





The Monthly Newsletter from Goethe-Zentrum Hyderabad



WHAT'S UP AT GZH IN DECEMBER 2020!

The year 2020 has almost come to an end and even though this has been a misery to us in many forms, we would like to raise a TOAST to LIFE ITSELF and the sheer celebration of being alive! Welcome to our ONLINE Newsletter.

Presently all our classes and events are online due to COVID - 19. Our exhibition "The Flow of Lines" is still up for physical viewing by prior appointment only.

We are only partially open and our staff and faculty continue to work from home. Check our ONLINE Language courses and our Offline Exam schedules on our website. Read on for more...

We wish our readers Season's Greetings for the new year "Fröhliche Weihnachten und einen guten Rutsch ins neues Jahr!"

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Christmasfest for Students | Dec 21

GERMAN LANGUAGE ONLINE COURSES - DECEMBER 2020

Upcoming Courses

<u>A1 Weekend Online Course</u> 12.12.2020 | 08:30am to 12:45pm Sat & Sun | 16 Weeks <u>A2_Online Course</u> 04.01.2021 | 09:30am to 11:45am Mon to Fri | 11 Weeks

<u>B1 Online Course</u> 07.12.2020 | 07:00am to 09:15am Mon to Fri | 11 Weeks



<u>B2.1 Online Course</u> 18.01.2021 | 09:00am to 12:30pm Mon to Fri | 10 Weeks

<u>B2.2 Online Course</u> 14.12.2020 | 06:45am to 09:00am Mon to Sat | 11 Weeks <u>B2 Exam Online Preparatory Classes</u> 08.01.2021 to 13.01.2021 10:00 am to 1:30 pm

Upcoming Examinations

Registrations Open*

<u>Goethe Zertifikat A1 Exam</u> 04.02.2021 Goethe Zertifikat A2 Exam 11.02.2021 Goethe Zertifikat B1 Exam 12.01.2021

Registrations Closed*

(Bookings for exams in December has closed. Please consult our website for more details.)

<u>Goethe Zertifikat A1 Exam</u>	<u>Goethe Zertifikat A2 Exam</u>
17.12.2020	01.12.2020, 15.02.2020, 06.01.2021
<u>Goethe Zertifikat B1 Exam</u>	Goethe Zertifikat B2 Exam
29.12.2020	03.12.2020, 08.12.2020, 10.12.2020
	05.01.2021, 07.01.2021, 19.01.2021, 28.01.2021

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HER STORY OF DANCE



A podcast series

Goethe-Zentrum Hyderabad in collaboration with Suno India and Bol Hyderabad is proud to present to you the **SECOND** of our podcast series. This NEW podcast series 'Her Story of Dance' will bring you the story of the Devadasi women through the centuries, expressed and narrated by Dr. Yashoda Thakore. She quotes:

"No matter what the perspective, the Devadasi has remained an enigma. An understanding of this system always seemed to slip through my fingers till I discovered that my own origins could be traced back to the families of the Kalavantulu, the hereditary women dancer-singers who just occupied every aspect of society in India and yet were spoken about in an apologetic, dismissive tone, almost as if they were a 'mistake' in the history of India!

"As a professional dancer of the modern classical dance form, Kuchipudi, delving into the story of these women has been a profound life-changing experience. Suddenly, caste comes across to me as an inclusive concept! I look forward to sharing these thoughts with you while walking through the centuries, in the footsteps of dance."

Dr. Yashoda Thakore

Chair, Department of Kuchipudi, University of Silicon Andhra, California Recipient of Bangalore Nagaratnamma Award and Ugadi Puraskaram



Illustrated by: Neha Vaddadi

Join us for the LAUNCH on DEC 12 2020 | 6:00 PM followed by a Panel Discussion



HER STORY OF DANCE A PODCAST SERIES

Join us, as an esteemed set of panelists from the world of dance and academia discuss the history and current relevance of this Podcast. Stay with us as we continue the talk with Usha Raman from Bol Hyderabad, Padma Priya, and Rakesh Kamal from Suno India who will share their experience of bringing this podcast together as we **launch OUR FIRST EPISODE, of the SECOND of our PODCAST SERIES - "Her Story of Dance"**



https://tinyurl.com/herstoryofdance







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Dr. Saskia Kersenboom Founder-Director Paramparai Foundation



Sampreeti Malladi PhD candidate at UoH Fulbrighter at UC Berkeley

Moderator

THE FLOW OF LINES

Photo Exhibition at Hamburg Hall, GZH



On view till Saturday, 12. December 2020







Siegfried Hansen

Siegfried Hansen is from **Hamburg**, **Germany**. His distinctive style has earned him recognition both nationally and internationally. He is one of the photographers featured in the book "Street Photography Now". Siegfried's work has been widely exhibited, including solo exhibitions in Germany and group exhibitions in Europe and the United States.

This exhibition will be on view at Goethe-Zentrum Hyderabad; our first exhibition in the physical spaces since the outbreak of the pandemic. Hence all visits would be scheduled by appointment only*. Once at the premises, visitors are requested to comply to all safety guidelines of COVID-19: temperature check, sanitization regulations, safe distancing, a mask etc.

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A WALNUT TREE - DOCUMENTARY SCREENING





A WALNUT TREE A film by Ammar Aziz

Duration: 81 minutes, 2015, Urdu, Pashto with English Subtitles

Wednesday, 16. December 2020, 6.30 pm IST

Join the film-makers at 8:00 pm on: https://www.facebook.com/goetheinstitut.Kolkata/ to participate in the open discussion.

Film Synopsis: An elderly man living in the Jalozai refugee camp feels desperately nostalgic and longs to go home. As he struggles to decide whether to leave his family and risk returning to his distant homeland, he must confront the prospect that home may no longer exist in physical space and may now be only a place of make-believe, a mirage in his mind.

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CHRISTMAS FEST FOR STUDENTS

A year of gratitude, for giving us the opportunity to celebrate and here it is, Christmas time is coming to town! In Germany, every year before Christmas the squares and streets around the Alt-stadt (the older part of the town, which is characterized by paved stones) are transformed into a paradise of lights, colours, festive sounds and seductive smells. GZH will have a lovely cosy celebration of its own. We invite our GZH students to join us ONLINE for some fun, singing and celebrations!

CHRISTMASFEST ONLINE Monday, 21. December 2020, 6.00 pm IST

Our teachers who are always looking for fun ways to bring in the flavour of the German culture will participate in the session and bring in the German words that are contextual to Weinachtsfest, like Carousel, Weihnachtsmann, and more...

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A Eulogy to our dear Hameed (Abdul Iqbal Hameed)

He stood tall with a firm intention at the entrance of GZH for eight long years. Hameed as most of you may know him, was our security person. He always had a way to wish us all, proactively even as we were parking our vehicles as if to say, I am glad you are here. He never let his age deter his ways of making new friends, young and old. He had a steady sweet dialogue with our regular visitors. He laughed heartily, enjoyed the sun and made sure he always showed up. Our Hameed Bhai passed away this year, very suddenly and left behind a vacuum.

May his soul Rest in Peace!

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