

INAUGURATION OF LOYOLA PHYSICS ASSOCIATION

Date: July 15, 2023

Time: 8.30 a.m.

Venue: LS Hall

The LS Hall at Loyola College was alive with excitement on July 15, 2023, as the inauguration of the Loyola Physics Association took place. The event commenced with a beautiful prayer song, setting a serene and enthusiastic ambiance. The UG choir then graced the occasion with a soul-stirring rendition of "Thamil Thai Valthu," invoking feelings of patriotism and unity.

Dr. J. Madhavan, the Head of the Department, extended a warm welcome to the gathering. He expressed his delight at the presence of the chief guest, Mr. Anthony B. J. Ruban, an alumnus of the department. Dr. Madhavan fondly recalled his time spent with Mr. Ruban and his classmates during their college days, reminiscing about their shared academic journey.

During the event, Mr. Ruban, who served as the chief guest of honour, was felicitated by Dr. Madhavan, Dr. Merline Shyla, the Dean of Research, and Dr. Sreekumari, the president of the Loyola Physics Association. The investiture ceremony followed, during which the newly elected office bearers took their oath and officially assumed their respective roles within the association.

Dr. Dinesh Raja, a distinguished faculty member, introduced Mr. Ruban to the audience, lauding his outstanding achievements and contributions to the field of sound design and audiography in the world of cinema. The stage was then handed over to Mr. Ruban, who delivered a captivating speech, inspiring the students with his journey and experiences.

Mr. Ruban spoke eloquently about the significance of sound in the realm of cinema and media, shedding light on how it enhances storytelling and emotional engagement for the audience. He shared anecdotes of his collaborations with

various renowned directors, including his classmate, Mr. Brahma, and how each project posed unique challenges and opportunities for creativity. He also shared the captivating moment of holding the Oscar from the documentary "Elephant Whisperers."

The interactive session that followed allowed students to engage with Mr. Ruban directly, asking questions and seeking advice. His insightful responses left the audience enriched and motivated to pursue their passions fearlessly.

The event concluded on a patriotic note, with everyone standing together as one to sing the national anthem, symbolising the unity and pride of being part of Loyola College.

The inauguration of the Loyola Physics Association was undeniably a resounding success, thanks to the presence and inspiring words of Mr. Anthony B. J. Ruban. The event not only celebrated the achievements of an illustrious alumnus but also served as a source of encouragement and aspiration for the current students to follow their dreams and make their mark in their chosen fields.

The Loyola Physics Association, with its newly inducted office bearers, is now poised to embark on a journey of exploration, learning, and growth, driven by the legacy of its distinguished alumni and the vision of its dedicated faculty. With the bar set high by Mr. Ruban's achievements, the association is bound to flourish as it continues to foster a passion for physics and scientific inquiry among its members.

