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GLIMPSE OF KALA MAHOTSAV - 2019 ORGANISED BY HULAHUL FOUNDATION



Mumbai: The two-day Festival of Arts 'Kala Mahotsav -2019' a magnificent initiative taken by HULAHUL Foundation (Hands United for Lifelong Aid & Human Upliftment Lever Foundation) culminated with a grand finale and closing ceremony at Marwari Vidyalaya High School, Charni Road, Mumbai on Sunday, 25th August 2019 at 5 pm. HULAHUL Foundation had organised this mega interschool competition on 10th August and 25th August 2019 for two days. The main Objective behind this festival was to give scope to the various artistic talents of secondary & higher school level students and provide them a platform to showcase their talents as well. The Chairman of the foundation Mr. Ravi Singh strongly believes that **“At the initial stage of life, if these secondary & higher secondary level students get opportunity to develop their hidden talents then definitely it will be helpful for their overall personality development in future so the opportunity must be given to them by conducting such talent festivals like Kala Mahotsav”**. Accordingly, based on his opinion, in the year 2018 Kala Mahotsav was introduced by foundation as an inter-school drawing competition with aim to bring out the hidden creative talent of the students on paper. The idea of organising this competition was just a first small step of the foundation. This year to increase the scope & level of competition Kala Mahotsav offered a variety of events ranging from pictorial arts like drawing and painting, literary arts like Elocution & Quiz Competitions to performing arts like Music & Dance through which the

participants will gain immense exposure to the richness of India's performing arts and are expected to inculcate a sense of pride in and obligation to India's rich cultural heritage. In Kala Mahotsav all the participants for the different competitions are divided into two groups as Group A & Group B based on their learning standards. In Group 'A' students from 5th std. to 7th std. were included while in Group 'B' students from 8th std. to 10th std. were included. Kala Mahotsav had got an overwhelming response from different schools of South Mumbai as more than thirty (30) schools had been participated and students' active participation was of more than 600 students. On Sunday, 25th August the wheels started rolling at 9.30 am. in the morning at Marwari High School with great enthusiasm. To select the winners from the participants who were selected through Elimination Round for finale (on 10th August), the panel of judges was formed & the following experts from their respective fields judged the participants based on different selection criteria. The panel of judges included Ms. Simran Choudhary an eminent playback singer for judging singing competition, Mr. Tanay Malhara a winner of Dance Plus & Ms. Sandhya Parashar an internationally renowned Dance Judge for judging dance competition, Mr. Sameer Mayekar & Mr. Vishwas Panchal for drawing Competition, Prof. Durgesh Kumar Dubey for quiz competition, & Prof. Smita Kuntay for elocution competition. The results of the Final Round were declared with a big bang during the magnificent closing ceremony

& St. Teresa High School won the Best School Award where as Blossams High School won Runners up title. Ms. Sonal Shukla from Blossams High School received Best Teacher Representative Award. All the participants were awarded with Participation Certificates & winners awarded with Merit Certificates & trophies. After prize distribution, The Guest of Honour of the closing ceremony Ms. Simran Choudhary renowned play back singer congratulated all the winners & appreciated the objective behind conducting Kala Mahotsav. She also appreciated the whole HULAHUL Team for the successful & splendid organisation of the event and had given best wishes for future endeavours. At the end of the ceremony, Secretary of the foundation Mr. Aman Tripathi proposed a vote of thanks on behalf of foundation towards all distinguished guests, sponsors, & dignitaries as well as volunteers of foundation for their co-operation. The Closing Ceremony concluded with national anthem. The Kala Mahotsav - 2019 was successfully planned & organised by the Chairman Mr. Ravi Singh, Dy. Chairman Mr. Aditya Phadke, Director Mr. Durgesh Kumar Dubey, President Mr. Yogesh Gupta, Vice President Mr. Bashahar Ahmed, Secretary Mr. Aman Tripathi & Treasurer Ms. Smita Kuntay. Similarly, the whole hearted contribution was given by all the volunteers to make the Kala Mahotsav -2019 a grand success.

- Prof. Smita Kuntay

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Ms. Afreen Mazgaonkar



What is Ganesh Chaturthi? Why is it celebrated?

We celebrate this 10-day-long festival every year. But how many of us know what Ganesh Chaturthi is and why it is celebrated?

Ganesh Chaturthi is a ten-day Hindu festival celebrated to honour the elephant-headed God Ganesha's birthday. He is the younger son of Lord Shiva and Goddess Parvati. Ganesha is known by 108 different names and is the Lord of arts and sciences and the deva of wisdom. He is honoured at the start of rituals and ceremonies as he's considered the God of beginnings. He's widely and dearly referred to as Ganapati or Vinayaka. There are two different versions about Ganesha's birth. One has it that Goddess Parvati created Ganesha out of dirt off her body while having a bath and set him to guard her door while she finishes her bath. Shiva who has gone out, returned at that time, but as Ganesha didn't know of him, stopped him from entering. An angry Shiva severed the head of Ganesha after a combat between the two. Parvati was enraged and Shiva promised Ganesha will live again. The devas who went in search of a head facing north of a dead person could manage only the head of an elephant. Shiva fixed the elephant's head on the child and brought him back to life. The other legend is that Ganesha was created by Shiva and Parvati on request of the Devas, to be a vighnakartaa (obstacle-creator) in the path of rakshasas (demonic beings), and a vighnahartaa (obstacle-avorter) to help the Devas.



Highlights:

The festival begins on Shukla Chaturthi which is the fourth day of the waxing moon period, and ends on the 14th day of the waxing moon period known as Anant Chaturdashi.

Maharashtra is the state known for grand scale Ganesh Chaturthi celebrations.

During the festival, colourful pandals (temporary shrines) are setup and the Lord is worshiped for ten days.

There are four main rituals during the festival - Pranapratishtha - the process of infusing the deity into a murti or idol, Shhodashopachara - 16 forms of paying tribute to Ganesha, Uttarpuja - Puja after which the idol could be shifted after it's infusion, Ganpati Visarjan - immersion of the Idol in the river.

Foodies wait for Modak, a sweet dish prepared using rice or flour stuffed with grated jaggery, coconuts and dry fruits. The plate containing the Modak is supposed to be filled with twenty-one pieces of the sweet.

The festival was celebrated as a public event since the time of Maratha King Shivaji, but a Sarvajanik (Public) Ganesh idol was installed first by Bhausahab Laxman Javale.

Lokmanya Tilak changed the festival from a private celebration to a grand public event "to bridge the gap between Brahmins and non-Brahmins and find an appropriate context in which to build a new grassroots unity between them"

Lord Ganesha is also worshiped in Thailand, Cambodia, Indonesia, Afghanistan, Nepal and China.

Source: India Today

Good news!!

Aspiring young writers from 15yrs to 30yrs age group are invited to share their creative work with
THE HULAHUL TIMES
For their Youngistan supplement.

Mail Your Article on
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YOUNGISTAAN

“A letter to someone who deserves all the love”

Dear favorite person,

Since I couldn't really DO anything brilliant and exciting for you on your special day, so I thought I'd write you a letter. And to be bluntly honest I am feeling particularly sappy, so I get to tell you how much I love you in a flabby million ways and you can't do shit about it. “Sticks my tongue out.” here are reasons why writing this letter seemed like a perfect gift -

1. I'm broke and unemployed
2. I love writing for you
3. You freaking deserve to know that you're awesome every now and then.

I have been working on this letter for a while now, so even if it's not up to the mark or maybe worst, you're kindly requested to keep those feelings to yourself. There's no love in this world quite like you. It has taken me a while to realize how incredibly lucky I am to have found someone like you. Just wrote this letter to thank you for stumbling in my life, my path and deciding to stay here. You never know where this next year will take you, but why should that ever stop you?

I hope this year you discover something new and exciting, hold onto what you've always loved and find something unexpected that will amaze you like nothing else because truly, those are the best surprises. Well just remember to take me with you if you are jumping on that bus, train or catching any plane to explore because you're not getting away from me that easily. Here's to another year of adventures rollercoaster ride called life. Here's to watching movies and music videos that will baffle me every time. Here's to the odd questions you always have to answers to. Here's to me being ridiculously complicated and stubborn whereas you being slightly less complicated but just as stubborn. Here's to knowing random facts about each other because obviously why not. Here's to finally find a perfect pizza, a beer and lots of sarcasm. Here's to another year to have each other.

Your cutting sarcasm and jokes make me laugh harder than I ever have. You make me smile so much. Your resilience and ambition, despite all the things life has thrown your way, inspires me every day to be a stronger person. Thank you for the constant reminders that I can do whatever I set my mind to, whether that's acing something or finishing a half-pound veggie burger. Thank you for listening to my rants because who else have guts to listen to them up. At last, you're my constant calm, the only person who keeps me grounded and the person I can count on no matter what. There's nobody I'd rather stumble through life with than you. You deserve this celebration and you deserve all the happiness in this world. You deserve me and rest all person who are in your life. You deserve it all.

With love,

A soul walking life with you

- Khushali Changela

A MATTER OF PERCEPTION

Some people are like sunshine
They enter our lives and make everything bright.
But, never forget that too much sunshine
Can harm, it can kill.

For a moment time stands still
Demons giggle from hell
When our thoughts grill
And our words begin to kill.

Our impression about people
Is our perception.
Don't blame another for not meeting
Your expectations.

If you want to stand out
Don't just walk out, first try it out.

-Shraddha Rajeev Ganiga

No matter how pretty

The cage is

nobody likes to be in it.



- Shraddha Ganiga

YOUNGISTAAN

My World: Meri 'Aai'

"God could not be everywhere, and therefore he made mothers". I truly believe in this quote by Rudyard Kipling.

As is commonly understood , a woman enters motherhood by giving birth to a child, raising him, feeding him and nurturing him with affection and care. Mothers have been valued all through history. However in my opinion, it is not necessary for a woman to give birth to a child in order to experience motherhood. In fact, motherhood goes beyond childbirth.

Among the best art forms in the world in music & no music compares with the lullabies of mothers. They give solace and security to a child .We should stop attributing motherhood to selflessness and sacrifice. She has enough strength, patience, and love for the child that gives her the pleasure to play the role of mother. Motherhood gives her joy and it's a privilege for her to raise her child. Everything about her child appeals to her. Mothers have divine characteristics with which they nurture their child that no one else can match. The value and importance of a mother in life cannot be described in words. Mothers role is priceless. The baby at first feeds upon the mother's bosom, but it is always on her heart.

There is no comparison to the role that a mother plays in our life. She is always the most special person in her child's life.

*One word 'Mother',
Compare it with no other.
First word of an infant,
Last word of a brave.
One word 'Mother' from the cradle to the grave.
So cherish her while she's living.
Divine, giving and forgiving.*

-Yash Surve

WORD SEARCH

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Words

- Basketball
- Football
- Hockey
- Rowing
- Cricket
- Badminton
- Javelin
- Boxing
- Archery
- Netball
- Running
- Karate
- Swimming
- Taekwondo
- Judo
- Rugby
- Gymnastics
- Tennis
- Cycling
- Volleyball
- Wrestling

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