

**Indian Cultural Centre
Colombo**

Activities in the Month of July 2012

7 July 2012

Bharata Natyam Performance by Savitha Sastry

A Bharata Natyam dance performance entitles 'Soul Cages' a dance theatre that captured the cycles of life and death as a journey, rather than an end itself was performed by the celebrated Bharata Natyam exponent, Savitha Sastry was held on Saturday 7 July 2012 at Bishop's College Auditorium. The event was supported by the Indian Cultural Centre, Colombo. Mr. G.L.W. Samarasinghe, Director, SAARC Cultural Centre was the Chief Guest on the occasion.

This unique presentation is structured on the imagery and narrative of a story, told through the fluid grace of the classical Indian dance form of Bharatha Natyam. The connoisseur of this art form was enthralled by the sophistication and nuances employed in the presentation. Around 350 people attended the performance.





23 – 25 July 2012

Visit of Ms.NamitaGokhale, Writer, Publisher and Festival Director

Indian Cultural Centre, Colombo supported India-Sri Lanka Foundation in organizing the lecture series of Ms.Namita Gokhale, Writer, Publisher and Festival Director in Sri Lanka.

She presented a lecture titled “Many Languages One Literature” at the Department of Sinhala Auditorium on Monday, 23 July, 2012 organized by the Centre for Contemporary Indian Studies (CCIS), University of Colombo.

The lecture on the theme “Singular Pluralities – Perspectives on South Asian Literature” held in association with the Bandaranaike Centre for International Studies (BCIS) at the BCIS auditorium on Wednesday 25 July, 2012. Hon. (Dr.) Sarath Amunugama, Senior Minister for International Monetary Cooperation graced the occasion as the Chief Guest.



Presentation of Hindi Text Books

The Indian Cultural Centre presented Hindi text books to two institutions. 30 Hindi books were presented on 5.7.2012 to Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka, Homagama and 22 Hindi books on 19.7.2012 to Samudradevi Balika Maha Vidyalaya, Nugegoda.

31 July to 10 August 2012

Film Appreciation workshop as part of celebrating 100 years of Indian Cinema

The Indian Cultural Centre in association with Sri Lanka Foundation Digital Film Academy, Film & Television Institute of India, Pune and India-Sri Lanka Foundation organized a 10 days Film Appreciation Workshop from 31 July to 10 August 2012 at the Sri Lanka Foundation Digital Film Academy. The workshop included screening of prominent films of eminent Film Directors. The workshop was organized as part of the celebration of 100 Years of Indian Cinema.

The Film Appreciation Workshop was conducted by the Film and Television Institute of India, Pune under the Agreement for Cultural Cooperation between India and Sri Lanka for the years 2010 – 2013. Prof. Indranil Bhattacharya from the Film and Television Institute of India along with Mr. K. Hariharan and Mr. Avijit Mukul Kishore conducted the workshop. Mr. P. Kumaran, Deputy High Commissioner of India was the Chief Guest in the inaugural ceremony held at Sri Lanka Foundation. Ms. Sumithra Pereis, eminent Sri Lankan Film Director was the Guest of Honour.

The Film appreciation workshop was conceived as a course for film lovers, journalists and media persons, film students and film critics to enhance their ability in watching and understanding various styles in film production and the techniques involved as well as an orientation to the ways of looking at films. 41 film enthusiasts participated in the 10 Day Workshop.



