

what's on

Art

- **Event: 3 To Tango**
Group show by Farhad Hussain, Binoy Varghese and George Martin
Date: Up to February 25
Venue: Polka Art Gallery, E 5 Defence Colony
- **Event: Magic on Canvas**
Group exhibition of master stokes by noted artists Sidharth, Dharmendra Rathore, Bikash Poddar and Anand Panchal
Date: Up to February 15
Venue: Dhoomimal City Gallery, No 5, below Safdarjung flyover, Aurobindo Marg
- **Event: Shunya**
Works of Sonia Ramaswamy Dhingra, Lekha Bhagat and Leena Batra
Date: February 3 to 6
Venue: Visual Arts Gallery, India Habitat Centre
- **Event: Seamless Horizon**
Paintings and sculptures of 30 artists from all over India
Date: February 3 to 7
Venue: Alliance de Delhi, Lodi Estate
- **Event: Abdhutam**
Rasa in Indian art
Date: Up to February 2
Venue: Visual Arts Gallery, India Habitat Centre
- **Event: Nothing From My Hands**
Solo show of installations by Alwar Balasubramaniam
Date: Up to April 27
Venue: Talwar Gallery, C 84 Neeti Bagh
- **Event: Omnilogue: Journey To The West**
Contemporary Japanese art
Date: Up to February 19
Venue: Lalit Kala Akademi
- **Event: Dance Of Life Series**
By George K
Date: Up to February 3
Venue: Shridharani Art Gallery, Triveni Kala Sangam
- **Event: Master's Strokes**
Exhibition of paintings
Date: February 2 to 29
Venue: Art Elements Gallery, 31, Hauz Khas Village
- **Event: An Assamese Voyage**
Photographs by Prabir Purkayastha
Date: Up to February 29
Venue: Gallery Trapezoid, D-16, South Extension-2

Festival

- **Event: I Can Learn, Lead, Share**
The first ever creative festival for positive change in education, organised by children
Date: February 4
Time: 10am onwards
Venue: India International Centre
- **Event: A Quirky Flea By Nite**
Featuring quirky, unusual and kitsch fashion pieces
Date: February 8
Time: 9pm onwards
Venue: Olive at the Qutub, One Style Mile, Kalka Daas Marg . Mehrauli

Music

- **Event: Sanjay And His Master**
A joint venture between artists from India and Germany
Date: February 4
Time: 6.30pm to 8pm
Venue: Ishara International Puppet Festival, Stein Auditorium, India Habitat Centre
- **Event: The Sufi Gospel Project By Sonam Kalra**
A concert for cancer
Date: February 4
Time: 7pm
Venue: The Auditorium, Information Centre, Baha'i House of Worship (Lotus Temple), Kalkaji
- **Event: First Ever Performance**
By Oliver Huntemann, international EDM DJ from Germany
Date: February 4
Time: 9.30pm
Venue: Sura Vie, 1 Scindia House, Janpath
- **Event: Re-live 1970s; Sing-A-Long**
With DJ Hejoe; With KJ Shadaab; With KJ Kamal
Date: February 2; February 3; February 6
Time: 9pm
Venue: Chalchitra, M-38, first floor, M Block Market, Greater Kailash 2
- **Event: Friday Retro Nights**
With DJs Cheenu and Amit
Date: February 3
Time: 9.30pm
Venue: Smoke House Grill, north wing, VIPPS Centre, Masjid Moh, Greater Kailash 2
- **Event: Karaoke Night**
With KJ Sebastian and DJ Parveen
Date: Every Tuesday
Time: 8pm
Venue: Urban Café, 1,2, UG, Southern Park, Saket District Centre
- **Event: Performance**
By Red Mawkin
Date: February 2
Time: 9pm
Venue: Hard Rock Café, DLF Place, Saket

Food

- **Event: Happy Hours**
With incredible offers
Venue: Cocoa by Belgique, G 37 Select Citywalk Mall, Saket
- **Event: Sizzling Delight**
Festival of sizzlers
Date: Up to February 10
Venue: Ignis, B-45, inner circle, Connaught Place
- **Event: Spring Food Festival**
For all foodies
Date: February 5
Time: 11am to 4pm
Venue: Lajpat Bhawan, Lajpat Nagar IV, near Vikram Hotel
- **Event: Enjoy**
Winter menu
Venue: Smoke House Deli, DLF Promenade Mall, Nelson Mandela Road, Vasant Kunj
- **Event: Dim Sum Brunch**
Relish an array of fried and steamed dim sums
Date: Up to February 5
Venue: Royal China, 16th floor, Eros Corporate Tower, Nehru Place
- **Event: Andhra Thaali**
Vegetarian, non-vegetarian and seafood
Date: Up to February 10
Venue: Poppadom, Ambawatta Complex, Mehrauli
- **Event: Japanese Rhapsody**
Exotic tempura, teppanyaki, sushi rolls, rice and soup noodles
Date: Up to February 10
Venue: Diner's Nest, Mantra Amaltas, 23, Friends Colony (W)
- **Event: Brew Master Special Of The Week**
Beetroot and raisin cake and affogato Italiano
Venue: Barista Lavazza
- **Event: Coconut Choco Affair**
Flavour of the month
Venue: All outlets of Gelato Italiano
- **Event: Fiesta Mexicana**
Mexican Festival
Date: Every Wednesday
Venue: All outlets of TGI Friday's

Customised experience

eatingout

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Auma is a dining destination that different from many of its contemporaries. Firstly, the restaurant located in DLF Emporio, Vasant Kunj, is spread over an area of 4,200 sq feet, a space not found in many fine dining restaurants. The space and luxury define the joint that serves European, Italian and

Thai cuisine. Dishes from all the three sections have been selected carefully.

Here, one can get the food customised to suit one's palette. Thus eating at Auma is a personal experience. Soups and salads are the mainstay here and should not be missed. Soups like Kaeng Cherd Tauhu Lod, a clear vegetable and silky bean soup garnished with sautéed garlic, and the wild mushroom soup with the essence of truffle are surely a treat. The fine quality of the leafy vegetables



■ Auma serves European, Italian and Thai cuisine.

makes the salads refreshing and colourful too.

Pizzas are available in regular and low calorie varieties. The base is whole wheat and

one can choose from a variety of toppings including spinach, ham, pine nuts, artichoke, brae (soft cheese), prawns and scamorza (cheese made from milk of an Italian cow).

There are plenty of choices in both vegetarian and non-vegetarian food. Different types of mushrooms and prawns have been used extensively in many dishes and some of the favourites are button mushrooms and cashewnuts cooked with Thai stir-fried sauce and tiger prawns stir-fried with salt and pep-

per. Mashed potato with roast chicken leg that is not commonly found on the menu of a fine dining restaurant is surely a delight. Potatoes are mashed to perfection in butter and the chicken is succulent. Pastas are no different here and one can do without them.

But perhaps what is most enjoyable and unforgettable at Auma is the sweet delights. A spoonful of tiramisu, cappuccino foam and baileys ice cream is the perfect way to wrap up the meal. And if one still has

the appetite for more then there are homemade baileys, Belgian chocolate, strawberry, caramel ice cream and green apple and fresh lime sorbet.

The interiors of Auma have been done tastefully, especially the semi-enclosed round wooden structures add to the tasteful experience.

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A piano concert in Tihar to celebrate R-Day

localevents

To make R-Day special for jail inmates, piano player Abhay Goyle performed in Tihar. He played patriotic songs and other popular Bollywood numbers. Abhay also launched a new music album at the Reliance TimeOut store in Gurgaon. The album has songs of Kishore Kumar, played by Abhay on the piano.



■ Robert Vadra (centre) along with other guests at the opening of a Red Mango outlet in Ambience Mall.



■ Navin Jindal (right) at the release of Ankit Fadia's book, How to Unlock Everything on the Internet.

Annual fest

Airtel Xenia, the annual fest of the Indian School of Business & Finance, was organised at the Lajpat Nagar campus. Two thousand students from more than 30 leading Delhi University colleges participated in various academic and cultural contests like business plan, debate, rags-to-riches, ad mad, etc while skill events included western dance, face painting, poster making, logo design, etc. The programme began with the lamp lighting by Dr Jitin Chadha, director, Indian School of Business & Finance.



■ Ritu Dalmia at the opening of Nature's Basket in Vasant Vihar.



■ Ajay Maken felicitated winners of a special basketball tournament.

Book launch

Navin Jindal, Member of Parliament, and Pavan Duggal, noted cyber lawyer, jointly presided over ethical hacker Ankit Fadia's live demonstration on how to unblock websites, blogs, applications and content on the Internet. This was followed by the launch of the book, How to Unblock Everything on the Internet.

artist Anjolie Ela Menon, which showcases the best of Indian contemporary art in 2010-2011.

Frozen yoghurt

Red Mango, the US brand of frozen yogurt and smoothies, opened its flagship outlet at the Ambience Mall, Vasant Kunj. Guests at the dazzling evening dedicated to healthy eating included Robert Vadra, Timmy Sarma, MD, DLF Brands, and socialite Rachna Kohli Sandhu, among others.

spread of zucchini fritters, mushroom pate, Turkish borek and chicken balls with tamarind glaze.

Sunday brunch

Anu Bajaj, director, Art Positive, hosted a special Sunday brunch to celebrate the gallery's debut at the India Art Fair. The gallery had invited Belgium based tea connoisseur Neetu Sarin to conduct a tea-tasting and tea-brewing workshop. The guests comprised artists, art curators and gallerists. Guests enjoyed teas brewed by Sarin and were also treated to a lavish brunch.

Rajiv Gandhi Cancer Institute (RGCI). In a first-of-its-kind exercise, around 40 patients who have successfully undergone bone marrow transplants in 2011 at RGCI assembled along with their families to spread the message that blood cancer is curable. The event was held in collaboration with Cancer Sahyog, the emotional support group of Indian Cancer Society. Patients from Afghanistan and Nepal also attended the get-together.

Felicitated

Awards to Punjabi achievers for the year 2011 were presented recently at Hotel Le Meridian, New Delhi. The function was organised by Global Punjabi Society. The chief guest on the occasion, Marshal of the Indian Air Force Arjan Singh, DFC, lauded the efforts of Punjabis across the globe, who have brought glory to Punjab and India with their achievements. Among the awardees were Joginder Singh, former CBI director, Bishan Singh Bedi, former cricketer, Rana Gill, fashion designer, GS Johar, chairman, C&C Constructions Ltd, Shivinder Mohan Singh, managing director, Fortis, and Subhinder Singh Prem, managing director, Adidas & Reebok. The lifetime achievement awards were conferred on Dr Balram Jakhar, Baroness Dr Sandip Verma and Dr Iqbal Singh, governor of Puducherry.

World Cancer Day

In the run-up to World Cancer Day on February 4, a reunion of bone marrow transplant patients was organised at the

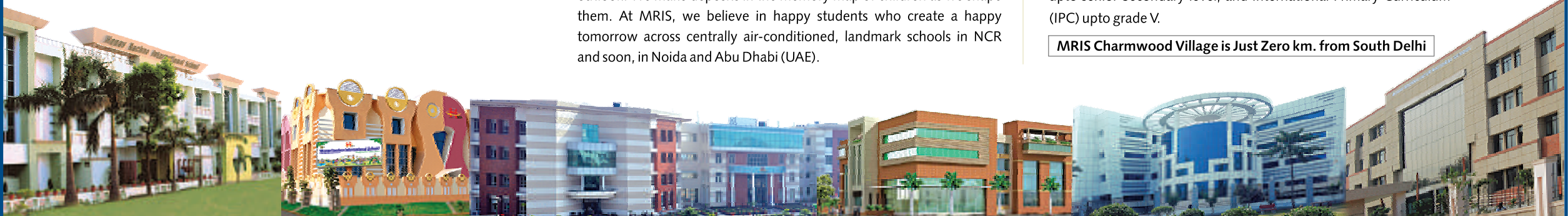
Art exhibition

The Skoda Prize for Indian Contemporary Art celebrated the opening of its annual art exhibition showcasing artworks of 20 artists at the Lalit Kala Akademi. The works comprise the best solo exhibitions held in the country in the last one-year. Of the 128 entries received from all over the country, the jury declared the 20 finalists after much deliberation. The evening also saw the unveiling of the Skoda Prize Top Twenty 2011-2012 book by



■ Punjabi achievers were felicitated at a function in Hotel Le Meridian.

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