

## English Department Association Events 2018-2019

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### Activities:

On 13 November 2018, a Workshop on 'Media, Culture and Critical Thinking' was conducted for the students. Dr Ruma Sen was the resource person for the interactive session.

A Students' Seminar was organised for the students, who are involved in the Department Research Project of 'Memoirs', on 5 November. The students presented papers with their working titles where they examined the relationship between food, memories and self-formation.

On 31 October Dr Payal Nagpal and Mr Ankan Dhar organised a production of two plays by the second year students who have opted for the English GE Text and Performance. 'The Fault' and 'Swanuraag', each of approx 10 mins were conceptualised, scripted, directed and performed by students of various disciplines who were taught various theatrical systems and performed in front of the college as part of their practical demonstration.





A Students' Seminar was organised by Dr Payal Nagpal for the English Hons III Year students on 22 October. Dr Anand Prakash was invited as the Chief Guest to discuss the student presentations. Based on the theme of '19th Century European Realism' the papers focusing on areas like comparative analysis of Victor Hugo's short stories, cinematic adaptations of 19th century novels, thematic implications in the novels and biographical readings of texts.



On 10 October, the Association in collaboration with Iridescent, the creative writing society, conducted a Poetry Workshop. Ms Ananya Dasgupta was the resource person for the session.

A screening of A Streetcar Named Desire was organised for the students by the Association on 6 October.

On 3 October, the Association organised a Book-Jacket Designing Competition for the students. The event was judged by Ms Smita Mitra. Shahana Khatoon, Muskan Tyagi and Udisha Bhati received the first, second and third prize, respectively. Himanshi Duseja received a certificate of special mention. The entries were displayed on the wall of Room 13.



Ms Sanjukta Naskar organised a screening of *Through the Looking Glass* for the English Hons Second Year students on 1 October 2018. On 28 September, Mr Ankan Dhar organised a presentation and discussion on the Indian classical technique of acting - abhinaya, for the Second Year students of GE Text and Performance.

The prize distribution ceremony of Atul Krishna Binodini Devi Creative Writing Competition was held on 19 September 2018. Nishtha Arora from Shaheed Bhagat Singh College (Morning) received the first prize. Shahana Khatoon and Himanshi Duseja received the second and third prize, respectively. Yamini Negi and Yashkirti were awarded Special Mention prizes. The students were addressed by the Principal, former Principal Dr Aruna Chakravarti and the judges of the competition, Ms Anjali Deshpande and Ms Saira Mujtaba.



On 12 September, the Atul Krishna Binodini Devi Creative Writing competition was organised. This year's genre was Chat Fiction. Students from various courses of the college, as well students from across institutions of Delhi participated.



English Hons II year students - Yamini Negi, Alveena, Sohini Hazra and Oishee Roy attended a panel discussion titled 'Is there a secret sauce to democracy?' at the India Habitat Centre to commemorate the International Day of Democracy on 10 September. The panel discussion was organised by the British Council. On the same day, Dr Antara Datta organised a screening of *The French Lieutenant's Wife* for English Hons III students.

On 8 September the Association organised a Turncoat Debate for English Hons students. The topic was 'English Literature is now, Literature in Translation. The judges were Dr Sudha Upadhyay and Ms Ruchika Bhatia. The first prize was won by Bhavya Pathak and Gitanjali S Pillai, the second prize by Nitika Yadav and Ritigya Malik and the third prize by Oishee Roy. Muskan Tyagi received a Special mention prize.





Mr Ankan Dhar organised a screening and discussion on the folk theatre form of Chhau for students of GE II year Text and Performance course on 31 September.



The students of the three years held elections amongst themselves to elect the Student Office-



bearers. Muskan Kashyap is the President, Yamini Negi is the Vice-President and Avneet Kaur is the Secretary of the Association. The Executive Members are Kritika Mahajan, Anahita Kampani, Shraddha Maggu and Muskan Malhotra.



On 30 August the Association organised a Freshers' Welcome for the English Hons I year students. The Principal and the Teacher-in-charge formally welcomed them to the department. Dr Antara Datta screened Beloved for the English Hons II year students on 28 August.



On 16 August the department organised a farewell lunch for Ms Rita Sinha, who retired on 17 August 2018.





Ms Tarini Pandey organised a screening of *The Birdcage* for English Hons II year as Drag as Subversive with reference to *Funny Boy* (Paper VI) in room 13 on 14 August 2018.

