

MARCH AT A GLANCE

1st	Fri	12:30 pm 2:00 pm	Managing Committee Executive Committee
1st	Fri	10:15 am	Book Discussion @ Meyyammai Murugappan's Residence
5th	Tue	3:30 pm	Arts & Handicrafts @ Sage and Lavender
6th	Wed	10:15 am	Special Event @ Madras Club
12th	Tue	10:15 pm	Music & Performing Arts @ Medai-The Stage
14th	Thu	10:15 am	Cooking Swapshop @ Brod Bakery
21st	Thu	10:15 am	History, Culture & Tours @ Fern & Ade
28th	Thu	10:15 am	Grand Finale @ The Park

HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS

To Visalakshi Ramaswamy for being conferred with Devi Award in recognition for her role in revival of traditional crafts.

To Usha Saravanan on the birth of her granddaughter

FROM THE PRESIDENTS

"The swift flight of time, adorned with the happiness of cherished moments." - Maya Angelou

Literally the IWA year 2023-2024 has flown and we are filled with warmth and gratitude for the memories and experiences it brought.

On February 15th, the Endowment Lecture was held at the Museum Theatre and our speaker Mr Gopalkrishna Gandhi had us spellbound. We express our sincere gratitude to Kausalya Santhanam for all her help for this event.

Coming up in March we have some fabulous meetings lined up. A Special Morning with Dr. Preetha Reddy is on the 6th of March.

The Grand Finale is on the 28th of March and we hope as many of you as possible will join us for this last big event

We thank Padma Ashok for hosting the Past Presidents meeting.

The Election Sub Committee has been hard at work and has prepared the list of candidates for election to the Managing Committee for 2024-25. We urge all members to complete and send in their nomination forms to Nabila Avais, Chairperson, Election Committee.

Our IWA AGM has been fixed for Monday, April 29, 2024. Please do save the date.

Meanwhile our Activity Chairs have yet again put up exceptional meetings for this month. See you at all of them!

RITU SAHI

SANYUKTA GILL

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BOOK DISCUSSION



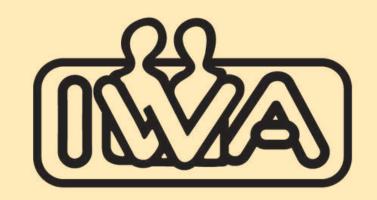
FRI | 1 MAR | 10:15 AM @ MEYYAMMAI MURUGAPPAN'S RESIDENCE

DEEPA KANNAN



SLEEP- THE MIRACLE MEDICINE FOR YOUR MIND AND BODY

RAJSHRI SUNDRANI SUSHI GOKLANEY



BOOK DISCUSSION

Date: Fri 1st March Time: 10:15 a.m

Venue: Meyyammai Murugappan's Residence,

'The Laurel', 9, Chittaranjan Road,

Teynampet,

Chennai-600 018.



SLEEP- THE MIRACLE MEDICINE FOR YOUR MIND AND BODY

Deepa Kannan is an Allied Functional Medicine Practitioner, Ayurvedic Practitioner, Author and a Yogini at OHA Health. She is the author of the book How To Sleep Better-The Miraculous 10-Step Protocol To Recharge Your Mind & Body. By Harper Collins. This ground breaking book on sleep combines ancient practices with the science of functional medicine to unlock the secrets of restful, rejuvenating sleep.

She has been featured on the award winning podcast 15-Minute Matrix and UK Health Radio discussing sleep. Deepa's journey as a healer is a one of continual evolution, that runs in parallel with her life. She has navigated through childhood struggles, a failed marriage and a divorce, remarriage to her soul companion and the birth of a child with a rare genetic disorder, using adversity and deep pain as fuel for her growth and transformation.

As the mother of a teenager with a congenital adrenal condition, Deepa continues to navigate challenging life and health situations as she helps her son grow with a healthy body, mind and spirit, live well and pursue his dreams despite the limitations posed by his condition.

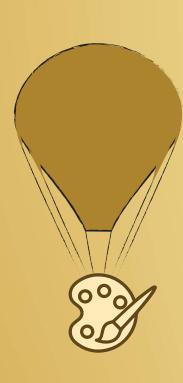
She will be in conversation with our member Tehnaz Bahadurji and the morning promises to be nothing less than an eye opener to the importance of getting some shut eye.

We thank Meyyammai Murugappan for opening the doors of her home to our members and guests. We thank Archana Meiyappan for being the day facilitator.

RAJSHRI SUNDRANI

SUSHI GOKLANEY

ARTS AND HANDICRAFTS





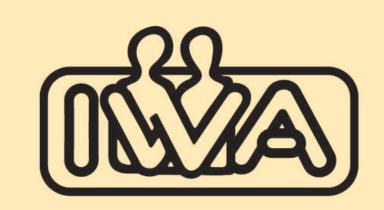
TUE | 5 MAR | 3:30 PM @ SAGE AND LAVENDER

JYOTIKA KAPOOR



LET'S BE ICONIC

NUSRRET CASSAM VIRAJ THAKORE

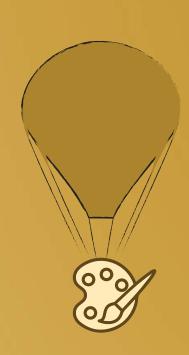


ARTS AND HANDICRAFTS

Date: Tue, 5th March

Time: 3:30 pm

Venue: Sage and Lavender



LET'S BE ICONIC

Jyotika has dedicated over three decades to her craft as a muralist.

She has crafted and curated mixed media interior coordinates.

In the late 1980s, she pioneered the concept of Vastu doors and windows.

She has embraced various forms of creativity, continuously reinventing herself along the way. Her passion for teaching extends to nurturing creative positivity among differently-abled and challenged individuals.

We thank Kiran Rao for graciously sponsoring this meeting.

We thank Urmila Prakash for being the day facilitator.

NUSRRET CASSAM

VIRAJ THAKORE





WED | 6 MAR | 10:15 AM @ MADRAS CLUB

A MORNING WITH DR. PREETHA REDDY



SPECIAL EVENT

Date: Wed, 6th March

Time: 10:15 am

Venue: Madras Club,

8, Adyar Club Gate Road, Raja Annamalai Puram, Chennai - 600 028



A MORNING WITH DR. PREETHA REDDY

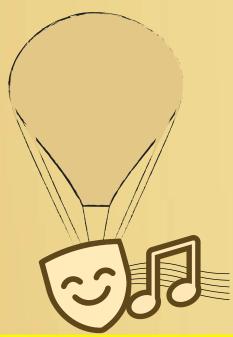
Shobha Jesudasen invites you to welcome Dr Preetha Reddy at a Special Morning get together.

Dr Preetha Reddy is well known here, pan India and across borders as Vice Chairperson - Apollo Hospitals. Under the guidance and tutelage of her visionary father Dr P C Reddy - Dr Preetha and her siblings have placed India on the international healthcare map.

Having crested the wave of the pandemic successfully, we are eager to hear from her the challenges and concerns we must contend with in this post Covid era.

Dr Preetha Reddy has much to share with us especially after having attended the World Economic Forum in Davos this January. Our mutual friend Dr Veena Swamy will be in conversation with her, drawing insights in general, with a special focus on Disease X.

MUSIC AND PERFORMING ARTS





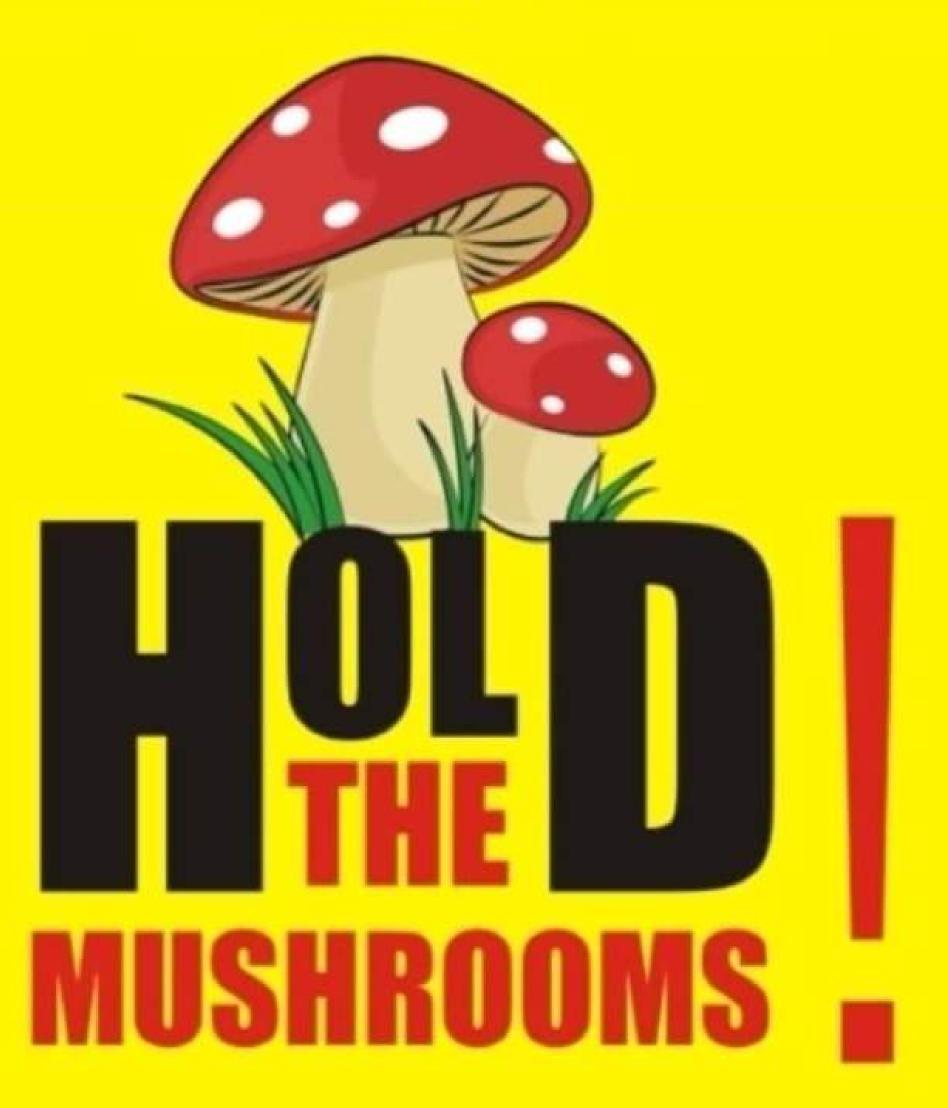


BOARDWALKERS









BINOY MOHAN DIRECTED BY MICHAEL MUTHU

T.M.KARTHIK ROSHAN PONCHA GIBRAN OSMAN TANAAZ ZOROOFCHI

MEDAI ALWARPET

JYOTHI GANESH JANSI KISHORE

TUE | 12 MAR | 10:15 AM @ MEDAI-THE STAGE

MUSIC AND PERFORMING ARTS

Date: Tueday, 12th March

Time: 10:15 a.m

Venue: Medai-The Stage

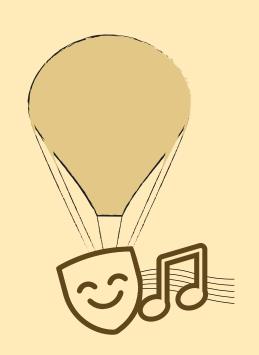
3rd Floor

16, 1st Cross Street,

Cooperative Colony, Sri Ram Nagar,

TTK Road, Alwarpet,

Chennai 600 018



A BLACK BOX PLAY - HOLD THE MUSHROOMS

"Hold the Mushrooms" written by Binoy Mohan, is a heartwarming play featuring a concise four-member cast including our own member, Roshan Poncha.

The Black Box Theatre concept has become increasingly popular in recent years due to its intimate and versatile nature. It provides a unique opportunity for designers to create innovative and immersive productions that engage and challenge the audience as they are in close proximity with the performers.

The story skillfully explores the complexities of family life, unravelling the joys, struggles, and poignant moments that bind the characters together. Humorous touches add a delightful layer to the narrative, offering moments of levity that complement the play's more sublime themes.

The play runs for about 90 minutes, performed first in Bangalore & then in Singapore.

It has been directed by Michael Muthu.

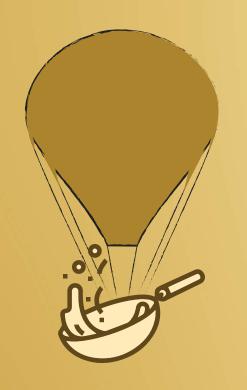
We thank Shanthi Thomas for graciously sponsoring the meeting.

Please note that family & friends are welcome for this meeting. Do inform Jansi Kishore @ 98415 89896 or Jyothi Ganesh @ 98400 97298 if you are bringing guests.

JYOTHI GANESH

JANSI KISHORE

COOKING SWAPSHOP





THU | 14 MAR | 10:15 A.M @ BROD BAKERY

SUBBIKA GANESAN

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"FIKA & FLOUR: THE ART OF NORDIC BAKING"

SHEFALII DADABHOY ANJALI SACHETI



COOKING SWAPSHOP

Date: Thu, 14th March

Time: 10.15 a.m

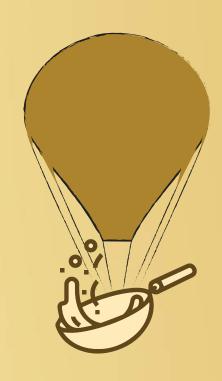
Venue: Brod Bakery

2/189, East Coast Rd, Hanuman Colony,

Sakthi Vinayakar Nagar,

Injambakkam,

Chennai



"FIKA & FLOUR: THE ART OF NORDIC BAKING"

In this session, Subbika Ganesan, head baker at Brod Bakery will walk you through the process of bread making. In particular Sourdough - from how the starter is made to till the bread is baked.

Buns are an everyday staple in Scandinavia. Especially is Sweden with the Fika culture. A cardamom bun or a cinnamon bun is had almost everyday at anytime of the day. Let's roll some buns and enjoy a fika!

We would like to thank Suchitra Girish for sponsoring our meeting.

This is a warn in meeting for only 20 members.

To warn in please send a WhatsApp message to Shefalii

Dadabhoy @ 97898 89955

SHEFALII DADABHOY

ANJALI SACHETI

HISTORY, CULTURE AND TOURS



THU | 21 MAR | 10:15 AM @ FERN AND ADE

FABIENNE MANELE



TETE-A-TETE OVER BRIOCHE AND TEA

JAYA MAHBUBANI ROHINI TUMMALA



HISTORY, CULTURE AND TOURS

Date: Thu 21st March

Time: 10:15 am

Venue: Fern and Ade,

1st Floor, 27, Wallace Garden Road,

3rd Street,

Nungambakkam, Chennai-600 034.



TETE-A-TETE OVER BRIOCHE AND TEA.

IWA member Fabienne Manele currently based in Chennai, is a French art historian, author and licensed tour guide who has lived away from France for the past 22 years.

She has a penchant for documenting her travels in innovative ways, and our Chennai has been extensively portrayed, giving us a unique and loving perspective through her eyes.

The array of her well-researched topics include, art deco in Chennai, Indian Cinema, and indo-saracenic architecture in Chennai.

Pondicherry has also found expression in her works. Our gettogether today focuses on her latest book, Tamil Letters. It is about Tamil Nadu with an emphasis on Chennai.

In her own words, "I am just fascinated by South India" and she hopes to put into perspective European prejudices, even as she uncovers what to her is different, exotic, and even bizarre.

Be prepared to be regaled with delightful details and charming surprises as you leaf through quaint topics covered in her unique style.

From tea to indigenous fruits and vegetables, to the script, to attire and means of transport, Amma and Lakshmi are subjects that spring up in her work, as teasers.

The icing on this french gateau are the warm and often humorous illustrations, expertly provided by Chennai-based American illustrator, Melanie Bass and renowned French artist, Catherine Delmas, using the beautiful Tamil script as a common theme.

We thank Adeline Graham for her hospitality and Alina Burnete for being the day facilitator.

This is a warn in meeting for 30 members. Please send a WhatsApp message to Jaya Mahbubani @ 98846 87986 to reserve your spot.

JAYA MAHBUBANI

ROHINI TUMMALA





ACELE CONTRACTOR

GRAND FINALE

Step into a world of enchantment as we gather under the golden glow of evening, dressed in shimmering hues, to indulge in an unforgettable theatrical experience.

Join us for Relatively Speaking by Alan Ayckbourn, a delightful collaboration between The Madras Players and Chennai Art Theatre. Directed by Tehzeeb Katari, this witty play ensnares two couples in a captivating web of misunderstandings, leaving the audience guessing until the final curtain. Don't miss out on the laughter and surprises as the characters navigate through confusion and unexpected twists!

This programme is followed by lunch.

Dress Code: Golden Glamour.

Date: 28th March, Thursday

Time: 10:15 am Venue: The Park

RITU SAHI

SANYUKTA GILL

FROM THE ELECTION -COMMITTEE

We invite you to nominate eligible members for positions of office in the IWA Managing **Committee 2024-2025**

Guidelines:

- 1. Nominees for President, Indian, should have served on the Managing Committee for at least 2 years. They should have been members of IWA for at least 7 years. This may be relaxed in the case of non-Indians.
- 2. Nominees for the other 3 office bearers of the Managing Committee (i.e. Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer) should have served as Activity Chairpersons for at least 2 years. This may be relaxed in the case of Non-Indians who have been members of IWA for 3 years or less.
- 3. As per Section M(vi) of the IWA Bye-laws, "The Election Committee shall scrutinize the nominations received If there are insufficient names for any office, to make up such shortfall, the Election Committee shall call for nominations from the floor of the house at the Annual General Meeting, and conduct the election b secret ballot"
- 4. The members of the Electiion Committee will therefore NOT be making calls to members who have not been nominated for any post. A candidate is permitted to nominate herself.
- 5. If no nominations are received for a post/posts, the nomination and election for the post/posts will be conducted at the AGM, as mentioned above. The nominee/s MUST be present at the AGM at the time of the elections.
- 6. The Election Committee shall present to the members the names of Indian and Non-Indian nominees who are eligible and willing to stand for election on the Managing Committee. They shall inform the members of the date, time and venue of the election.

The Nominations Form will be emailed to you as a Word Document and PDF, and also will be sent in IDA (IWA Digital Network WhatsApp). You may enter nominations for some or all of the positions mentioned.

Please fill the form in word document OR take a printout, fill in and take a picture. **Email it to Nabila Avais**

iwaelection2024@gmail.com

Please ensure that your Nomination Form is sent before 3 pm on

Friday 8th March 2024

Chairperson:

Nabila Avais 99625 25558

Members:

Kausalya Santhanam 98415 58467 **Anjana Sunil** 98400 32146 **Sheela Sarath** 98840 33336 **Anita Kapoor** 98840 30566

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Ritu Sahi 93828 81478 Sanyukta Gill 98404 15677

FROM THE ELECTION -COMMITTEE

The Election Committee has contacted all who are eligible to be nominated for Managing Committee of 2024-2025

INDIANS

The following Candidate is eligible and willing to be nominated as President 2024-2025



Sadiya Khaleel

Sadiya Khaleel

EC	Philosophy & Religion	2007-2008
EC	Music & Performing Arts	2017-2018
EC	Philosophy & Religion	2020-2021
EC	Music & Performing Arts	2021-2022
MC	Secretary	2022-2023
MC	Vice President	2023-2024

The following candidates are eligible and willing to be Nominated for Managing Committee (Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer) 2024-2025 (In alphabetical order)



Sheetal Parakh

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EC	Current Events	2017-2018
EC	Philosophy & Religion	2019-2020
MC	Secretary	2020-2021
MC	Vice President	2021- 2022



Somna Sachdev

Somna Sachdev

EC	Cooking Swapshop	2010-2011
EC	History Culture & Tours	2011-2012
MC	Treasurer	2014-2015
EC	History Culture & Tours	2018-2019
EC	History Culture & Tours	2019-2020
EC	Current Events	2022-2023
MC	Secretary	2023-2024



Nirupa Sundaravadanan

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EC	Health & Ecology	2019-2020
EC	Current Events	2020-2021

FROM THE ELECTION COMMITTEE

NON-INDIANS (In alphabetical order)

The following candidates are eligible and willing to be nominated for Managing Committee (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer) 2024-2025



Stefanie Andruchowitz

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EC Book Discussion 2022-2023 MC Secretary 2023-2024



Fabienne Manele

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Bettina Kjeldgaard

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Geetha Muthusamy

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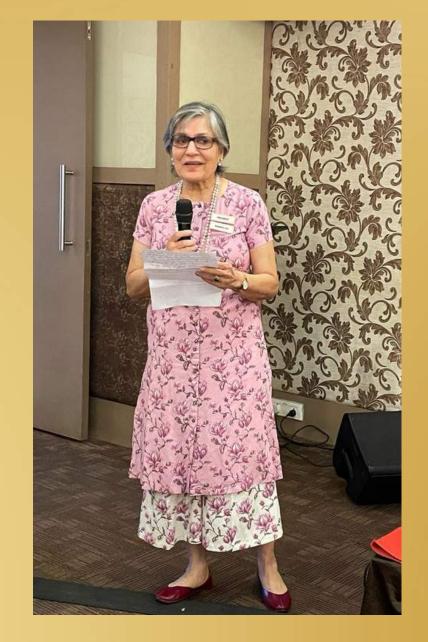
"VEENA MAESTRO-BLENDING THE OLD WITH THE NEW"-VIDHUSHI SHANTI RAO





MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS







"MESEUMS UNRAVELED"- VINOD DANIEL











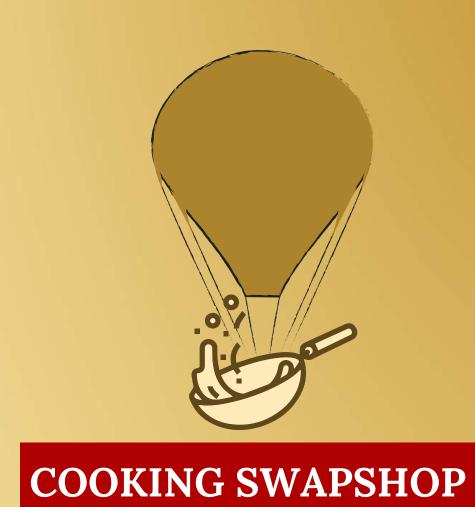






"FROM BUD TO BITE: CULINARY DELIGHTS WITH POMELOS AND CLOVES"-SHRUTHI VINOD













"AN AUSTRIAN DANCER'S LIFE IN TWO **CULTURES"-RADHA ANJALI**







MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS











ENDOWMENT LECTURE

"OF FIVE WOMEN IN CHENNAI-AUTONOMY AMID TENSION"- GOPALKRISHNA GANDHI















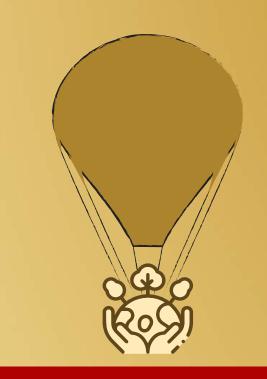




"TURTLE TALK - A VOICE FOR THE VOICELESS"-DR. SUPRAJA DHARINI







HEALTH & ECOLOGY













"WHEN VERSES UNITE HEARTS"IWA MEMBERS

























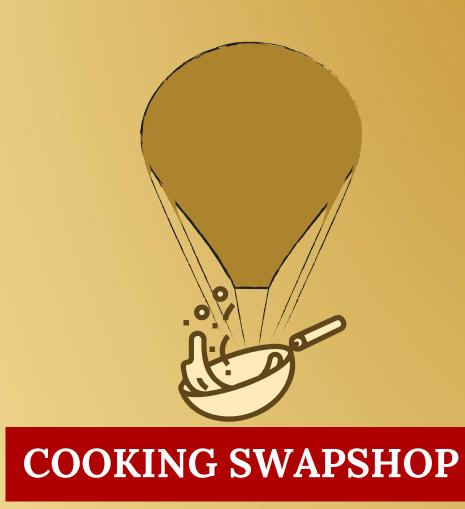






"FOR THE LOVE OF PICKLES"- JASMINE KABRAJEE, INDIRA SRINAGESH & NAINA SHAH













Former Presidents

1986 - 1988	Nirmal Seshadri	Nancy Dean
1988 - 1990	Vanitha Mudaliar	Barbara Clarkson
1990 - 1991	Sunita Shahaney	Janet Picken
1991 - 1992	Nirmal Mirza	Stina Vasu
1992 - 1993	Malini Vijayaraghavan	Maureen Hudson Murari
1993 - 1994	Nanditha Krishna	Aruna Vijaykumar
1994 - 1995	Lily Madhok	Margaret Sekharan
1995 - 1996	Zubeida Asgarali	Khin Thi Da Lwin
1996 - 1997	Alagu Muthu	Poonam Lalchand
1997 - 1998	Rupa Kadhiresan	Anneliese Hazari
1998 - 1999	Shyla K. Rau	Megan Utley
1999 - 2000	Gayatri Bewoor	Chandrika Chidambaram
2000 - 2001	Javanthi Singaram	Eira Doshi
2001 - 2002	Rani Chada	Seema Sait
2002 - 2003	Kusum Chadda	Meyyammai Murugappan
2003 - 2004	Sushila Natraj	Elaine Wood
2004 - 2005	Vidya Singh	Padma Ashok
2005 - 2006	Princess Naik	Rathi Nilakantan
2006 - 2007	Seema Bhargava	Amulya Rao
2007 - 2008	Kamala Prasad	Raziyeh Sheerazie
2008 - 2009	Rani Ananth	Lynne Connor
2009 - 2010	Shobha Hebbar	Elizabeth Aston
2010 - 2011	Mridula Srinivasan	Uma Ganesan
2011 - 2012	Nina Kothari	Cherry Venkatesan
2012 - 2013	Ramani Reddy	Vijaya Rangarajan
2013 - 2014	Nita Reddy	Priya Asokan
2014 - 2015	Asha Rammohan	Jo Frogbrook
2015 - 2016	Achamma Kurian	Malini Krishna
2016 - 2017	Nabila Avais	Jansi Kishore
2017 - 2018	Badrunnisa Mahadevan	Farah Bangera
2018 - 2019	Usha Jawahar	Mahvash Sait
2019 - 2020	Nidhi Kapoor Thadani	Anjali Sacheti
2020 - 2021	Jeyasree Ravi	Manisha Singhee
2021 - 2022	Tehnaz Bahadurji	Shobha Jesudasen
2022 - 2023	Jeyasree Ravi	Mangai Kamal

