

REPORT OF IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2021

1. CENTRAL OFFICE

NOMINATION OF MEMBERS TO THE GOVERNING BOARD OF KALAKSHETRA FOUNDATION BY MINISTRY OF CULTURE

Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India has nominated the following members vide Gazette notification dated 21.5.2021,

- I. Members nominated to the Governing Board under Section 11(b)
 - 1. Dr. Smt. Sudha Ragunathan
 - 2. Shri. Neyveli Santhanagopalan
 - 3. Dr. Anupama Hoskere
 - 4. Shri. Bhairu Singh Chauhan
 - 5. Shri. Pasumarthy Kesava Prasad
 - 6. Smt. Veena Murthy Vijay
 - 7. Shri. Mukund Marathe
 - 8. Dr. Jayaraman Mahadevan
 - 9. Dr. Shashank Subramanyam
 - 10. Shri. L. Venkatesh
 - 11. Adv. Renjini Suresh
 - 12. Shri. Aneesh Raghavan
- II. Members nominated to the Governing Board under sub-section11(C)
 - 1. Shri. M.M Murugappan
 - 2. Dr. R. Nataraj
- III. Members nominated to the Academic Committee under sub-section 15 (1)(c)
 - 1. Smt. Dhakshayani Ramachandran
 - 2. Dr. Smt. Vrushali Dabke
 - 3. Dr. Srikantham Nagendra Shastry

2. RUKMINI DEVI COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS (RDCFA)

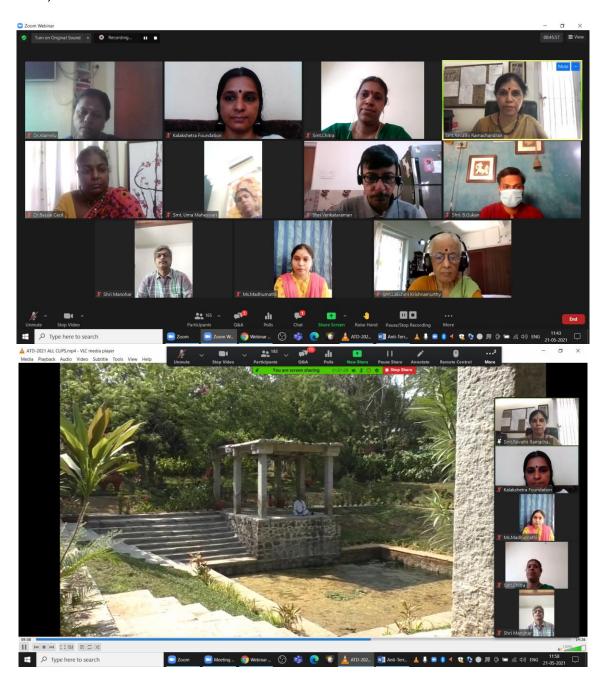
Shri K.Sai Sankar, Principal, Rukmini Devi College of Fine Arts retired on superannuation w.e.f. 28.2.2021 and his services were extended till the end of the academic year of the college i.e. 31.5.2021. He has been relieved from the services w.e.f. 31.5.2021.

3. THEATRE

The activities of live performance / events / festivals are suspended during the period of full lockdown implemented in the month of May in the state of Tamil Nadu.

4. OUTREACH

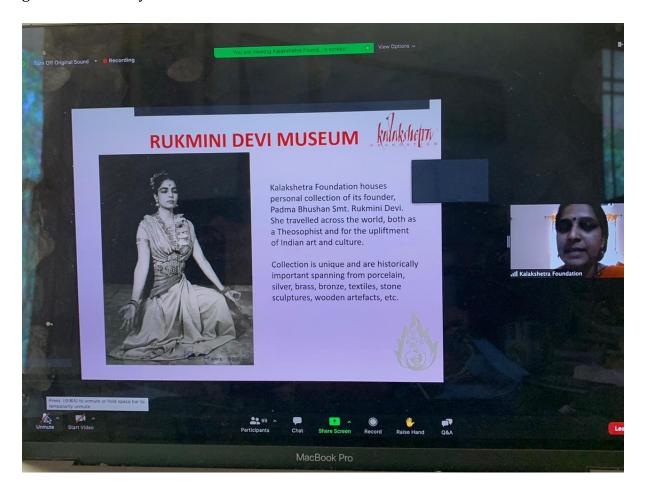
Anti-Terrorism Day was virtually celebrated on 21st May 2021. Staff and students of Kalakshetra Foundation followed the pledge read out by Smt.Revathi Ramachandran, Director, Kalakshetra Foundation.



The registration was closed for the online Bharatanatyam workshop, Saanganika Kaaryashaala scheduled to be held on 22nd May 2021. Received 140 registrations from the aspiring candidates, all over the world.

5. MUSEUM

As part of International Museum Day, an online presentation on Kalakshetra Museum was given to the staff and students of Rukmini Devi College of Fine Arts. The presentation was given on 19th May 2021.



6.ARCHIVES

- Technical Support & Preparation of publicity material and video film for Anti-Terrorism Day-2021
- Video & photo documentation of Natural Indigo Dyeing Unit setup at CERC campus

6. BESANT ARUNDALE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL (BASS School)

- Admission procedures are being done online for classes where there are vacancies and for class XI.
- Online revision classes were conducted regularly for class- XII

- Due to Covid-19 Pandemic, as a preventive measure school campus was closed from 06-05-2021 till 13-05-2021.
- A webinar on Elucidating the Assessment Criteria-Class-X was conducted online on 06-05-2021 at 2.30pm it was streamed online and teachers attended the programme.
- Class X marks finalised following the guidelines of CBSE by Principal, committee members and 10th handling teachers.
- CBSE has launched a new app for Psycho Social Wellness of students of classes IX -XII named "Dost For Life" and our students enrolled.
- CBSE conducted a online webinar named "Care, Compassion & Communication" for Health and Wellness Series for students, teachers and parents on 12th May at 4pm. Our teachers, students along with their parents attended the webinar online.
- CBSE conducted a second webinar titled "Building Hope and Resilience" on 20th May at 4pm and it was attended by our teachers, students and parents also attended.
- Anti-Terrorism Day was observed and streamed online on 21st May 2021. Class IX XII attended and took pledge online. Pledge was also circulated online to all the students.
- Times Of India digital version was shared online everyday with the students.
- Young Warrior Orientation was conducted online on 27th May 2021 at 4pm and it was shared with students online.
- Child helpline officer numbers was shared with the students for their safety purpose.
- Due to Covid-19 Pandemic as a preventive measure school and all units of Kalakshetra were closed till 06-06-2021.

7. BESANT THEOSOPHICAL HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL (BTHS School)

- Workbooks for the Bridge course have been received from the D.E.O. Office and distributed to the 6th to 9th students.
- Online Revision Examinations has conducted for the XII std
- Vaccination was done for all the staff members and submitted the statement to the Central office.
- Third revision examinations were conducted for 12th std through online from 12-05-21 to 20-05-21.
- Online classes going on for std 1st to 10th std students. Teachers teaching the bridge course materials and encouraging the students to learn the work sheets and the bridge course materials is very useful for the student.
- Renewal of School Recognition and Building License works were under process and more attention is given to complete the work as early as possible.

8. CRAFT EDUCATION AND RESEARCH CENTRE (CERC)

In May 2021, the Craft Centre was closed as per the direction of Central Office, KF due to Covid-19. No activities were carried out in printing and painting (kalamkari

section). However, Weaving was carried out by most of the weavers who are residing in our CERC campus. The weaving unit produced 9 Nos of Silk sarees and 30 Nos of Cotton sarees during the month.

Indigo dyeing is carried out regularly.

As for the catalogue of Smt. Rukmini Devi Arundale, the work is in progress and the update is; the drawing is nearing completion, to do a final selection of the selected photographs from the archives, and TRS has engaged a designer and the work has commenced.

In spite of the situation, with team effort and adhering to Covid-19 guidelines, the Weaving section is functioning smoothly.