

Dear Schmitties, Dear Alumni and Dear Friends,


What is the essence of Indian culture? Is it the mesmerizing rhythms of classical music, the kaleidoscope of flavors in its cuisine, or the spirituality that permeates daily life? Is it the diversity of languages and traditions or the grandeur of its ancient architecture? This culture has produced some of the world's most profound philosophies, architectural marvels like the Taj Mahal, and iconic festivals like Diwali and Holi. Join us this semester to explore the captivating layers of India's cultural heritage, where the past harmoniously coexists with the present, offering a rich tapestry of experiences waiting to be uncovered. Together, we'll seek answers to the rich tapestry of customs, beliefs, and traditions that have shaped a nation and continue to captivate the world, providing a deeper understanding of this enchanting heritage. I am looking forward to seeing you.


Best Regards,




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Semester Overview

Wed, 11.10.2023 20:00 Uhr	Semester Opening Buffet
Wed, 18.10.2023 20:00 Uhr	1. House Assembly
Sat, 25.11.2023 18:00 Uhr	Beginning of Modern Marathi Drama
Wed, 06.12.2023 20:00 Uhr	2. House Assembly
Sat, 09.12.2023 19:00 Uhr	Indian Music Concert
Sat, 06.01.2024 17:00 Uhr	Cooking Workshop "Garam Masala"
Thu, 11.01.2024 20:00 Uhr	3. House Assembly
Sun, 21.01.2024 11:00 Uhr	Yoga Workshop



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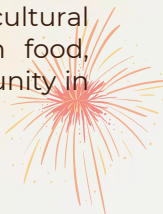
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Semester Trip - Berlin

09.11.2023 to 12.11.2023

This semester, our student trip goes to the big metropolis of Berlin. Berlin is known for its famous cultural institutions, which hold an international reputation. There are various galleries and museums in Berlin, one of which is the "Museum für Asiatische Kunst" where we plan to visit to see ancient India's sculptures, the old artifacts, and many more. The main highlight of our trip is that we are going to celebrate the big Indian festival "Diwali" - Festival of Lights where we will have cultural programmes, traditional clothes, Indian food, and more, with the largest Indian community in Germany.



Beginning of Modern Marathi Drama

25.11.2023
Dr. Anagha Mandavkar

Dr. Mandavkar is an Assistant Professor in D. G. Ruparel College of Arts, Science and Commerce, Mumbai. During her academic career her main focus has been on Marathi literature and Drama, Linguistics, different types and forms of Drama and study of communication. The topic of her PhD Thesis was "Study of Changes in the Form of Marathi Drama (1880 - 1974)". Besides her academic pursuits, she is also interested in cultural activities, performing arts and also in learning different languages. In this lecture, she will walk us through the Beginning Era of Modern Marathi Drama and its relation with the socio-cultural surroundings.

Experience the magic of Indian Classical Music

09.12.2023
Anubhab Academy

Indian Classical Music is a treasure hidden in rich traditions, intricate melodies, and profound rhythms that have captivated audiences for centuries. Rooted in ancient Indian scriptures and deeply embedded in the country's cultural heritage, this musical genre is a reflection of the soul of India. Come and immerse yourself in the enchanting world of Indian Classical Music, where the musicians from Anubhab Music Academy will transport you to the heart of India through their soul-stirring performances. This is an opportunity to witness the cultural richness and musical heritage of India right here in Cologne with the talented musicians of Anubhab Music academy.

Yoga Workshop

21.01.2023
Maximilian Herrmann

Maximilian came to yoga through his interest in movement and philosophy. In addition to preventing injuries for participants, the focus was also on exploring the psychological and physiological effects of yoga through guided lessons and self-study.

What does yoga have to do with the number 8? And what role do energy centers, also known as chakras, actually play? Can I breathe through both nostrils? And what exactly is enlightenment? In this workshop, we want to understand the essence of yoga a little better. There is more to discover than just body positions.

* Comfortable clothing and bringing your own yoga mat are recommended.

Garam Masala

06.01.24
Gaurav Sapkal

Gaurav Sapkal studies biophysics at the University of Cologne. He is fond of art, Indian classical music, and Hindu mythologies. Being curious from a young age, he also took an interest in cooking. He belongs to Pune, which is the cultural and traditional knowledge hub of "Maharashtra" state. He used to watch his mother cook delicious Indian food and started questioning every step, which piqued his interest even more and led him to pursue cooking as his hobby. Join us in this amazing workshop, where he will walk all of us through the journey of all the Indian spices.

