAMAYAN" by Ajay Kumbhar, Yoga Expert from India
THU	10 5:00 pm	FILM SCREENING – JAI BHIM (TAMIL) Venue: SVCC Auditorium
SAT	12 6:00 am	Online Yoga Session ON THE OCCASION OF HANUMAN JI JANMOTSAV "YOGA OF MAHAVIR HANUMAN JI" by Ajay Kumbhar, Yoga Expert from India
TUE	22 4:00 pm	Meet the Author DR. KAUSHALYA KUMARASINGHE, A SRI LANKAN NOVELIST, RESEARCHER, TRANSLATOR, AND CULTURAL ACTIVIST. Venue: SVCC Auditorium

We Conduct **CLASSES** on
Bharatha Natyam, Kathak, Sitar, Violin, Tabla,
Carnatic Vocal, Hindustani Vocal, Yoga and Hindi

for more information Contact us on
+94 11 2684698 or iccrcolombo3@gmail.com

For upcoming facebook live events, visit www.facebook.com/ICCRSriLanka

Free Events. All are cordially invited.

Published by the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre,
16/2, Gregory's Road, Colombo 07. Tel: 011 2684698
Email: iccrcolombo@gmail.com Facebook: facebook.com/ICCRSriLanka

GLIMPSES OF EVENTS

in the Month of March 2025

Cultural Tapestry



Bharat Rang Mahotsav, India's biggest theatre festival comes to Sri Lanka! Bharat Rang Mahotsav was inaugurated in Colombo by HC Santosh Jha, Min. of Buddhasasana, Religious & Cultural Affairs Hon. Hiniduma Sunil Senevi, and Hon. Governor of Western Province, Hanif Yusoof.



Bharat Rang Mahotsav in Colombo on 06 February, 2025. The opening night featured the spectacular 'Tajmahal Ka Tender', a 130-minute Hindi play presented by NSD Repertory, New Delhi. Directed by Chittaranjan Tripathy and written by Ajay Shukla, the show mixed comedy, drama and societal reflection, leaving the audience spellbound!



Bharat Rang Mahotsav in Colombo on 07 February, 2025. The second night featured "Babuji" by NSD Repertory is a poignant portrayal of an artist's struggle to keep his passion for folk theatre alive amidst societal responsibilities. The play, adapted from Mithileshwar's story and directed by Rajesh Singh. This poignant tale of an artist's struggle between passion and duty left the audience deeply moved.

GLIMPSES OF EVENTS

in the Month of March 2025

Cultural Tapestry



SVCC Celebrates International Women's Day with a Sports Initiative at Wellawatte Hindu Ladies College



International Women's Day celebrations, the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre (SVCC), the cultural arm of the High Commission of India, organized a self-defense programme for female students at St. Paul's Milagiriya Girls' School.



An Evening of Cinema, Conversation & Creativity! ICCR in Sri Lanka hosted a special Meet and Greet, featuring the screening of the acclaimed India-Sri Lanka co-produced film 'Paradise', followed by an engaging interaction with veteran director Prasanna Vithanage.



Celebrating 74 glorious years of the tabla maestro, Ustad Zakir Hussain! An unforgettable evening—Rhythms & Reverence: Remembering the Legend—at SVCC, honoring his unparalleled legacy with soul-stirring performances & heartfelt tributes. The event featured Tabla recital by students of SVCC, a renowned percussionist, Upula Madushanka, Peshala Manoj, Ravibandhu Vidyapathi, and Rakhitha Wickramarathne.

GLIMPSES OF EVENTS

in the Month of March 2025

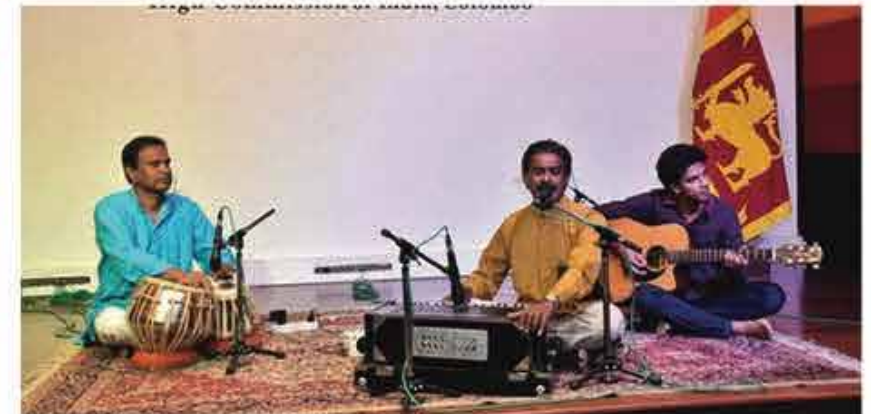
Cultural Tapestry



We were honoured to host Prof. M.K. Weerasinghe this month, who shared insights from his compelling book on the contributions of Prof. S. R. Ranganathan – the father of modern librarianship. A tribute to a true visionary!



ICCR in Sri Lanka organised an India-Sri Lanka Friendship Cup on 19 March, where young footballers from both nations faced off—as friends! A match that scored goals & goodwill beyond borders!



ICCR in Sri Lanka recently hosted a beautiful evening of Indian classical music with Dr. Wijedasa Bandara and his disciple Nalin Jinendra Alwis



Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre, Colombo, Tribute Evening in Honor of the Late Dr. Arunthathy Sriranganathan.



HC Santosh Jha inaugurated the soulful Tyagaraja Aradhana, hosted by ICCR Colombo, celebrating the legendary composer's timeless legacy. Bringing together music lovers from & , the event was a vibrant tribute to the rich Carnatic tradition!

GLIMPSES OF EVENTS

in the Month of March 2025

Cultural Tapestry



A vibrant Madhubani Painting workshop was held today by ICCR in Sri Lanka in collaboration with Bihar Museum, featuring the legendary Padma Shri awardees Dulari Devi and Shanti Devi. An inspiring celebration of tradition, talent, and storytelling through art!

BIHAR DAY



Catch glimpses of Blissful Bihar, a vibrant celebration of the rich heritage of Bihar, hosted by India in Sri Lanka (High Commission of India, Colombo) & ICCR in Sri Lanka in collaboration with Bihar Museum!