PONDICHERRY HERITAGE FESTIVAL
5th-7th February 2016

Day 1- Friday, 5th February 2016

6:30am - 7am
Suprabhatam by Aneesh Raghavan
& **Invocation by Dr. Ashwini Bhide**
Venue: Gandhi Statue

10am - 1pm: A Dialogue with Conservation Experts on our Built Heritage.
Venue: Chamber of Commerce Conference Hall, 1, Rue Suffren
2pm - 4pm: Discussion On The Future of Pondicherry's Built Heritage: One year after the Mairie's collapse
Venue: Institut Français de Pondichéry, 11, Rue Saint Louis
6pm-6:30pm: Inauguration of Children's Interactive Exhibition & Interactive Mapping by Dir. UNESCO
Venue: Crafts Bazaar at Gandhi Thidal
6:30pm - 9pm: Inaugural Function and **Bharatanatyam** Performance by Pondicherry Dancer Krithiga R.
Venue: Gandhi Thidal

Day 2- Saturday 6th Feb 2016

6:30am - 9am: Urban Forest Walk (Swadeshi Mills).
7am - 7:45am: Thevaram, Thiruvasagam, Pasuram at Kalatheeswarar Temple, Mission Street

10am -1pm: Conservation and Restoration of the Natural Heritage of Pondicherry
Venue: Chamber of Commerce Conference Hall, 1, Rue Suffren
2pm - 4pm: Heritage of the Performing Arts: in conversation with dancers, musicians and theatre people.
Venue: La Maison Tamoule, Old 36, New 44 Vysial Street
5pm - 6pm: **Performances by Special Needs Children. Venue**: Gandhi Thidal
6.30pm - 7pm: Odissi dance by Aneesh Raghavan. Venue: GRATITUDE Heritage, 52 Rue Romain Rolland
7:30pm - 9pm: Caribbean Music with a touch of soul & jazz by French singer/songwriter Erika Lernot
Venue: AFP auditorium, Rue Suffren

Day 3-Sunday 7th February 2016

6:30am -11am: Bird Watching at Puducherry's Wetland,
7am - 7:45am: Young students singing compositions of Pondicherry connected poets

10am -1pm: Heritage through the Written Word: Saiva Aagamas, Sangam literature; Poetry of the Alvars; Thevaram, Ananda Rangapillai; Sri Aurobindo and The Mother; Subramania Bharati; Bharathidasan & contemporary Pondicehrry writers. **Venue:** Institut Français de Pondichéry, 11, Rue Saint Louis
2pm - 4pm: Heritage of the Visual Arts in conversation with painters, sculptors, photographers & potters
Venue: 25 Rue Dumas
5pm - 6pm: Children's Heritage Event: Traditional & Modern performances by children of Sanjeevi Nagar & Alankuppam **Venue:** Gandhi Thidal
6pm - 7pm: Musical Performance by the Adishakti Group. **Venue:** Cluny Embroidery, Rue Romain Rolland
7.30pm - 9pm: Closing Ceremony: A celebration of natural heritage through dance by Poojarini Chowdhury's students from Anegundi Heritage village and Lycee Francais de Pondicherry. **Venue:** Gandhi Thidal.

Events through the three-day Festival 5th to 7th February 2016

CRAFT BAZAAR: Exploring local heritage, interactive exhibition for children.
Opening Times- Friday 5th Feb 15:00- 21:00, Saturday 6th Feb 14:00 - 21:00, Sunday 7th Feb 12 - 20:00
INTACH's exhibition panels to engage children in Heritage Conservation.
Photo Exhibition by Sebastian Cortes at Maison Columbani, Inauguration at 5:30pm on 5th February
Heritage Walks by Ashok, INTACH. Special access to heritage properties, both public and private.
Pondicherry artists 'Open Studio'. Sign up: http://pondicherryheritagefestival.org/open-artist-studios/

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