

## **ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES (2016-2017)**

### **Workshop on “French through songs”**

The Department of Foreign Languages organized a workshop “French through songs” for the B.A. French students on 30th September 2016 from 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. at Vis.Com Preview theatre.

### **A French Music group from France called NYNA VALES conducted the workshop.**

The workshop was organized by the Department of Foreign Languages and the Office of the Pays de la Loire Region in France. The group consists of Nathalie Carudel the lead singer, Yann Sevel , singer, composer and musician and Guillaume Ozanne, singer and musician. After a brief introduction of the group by Ms. Kamala Govindarajan, Director of the Office de la Pays de la Region in Chennai, the group animated the session with their performance. The students were made to sing the song along with them from their song sheets after explaining the meaning of the verses. At the end of the session, the French musicians requested the students to sing Carnatic music songs. It was a cultural exchange for the students as well as the French musicians. The workshop turned out to be interesting and useful to the students.



*The French music group “Nyna Vales” at the workshop*



### **RENDEZ-VOUS WITH FRENCH STUDENTS**

15 Students and 2 professors from the Lycée Saint-Louis Sainte-Marie near Marseille in the south of France visited our college on 6<sup>th</sup> February at 3.30 p.m. The Department organized a RENDEZ-VOUS with the students of B.A.French and the French group. The French group was given a Tamil welcome with garlands, flowers and vermillion by the students of B.A.French. After a brief introduction about the Tamil Culture and civilization, a Bharatanatyam and Oyilattam were performed by the students of B.A.French. This was followed by an exchange of knowledge about both the countries. The French students were very happy to have a taste of our rich and ancient tradition.



*French student's interaction with the Indian students*



#### **4 DAY WORKSHOP: “ATELIER EN FRANCAIS ET EN ALLEMAND”**

**BECOME A GLOBAL CITIZEN:** The workshop on « Become a global citizen » was conducted at the LIFE auditorium at 11p.m. on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017. Prof. Subha Ravi, German Professor, University of Madras spoke on the increasing demand for the foreign languages such as German and French, in the IT sector and various other fields. The workshop was interactive and lively. Mrs Subha Ravi enriched the students with a lot of examples of the day to day life and encouraged us to do even the little things with perfection. The students gained a lot of knowledge about the advantages of learning German which be of greater use in their career path.

**ACTIVITÉS ORALES EN CLASSE DE FLE:** The workshop “Activités Orales en Classe de FLE” was conducted at the Vis.Com Preview Theatre by Sarah Behrali, Directrice, Alliance Francaise of Madras on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2017. In this workshop Prof Sarah came up with three different activities which helped the students to improve their communicative skills. The first activity was based on grammar “passé composé” followed by the next activity based on the vocabulary and the third activity was on communication skills.



*Mme. Sarah Belrahi, Directrice Alliance Francaise de Madras*



**LA VIE POLITIQUE ACTUELLE EN FRANCE:** The workshop “la vie politique actuelle en France” was conducted by Prof. Ramya Sundar, Assistant Professor in French, University of Madras. As France will be electing their President in the month of May, Professor Ramya spoke about French politics and the upcoming elections.



*Prof. Ramya, Assistant Professor, University of Madras*





COMMENT APPRECIER LA POESIE FRANCAISE: The workshop "Comment apprecier la poesie Francaise" was conducted by Prof. Srunika Kannan, Assistant Professor in French, and University of Madras. Prof. Srunika taught the B.A.French the different ways of appreciating poetry with different examples.

### **Oral Fluency in French**

Dr.Arunkumar Santhalingam, Director, Lingua Mystica, Pondicherry conducted a one day workshop on "Oral Fluency in French "for the second language and the B.A.French students. He gave tips to improve spoken French that the students found very useful

Atelier Pedagogique de Madras

- The Department conducted a one day regional workshop for the French professors of schools and colleges at Loyola College in collaboration with IATF( Indian Association of Teachers of French) along with the Insitut Francais en Inde on "*Utiliser les applications mobiles pour mobiliser les apprenants de FLE*", Srunika Kannan, Assistant Professor, University de Madras.
- *Travailler la phonétique et la prononciation en classe*, Amrita Raghunandan, Vice-President d of Indian Association of Teachers of French.

## **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE STAFF**

The Department of Foreign Languages has successfully completed the UGC Minor project on Econtent-course textbook for the II and III year B.A. French students.

This academic year 6 B.A. French students have gone to France on the exchange programme to Lille and Angers for one semester.

## **STAFF PARTICIPATION IN FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**

### **INTERNATIONAL**

Dr. Durga Devi and Prof. Maria Priya attended a 15 day Faculty development program as part of the MOU with the Institut Albert le Grand , Angers in France from 5<sup>th</sup> May to 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017. They gave a seminar on Indian culture and civilization to the students of the French University during that period

Prof. Pauline Roberts attended a Faculty Development program at CEFOLIAC Beaulieu-sur-mer in France from 8<sup>th</sup> May to 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

### **NATIONAL LEVEL FDP**

Dr. Abarna Roy and Prof. Mithiya John attended a 5 day FDP conducted by CIEP France, Institut Francais en Inde in Goa University, Goa from 22<sup>nd</sup> May to 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

Dr. Abarna Roy, Head, Department of Foreign Languages was selected by the French Embassy in India to attend a 14 day training programme-BELC d'ete in Nantes in France in the month of July.

Prof. Pauline Roberts attended a Faculty Development program at CEFOLIAC Beaulieu-sur-mer in France from 8<sup>th</sup> May to 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

Dr. Abarna Roy presented a paper on "Oral production and Oral comprehension in a French class" at the International multilingual conference "Language Teaching: Challenges encountered and solutions proposed" on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of September 2016.

Dr. Abarna Roy gave a guest lecture on "Civilisation Francaise" at Shasun Jain college for Women on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

Dr. Abarna Roy conducted a guest lecture on "Les Activites Ludiques" at Avinashilingam University of Women on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

Dr. Abarna Roy presented a paper on "Dupuis adigalarin irakka seygal" at the National Conference on "Dupuis adigalarin Punitha valzhvum , Seermigu Panigalum" at Idhaya Arts and Science College, Pondicherry.

Prof. Issac Francis attended a regional conference "La formation Pedagogique" at PSGR Krishnammal College for Women, Coimbatore on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2016.

Prof. Mithya John attended a two day National Seminar on "Patrick Mondiano et la Quete du Passe" at the University of Madras on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of February 2017.

Prof.Mithya John attended a one day workshop on Phonetics and Diction at the University of Madras on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017.

Prof. Durga Sridharan has attended a two day National Seminar on “Patrick Mondiano et la Quete du Passe” at the University of Madras on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of February 2017.

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Dr. Jayanthi Chandrasekar gave a guest lecture on “Business Journalism” on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at MOP Vaishnav College for Women.

Dr.Jayanthi Chandrasekar published a poem in EFFLORESCENCE 2016 brought out by the Chennai poet’s circle, Chennai called “Changing Colours” on the cyclonic storm in Tamil Nadu

Dr.Jayanthi Chandrasekar wrote an article in the Businessline newspaper on June 22, 2016, on French connection.

Dr.Durga Devi and Prof. Maria Priya gave guest lectures to the student of IRCOM, Angers ,  
France.



FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM – DR.DURGA DEVI AND PROF. MARIA PRIYA



FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM – PROF. PAULINE ROBERTS IN FRANCE